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Photo by Jenna Tur

**TWO MORE** 

**COACHES GONE.** 

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These three were among a number of protesters who turned up at NAIT last Friday to show their disapproval of a proposal to suspend 13 programs, including Captioning and Court Reporting.



# **NEWS&FEATURES A reprieve for programs**

#### By DARRYLANN HUTCHINGS

NAIT's Academic Council gathered Friday morning to reach a decision.

Thirteen programs faced possible suspension, and the expansion of four others was also discussed.

Geoff Tate, president of the NAIT Students' Association, called the decision "bittersweet."

"It's been a heck of a week for a lot of the staff and students here, and that should not happen," he said. His association then put out a public statement titled "NAITSA unsurprised by Shaw's backpedalling."

#### Staff and students gathered

The meeting began just after 10 on Friday morning. Staff and students gathered to hear the fate of the programs in question.

NAIT President Dr. Sam Shaw made a brief speech asking fellow members of the committee and voting students to not allow the cuts to be made and to vote No.

After a unanimous vote against suspending the programs, it was clear to many that things could have been handled in a better way.

"The programs now have a fair chance to be reviewed in the formal process that should have happened in the first place," Tate explained.

#### Individual review

"[They] are now going to be put up for review by a special committee through the formal process and it will review them individually and come to a decision"

In an e-mail sent to all staff after Friday's decision, Shaw addressed the issue at hand.

"We will now revisit our 2010-11 budget to identify other ways to address the remaining \$2.86-million budget gap, and if this is not possible, we may need to draw upon our reserve to deal with this shortfall. In light of

this, we will push back the date of the May Board of Governors meeting, and the meeting agenda will not include any recommendations on program suspensions."

There was great interest in Friday's proceedings.

"At the last minute we tried to get a larger meeting room, and couldn't due to the lack of notice," said Tate.

Many people around campus have mixed emotions about Friday's meeting. Although they are happy that the programs are not being suspended, some feel that they can no longer trust Dr. Shaw.

An anonymous commenter on the *Edmonton Journal* website was a little more blunt in assessing the situation. "[Dr. Shaw] just dropped the ball and

expects that his fellow executives will deal with the aftermath, and that all things would be resolved by the time he returns. What kind of leadership is that? I hope that the Board of Governors will have a close look at what's happening at NAIT and make a decision to make things right. NAIT is in the middle of a collapse. No morale exists whatsoever."

Another upset person, who signed off as a teacher, addressed the school's senior executive directly.

"You seem to imply that you, the president of the third largest learning institution in



People leave the meeting of Academic Council Friday and are met with television cameras.

Alberta, had no responsibility for what transpired," the person wrote.

Staff in the threatened programs were told about the proposals on April 8, one day before the Academic Council was supposed to vote on the motion. The vote was postponed until this past Friday, but 50 staff were still asked to decide whether to accept a redundancy package by April 15.

That was a necessary, standard procedure because the staff's collective agreement requires a certain number of weeks' notice before the summer break, said NAIT spokesperson Rayne Kuntz.

But to some, it felt too hasty.

"They're asking people to make major life decisions before the decision is even made," said Marine Service Technology instructor Jack Lusk.

Staff members were told that, as long as they agreed, the redundancy forms would be ripped up if the suspension proposals were voted down.

Tate was unimpressed.

"Mistakes were made and someone needs to be held accountable for that," he said.

Many people in the 'unlucky 13' programs agree with Tate, and will await the Board of Governors meeting in May to see what happens next.

# **Demonstrators get their wish**

#### **By GRAHAM McCANN**

Protesters against the suspension of NAIT's Captioning and Court Reporting Program breathed a sigh of relief on Friday.

Students were joined by the deaf and hard of hearing community in the hallways of NAIT on April 16 in expressing their displeasure with the proposed suspension of the program, which is the only one of its kind in a public institution in Canada.

"It's really disappointing," explained first year court reporting student Angie Boychuk.

"It's a really good program and what happens to all the people that applied for next year? That's people's futures and it's just a disappointment."

Holding signs saying things like "I Love my Court Reporter and Captioner," members of the deaf and hard of hearing community said that they are highly reliant on the Captioning and Court Reporting Program. Fortunately for students and staff in the program, as well as those in the 12 other programs that were on the chopping block, the motion to suspend them was voted down unanimously. The decision was followed by cheers from the 200 staff and students in attendance in the boardroom, as well as the few dozen protesters gathered outside in the NAIT hallways.

The suspensions were being discussed as a result of the school's budget problems, namely an announced budget shortfall of over \$12 million.

The Captioning and Cour Reporting course costs NAIT approximately \$26,000 per student to maintain, according to statistics provided by the institution.

The program teaches students to type 225 words per minute on

a 16-key shorthand stenography machine.

Students in the CCR program eventually use these skills in careers such as court reporting and writing for closed-captioning on television, or to record things such as business meetings and lectures. Top grads boast an approximately 98 per cent accuracy rating on average. Captioning and Court Reporting is only one of the 13 courses that were on the line to be "suspended," a term which NAIT President Sam Shaw said is more appropriate than "cut," because the programs might not have to be taken out permanently if the decision was made.

For the time being, that scenario is now one which the protesting staff and students will not have to face.

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#### **NEWS AND FEATURES**

### **Strained relations NAITSA** fears eviction after agreements with NAIT terminated



#### **LINDA HOANG Assistant Issues Editor**

The relationship between NAIT and NAIT's Students' Association has never been worse, according to NAITSA President Geoff Tate.

This follows a comment made last week by Tate, in which he said the relationship between NAIT and NAIT's Students' Association is "strained."

In an interview with the Nugget Monday, Tate announced that the Students' Association has been handed papers stating the current contracts NAITSA has with NAIT will be terminated on Aug. 31, at which time a new contract will or will not be put in place pending negotiations from both parties.

"We can take it as an eviction notice," Tate said. "If we don't have

[a new contract] in place prior to Aug. 31, then [NAITSA] could be kicked off campus."

"We're very scared these negotiations aren't going to be negotiations at all."

However, while Tate feels the Students' Association could literally be kicked off campus for the 2010-11 school year if negotiations aren't successful, NAIT's Chief Financial Officer David Janzen has assured "that is not the case at all.

"The agreements that NAIT has with NAITSA are considerably outdated," Janzen explained.

have three working contracts, but NAIT would like to create one single contract, which is why termina-

refreshed and strengthened," he said. "We want to work with them. It's in everyone's best interests to work together and so we'll do that."

"You've got to work at every relationship to be positive," Janzen said. "I think really what we've just experienced is a challenging budget process that has been difficult on the organization."

Tate says the working relationship between the school and NAITSA has been plagued with "lack of communication" and "lack of consultations" with instances where Tate feels the school has belittled the Students' Association.

And the school year hasn't helped matters, as 2009-10 proved to be a challenging one for NAIT from news of tuition increases to last week's controversial proposals for program suspensions, as well as the technical institute's \$12-million budget shortfall.



Geoff Tate 'Lack of communication'

a very respective manner," Janzen said. "We value NAITSA as an organization."

"It's a complex year we've been through," Janzen said. "I look forward to hopefully a new day where we can look forward to a growth period within NAIT and more solid financial footing," Janzen said.

Tate says he also feels NAIT could try to punish NAITSA because the Students' Association unanimously voted no to the school's proposed program suspensions last Friday.

But Janzen has stressed that NAIT has always tried to be positive and maintain a level of professionalism when dealing with NAITSA.

"I think we've tried to always deal with everything in

For now, the school is hoping to have a single consolidated agree-

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**David Janzen** 

'We want to work with them'

He said currently the school and the Students' Association

tion of the old contracts is necessary. "The language [of the contracts] needs to be better reviewed and ment in place effective Sept. 1.

# Staff confused by 'flip-flop'

#### **By JEFF CUMMINGS**

NAIT's Academic Staff Association says it's relieved that plans to suspend 13 full-time the suspensions, and to programs were nixed last week.

But NASA Communications Vice President Bruce Scott says the move is still confusing for the association since NAIT CEO Dr. Sam Shaw was in favour of the cuts before last week's Academic Council meeting

It was reported that Shaw encouraged all members to vote against the plan last week. Shaw also released a memo to all staff about plans to "temporally suspend" the programs, but there was no mention on when the programs would be brought back.

But Shaw told reporters after last week's meeting that "due process wasn't followed," because NAIT had to cope with a \$10-million shortfall in provincial funding during a very short time frame.

"Like a lot of staff, I'm a bit confused and

surprised by the flip-flop," said Scott. "To hear him come out and speak against ter," said Scott.

acknowledge that due process wasn't followed, it's good. But it's extremely confusing, we honestly thought he was behind the proposed suspensions "

The programs will now be reviewed in January 2011 by the school's program excellence committee and Scott says NASA will play an active role in those recommendations before it's sent to NAIT's Academic Council

nors will make the final decision on possible program cuts.

"This has been a human resources disas-

"You have a lot of people who are very hurt among the staff," he said.

"They were told 'you are no longer required,' and then within a week they are told, 'wait a minute: vou've got one more year left. We'll review this in a year or so.""

Programs that were on the chopping block include the Avionics Engineering program, Court Reporting, Graphic Sign Arts, and the Marine Service Tech program. The move would have axed roughly 50 instructors and affected close to 700 students.

**Bruce Scott** 

NAIT's Board of Gover-'Human resources disaster'

#### **NEWS & FEATURES**

# Cinda's TechTalk Polaroid's Comeback



LINDA HOANG Assistant Issues Editor

This is the year classic instant photos with the quintessential white border around the picture that everyone knows and can't help love, is making a comeback.

A group of former Polaroid camera employees banded together to form "The Impossible Project," and saved the last Polaroid production plant in the Netherlands two years ago. Last month they announcd they've finally and successfully re-invented and restored classic instant film, giving new life back to those old Polaroid cameras that may be sitting in your house collecting dust.

The Impossible Project says it "aim[s] to restart production of analog instant film for vin-

tage Polaroid cameras in 2010." And it certainly looks like it's doing just that.

It's been only a month since they started selling instant cameras and film worldwide and one look at their website http://the-impossibleproject.com shows you that every single camera is currently out of stock. The very cool,

clunky and retrolooking cameras range from a \$96 US "Procam" up to a \$332 US Polaroid SX70 Original,



Former employees have saved Polaroid's production plant in Poland.

described as "the comeback of a legend." As well, at the 2010 International Consumer Electronics Show in January, Polaroid unveiled

> their new instant print camera model lineup. These products were described as the "long-awaited return of classic Polaroid instant film" along with a modern version of instant film, and even an instant digital film line.

I'm something of an amateur photographer myself and I own a vintage Polaroid instant film camera, the Polaroid 600 Land camera. Last week I had the urge to go out and buy film to take

some fun old-style pictures, but was told that Polaroid instant film is no longer in production.

This led me to research online and discover the wondrousness of The Impossible Project, and the news that Polaroid itself is planning on making its comeback. Soon, I'll not only be able to use my original Polaroid classic camera, but I guarantee I'll be stalking The Impossible Project's website and ordering up one of their cameras as soon as they're in stock again.

And I doubt I'm alone.

The revival of instant film is sure to be noticed and catch on quite quickly.

It's really great to see that instant film, something made popular over 50 years ago, is still going strong.

Side note, did you know Lady Gaga was appointed new creative director of Polaroid back in January? She's the "new face" of Polaroid, apparently. So once the brand's instant product lineup starts rolling out this summer, with commercials or billboards and other advertisements, I imagine we'll be seeing a lot more of Gaga than we are even now.

# Party loyalty? Not so much



#### POLITICALLY SPEAKING RYAN FLAHERTY Issues Editor

If you've had a bit of David Bowie running through your head lately, you're not alone. After all, in a province which has seen the same party in power for over four decades, you too might be taken aback by all the ch-ch-changes taking place on the Alberta political landscape. First, it was ol' Ralphie-boy finally taking his leave from the premier's office, making way for the embattled Ed Stelmach, whose future seems shakier with each passing week. In recent months, the province has seen the emergence of the Wildrose Alliance, a self-declared reasonable alternative party for voters disenchanted with the PCs. In another time, such a party might come and go without so much as a whimper, but more often we are getting the sense that a major shift is in progress here in Alberta.

The latest example of this political re-alignment comes in the person of Dave Taylor, who in a bit of a twist announced that he was leaving not the PCs (like Rob Anderson and Heather Forsyth, who did so earlier this year), but the opposition Liberals. Taylor did not join Anderson and Forsyth in the WRA; rather, he will represent his Calgary-area constituency as an independent for the time being. However, there is some speculation that Taylor will in fact try to form yet another new party to challenge the Tories' grip on provincial power.

One thing Taylor's move certainly accomplishes is the further destabilization of the state of Alberta politics. The

Liberals are in many ways the Official Opposition in name only. After all, Taylor's defection drops them down to just eight seats in the Legislature, and what little voice they have will only dwindle along with their numbers. With the Wil-

drose holding three seats, and the NDP two, as well as independents Taylor and Guy Boutilier, they collectively have nearly as much power as the Liberals.

Some might argue that this fracturing of the minority parties only serves to strengthen the PCs' position, but there is a larger game afoot, and the Wildrose is – appropriately – the wild card in the equation.

Simply put, the momentum built by the WRA over the past while makes it seem inevitable that one of two things will happen over the next few years. Either Conservatives will continue to jump ship for the fledgling party, or – and this is the more likely outcome – the Tories will be defeated by the Wildrose bunch in the next provincial election. Now, the

debate over whether that will signal a true political culture shift in Alberta or not is only beginning; many feel that the WRA is just the PC party under another name.

But back to Dave Taylor. During his exit speech, he declared that his man reason for leaving the Liberals was



**Dave Taylor** 

that he felt that there was growing disenchantment amongst the party faithful regarding head man David Swann's leadership. To add a little salt to the wounds, he chose to blindside the Liberals, giving no warning of his impending depar-

> ture and instead choosing to inform them via his press conference. Some Liberals say that ever since losing the party leadership race to Swann, Taylor has been bitter and disillusioned. The speculation over whether he might try to start his own party was fuelled by Taylor's decision to speak to the media in front of campaign-style signage featuring the phrase "Putting Albertans First".

> For me, however, the main question I'd like answered by Taylor is whether he consulted his Calgary constituents before deciding they'd be better served by an independent member without the benefit of any political affiliation. If his own party had to wait until a press conference to hear he was leaving, it's not likely

the people whose interests he's supposed to represent had any inkling either.

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So is Taylor truly putting Albertans first, or himself? Count me among those who will follow Taylor's moves over the next couple of years to find out.

# OPINION

#### — Editorial —

# Where does the buck stop?



The 13 NAIT programs that were on the chopping block have been saved. Last week, prior to the Academic Council making a decision on the matter, NAIT President and CEO Dr. Sam Shaw asked members of the council not to pass the proposal, which his executive team had submitted only weeks ago.

When the proposal was made,

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

Shaw was more than 1,000 miles away getting a tan in Hawaii. Must be nice to have the time to take a vacation. It's not like NAIT is millions of dollars in deficit or anything, so clearly there's no work to be done. All I know is Shaw's legs must be sore; backpedaling all the way home from Hawaii must be tiring. The president's return to campus, coupled with his program-saving speech, almost made him appear like NAIT's knight in shining armour. At least I'm sure that's what NAIT Corporate Communications would like us to think. Unfortunately for them, and Shaw, I was not born yesterday, and find his attempt to make it appear that he cared about the institution nothing more than an insult to my intelligence.

#### Not fully aware?

I, unfortunately, was in class during the Academic Council's decision so I'm not sure exactly what Shaw said, but from what I have been told (yes NASA, I am basing something else on hearsay ... this is not a criminal trial, get over it), he made statements implying he was not fully aware the program cuts were going to be submitted to the Academic Council. I'm not sure what is worse, knowing members of the executive attempted to push through an important matter that would affect the lives of numerous students and staff, behind the back of the president; or thinking the president knew all along what was unfolding, and now is trying to play us all for fools. When you consider the fact faculty members had received redundancy packages, I find it hard to believe Shaw didn't know what was going on. Either way, Corporate Communications is going to have their work cut out for them, as this whole predicament has tarnished the credibility of our executive administration, and in turn the institution itself. Way to represent, guys! If Corporate Communications handled this situation the same way they've handled themselves over the past year, chances are they will do nothing. Oh, I'm sorry, maybe they'll put up some shiny posters around the school like they did in an attempt to mitigate the damage caused by the administration kicking around a 40 per cent tuition raise.

#### How did it play out?

If Dr. Shaw is being 100 per cent honest about being clueless that his staff was trying to clean house, I think the rest of the institution should take note and seriously consider the events that transpired over the last few weeks. What does this say about his management abilities? As soon as he leaves campus, members of his administration try to cut programs, and if you choose to take his speech seriously it is would appear that cutting programs was not something Shaw was considering. I expect a few heads to roll when he returns again from his vacation. If heads don't start rolling, I would suspect his speech was just a way to cover his newly Hawaiian tanned ass. But I must say it was nice to hear him say something and finally take a public position -- "no comment" gets so exhausting. That is the first time I think I've seen him display any real leadership. Even though I'm sure he's had many obvious acts of leadership, that is not the perception out there, and you know what they say -"perception is reality." His next act should include a personnel change.

This is not the first time Dr. Shaw has had issues at an institution. When serving as President at Keewatin Community College, Shaw had five senior administrators file a complaint with that institution's board of governors, which dealt with "very serious issues of personnel, of administration, of accounting, of financial mismanagement." In reading the Manitoba government's Hansard from May of 1997, conveniently a few months before Shaw came to NAIT, it continues to discuss program cuts that occurred at the college due to the budget shortfalls. Wait a minute, program cuts, financial mismanagement and administration problems? This is all starting to sound a little too familiar. I wonder if Dr. Shaw knew about the program cuts at his previous institution? Or maybe those

decisions were made while he was on a vacation as well. I could be crazy, but I'm starting to see a trend. Shaw's last institution suffered from money troubles and administration

problems, now NAIT is suffering from the same issues. Let's play a little game and pinpoint the common variable. I'll give you a hint; it starts with 'S' and ends with 'haw.'



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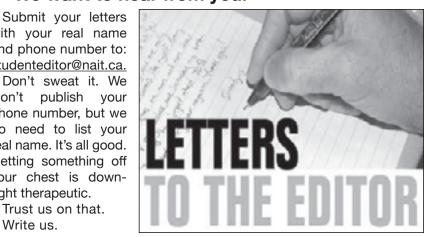
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your chest is downright therapeutic. Trust us on that. Write us.



# SPORTS Women's b-ball coach axed



Stories by TAYLOR POLLMANN **Sports Editor** 

NAIT Athletics has announced women's basketball coach Curtis Nelson will no longer remain with the team.

Curtis has coached the Ooks for the last five years with the latter of those two on a full-time contract. During his tenure at NAIT, Nelson has not only managed to assemble a respectable team in competition but off the court as well. The women Ooks have put on various fundraising events throughout the four years of his commitment, including the Ook Pink Awareness game.

The team's recent lack of success on the court, however, led to the decision by NAIT Athletics not to renew Nelson's contract.

"My director [Linda Henderson] decided his record was not up to snuff, so the decision was to move in a different direction," Athletic Co-ordinator Gregg Meropoulis said this week

With the move, the future of the recruits signed by Nelson has become an issue.

"Right now, we are in the process of contacting the recruits Curtis had, which were quite a few," Meropoulis stated.

Some of those recruits are standout point guard Janice Phung from British Columbia and former ACAC all-star Cassandra Penner, who has been playing for the cross town Grant Mac-Ewan Griffins. While the timing may have not been the best for a change, Meropoulis insisted it never is.

"With any change in coaching, you've got some challenges," he said.

There is no word yet on whether any players will still remain with the school or move onto competing programs.

Besides recruiting concerns, the coaching change has left some questions as to whether



Former Ooks women's basketball coach Curtis Nelson gives his charges some pointers during a time out in a game in the NAIT gym in February 2009.

the team's star player and the CCAA all-time leading scorer in the sport will remain with the program. Dale-Marie Cumberbatch has played all of her four seasons under the leadership of Nelson, who also happens to be her stepfather.

"I will respect Dale-Marie if she decides not to continue with us," Meropoulis said. "She's been a part of the program, the face of NAIT basketball for four years and more recently the public relations face for NAIT as well."

Cumberbatch has one year of eligibility left in her student-athlete career. While the loss of Cumberbatch would be a significant blow to the team, Meropoulis believes the mindset from the get-go was to put together a team that wouldn't be hobbled by the loss of a single athlete.

"We were trying to build a team that wouldn't rely so heavily on one person."

The search for a new coach will commence immediately. The Athletics department hopes to have a new coach in place by June 1, a goal they feel is very achievable.

"It's a professional job, the pay is well and we will attract attention from lots of people," Meropoulis said.

NAIT is the only college in Canada that offers full-time pay to its athletic coaching staff. The women's basketball position, however, isn't a walk in the park. The school's unique offering of male populated programs causes some issues in acquiring top-level recruits.

"It is a challenge in women's basketball at NAIT to attract people to a technical institute." Meropoulis commented.

## Latest pro soccer team unveiled

#### By TAYLOR POLLMANN Sports Editor

Another year, another professional soccer expansion team for the Capital region. Then as soon as they arrive, they fold and disappear. However, this may not be the case for the newly formed Edmonton FC, which will play in the brand new league of the NASL (North American Soccer League). The team, led by General Manager Mel Kowalchuk and owners Dave and Tom Fath, may finally have the key to building a successful soccer franchise in the Edmonton region - coaching.

With a recent announcement at the Univer-

sity of Alberta's Foote Field (which will be the entire life. In his time coaching in Europe, he already stated what will have to occur to be team's home for the first couple of seasons), the has coached some of Europe's most exclusive team has stated they have signed Dutch

coaches Dwight Lodeweges and Hans Schrijver, along with Canadian Dave Randall. "We feel that not only do we

have the top two representative coaches with UEFA pro licences, but we feel we have the best possible coach in Canada as well," Kowalchuk said.

Lodeweges was born in Alberta near Turner Valley but has lived in the Netherlands his

clubs, such as Dutch football legend, PSV Eindhoven. The recent signing as head

coach is not lost on Lodeweges. "I was born here, played here and now I can coach here," he said. The team will play a series of exhibition games throughout the summer, with possibly a world friendly match at Commonwealth Sta-

dium. Looking ahead to the team's first complete season in the NASL, Lodeweges has

competitive in such a league. "We have to train a lot, select the right players and we have to prepare ourselves for the next season."

Currently the team is undergoing an extensive two-week training camp involving players with invitations only. On April 23 and 29 at Foote Field, the club will host open try-outs to the public with a one hundred dollar registration fee. The members who are then selected to the team will be reimbursed their fee. For more information go to www.fcedmonton.ca

#### **SPORTS**

# **Women's v-ball coach leaves**

#### By TAYLOR POLLMANN **Sports Editor**

Second-year Ooks women's volleyball coach Keith Lundgren has announced he will not return to coach the team in the 2010-2011 campaign. Instead, he has been named the head coach of the CIS (Canadian Interuniversity Sport) Thompson River Wolf Pack's volleyball team.

"He's wanted to be a coach at the CIS level since he started coaching when he was 18 years old," Athletics Co-ordinator Gregg Meropoulis said.

While the Thompson River team was only able to win one game and suffered 19 losses last season, Lundgren believes it will be only a matter of time before the squad experiences yearly success on the CIS National level of play.

"By the fifth year [coaching there] we want to be National Champions," Lundgren commented.

"The first year, eight wins is the goal, with the second year's goal of making the playoffs. The next year we want to be in the final four for Canada West."

Bringing a program to a level of play previously not experienced in recent years, Lundgren believes, is all in how you assemble your team.

"We've got to surround ourselves with good people. That's what it's all about. You get good people and good things happen."

In his two years of coaching the Ooks, Lundgren experienced moderate success in the ACAC level of play. His first season with the team was a season full of learning and improvement as his team finished short of the provincial playoffs by six points.



Head coach Keith Lundgren, left, poses with this year's Ooks women's volleyball team.

In the second year of his campaign, Lundregn and his squad finished with a standing of fifth in the ACAC.

"He's put in two good years here at NAIT and built up the program," Meropoulis stated.

The search for a new coach has already started and

NAIT Athletics hopes to have a coach in place as soon as possible.

"I think we are going to close applications by April. There are some good people for the job, maybe even locally," Meropoulis said.





#### Check Out My 9-Iron **GARIT BYINGTON Assistant Sports Editor**

So far, the first round of these NHL playoffs



have been nothing short of spectacular. The Pittsburgh Penguins are looking like they are all that their resume states they are, putting up seven in Game 4. The Washington Capi-

tals look like they are starting to fire on all cylinders. Chris Pronger appears to have his Philadelphia Flyers jacked up and ready for showtime. The winner of the Buffalo Sabres-Boston Bruins series will have the best goalie left in the



Eastern Conference to top off the great competition on the East.

The Nashville Predators and Los Angeles Kings are putting on great efforts to deliver major upsets in the Western Conference. The San

Jose Sharks provide all sorts of hilarity and the Phoenix Coyotes-Detroit Red Wings series has had the fastest-paced hockey played in these playoffs.

All that is missing are all those long, epic

multiple overtime games. However, the funny thing is, there have been more overtime games than usual, they just haven't gone on too long.

The last few years there has been talk of changing the five-on-five overtime format, as the games would go too long for some fans. Are you kidding me? These are the American fans who aren't really fans of the game, and just want it tailored for their liking.

The adjustments that are done to improve the quality of play are perfectly fine. It's the adjustments made to the league to appease and attract more American fans to the game that bother the hell out of me. The NHL should be focusing on acknowledging the great American fans they already have, and Canadian, and worldwide fans, rather than trying to attract fans in the sunny southern States to a game played on ice. Once again with the leaders of the NHL, common sense seems to be a mirage.

The great memorable playoff games are full of classic multiple overtime games - they're a part of the game's history. The names of those golden goals will never be forgotten. Petr Klima for the Edmonton Oilers in 1990 over the Bruins in the Cup finals. Pat LaFontaine to lead the New York Islanders over the Capitals in 1987. Brett Hull's infamous goal to get the Dallas Stars the Cup over the Sabres in 1999. And more recently, some of the longest epic games, such as Petr Sykora scoring for the Anaheim Ducks over the Stars in the opening minute of the fifth OT period in 2003; Henrik Sedin getting the Vancouver Canucks the victory over the Stars in 2007 with a goal late in the fourth OT period; and Brenden Morrow getting victory for those same Stars over the Sharks in the fourth OT period in 2008.

The adjustments done to overtime in the regular season are understandable for scheduling and flight purposes, but the continucan never be changed. These games are of a monumentally massive magnitude. Why

ous five-on-five overtime in the playoffs would you want to change the overtime format in the greatest tournament ever (the Stanley Cup playoffs, duh)?



as the Stollery Children's Hospital. The tournament is open to ages 16+\*

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# **ENTERTAINMENT Semester to remember**



#### KATHY LE Assistant Entertainment Editor

The entertainment section in the *Nugget* saw tons of fantastic stories this semester and never left a dry spot. This proves that there is plenty of cool events going on at NAIT, and in the city, or just some interesting topics to talk about, giving many great stories for us to cover. It's hard to narrow down which ones were the best but here are my top picks.

#### 8. Speed Dating

Speed Dating presented an opportunity for the shy (or the brave) to face the opposite sex, learn about them in a matter of minutes and then swap chairs for another three-minute date with a new face. This game is almost like dating with the fast forward button on and tons of people filled the Nest and ate the fun up like \$4 chicken wings during Indie Night.

#### 7. Bachelor/Bachelorette Game Show

Wow! Does NAITSA want to get students hooked up this semester or what? I guess that's what college life is about. Study, study, study and sex! Just like the title of the game show, a bachelor and bachelorette walked away that night on a date with the winning contestants. Three guys and three girls answered questions and the person who tickled their bachelor or bachelorette's fancy the most won a nice dinner and limo ride.

#### 6. St. Patrick's Day Comedians

What's better than cheap beer and food? Free stuff! On this party day, comedians Tyler Hawkins and Trent McClellan graced the stage at The Nest and put on a free show. Dressed in green, students laughed at funny and not-so-funny jokes. Humour is of course subjective and a comedian (except for a few well known ones ... and that's why they're famous) cannot possibly accommodate every taste. But the show was free, and not a complete loss for those who didn't laugh so much. Plus, those in attendance were probably all drunk anyway.

#### 5. Shaun Boothe in 3-D

OK, so the 3-D part never worked out, but Shaun Boothe and his entourage definitely had The Nest packed to capacity while on their Hip-hop in 3-D cross-country tour. It was unforgettable how incredible the venue looked that night – snowflakes and all. A Toronto native, Boothe is well known for his Unauthorized Biography series in which he depicts the life stories of cultural icons. He is a rapper who is trying to 'blaze the trails' and steer the face of hiphop in a different direction.

#### 4. Splish, splash, taking a bath

Oh, oh, oh! This topic was the juiciest one in the porn review. Colleen talked about female ejaculation, aka squirting. If you're one of the 35-50 per cent of women who claim that they've experienced ejaculation during orgasm then the question is whether you're a Super Soaker 50 or a Super Soaker 300! Colleen's friend said her boyfriend needs to put down soaker pads because she drenches the bed every time they



have sex! Lucky lady! **3. Empty the Nest** 

With the tables and chairs cleared out, the floor of the Nest filled with rocking NAIT students for Social Code and the opening band, The Apresnos (winners of The Last Band Standing). Jack Daniels girls were on site and handed out free drinks and prizes. The atmosphere was definitely a party one and the performers gave it their all. The Apresnos have come a long way since winning The Last Band Standing competition. Doors have opened for them and they've signed with a label and are performing consistently. As if the night couldn't be packed with more "celebrities," The Bear's Scott McCord also stopped by.

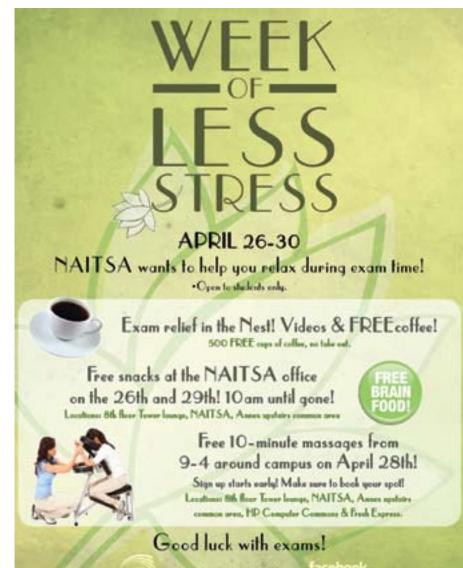
#### 2. Bounce Birthday Bash

To celebrate the radio station's fifth birthday, The Bounce jammed hundreds of Edmontonians into the Edmonton Event Centre, gave away wicked prizes such as diamonds and a car, and filled the stage with bands and other musical artists. The lineup included Marianas Trench, Shiloh, Karl Wolf and Dragonette. VIP is most definitely a treat for partygoers, but Crew Passes will blow a VIP out of the water any day. And that's how I got access to interviews with all the bands.

#### 1. The Last Band Standing

It was the most amazing event at NAIT this semester by far and I'm glad I was able to experience it. Twelve bands, each with a very different sound, fought against one another for the coveted title of the Last Band Standing, \$500 and a chance to headline Empty The Nest. Each band was judged on musical ability, stage presence, technical ability, audience reaction and professionalism. From heavy metal to punk rock, the audience was treated to a musical smorgasbord. The Apresnos came out on top, but it was a close competition, as the judges couldn't unanimously decide on a winner.





#### FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE ...



**COLLEEN NUC Entertainment Editor** 

#### **VIRAL VIDEO**

# \$3.99 mix-tape

a new playlist for road trips. Not only are these playlists conversation starters for everyone involved, they also create long lasting memories, and depending on your situation, these songs can sometimes leave you wanting to vomit after

It's important to always create the fact. I've recently embarked on a road trip this past week, and I would like to share my current playlist for those who may be looking for a few new tunes before hitting the highway.

> 1. Teeth – Lady Gaga 2. Resistance – Muse

- 3. Satellite Mind Metric
- 4. Bad Romance Lady Gaga
- 5. New York, New York Frank
- Sinatra 6.3 – Britney Spears
- 7. Shiny and Warm Goldfrapp
- 8. Revolver Madonna, featuring Lil' Wayne
- 9. Uprising Muse

# **32 songs in just 8 minutes**

#### **By ALI YUSUF**

I'm all for people showing off their talents. I really I am. It makes me think I can do something no one else can do, but since nobody wants to see me count and roll pennies with my toes, I'll show you this week's Viral Video.

During my travels on the World Wide Web, I stumbled onto this gem that made me want to pick up my old guitar and play anything that came to mind. After 47 minutes of playing shitty tunes, I'll tell you what Freddie Gredde has on collegehumor.com. Do you think you can play 32 different songs in eight minutes? Fred-

die can and he's flaunting that around like you would an escort you paid for to make your best friend, who's getting married, jealous (so hot). Anyway, you need to check this guy out. Not only can he do what the title implies, he does it with style and grace. I'll admit that he has a pretty great singing voice and plays the guitar quite amazingly.

The best way I can describe Gredde is that he's like an A.D.D. kid with an iPod on shuffle. He goes from playing top hits to classic rock, parody rock to Disney songs (oh yeah, he played "A Whole New World" from Aladdin). He even plays YouTube channel Game" to "Chocolate Rain" by Tay theme songs like "The Angry Video Zonday (not that I dig Tay, but it's



pretty amusing). I'll have you know he finished the eight minutes with the theme song to the original Might Morphin' Power Rangers. Oh hell yes, I dig this guy.

If you have exactly eight minutes to spare you should check out this video. Even if you don't have exactly eight minutes, this is seriously worth watching. You won't find many laughs in this but you will be entertained by talent that exceed your very being. Check out collegehumor. com and type in "32 Songs in 8 Minutes" and I promise that you won't be disappointed!

Seriously, go now.

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TUDENTS FIGHTING CYSTIC FIBROSIS

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Want to dance? Then Ryan Flaherty is your man on NR92 with his Radio Party FM show.

Photo by Kathy Le

# **No Beyonce played here!**



**KATHY LE** Assistant Entertainment Editor

Kids, by now if you haven't heard of NAIT's student radio station, NR92.com, then you either don't go to this school or you've been severely sheltered. No matter which group you fall into, here is one more chance

to learn about it. NAIT students in the Radio and Television program host their own radio shows on different days and at different

times. You can listen by going to NR92.com. Most of the shows follow a theme and the music played is centred on the specific theme, so listeners can pick a show to match their flavour of the day.

Ryan Flaherty, a second semester student, throws his show down every Friday night for students who want to get up and dance. The title of the show, Radio Party FM, sprang from Flaherty's initials, RPF, which in my opinion is simple and fun. He hopes that his show

and the music he plays will keep his audience tuned in for the two hours he's on while they hang out before heading out on the town.

Kathy: Describe to me the songs you play.

Ryan: Upbeat tempo and lots of different genres. I'm mostly a rocker guy, but I play lots of electronic music and hip-hop, R&B, reggae ... if it's got a fast beat and people can dance to it or head bang then that's what I play. No downer songs, no long extended jams unless they really rock.

K: Ballads?

Radio

mpus

R: No ballads either, 'cause I'm not doing it for the slow dance. It's to get the blood moving, so that if they're going out later that night they have good energy already.

K: Do you play Beyonce?

R: I do not play Bevonce. K: Why not?

R: I tend to not play Top 40 stuff. I play a mixture of indie and also popular stuff but the songs have to have artistic merit. Like a guy like Beck, who rock people know. Or someone like Jay-Z because he's really good. Beyonce is someone I'm just not really into.

K: You're in TV. Why did you decide to have a radio show?

R: I spent four years before I came to school hosting a couple of radio shows so I have the experience and I really enjoy it. It's sort of like my leisure time on Friday after a long week of doing a lot of work for school. I can just go into the booth and play some music I really like and just chill out. And maybe ramble about a few things on my mind.

K: Co-host?

**R:** No, I do not have a co-host. Friday night isn't a time where a lot of people like to be on the radio. It would be nice to have a co-host just for the banter factor, but I do so much talking to myself that I can ramble on my own. And that seems to work. I'm going to look into it in the fall to change the time and maybe get a co-host as well.

#### **PB & J** By KATHY LE

#### **Smores**

Oh, those summer nights when the temperature is still in the double digits and you're sitting around the campfire with some buddies. This only makes me think of one thing ... SMORES! I'm sure everyone knows how to make them, but I'm going to add them to my collection of recipes because they make me smile.

The Stuff:

Graham crackers

Plain milk chocolate (I like to use Jer-

sey Milk) Large marshmallows Skewers

#### The Magic:

1. On a skewer, roast the marshmallows over the campfire until they're slightly brown on the outside.

K: What sets your radio show apart from

R: I think it's the fact that I don't really have

a theme. With my show you can tune in and get

an assortment of music and you're never going

to hear the same artist. You're going to hear a

R: It's been a stunted program scheduled

this semester. Unfortunately I didn't have as

many shows as I would've liked. But it's tons

of fun and hopefully I'll be back in the fall with

K: Anything else you want to say?

other student radio shows?

different artist every week.

an even tastier treat for listeners.

2. Pull the brown skin off and slather the melted marshmallow on a graham cracker.

3. Layer on a piece of chocolate.

4. Complete the sandwich by placing another graham cracker on top.

# Those good old **Canadian Junos**

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#### By COLLEEN NUC **Entertainment Editor**

This past Sunday marked the 39th annual poor man's Grammy Awards, in other words, the Canadian Junos. Even with the threat of volcanic ash, hundreds of Canadian artists flew from around the world to attend the event in St. John's, Newfoundland. Although the consensus is that

awards shows in general are just as exciting as spending a day at the dentist, 1.6 million people tuned into CTV to watch the event, beating out the NHL playoffs.

If you add a bunch of tryhard douche bags, mix in a bunch of awkward situations and throw in some poor wardrobe choices, you've got yourself some good old Canadian Juno Awards. Shiloh entered the premises in style, looking like a '60s tiedyed hooker, while international superstar Justin Bieber looked like a lesbian. How-

ever, not everyone looked like they got dressed light of the evening included Halifax rockers in the dark. Crooner Michael Buble looked sharp in a crisp midnight blue suit and Emily Haines pulled out the Vegas sequined mini dress for the event, making it look surprisingly flattering.

On the awards side of the event, Buble lead the evening with six nominations and took home

four awards, including album of the year and pop album honours. Buble also beat out last year's winner, and NAIT's favourite band. Nickelback for fan choice award. Buble babbled after the event on how the fan choice award is the award he's most proud of because "we don't talk about you [fans] enough."

Runners up included Metric, taking home

best album of the year and teen sensation Justin Beiber, winning the hearts of millions of crazy, crying pre-teens.

The evening, which was held at the sold out Mile One Centre in St. John's, opened with nominated rapper Classified with his re-vamped version of our beloved national anthem, driving home the fact that this event is purely Canadian. The event also included performances from Bieber and Buble. The high-

April Wine, who were inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame.

In general, the awards show lacked pizzazz, but it is nice to see Canada celebrating our musical talent. The awards show will be celebrating its 40th anniversary next year in Toronto.



**Michael Buble** Four awards

### NOTICE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR **ARE YOU ATTENDING CONVOCATION 2010?**

### **CONVOCATION 2010**

Saturday, May 8, 2010 The Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium 11455 – 87 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta

PICK UP YOUR GOWNS AND TICKETS: Gowns and tickets can be picked up in the North Lobby on NAIT's Main Campus:

> Wednesday, May 5, 2010 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursday, May 6, 2010 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

For more information regarding Convocation 2010, visit NAIT's website at www.nait.ca/convocation

# **Summer is festival time**



#### **RYAN FLAHERTY Issues Editor**

For those of us who love great music, there's no better time of year than summer, and the many awesome festivals it brings. There's something about music festivals which sets them apart from your average two- or three-band show, and it's not just the higher number of performers. There's an atmosphere that builds over the course of the day or the weekend which simply doesn't have time to develop at a regular three-hour concert. To share that experience with a large group of people, who all have their own stories to tell, just makes it that much better. What's the cherry on this sonic sundae? Taking the whole shebang outside, which is why the best festivals are always those held in the warmer months.

Here then, are just a few highlights of this year's festival calendar, some a little closer to home than others.

#### LILITH FAIR

Yes, that's right. After an 11-year absence, Sarah McLachlan's Lilith Fair is making a surprising return, and it's stopping once again in Edmonton. The original Lilith toured each summer from 1997-99, and despite being very profitable, McLachlan decided to close up shop rather than continuing to headline year after year. But it seems after a decade away, she's ready for another kick at the can, and so the Fair has been reborn, and it hits town on June 28. Besides McLachlan, fans can look forward to seeing Erykah Badu, Sugarland, and Sheryl Crow among many others.





The Edmonton Folk Festival continues to be a summer fixture in the city.

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#### VANS WARPED TOUR

For those who like their music with a bit more of an edge, the punk centric Warped Tour is your best bet. This mainstay on the summer circuit is making a stop in E-town this year. In addition to the longest list of bands on any festival roster, featuring names like Andrew W.K., the Dillinger Escape Plan, Face To Face and the legendary Pennywise, the fest boasts a bunch of extreme sports-themed attractions, including a half pipe for all the skaters, and plenty of merchandise tents where you can buy patches that show everyone what a rebel you are.

#### EDMONTON FOLK FESTIVAL

The jewel in Edmonton's 'Festival City' crown, this baby brings together an eclectic mixture of roots, folk, country, and blues artists - just to name a few - for one weekend every August. Though some paint this festival as an excuse for smelly hippies to congregate in large numbers, this is a complete falsehood. Though there is certainly a classic "hippie" contingent - dreadlocks, patchouli, tie-dye, the whole thing - the truth of the matter is that the diverse lineup of performers attracts an equally diverse audience, both in terms of background and age. The full lineup hasn't been announced for this year's festival, which runs Aug. 5-8. A few names have already been confirmed, including Calexico, Ian Tyson, the Band's Levon Helm and even Ben Harper.

#### **SLED ISLAND**

If you're one of those people like me, who gets a lot of blank stares when they start naming their favourite bands, Sled Island is right up your alley. This Calgary-based (don't hold that against it) festival is a hipster's wet dream, and is one of the finest collections of indie artists you'll find north of the 49th this summer. The event combines club shows held at locations throughout Cowtown and a central outdoor venue at Olympic Plaza. This year's roster includes the Melvins, Girl Talk, Built To Spill, Ted Leo & the Pharmacists, Sleepy Sun, and the Black Lips, to name just a few.

#### SASQUATCH

Planning a trip south of the border? Why not plan to make a stop in central Washington? Near Quincy, Washington, at a natural amphitheatre known as the Gorge, you'll find one of the absolute best festivals in all of North America, known simply as Sasquatch. Two factors make Sasquatch an unforgettable summer experience. One is the locale. The main stage at Sasquatch sits at the bottom of a naturally created theatre-style bowl, and fans can not only watch all the great acts on stage but they can gaze out over the majestic Columbia River valley while they do so. The second factor, of course, is the stellar lineup, and this year's is no different. Some of the highlights include Vampire Weekend, My Morning Jacket, Massive Attack, a reunited Pavement, Ween and even Public freakin' Enemy. Combining music and nature the way Sasquatch does should be illegal.

That's just a few of the dozens of excellent festivals taking place all over the continent this summer. It's damn near impossible not to have a good time at one of these things, so this year make it a season to remember - get out there and get your groove on!

### **Kick-Ass a five-star, ass-kickin' flick**

#### **By ALI YUSUF**

would be like to fly like Superman or wall crawl your way up a building like Spider-Man. But here's a reality check: there's no such thing as super powers. Marv Films decided to do their own interpretation of what could ensue if a lonely teen decided that fighting crime was his calling.

In Kick-Ass, we follow the events of Dave Lizewski (played by Aaron Johnson), an outcast in high school and a comic book aficionado, as he takes on a mission to become more than he can be. Sounds an

it hard to find worthy tasks to make his name known, until a gang chases a victim to Dave, merely by coincidence.

Once the gang catches the victim, Dave attempts to save him by taking on the thugs, while a crowd gathers and watches this costumed vigilante protect the innocent. Once successful, Dave is approached by a bystander who asks him who he is. His reply: "I'm Kick-Ass!"

Once Kick-Ass's name lights up nationally, he becomes a household name. His

Ever wonder what it would be like to be but I assure you it's not. run by Frank D'Amico (played by Mark throw in, for lack of better words, a kickwhy everyone who works for him is getting hit. The father-daughter duo of Mindy and Damon Macready (Chloe Moretz and Nicholas Cage) take notice of Kick-Ass and decide they need to teach him how to be a proper hero. Events lead further but that's enough without ruining the entire plot for you.

> You might think this movie is all fun and games, but that's not what the movie industry wants you to think.

> This is a pretty action-packed thrill ride with a twist of humour. If you could imagine

awful lot like a "join the army" campaign, name spreads to the point where a drug ring the formula of the first Spider-Man flick and super-hero? We all have wondered what it Once he's created his alter ego, he finds Strong) believes Kick-Ass is the reason ass essence, you would have Kick-Ass. The best way the movie was described to me was "the trailers do no justice to how awesome Kick-Ass is."

> Even if you aren't a comic book fanatic, there is still some room for all to enjoy. Although, if you do follow comic books, you will find more laughs in this flick.

> To take from the pages of my favourite website, Kick-Ass gets a tentative F\*\*\* YEAH out of 10.

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### **STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES**

NAITSA (NAIT Students' Association) is now accepting applications for the following **paid** positions:

#### **Street Team**

Students are needed to promote up coming NAITSA activities to other students on the NAIT main campus. You need to posses an outgoing and positive attitude, creativity, energetic, and the ability to have fun!

#### Part-Time Event Co-ordinators (2)

Assist in planning/set up/clean up of all NAITSA events. Act as the lead contact to schedule and supervise all student security (SUDS).

Help co-ordinate the NAITSA Volunteer Program.

Assist in recruiting volunteers.

Responsible for scheduling volunteers for campus events, leading volunteers during events.

Responsible for planning all logistics associated with regular Volunteer Recognition Nights. Heavy lifting maybe required.

#### SUDS Security Guards

Supervise and ensure student events are safe.

Check I.D. and ensure policies and procedures are followed. Guards will be expected to complete a training program (provided, at no charge) before starting shifts.

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#### NAITSA is now accepting applications for the following volunteer positions:

#### **Frosh Leaders**

As ambassadors for NAITSA, Frosh Leaders have many roles and responsibilities and will be expected to:

• remain motivated, enthusiastic, co-operative and outgoing while assisting new students

 assist in providing a welcoming campus experience for students and their families

• display a working knowledge of academic programs, campus services and NAITSA services

• effectively communicate and uphold NAITSA policies, procedures | in all that you do and have blast!

#### and rules

· appropriately confront any situation where conduct is inappropriate or infringing upon others' rights

• perform responsibilities in a punctual, reliable, and conscientious manner

 be ready and willing to make decisions, accept new tasks, or take on additional responsibilities

• be a leader, take initiative in planning, organizing and supervising activities

· serve as positive role models

#### **Focus Group Volunteers**

Do you have an opinion? Do you have ideas for new events? Suggestions on how to make campus life at NAIT better?

Do you enjoy free food? NAITSA is looking for 20 volunteers to be part of a focus group to make suggestions, develop new ideas, and help mold campus life for the future.

If you're interested, please e-mail naitsaevents@nait.ca. The focus group will be conducted after school with a free meal.

### **CLUB NEWS**

#### Club Centre Open During the Summer Months

Grant Intake #5: Deadline, May 3, 2010 (these funds have a spending deadline of June 30, 2010).

Grant Intake #6: Deadline, July 5, 2010

Reminder: Ookmail is being phased out. Please provide us with a current e-mail address to ensure you continue to receive all communications.

THE WEEK

#### Photo by Karen LePage

#### Bryce Althouse – VP Campus Life **Emily Moore – NAIT Student Benefit Office**

1. Three parts you like on your body? Emily: My legs, ass and my smile

Bryce: My smile, nose and my long legs ... it's nice being tall.

2. First thing you notice in the opposite sex? E: Their style.

B: Their face ... and I'm a butt man. I think TNA and Lululemon pants are the greatest things ever invented.

- 3. What's a unique talent you have?
  - E: I can do a whole lot of fun with my tongue.
- **B:** I can do lots of random voice overs.
- 4. What is something you want to say to the men of NAIT? E: Only the good ones walk by my office.
- 5. What is something you want to say to the women of NAIT? B: Keep it classy, ladies.

#### 6. Dream first date?

**E:** Somewhere hot with little to no clothing.

**B**: I like a chick who likes to go out and do extreme and crazy things.

Are you hot and single? E-mail us at entertain@nait.ca

#### FEATURES



#### Dear Dr CONwisDOM,

I'm a stripper trying to make it in the adult industry. Apparently, taking off your clothes for a bunch of dirty 40-some-yearold men isn't good enough anymore. I started doing some simple porn and the pay is pretty decent, but rent is getting expensive. Recently, I've been asked to do porn with old men ... I'm talking OLD men! They are paying me a ridiculous amount. Should I go for it?

- Porn Star

#### Dear Porn Star,

I'm not sure if I would sleep with an old man for any price. Samantha from Sex in the City was showered with diamonds from her grampa sugar daddy, but after she saw his wrinkly ass she couldn't hack it. If money is your concern, I'd focus on finding myself a guy my age to screw and pay for my stuff. You seriously are approaching this dilemma the wrong way.

Dear Dr CONwisDOM,

I am very self conscious about my body because one of my boobs is noticeable larger than the other. I'm concerned about it now because this guy I was dating made such a huge deal out of it. What should I do?

- Asymmetrical Breasts

#### Dear Asymmetrical Breasts,

I guess when you're fully clothed, stuffing your bra to make them look even will solve that problem. However, the bedroom can be a challenge as even when the lights are out, your guy will notice when he can fully cup one and not the other. Have you ever thought about breast implants? It worked for Adrianne Curry.

Dr.CONwisDOM,

I have a boyfriend who comes from a different city and we have been dating for almost two years now but it was all long distance communication. We've only seen each other once and I'm afraid of the outcome. What if he wants to move fast? What if I'm not ready? I'm scared, worried and I don't know what to do. What if he forces me to do something I'm not ready to do? I don't have much sexual experiences and I don't want to get pregnant. He doesn't go to school and does things I don't do. It seems like we are in two different worlds. Please help me.

-Anxious and afraid

#### Dear AA,

I'm going to guess by the sounds of "he doesn't go to school and does things I don't do" means that you're dating a promiscuous drug dealer. Other than the obvious risks of dating someone who breaks the law, you are also afraid of what may happen to your relationship. It's obvious to me that you are a relationship cock tease; you like to keep your men within arm's length. You want to have a boyfriend, but you don't want to give it up. When your drug dealer boyfriend comes to town I think you two need to have a long conversation, but make sure to pack some pepper spray just in case, because you can never

trust boyfriends and their wandering hands. If he doesn't respect your wishes to take things slow, pepper spray the shit out of him and run for the hills. On the other hand, if he does respect your wishes, you may end up having a long and beautiful relationship.

#### Dear Dr CONwisDOM,

Lately my foreskin has been getting caught in my zipper. It's caused me to tear the skin a little, so I went to see a doctor about the pain. He informed me that it's nothing to worry about. I'm still worried that it could be infectfor a bit?

- Forgoneforeskin

#### Dear forgoneforeskin,

The only thing I can tell you about your problem is to slow down when you zip up. Remember to zip, but don't nip the tip. As for the pain and discomfort caused by previous experiences, just dip your junk in some warm apple pie and your pain will vanish. If you have no apple pie on hand warm milk will suffice. Just remember to wipe it off when

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ed. Does that mean I should not be having sex you're done, as it could cause some unpleasant odours later in the day. Sex wise, you might want to cool it for a bit. Honestly, who would want to sleep with you if your penis is infected anyways.

Do you have any personal questions that you want to have answered? Just send an e-mail with your concerns to conwisdom@ nait.ca or submit them online to www. thenuggetonline.com and your sex doctor will have your "prescription" ready for you the following week!

### With the launch of our **NEW NAITSA** STUDENT FORUM,

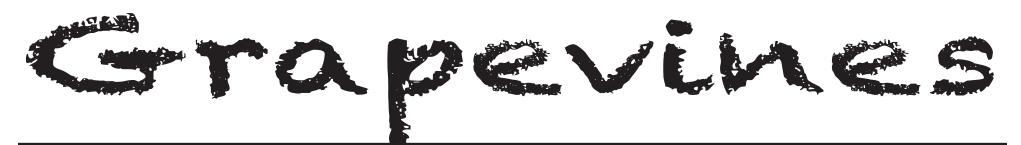
you can now sell your books and more online!

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#### FEATURES

Staff



Grapevines is a chance to speak your mind. E-mail grapevines@nait.ca or submit online at www.thenuggetonline.com

– GTL

– Me

Sorry I forgot to pay. It's just that my man pays for everything for me, so when I go out I sometimes forget to do it. – Dumb Blond Bimbo

I had a dream that we broke up again. Maybe that's telling me something. - Miserable

I know it's my job this week, but I can't help you because I have another project I have to work on. Yes, I know two weeks ago I was a complete bitch to you about it.

- Lazy Bitch

I can't wait to go to that restaurant. I'm going to eat until I puke and drink until I end up in the ER!

- Has A Problem

If you have the chance to change program, GO TO "COURT REPORT-ER", there's some sweet a\*\* there. - Where hot chicks are

...

When one of my classmate eats an apple or carrot, they chew loud. It ticks a fat\*ss off, making an argument but the chewer ignores him. Everyone should buy the chewer an apple a day, piss off the fat\*ss for another day.

> Just to piss you off. ...

Cody, I have a "burning" sensation for you but I still love you anyways. Always yours.

...

Hey sun ... nice of you to make an appearance!

... Dear Editor-in-Chief: I LOVE YOU.

IT IS SO NICE OUTSIDE! SUMMER, SUMMER, SUMMER!

- Who wears short shorts

The Nest's pizza is delicious. Is this Nest open year round?

- Lovin' the Nest

The whole programs being cut fiasco last week was RIDICULOUS!

- Safe for Now To the boy in the sports jersey who

stood in front of me in line at Timmies, you are so sexy. - Hots 4sports boy

I can't believe we're so close to be done school for the summer! Antsy antsy

Lining up some sweet job opportunities this summer, I'm excited!

Grateful

I was not going to tell you this, but

 Snoodly Murphy <3 trying to sleep with you. Please stop</li> being so good looking. - Pole-man

be the name.

Has anyone else noticed Shaw Cable's service is not up to snuff ... Must

I like raisin bread, and chicken wings. But not at the same time, that's gross. - Starving

### **Big Brothers Big Sisters**

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(Warning: These Nugget

horoscopes are not written

by an accredited astrologer;

however, believe them if

you like, as they are abso-

Having trouble in your pro-

gram? Since you're going to

fail anyway, you should drop

out and join Radio and Tele-

vision ... Only if you're good

looking, though, if not, you're

lute and unquestionable.)

Aries (March 21-April 19)

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**April 22-28** 

shit outta luck.

#### Taurus (April 20-May 20)

You should buy a new car. How about a Ford Taurus? You'll be the coolest kid around. Even if your mother pats you on the bottom every day saying it's normal to have a donkey as a best friend. You're weird.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)

If I were to say that you will find financial success this summer, would you believe me? Well, I don't have anything witty to tell you, but chances are, you'll be richer than Macaulay Culkin in his Home Alone davs.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Chin up partner, whatever

problems you're going through, they will soon be forgotten. You'll get through this with flying colours.

#### Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Your clothes are smelly, ripped and outdated. Make sure you get something new to show off to all your friends. Jealousy is a good trait to have in your friends. This is just my advice, but hey, what do I know?

#### Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

If you decide to fight any extremely large animals, like a bear or a shark, you will surely triumph with ease. This is my way of telling you that you're a tough shit. Have you ever considered becoming a superhero?

#### Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Oh Libra, how I love tearing you down. But not today. I'll tell you this: indulge over your summer. Go out as much as you can, go on as many trips as you can and more importantly, enjoy.

#### Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

If you have any plans for world domination, it would be wise to hire a sidekick you trust. Good help is hard to find these days but you'll surely conquer ... I mean succeed. By the way, do you need a sidekick? I'm very qualified.

#### Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

There is only one quote you need to abide by this summer. Here it is: You gotta fight. For your right. TO PAAAAAR-

TAAAAY! If you don't know that reference, go head-butt a bullet.

#### Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

I hope you're getting good marks in class because your future is looking pretty bleak. I don't know if a tranny significant other is your kind of style but I know I wouldn't want to be invited to that wedding.

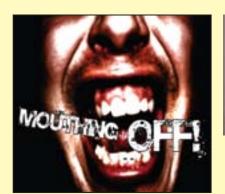
#### Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You're no Super Man. Or Bat Man ... or even Mr. Fantastic. If anyone were to give you a super-hero name, it would more likely be Less-Than-Adequately-Endowed Boy.

#### Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Let's end the year with how we started it. You're awesome. Stay gold, old chum.

it's so hard working with you and not Your horoscope





and Kathy Le



"I'd be pissed off."

**Brent Krause Electrician Apprenticeship** 



"I'd shit my pants. But actu-"I'd be livid, I'd be pissed off. You can't take a college proally I would be so upset. This program is so hands-on you gram like this anywhere in can't get it anywhere else." **Jasmine Van Staveren Personal Fitness Training** 

Canada." **Angel Anderson Personal Fitness Training** 

If it were announced that

your program would be

cut, how would you react?

"I'd be upset I guess I'd have to go somewhere else."

John Bestilny Electrician



"It would suck."

**Derek Miller** Electrician



# DRINK THE NEST DRY!

### APRIL 30 AT 3PM

