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# WELCOME TO NAIT



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Members of your student executive look over a back issue of the Nugget as they wait to do what they've been elected to do – serve the students of NAIT. This year's executive lineup is, from left to right, Govind Pillai, VP External; Tyler Bernard, VP Campus Life; Timothy Jobs, President and Tessa Cocchio, VP Academic. See page 2 for their welcoming messages.

**PICK UP YOUR U-PASS STICKER @  
THE SOUTH LOBBY OR NAITRIUM  
DURING ORIENTATION WEEKS.**





# NEWS & FEATURES

## NAITSA salutes you!

Hello students, welcome to the 2010-2011 academic year here at NAIT. This year will prove to be both exciting and fulfilling.

My job as president of your NAIT Students' Association is to lead the Executive Council as well as supervise the organization. I can assure



**Govind Pillai**  
VP External

you that we've got an incredibly skilled team of executives this year as well as a top-notch staff to back us up.

I also ensure that your voice is heard by all levels of government, whether it's lobbying for greater transit service, airport closure or student financial aid. I am also a Board of Governors representative making sure the student perspective is not lost when making high level institu-

**G**lad to have you back! This has been the busiest and most challenging summer of my life, but I enjoyed every moment of it! I have been working hard to ensure the following five main goals are achieved this year:

1. Increase the NAIT student employability by connecting students with their peers, community members and corporate leaders. This can be achieved by utilizing the Alberta Student Executive Council (ASEC), a provincial lobbying group representing 120,000 students across Alberta and our exquisite NAITSA clubs.

2. Increase student space and upgrade our facilities by way of a business plan for a new Students' Association building.

tional decisions.

NAITSA's got your back, so if you have any concerns at all, please do not hesitate to contact any one of the executives.

Best of luck in the year ahead. I hope to see you at some of the many events we have planned this year.

Timothy Jobs  
President, NAIT Students' Association



**Timothy Jobs**  
President

3. Improve transit services to and from NAIT by lobbying ETS.

4. Communicate and develop relations with students and staff at Patricia and Souch campuses.

5. Prevent all unreasonable ancillary fees on top of tuition through the Alberta Student's Executive Council's lobby document.

All of these goals can be met with one condition – I need to hear from you. You play a vital role in the success of these initiatives and so I encourage you to stop by and shed some light on your perspective. Remember, your issues are my issues!

Sincerely,  
Govind Pillai

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**Tessa Cocchio**  
VP Academic

**I**can hardly believe it, but the summer has neared its end and I'm more excited than ever to have all of you beautiful students back on campus. The NAITSA team has been working hard all summer to prepare for this 2010-2011 school year and we've got a lot in store for you.

Not only do we have a ton of different events that will satiate all types of taste buds, but there are also a lot of opportunities to get involved with NAITSA, so keep informed on where your Students' Association dollars are going and what we can do for you! Join a club, run for the NAITSA Senate and have a say in what direction the association takes, talk to me about joining Academic Council and have a say in what academic direction NAIT takes, write an article for the campus newspaper (the *Nugget*) or volunteer for Shinerama and other exciting events around campus.

We've also got our website ([www.naitsa.com](http://www.naitsa.com)) where you can find out about events, advocacy issues, news, what the executives are doing via our blogs, and more. There are

so many ways for you to get involved and add value to your experience here.

Don't forget to head down to the Nest for a tasty breakfast with some fresh coffee or a scrumptious yet affordable lunch special. Whether you come to eat, drink, listen to weekly live bands, work on homework assignments or watch YouTube videos with a cup of joe, we cater to all of your needs.

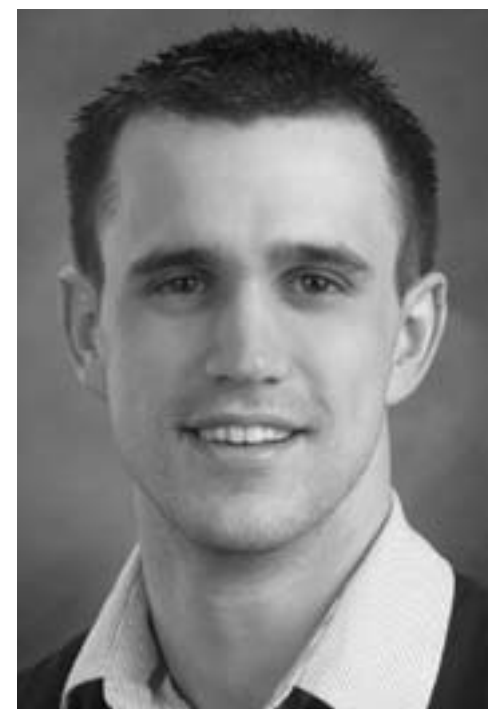
Regardless of whether this is your first, third or fifth year at NAIT, you should know and remember that your NAITSA executives are here to serve you. Whether you have questions or concerns regarding NAIT or the quality of your education, need help understanding the Academic Rules and Regulations or have any ideas or input on how your education is delivered, I'm your girl. Keep me informed of what you think and feel about life as a student.

Drop by my office, fire an e-mail off to me, or give me a call. If you just want to know how I spend my time working for you or what I'm up to in general, follow me on Twitter (@Tess\_KC). I'm

always open for a chance to speak with you. That goes for the rest of the NAITSA executives, too!

So take advantage of your time here, have fun your first term back, enjoy the experience and I look forward to meeting you!

Tess



**Tyler Bernard**  
VP Campus Life

**H**ey everyone! This year will be a blast, I can promise you that! We've been working hard in the Campus Culture department to bring you great events and we'd like you to get involved!

We have great events going on this year from a ball hockey tournament, full moon party and even a leadership summit in November!

This year we really tried to create different types of events that are not only fun to attend, but also beneficial! With that said, you can always

take a look on our website when you're bored!

We have our upcoming events as well as our Executive blogs, which I hope to update at least biweekly. You might even see some video from antics around the office! Who knows! :P

That's it for me. Please feel free to come on down to the office and say "hey" anytime!

Tyler



# Calling all senators



**DARYLANN HUTCHINGS**  
Assistant Issues Editor

September is here already and NAITSA is wasting no time getting back into the swing of things. This year's student Senate campaigns are already underway.

The elections are held annually for students to elect representatives for the NAITSA Senate. The NAITSA Senate is composed of 18 students, elected to represent each of the five schools and one faculty of NAIT. They meet on a biweekly basis to discuss issues that concern NAIT students. The Senate is the highest level of governance in the Students' Association.

Full-time and part-time students who are registered in a regular day program are eligible to run for a Senate position and vote in the Senate election. The voting will take place from Sept. 24-30, online at [www.nait.ca](http://www.nait.ca). There will also be polling stations open on campus on Sept. 30. Look for posters around campus for more information on where polling booths will be.

In order to be eligible to run for a Senate position, you only need 10 students from programs in

your "school" to nominate you. Nomination forms are in the Senate election package, which can be picked up at E-131 (NAITSA office).

The deadline to turn in nomination forms is Friday Sept. 17 at 4 p.m.

Drop off completed forms at the Students' Association office in Room E-131 on the main campus.

"The elections are very important because we value the democratic process," explained Timothy Jobs, NAITSA president. "The Senate is an oversight body ensuring NAITSA is transparent and accountable."

Here are five reasons, says Jobs, for anyone getting involved in the Senate to consider:

1. Experience: If elected, you will be a voting member of the NAITSA Senate, which is the "governing body" for a multi-million-dollar organization. No matter what career path you choose, being a board member is a valuable experience. Aside from the first-hand knowledge of how meetings are conducted, participation in the Senate will develop skills such as accountability, decision-making, communication, teamwork and many more.

2. Leadership: If elected you'd be a representative for every student in your School. As a mem-

ber of the Senate, you'll have the opportunity to be a leader by listening to the needs of students and working with other representatives to address them.

3. Improving your school: Every institution has room for improvement. If elected, you will be a key person NAIT wants to hear from, to get the student perspective. From parking to lockers to tuition to lab access, NAIT wants to know what

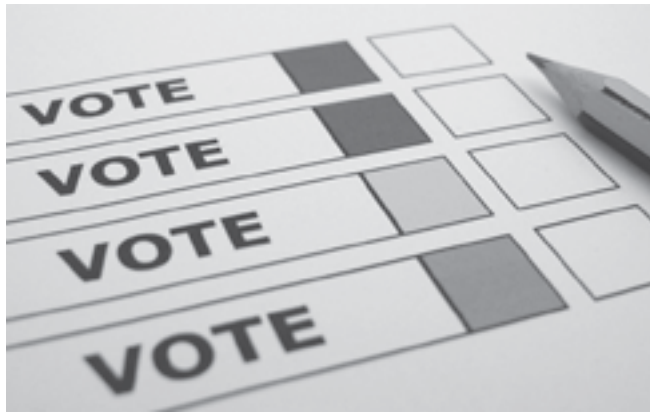
students think and they will come to the Senate to find out.

4. Involvement: On top of the classroom and lab stuff there is so much going on at NAIT it's hard to keep up. If elected,

you'll find that you automatically have your ear to the ground and that will help you make the most of your NAIT experience.

5. Resume: It's a safe bet that you want a good job when you leave NAIT. Most students don't realize how employers make hiring decisions. Here's a hint: Two NAIT grads ... same diploma ... same grades ... but one was a "Senate Representative" for the School of Business. Guess which one gets the first call for an interview.

So if you think the Student Senate is for you, pick up your Senate election package today and get started!



# There's room at the top



**LINDA HOANG**  
Issues Editor

The search for NAIT's new president and CEO is on after current president Dr. Sam Shaw announced his retirement in July.

"The search has begun and it will be a long and thorough search before we have the right person," said Doug Goss, chairman for NAIT's Board of Governors.

In an internal letter sent on July 12, Shaw said he would be leaving his position after 13 years – and 35 years working in post-secondary education – though he gave no reason for the retirement.

"I have asked Mr. Doug Goss, chair of the Board of Governors, to commence a national search for candidates for the position of president and CEO," Shaw wrote.

Goss said the search for Shaw's

replacement is an international one – and potential leaders for the institution could come from across the globe.

"It's really an international search to find the right person," Goss said. "We think this process will take two to three months and we're well into it."

But Goss admits a replacement for Shaw won't likely happen anytime soon.

"We're nowhere close to deciding who (the replacement) is," he said.

In his letter, Shaw highlighted his achievements as president of the institution, including re-positioning NAIT's brand in the marketplace with a new logo and crest, establishing major applied research and innovation initiatives and launching two baccalaureate programs.

"NAIT has evolved into one of Canada's leading technical institutes," wrote Shaw.

NAITSA president Timothy Jobs says that Shaw has been "a pleasure to work with."

"I wish him the best in his future endeavours," Jobs said.

For now Shaw will remain as president until a replacement has been announced and Goss said the transition period shouldn't negatively impact students.

"Sam's committed to being here until we find a successor," Goss said.

"(And) we're absolutely going to find the best person possible to take

NAIT to the next level."

Shaw's retirement comes after NAIT administration's controversial proposal in April to suspend 13 programs in order to save the institution \$2.8 million.

The administration had proposed the cuts as part of a plan to try and balance a \$12.3-million budget shortfall.

Shaw was unavailable for comment about his retirement.



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**Outgoing NAIT President Dr. Sam Shaw shares a moment with Patrick Machacek, left, NAIT's Associate Vice-president Advancement and Corporate Training and Doug Goss, right, chairman of the NAIT Board of Governors, at a NAIT event in April 2008.**



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The deadline is noon on the last school day of the week. (All submissions must include your name and student ID number.)

The opinions expressed by contributors to the Nugget are not necessarily shared by NAIT officials, NAITSA or elected school representatives.

# Letters

## We want your views

Is something bugging you about NAIT or the rest of the world? Do you have some praise to dish out about the school or life in general?

Get those thoughts into print. Keep them short and to the point. No more than 100 words. Hell, we're a newspaper not an encyclopedia. Give us a break!

Submit your letters with your real name and phone number to: [studenteditor@nait.ca](mailto:studenteditor@nait.ca).

Don't sweat it. We won't publish your phone number, but we do need to list your real name.

It's all good. Getting something off your chest is downright therapeutic. Write us.





# Recycling reminder



## EVERYTHING GREEN

**DARYLANN HUTCHINGS**  
Assistant Issues Editor

What better way to welcome everyone back but with a little refresher on recycling? Yes, I know you're probably wondering why recycling? Well, because NAIT sells thousands of recyclable drinks every week to students just like you. Also, as students you know how much paper we go through.

What does that mean? Well it means that there are a lot of littered recyclables lying around in the cafeteria, in the hallways, on the floor and even in bathrooms. The unwanted cans, bottles and paper make more work for the people who clean the school and leave a heavy

carbon footprint.

It's pretty simple and easy to be a recycler when at school. NAIT has blue recycle bins for not only your bottles and cans, but for your garbage as well. They are located all around the school for your convenience.

To explain in short the benefits of recycling, I would like to give the example of recycling paper. We all know that a lot of trees get cut down each year to produce the paper we need for various purposes. Of course, trees are a natural asset and hence need to be preserved from deforestation. As a result, people are calling for recycling the paper that is in perfect condition. Today we get notebooks and paper bags made from recycled paper. They come at



**A new idea for an old product.**

a price, yes, but the question we need to ask ourselves is that is it a price higher than what we would have to pay should our trees go? Then suddenly everything falls into perspective.

Recycling is also a great way to save some pocket change. You will also save in many other ways as well. It takes oil to make those plastic bottles that we use. So, instead of throwing them away so they can sit in a landfill forever, you can reuse them and you will use less oil. This is a positive thing because there is only so much oil available to us. We can also reduce greenhouse gasses because it takes more energy to make new bottles from oil than to recycle old bottles.

Some new concepts and designs for better production and packaging of our favourite old-time soft drinks like Coke were developed by an industrial design student.

This very cool concept of a square Coke bottle actually has more benefits than suspected. Yes, it messes with the iconic shape, but the new bottle features a smaller footprint by design, making the transportation of the bottle much more efficient. For every four bottles, space for nearly two additional bottles is recovered.

The bottle also features a cavity at the bottom, enabling multiple bottles to be stacked. This increases efficiency and space needed for retail. The traditional PET bottle is 100 per cent recyclable but only 50 per cent of the bottles actually get recycled. The new bottle features a collapsible design made out of 100 per cent plant based sugar cane by-products, which I am sure would encourage anyone to recycle.

Hopefully Coke will like the new design and we can see them in the Common Market coolers one day. If you have any cool recycling tips or ideas and topics for the Everything Green column, send them to [issues@nait.ca](mailto:issues@nait.ca). I hope everyone has a great semester.

# NAIT's U-Pass era begins

**By Darylann Hutchings**  
Assistant Issues Editor

As most of you have already found out (unless you were living under a rock for the last six months), the U-Pass "Universal Transit Pass" referendum was passed with a 68 per cent majority vote on March 25.

This means that starting this semester, every full-time NAIT student will receive a U-Pass sticker for his or her ID card that labels it paid in full. The U-Pass allows students access to ETS, Strathcona County Transit and St. Albert Transit.

"The U-Pass is great for me commuting from St. Albert. It will be cheaper than buying a Stat bus pass," said Brad Hamilton, second semester Television student. "I also commute to the university quite a bit, so the versatility of the pass will come in handy."

How do you know if you are a full time student?

NAIT defines a "full-time student" as a certificate or diploma student taking 192 hours or more or a degree student taking

three classes or more.

In order to get the U-Pass sticker, students will be required to bring their student ID card and proof of tuition payment to the NAITSA office or booth. Student ID cards must be from the current year.

"I understand not all students make use of transit and will be adversely affected by the U-Pass" said Timothy Jobs, NAITSA president "It is for that reason we held a referendum last year in which students voted to ratify the U-Pass program."

Students with a valid disabilities registration card, full-time students taking their practicum, and students working for transit services will be able to get a refund when they show proof of their applicable circumstances.

The cost of the U-Pass will begin at \$110 per semester in 2010-11. Then in 2011-12, the cost will be \$125 per semester. The 2012-13 U-Pass prices will rise to \$140 per semester.

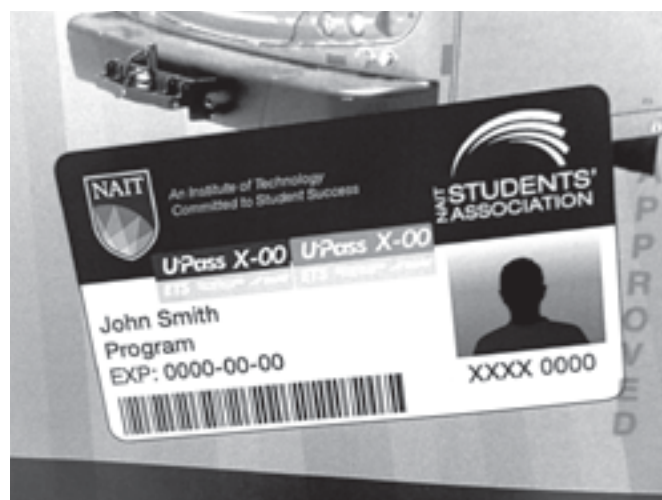
While students feel it is a lot, the U-Pass offers significant savings for students who take transit, as the cost of four regular student monthly transit passes in 2009-10 totalled \$270.

"Yes it will help save money, but I disagree with the fact that everyone has to pay," said Ryan Paranch, a first year Electronics Engineering Technologies student.

"Just because more people take the bus doesn't mean it is fair that everyone else should pay. If more people drove than bused would it be fair to vote on having everyone pay for their gas? Even if they take the bus?"

So, if you paid for the U-Pass, make sure to get your sticker as soon as possible. For those

of you who drive, sorry about the referendum outcome and good luck finding parking.





# U-PASS

## U-Pass is for full time students only FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is U-Pass?

- U-Pass stands for "Universal Transit Pass."
- U-Pass is a new program that was voted in by an overwhelming majority of NAIT students for this year. Students at UofA and MacEwan have been using this program successfully for the last three years.
- U-Pass works like a regular student bus pass, but the service area includes Edmonton, St. Albert and Sherwood Park. During the fall and winter terms, you can use your pass throughout the service day to go anywhere in the service areas including on LRT and buses.
- U-Pass offers a savings of 60% over monthly student passes in 2010/11, costing only \$110 per semester instead of \$270 or more for monthly pass rates over the same period.
- **All** qualified students are automatically charged a mandatory U-Pass fee.

### How do I get the U-pass sticker?

- Students who have been assessed the U-Pass fee can obtain a U-Pass sticker from the NAITSA office, E-131, or from the South Lobby or the Naitrium during Orientation week(s).

**Fall Term Sticker: Valid September 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010**

**Winter Term Sticker: Valid January 1, 2011 to April 30, 2011**

### Who does the U-Pass affect?

- Every full-time NAIT student, with "full-time student" being defined as a certificate or diploma student taking 192 hours or more OR a degree student taking 3 classes or more.
- Apprentices, online, con-ed, and full time students taking their practicum are not included in the program and therefore will not be assessed the fee and will not get a U-Pass sticker.

- Those students with a valid CNIB/DATS registration card, and students working for transit services will be able to get a refund when they show proof of their applicable circumstances.

### How do I use my U-Pass?

- Show your full student ID card (with valid picture and validation sticker) to the driver when boarding a bus, or when requested to show proof of payment on the LRT. You must carry a validated NAIT student ID when entering any proof of payment zone in the LRT. Be prepared to show your validated NAIT student ID to the transit authority.
- The U-Pass is not valid until the U-Pass sticker is affixed to the proper location on the NAIT Student ID
- The U-Pass is non-transferable and may only be used by the student to whom the U-Pass is issued

\*Only students who have fully paid their fees including U-Pass fee will be able to get the sticker. Once the U-Pass sticker is picked up it is non-refundable. No refund if student drops out after 14 days of classes. In case of lost ID, U-Pass must be repurchased.



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*Linda's Tech Talk*

# Good deals a magnet



**LINDA HOANG**  
Issues Editor

Welcome to Linda's Tech Talk. Each week in this column I'll be highlighting technology trends and student-relevant tech for you, the NAIT student population.

I kick this semester off with Groupon.

It's a daily deal that encourages Edmontonians to explore the city.

The marketing company has teamed up with local businesses in the city to highlight something "cool to do at an unbeatable price."

"We see ourselves as a city guide that pushes you off the couch and makes you want to try new things in Edmonton," said Julie Mossler, Groupon consumer marketing manager. "The great discounts are the catalyst."

Groupon made its Edmonton launch in August and so far the response has been overwhelming.

It's the ultimate online coupon book and it's a must-sign up, a must-bookmark, for all money-conscious, starving stu-

dents – myself included.

The first deal – pay \$20 for \$50 worth of food and drinks at Sabor Divino Restaurant and Lounge was bought by 522 Edmontonians in the 24-hour time limit.

Hundreds bought into a deeply discounted indoor rock-climbing pass to Climb Edmonton and nearly 2,000 people bought a deal for Famoso Pizza. A deal for a \$50 coupon to the Gap for \$25 even crashed the server because there were so many people trying to grab the bargain.

I've been monitoring Edmonton Groupon since it started and although I haven't bought one yet myself – I am really, really, money-conscious – I know that it's only a matter of time before the perfect deal pops up.

Mossler tells me Groupon has three months of local business deals lined up for Edmonton and more continue to sign up.

**"We see ourselves as a city guide that pushes you off the couch and makes you want to try new things in Edmonton"**

– Julie Mossler Groupon  
consumer marketing manager

From restaurants to bookstores, spas and adrenaline-pumping activities, if you have an e-mail address, sign up for Groupon.

The deal is sent in an e-mail each morning or you can check bargains via a handy iPhone application.

Not only can this company do wonders for local businesses, I just think it can be so beneficial for poor students.

Save your money for these deals everyone, it's worth it.

You can sign up at <http://groupon.com/edmonton>.

**GROUPON**  
Collective Buying Power



## BOOKSTORE

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- Use your student handbook coupon & save
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# OPINION

— Editorial —

## New year, new Nugget



**KATHY LE**  
Editor-in-Chief

Hello and welcome to new and returning students and staff at NAIT. My name is Kathy Le and I would like to introduce myself as the new Editor-in-Chief for the *Nugget*. I absolutely love the month of September because, in addition to the beautiful scenery, it is a time for new

beginnings.

For some students, this fall could be their first step into post-secondary life, for new instructors a new journey in their teaching careers and for many others perhaps a new country, province, city or home. Whatever the situation may be, this year is bound to bring awesome experiences for everyone.

### Fresh

It's not a far walk to find some brand new faces on the *Nugget* team and our neighbours at NAITSA. I'm pumped because when I think new team I don't think better, I just think fresh. I'm talking about fresh and innovative ideas, fresh energy and enthusiasm and fresh relationships and friendships. I am confident the new NAITSA executives will be successful in their positions, offering students what they need and want. And I know the new *Nugget* team will work to play a role in getting the message from the students out. Remember, we are here to be the voice of the students. We as a media outlet have the privileged duty to report on important issues, and fun ones, that you want to see exposed and to read about.

Last year was a huge success for us as a team. We were able to cover many important issues involving the campus and around the city, as well as cover entertaining stories involving world-class celebrities. I hope to bring the same kind of bold and exciting approach this year and I am confident the team will succeed above and beyond.

### Not all about studying

Beyond the *Nugget* and NAITSA, I want to encourage new and returning students to take part in all the events offered at NAIT. I promise the experience will enrich your time spent here. As an assistant entertainment editor last year, I was able to get out to so many cool events such as The Last Band Standing, The Bachelor and Bachelorette, Speed Dating and the list goes on. Yes, it was through the *Nugget* that my eyes were opened to a different side of post-secondary but I want you to know that it's an experience anyone can have if they want. Go to this year's Pirate Party or the East Coast Party. Go to Indie Night and enjoy those to-die-for chicken wings or go to the many sporting events – we have many. School doesn't just have to be all about studying.

On a last note, I just want to let you guys know that we're going to be doing some pretty cool changes on our website and it's definitely worth your time to check it out. If you happen to be on our end of the campus and want to meet me or any of the editors to learn more about what we do (or just to chat), please don't hesitate to come in. Our doors are always open. Plus I like to meet new people, so come and say hi.

I wish everyone a successful and fun year at NAIT. Make it a good one.



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Trust us on that. Write us.





# SPORTS

## What you have missed ...



**RYAN FLAHERTY**  
Sports Editor

We at the *Nugget* may have taken a break for the summer, but the sports world doesn't believe in such things. Here's a look at what's been going on while we've been frittering the months away.

### Oilers make their choice

Of course, the biggest news in this neck of the woods this summer was the Edmonton Oilers using their first overall pick in the NHL entry draft to grab a certain young man named Taylor Hall. In a city desperate to re-establish itself as the City of Champions it once was, the selection of Hall was embraced by Edmontonians as a portent of better times to come. The



pre-draft "Taylor or Tyler (Seguin)" debate was seemingly unending, although most were convinced Hall would be the eventual choice. In

fact, the prelude to the draft was covered like none in recent memory. The fact that a Canadian team had the No. 1 pick (for the first time since the Ottawa Senators chose Chris Phillips with the first selection in 1996) had both of the country's major sports networks (call me when The Score cares about something outside Ontario) salivating at the opportunity to talk hockey



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**LeBron James**

long after the Stanley Cup had been awarded. Prognostications, panel discussions and even a TSN-produced documentary on the Oilers' decision-making process gave hockey fans more draft talk than they could ever need – so much so that the actual draft seemed a bit anticlimactic by comparison. But don't tell that to all the people who threw or attended draft parties. Seriously, I've never seen so many people so excited that their team was so terrible. Gotta cheer for something, I guess. Hall still has to crack the Oilers' roster (though given their talent pool, that shouldn't be a stretch), but there's no way the team can be any worse than last year. It should be an interesting season.

### Blackhawks win, then lose

Staying with hockey, the Chicago Blackhawks defeated the Philadelphia Flyers in six games to win the Stanley Cup, then spent the next two months methodically dismantling their championship roster, piece by piece.



Since Jonathan Toews hoisted Lord Stanley's mug, the Hawks have seen nine players – nearly half their Cup-winning roster – depart via trade or free agency in order

for the team to meet the league's salary cap requirements next season. It stands as one of the biggest personnel turnovers that a championship-winning team has ever undergone.

The NHL playoffs themselves provided plenty of excitement for fans across the country. The Montreal Canadiens knocked off the Washington Capitals, owners of the league's best regular season record, then followed that up by taking out Sidney Crosby and the Pittsburgh Penguins, making a lot of 12-year-old girls cry in the process. The Cinderella-story Phoenix Coyotes saw their clock strike midnight in the first round, but only after taking the perennial favourite Detroit Red Wings to a seventh and deciding game. A number of goalies who had been previously untested in playoff action, including Finns Antti Niemi (Chicago) and Tuukka Rask (Boston Bruins), Montreal's Jaroslav Halak, and both Brian Boucher and Michael Leighton of the Flyers, stepped up and delivered performances worthy of 'tenders far more experienced than they. In fact, the least exciting moment of the playoffs may have been Patrick Kane's Cup-winning overtime goal, which nobody except Kane himself seemed to realize had happened. All in all, it was one of the most entertaining playoffs in recent memory.

### A new "Big Three" join forces

LeBron James, the NBA's most heavily coveted free agent since – well, ever – ended two years of speculation by deciding to take his talents to South Beach and join Dwyane Wade and the Miami Heat. According to James, it was an agonizing decision, but thanks to some mind-blowing pearls of wisdom from his mother ("make the deci-

sion that's best for you" – holy crap, that's profound!), the hoopster elected to leave his supposedly beloved home of Ohio behind in favour of championship dreams in the Sunshine State. Joining the James/Wade duo in Florida was ex-Toronto Raptor Chris Bosh, who found the chance to reunite with his U.S. Olympic teammates too much to resist. There has been plenty of deserved criticism for the way this partnership came to be (gag-worthy *The Decision* TV special, anyone?), but the fact remains that the Heat have assembled a good enough supporting cast around their feature trio that they could win more than one championship in the coming years.

### TO lands in Cincy

Speaking of big-name free agents, NFL wide receiver Terrell Owens ended his forget-

table stint with the Buffalo Bills by signing a one-year deal with the Cincinnati Bengals. The signing means that the league's biggest self-promoter in Owens will join its second-biggest in the person of Chad Ochocinco, giving the



Bengals a potentially deadly one-two punch. That's provided, of course, that quarterback Carson Palmer can stay healthy and regain his Pro Bowl form, and that the two giant egos of Owens

and Ochocinco can coexist for a full season. One thing's certain, however. The Owens signing makes the battle for AFC North supremacy one that fans will be watching.

That's a taste of what's been going on the past four months. For plenty more sports news – past, present, and future – keep your eyes on this section of the *Nugget* all year long.



**Taylor Hall**



## MENS BASKETBALL

# New year brings new faces



**GARIT BYINGTON**  
Assistant Sports Editor

Another fall semester at NAIT means another year for coach Don Phillips and the NAIT men's Oaks' basketball team to take to the hardwood in the NAIT gym. After last season's success, the team has even higher expectations, but nothing that's unrealistic as this year's team is looking as strong as ever. A detailed season preview and the returning players will come in a future *Nugget* issue, but for now we'll have a look at some of the new faces on the team who are looking to help improve on last year's playoff record.

The NAIT Oaks have welcomed the commitment of Muraso Yergo of Edmonton's Holy Trinity High School. Muraso, who will enter NAIT's Power Engineering Technology program. He scored more than 50 points twice in the Metro Edmonton high school league last year and averaged more than 35 points per game. He also averaged eight rebounds and seven assists while performing well on defence. A big factor in Yergo's development was the excellent coaching he got at Holy Trinity, said Phillips.

"As a staff, we take pride in identifying talent that fits our style of play," coach Phillips said. "His ability to get deflections on defence, score from anywhere on the court

and use his good basketball IQ will make him a standout in the ACAC."

Also committed to this year's team is Clayon Bennett of Pickering High School in the east end of Metro Toronto. Bennett, a six-foot guard, averaged 22 points, five assists and three rebounds per game last season.

"He refuses to be outworked," Phillips said. "As a defensive-minded coach, I feel the anchor of our defence starts with point guards and they must be an extension of the coach's philosophy."

Phillips described Bennett as "a stingy defender, an unselfish offensive player, a hard worker and one with confidence that becomes contagious in winning. His ability to create and dictate tempo on both offence and defence will be a key to whatever success we have next year."

The Oaks also have the commitment of Jawauwn States to the men's basketball program for this season. In 2008-2009, States led the British Columbia Colleges Athletics Association in scoring with 22 points per game and assists with 13, while finishing 10th in the conference in assists. Previously, he averaged 24 points, 12 rebounds and six assists per game at the high school level. States' grandfather was a naval chef and States plans to enrol in NAIT's nationally-acclaimed Culinary Arts program.

"We are excited to add a student-athlete with his capabilities to an already talented roster," Phillips said. "He is a multi-faceted student-athlete who can dominate a game in all aspects. I believe this will be a win-win situation for NAIT, our men's basketball program and, most importantly, for Jawauwn States."

A player's search for further education is going to provide a big boost for the NAIT

Ooks. Versatile guard Corey Saban, a solid three-year player with the MacEwan Grifins, has enrolled in NAIT's Civil Engineering program. Saban has been considered a leader among Northern Conference guards in the ACAC.

"The best way to describe Corey's play is to call it solid," said Phillips, who needed to replace the departing Rodel Grenaway.

"Corey will fit perfectly with the type of talent we have returning and the new players we have coming in. We're excited that a student-athlete of this quality will benefit from NAIT's ability to produce job-ready individuals for today's work force."

Two graduates of Bert Church High School in Airdrie are going to be playing basketball this season with the NAIT Oaks. Guard Nick Cupelli, and six-foot-seven rebounder and shot blocker Joe Jennings are committed to NAIT.

Phillips says the addition of the two youngsters "makes the future of Oaks men's basketball brighter and brighter." He describes Jennings as possibly "the sleeper recruit of Alberta. He has great character, is intelligent and a hard worker. In addition, he is a defensive wizard."

Cupelli, an established shooter, ranked first in Alberta and fourth in Canada during Skills Canada television and video competitions.

"Nick is a sniper from anywhere on the

court," Phillips said. "His basketball IQ is second to none." Both players earned major individual honours in the Rocky View School Division, Cupelli as most valuable player and Jennings as a first-team all-star.

To fill out the recruits, the team welcomes versatile Jahmol Samuels, a 205-pound graduate of St. Marguerite d'Youville High

School in Brampton, Ont. He has enrolled in NAIT's millwork and carpentry program and will play for the Oaks this season. A relative of current NAIT Oaks men's basketball star Shane Cox, Samuels has a proven ability to play multiple positions.

"Jahmol is exactly the type of player we set out to find during this recruiting season," Phillips said. "His size, strength and ability to play multiple positions offensively as well as defensively will be extremely valuable."

In addition, strong leadership qualities have been shown by Samuels at every level

of competition. "He will have a positive effect on our program from Day 1."

The Oaks appear to have all the needed talent and appear to be ready to take on the exciting and daunting tasks coming their way this season, ultimately leading to the prize gem of winning the CCAA men's basketball national championship. These new faces may be the boost the Oaks need to put them over the top.



**Coach Don Phillips**

# Soccer Nationals highlight calendar

**By RYAN FLAHERTY**  
Sports Editor

With a new fall semester upon us, NAIT Athletics is readying itself for another great year of sports action. Here are a few highlights to watch for in the coming months.

## Soccer

Tryouts have been ongoing this week, and the beautiful game is the first sport to kick off its season, with both the men's and women's Oaks taking the pitch Sept. 11-12 at Keyano College in Fort McMurray. Though they certainly don't need it, the squads have added incentive to perform well this year, as NAIT will play host to the CCAA National Championships Nov. 10-13. Neat fact: Former men's soccer coach Stuart Brown was recently inducted into the Canadian Soccer Hall of Fame!

## Hockey

Both teams will be hosting information sessions for prospective players on Sept. 7.

Attendance is mandatory for anyone hoping to snag a spot on either roster. The men's coaching staff has been overhauled in the off-season and new head coach Serge Lajoie is eager to get the Oaks headed upwards in the standings, with their season opener scheduled for Oct. 8 against Augustana. The women, under the guidance of third-year coach Deanna Iwanicka, look to improve on their loss in last year's ACAC championship, hitting the ice against Mount Royal College on Oct. 15.

## Basketball

The men's team has undergone several changes since last year (check out the article above for details) and head coach Don Phillips is eager to see what kind of team he's got. Open tryouts will be held Sept. 7 in the NAIT gym. The women's squad has a new coach in Todd Warnick and he's been busy recruiting as well. But a good coach is always looking for great players, and so the women's team will be holding tryouts Sept.

7-9. Both teams hit the hardwood Oct. 22 against Lakeland College.

## Volleyball

First of all, congratulations are in order for Austin Hinchey of the men's squad, who earlier this week was named Volleyball Canada Athlete of the Month. Hinchey's inclusion on a strong Oaks squad bodes well for the coming season, which for both men's and women's teams begins Oct. 22 against Grant MacEwan. Men's tryouts will be held Sept. 7-8, and the women's team will have their own camp Sept. 8-9. The women will be led this season by new coach Erminia Russo-Thorpe, who brings a stellar resume to the job which includes a CIS coach of the year award.

## Golf

The golf schedule has yet to be released, but we can tell you that head coach-NAIT fixture Jules Owchar will be

hosting info sessions for interested players on Sept. 2 and 8 at 4:30 p.m. in the NAIT gym foyer, so get out and get swinging!

## Curling

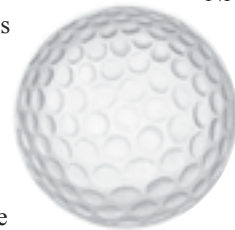
Just like golf, the sked is not yet available, and just like golf, if you're interested in checking out the NAIT curling team you can get more info from double-duty Jules Owchar. In this case, the session will be held at noon on Sept. 16 in the NAIT gym foyer. Hurry hard!

## Cross-Country

Tryouts will be held Sept. 7 and 9 at the NAIT track at 5 p.m. No information on upcoming meet dates was available at press time.

## Badminton

Good with a racket? Badminton tryouts run Sept. 13-16 at various times in the NAIT gym. As of yet the season schedule is unavailable.





# Not a Capital response



## OUT OF BOUNDS

**RYAN FLAHERTY**  
Sports Editor

Greetings, sports lovers! I have accepted a new assignment. It is my pleasure to assume the position (that's what she said) of Sports Editor, and I do so with great eagerness, as this subject is one of my biggest passions. I, along with Assistant Editor Garit Byington and a whole crew of great contributing writers, look forward to providing you with all the sports news from here at NAIT and around the world every week right here in the *Nugget*.

### Opinions welcome

One of the perks of being an editor is the opportunity to express oneself in a weekly column. In my case, I plan to use mine to take a story from the world of sports and share my own perspective. I welcome any and all opinions on these columns, so if you read something that inspires you to comment, whether it be positive, negative or just plain weird, I encourage

you to share it with me by sending me an e-mail (sports@ookmail.nait.ca).

Anyway, enough about me. On to the inaugural edition of *Out of Bounds*.

Those who follow local sports are aware that a few weeks ago the Edmonton Capitals baseball team accepted the resignation of their manager, Brent Bowers, as a result of homophobic comments Bowers directed at openly gay umpire Billy Van Raaphorst during a game in July. Initially, the Golden Baseball League suspended the Caps' skipper for two games, a punishment that didn't sit well with Van Raaphorst's colleagues, who declared the suspension not serious enough and informed the league that none of them would work another game until a more fitting sentence could be applied. Eventually, the league changed its tune and suspended Bowers indefinitely, which as far as the league was concerned was the end of the matter.

Although the league eventually did the right thing by giving Bowers an appropriately stiff punishment, it's the reaction of the Capitals' front office which doesn't measure up. Sure, the team did publicly support the league's suspension, but it's what happened

afterwards that rings somewhat hollow. Bowers saw the writing on the wall, and, knowing his days as manager were numbered, tendered his resignation, which Caps management accepted without question. On the surface, it would seem as though the team did the right thing, but the way I see it they took the easy way out and failed to take advantage of a valuable opportunity to promote tolerance and celebrate diversity.

Put simply, the team should not have accepted Bowers' resignation. Instead, they should have told him "no, we're sorry, you can't resign. We're firing you." The end result – Bowers no longer

being employed – would be the same, but in this case, the team would have made a very public statement that the type of comments Bowers made are not in any way acceptable – no way, no how. By accepting his resignation, the Capitals effectively swept their little problem, and the topics of discussion that arose because of it, right under the rug. They basically did their best to minimize any negative PR without fully addressing the issues at hand.

To its credit, the Edmonton Oilers organization (which runs the Caps), has pledged to insti-

tute a diversity program with both clubs and when Van Raaphorst came to town to umpire a few games earlier this month, he was part of a panel discussion on diversity issues hosted by the club. But as much as that helps, it seems somewhat like window dressing. There was a chance here for the Capitals to truly make a public statement that words and actions such as those demonstrated by Bowers are archaic and backwards.

### Could have done better

Think about it. This could have been a great time to say "you know what, there are plenty of homosexuals in sports and we embrace that fact." Minor league baseball is all about promotions – what a great opportunity to have a Pride Night at Telus Field or to make a sizeable donation to an LGBT-friendly charity. The Edmonton Capitals could have been a trend-setter in their league, if not pro sports as a whole. At the very least, they could have used Bowers' words to open a dialogue on a subject – gays in sports – which is still very much taboo in what is a very testosterone-charged environment.

Unfortunately, as of yet the team has only initiated the aforementioned program. It's better than nothing, but it still feels like it isn't enough. Meanwhile Brent Bowers sits at his home in Chicago waiting for another opportunity to show his true colours. Hopefully his phone doesn't ring for a long, long time.



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**GARIT BYINGTON**  
Assistant Sports Editor

# Unsportsmanlike conduct

*The trials and tribulations of Tiger Woods make for compelling reading*

With his divorce now finally behind him, the Tiger Woods story is ready for a whole new, exciting, fun-and-frolicking chapter. Regardless if the revelations of marital infidelities has made you despise the man, you can still sit back and enjoy watching the continuation of one of the sporting world's most epic tales. Especially if you despise the man, the way he's played lately surely would bring you vast enjoyment. Recently he shot an embarrassing 18-over-par in an event he's won a previous seven times, his worst performance of his career, finishing 78 out of 80 players.

The question is, which path in this fork-in-the-road will Tiger take? A man, who most knowledgeable golf fans figured, without a shadow of a doubt, would catch Jack Nicklaus's 18 major championships, will now have 14 major championships as a very likely final number under his name in the record books.

Every single aspect of the Tiger Woods' story is fascinating. The mere fact that he's broken down some of the racial barriers that the sport has had from Day 1 and has grown the sport so much makes his story more than just a "sports" story. Sport, as it has been so great in doing, has brought the racism issue to the forefront.

Golf, especially Augusta, the home of the Masters, has always had a history of racism; not allowing certain groups (such as Jews, African-Americans, women) to play on their course. Then along came Tiger Woods, possessing undoubt-

edly the most pure talent the game has ever seen, winning multiple Masters championships at Augusta (forcing Augusta to adjust their course so it's not so easy for him, often referred to as Tiger-proofing). Awesome. I love these kind of stories! That must have caused many sleepless nights and squirming around in their chairs for the Augusta staff.

He's given fans of golf some of the most memorable shots and incredible performances. He's grown the game's popularity immensely among the younger generation. Woods was the only golfer in history, at least to my knowledge, who could actually intimidate other golfers into playing off their game. He proved time in and time out he had a clutch factor never seen, and was the definition of the cliché – "ice water running through their veins." He was becoming the "Wayne Gretzky of golf."

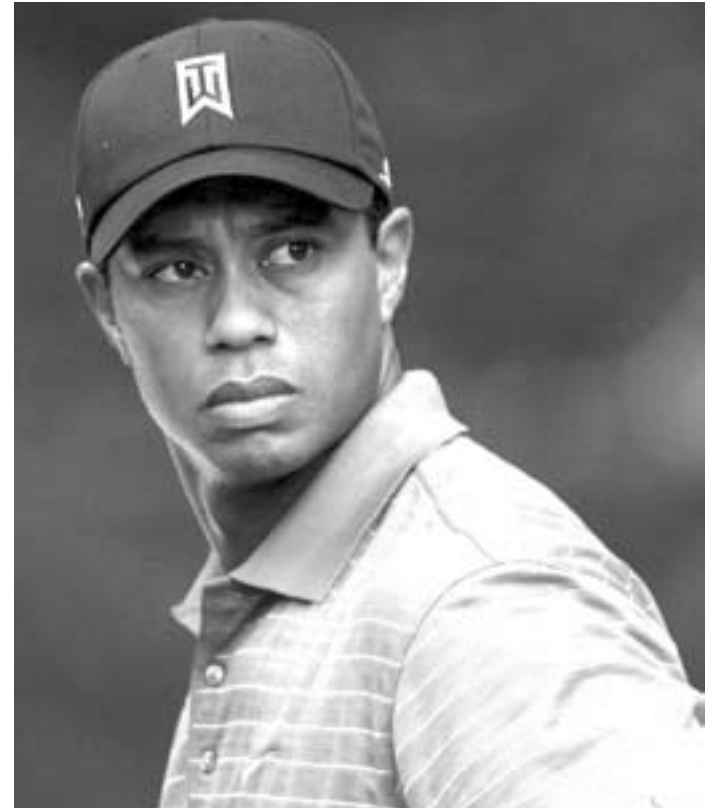
Then he became the punch line for thousands when he was in sexual rehabilitation after being found out to have cheated on his wife with multiple women; and now he's finishing second last in tournaments. This current part of the Tiger Woods saga holds true – even the great can fall. However, of the tournaments Woods has played since his five-month hiatus, he's had his best finishes at the major championships. Woods finished tied for fourth at both the Masters and the U.S. Open – showing a glimmer of hope for those wanting to see him crack Nicklaus's 18 majors.

I'm looking forward to seeing what's next in store for Eldrick. It seems he's going to have to start whipping out

more than just his golf clubs on the weekends in order to regain his former self. There's still plenty to be told in this story. Growing up during his glory years, I can never bet against Tiger hitting 18 or 19 major championships, and still think there's just too much talent for him not to overcome this slump.

Either way this story goes now, it will go down in sports history as one of the most unique and intriguing ones. All that is certain about this part of the tale about to be witnessed, is that Tiger is going to be poorer ... a lot poorer. It's going to take a lot of tournament victories and patched-up sponsorships even for him just to afford his former lifestyle.

Will he continue to fall, and cement himself as one of the biggest fall-from-grace stories the sporting world has ever seen; or will he become his former dominant self, and go down as golf's greatest, undeniably the mentally-toughest athlete ever? Time will only tell. Either way, it will remain damn entertaining for us, even if, and I can confidently say, we have seen the story's climax.



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- Engineering Annex – Main floor by main stairwell
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- Outside Bytes Cafeteria – HP Centre
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Watch for the Sept. 23 issue of the Nugget for candidate pictures and articles and watch for them campaigning around campus until Sept. 30.

Thank you for voting Sept. 24-30, 2010!



# ENTERTAINMENT

## Frosh Weeks a blast!



**ALI YUSUF**  
Entertainment Editor

NAITSA has really outdone itself this brand new school year with a segment called "FROSH Weeks," from Aug. 30 to Sept. 10.

Now, if you're a new student here at NAIT and the first issue of the *Nugget* caught your attention (I mean with all the holy beams and awesomeness each page is emitting, how could you not?) and you find yourself reading this article and thinking to yourself what the deal is with FROSH Weeks, let me explain. FROSH Weeks is NAITSA's way of welcoming new and returning students for the upcoming school year. They do this by hosting events to tickle your fancy.

Tyler Bernard, vice-president of Campus Life, believes that FROSH Weeks is particularly important since it provides a building experience for those who begin their studies at NAIT while forming life long memories and friends. Bernard also believes that this year's FROSH Weeks will surpass the success of last year's since it is bringing back the events that thrived while adding new events. I'll be the first to tell you that this year is glorious. Cue in epic guitar riff.

First, there's the Pancake Brunch being held Aug. 30 at the Annex Dock and Sept. 7 in the G-Wing Courtyard. Pancakes sound pretty great, right? Try adding some gummy bear toppings with ice cream, chocolate and strawberry sauce as well! Interested? Not done yet, it's free. So that should be your first stop to start off the school year.

Next up we have The Nest (the bar on campus) hosting an East Coast Party on Sept. 2 between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. As friendly as media pictures East Coasters, they also know how to throw a party. The Nest is offering \$3 pints as well as other drink specials, live Celtic music and prizes to boot. Speaking of entertainment, you know what else is entertaining? Getting screeched in. That means you have to drink screech rum, kiss a cod fish and try your hardest to speak some Newfoundland slang. OK, I'll admit it's not the most prestigious way to get your drink on, but at least it's only \$2 and that's cheaper than any bar would charge you for a shot of anything! Plus, watching other people do it is a gut-buster.

The next week offers a really swell way to keep in shape and meet some kindred spirits ... that is if you can find kindred spirits while playing four-on-four ball hockey. NAITSA is organizing a ball hockey tournament aptly called the ... Ball Hockey Tournament. I'll grant you the name could use some work but the great times playing

this nation's favourite sport won't disappoint. There's a beer gardens, a barbeque, music and prizes as well. Sign up online for free or in the NAITSA office to get your spot in the tourney. The puck (and by puck I mean ball) drops at 4:30 p.m. Sept. 8 in the Annex parking lot.



Photo by Mandy Kostiuk

NAITSA is showing no signs of slowing down FROSH Weeks by the looks of things; and do you know why? It's because NAITSA folks are a bunch of crazies who don't know when to quit! How does a pirate party sound to you? I would say it's not much of a party without a boat to party on, so NAITSA got a boat. Put on your best pirate outfit and head to the Nest by 4 p.m. on the 16th. A bus will take you to the River Queen where you will party like it's 1799.

There will be music, dancing, food and drinks, not to mention the best-dressed male and female pirates will get \$500! You'll be back at the Nest by 10:30 p.m. and all that for only \$20 if you're a student and \$25 for non-students.

So let NAITSA welcome you to NAIT. With all these fantastic events, you'll find yourself wondering why school is holding such great events for you to bust loose at! Shouldn't you be studying? Nothing happens for the first two weeks of school, everyone knows that. Keep in mind that at all FROSH Weeks events you can enter for a chance to win \$1,000! See you at FROSH Weeks, you crazy party animals!

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By GRAHAM McCANN

The summer break is over, and it is a fresh season of school. Whether it is your first year in post-secondary, or if you were top of your class last year, or let's just say a slacker that needs to get their ass in gear – we all need some motivation to get going and put our game face on to conquer the new semester and come out with our heads high.

Here are some tracks literally about hope, about climbing the ladder of success and pure inspiration to conquer. Enjoy.

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4. K.T. Tunstall – Saving My Face



5. K.T. Tunstall – Hold On
6. White Stripes – We're Going to be Friends
7. Enya – My My Time Flies
8. B.O.B feat. Hayley Williams – Airplanes
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# Great clubs ... right on campus



**ALI YUSUF**  
Entertainment Editor

Clubbin' at NAIT!

Alright, not the same kind of clubbing where you go out and make grave mistakes for the rest of the night but clubbing that will actually propel your experience here at NAIT.

"It's not hard to get together to form a group and meet other people and enjoy their time. It's to make their experience at NAIT more enjoyable," Rose Martin Baumgartner, the Campus Clubs manager says.

NAITSA offers quite a diversity of clubs of special interest such as art clubs, religious groups, movie-buff clubs, charity clubs, Aboriginal student club and even Dungeon and Dragons for you enthusiasts! Anyone can join these special interest clubs and they offer more than just the membership. Besides the obvious "you'll meet some great people" incentive, when you join a club you can create some really unforgettable events such as fundraisers.

In my experience, some of the best times I've had in my schooling years were doing fundraisers. So I can vouch for you on that notion. However there are even more incentives for those who wish to create a club.

Let's say you're a paint ball aficionado and you want to start up a club to meet people and share your interests with others. As the club executive (you need a total of three people to start a club) you can apply for initial seed funds of \$100 to get you started on your club to use however you want. You could use it to advertise your club through a poster campaign or you could use your funds for refreshments or free giveaways to gather people into your club.

If your club wanted to hold a bigger event you could apply for a grant, which would give you more money to hold a more extravagant outing by putting a budget together.

There are more incentives to being a club executive such as the co-curricular transcript. This means that when you graduate from your program your diploma will have your position as one of the club executives on it.

Think of it as an add-on to your diploma to show that you went above and beyond during your post-secondary experience. Also, you're going out there and meeting new people! I know the motivation is used too widely but it's still a good incentive regardless.

If you have any questions or concerns about creating or joining a club stop by the NAITSA office and ask for Rose. Better yet, you could shoot an e-mail off to her at campusclubs@nait.ca.

You'd be missing out if you didn't check out the clubs this year!



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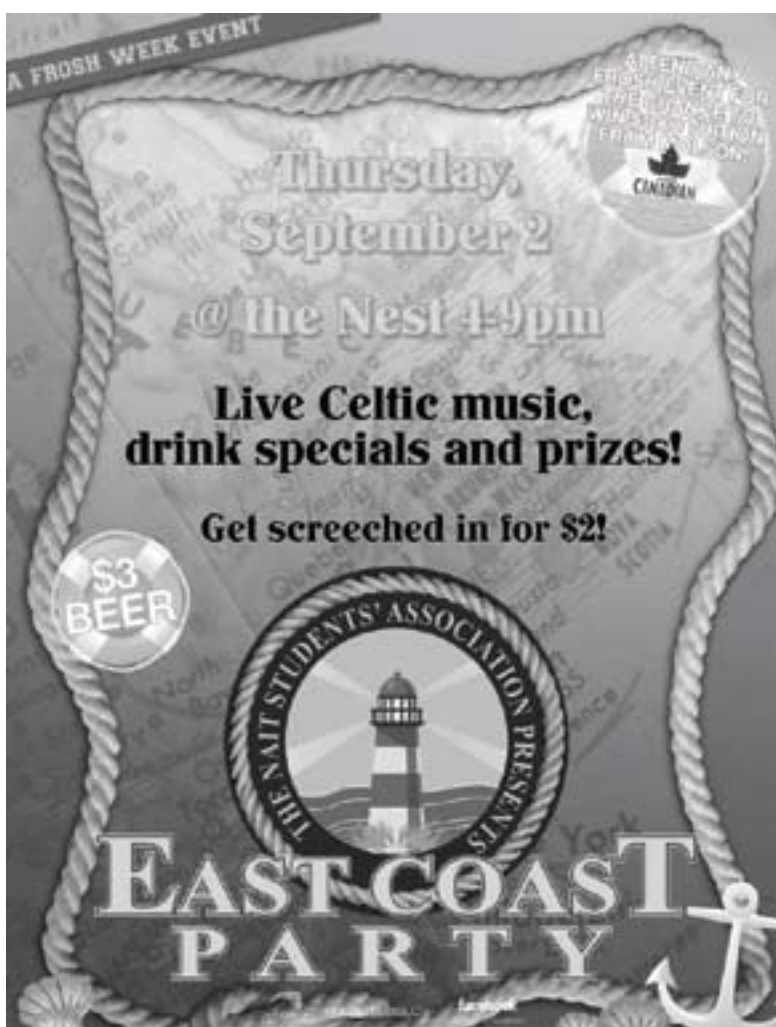
There are 18 positions available for the upcoming 2010-2011 Senate, three for

each of the six "schools" of NAIT.

- Faculty of undergraduate studies
- JR Shaw School of Business
- School of Health Sciences
- School of Trades
- School of Information Communication and Engineering Technologies
- School of sustainable Building and Environmental Management

Senate elections take place Sept. 24-Sept. 30, 2010.

For more information, visit the NAITSA office (E-131) or the NAITSA website at [www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca)





# Halifax meets Jersey Shore

By **MICHAEL FRAIMAN**  
**The Watch**  
**(University of King's College)**

HALIFAX (CUP) — He's the only guy, standing in a line of girls dressed in white. It's half-past midnight and he's been waiting for about 10 minutes. When his turn finally comes, he stands on a couch beside an unusually muscular man in white pants and a white vest on top of a white T-shirt.

They shake hands, grin for the camera, shake hands again, and it's over.

Colin paid \$85 to get his picture taken with Michael Sorrentino, a.k.a. The Situation, in the VIP lounge of Halifax's Pacifico nightclub, and he's proud of every penny.

"The Situation is the man," Colin explained, staring at the man-in-white's arm around the girl next in line. "There's really no other way to put it. Any guy would want that."

The Situation is one of eight housemates featured on MTV's hit

reality show, *Jersey Shore*. The show puts proud young Italian-Americans together in a summer beach house, where they spend their time partying and working shifts at a boardwalk store.

But, on June 17, Sorrentino took a break from his *Jersey Shore* companions to help Pacifico host its first-annual White Party — attendees were required to only wear white. A limited number of tickets were available for those wanting to spend a few minutes with The Situation himself.

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"There's no reason you wouldn't want to be The Situation," Colin said. "Quote me on that: There's no reason you wouldn't want to be The Situation."

The Situation drew people from across Canada to the Halifax nightclub. Nick came on a whim because his girlfriend bought him a white leather jacket the day before. Victoria and her friends drove from Wolfville, N.S. — just over an hour away — to celebrate her birthday,

though she emphasized neither she nor her friends really like The Situation. They're Vinny fans.

Alex boasted that he flew all the way from Vancouver "just for this," adding as an afterthought that his brother, Max, happened to be stationed in the army in Halifax. Max said that even though he's a *Jersey Shore* fan, tonight isn't about The Situation.

"Mike is just one guy," he explained. "The Situation is great and all, but the real situation is everybody here." He points to a girl: "That's the situation," and another: "That's the situation."

"This club is the situation," Max said. His brother nodded in agreement.

Nonetheless, most of the night was spent waiting for the guest of honour. It was just after midnight when a crowd began to form near the DJs — a mass of white-clad girls armed with camera phones and lip gloss.

But when the crowd thickened, The Situation stepped back. He leaned against a booth, behind his identically-dressed security guards, and lit a cigarette. He looked tired and didn't really smile. In fact, he barely opened his mouth the whole night. He almost looked unhappy.

"They're just a bunch of regular dudes," a Pacifico security guard said. "That'll be me up on the screen next week."

Then the VIPs got in line. Like Colin, they're the ones who paid \$85 to stand on a couch, have an arm thrown around their waist and get their picture taken.

"He didn't talk very much," a girl noted when she stepped off the couch.

Her friend was more upset: "Ninety bucks for a picture, then he stands around showing off to a

bunch of other girls?"

One of those girls was next in line. She grabbed for The Situation's trademark abs. He grinned slightly, but kept her at bay. A group of three middle-aged women laughed drunkenly as they took turns posing and snapping photos of themselves beside Sorrentino's recently-waxed chest.

The night seemed to gloss over The Situation, as if he'd done this a hundred times before. He probably has.



Photo by The Watch

**Jersey Shore's Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino mingles with fans at a Halifax nightclub.**

## INTERESTED IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT?

### Five Reasons For Getting Involved In The Senate

- 1. EXPERIENCE:** If elected, you'd be a voting member of the NAITSA Senate, which is the "governing body" for a multi-million-dollar organization. No matter what career path you choose, being a board member is a valuable experience. Aside from the first-hand knowledge of how meetings are conducted, participation on the Senate will develop skills such as accountability, decision-making, communication, teamwork and many more.
- 2. LEADERSHIP:** If elected, you'd be a representative for every student in your School. As a member of the Senate you'll have the opportunity to be a leader by listening to the needs of students and working with other representatives to address them.
- 3. IMPROVING YOUR SCHOOL:** Every institution has room for improvement. If elected you will be a key person NAIT wants to hear from to get the students' perspective. From parking to lockers to tuition to lab access, NAIT wants to know what students think and they will come to the Senate to find out.
- 4. INVOLVEMENT:** On top of the classroom and lab stuff there is so much going on at NAIT it's hard to keep up. If elected, you'll find that you automatically have your ear to the ground and that will help you make the most of your NAIT experience.
- 5. YOUR RESUME:** It's a safe bet that you want a good job when you leave NAIT. Most students don't realize how employers make hiring decisions. Here's a hint: Two NAIT grads ... same diploma ... same grades ... but one was a "Senate Representative" for the School of Business. Guess which one gets the first call for an interview.

### Responsibilities of a Senate Representative

- **MEETINGS** — Attend Senate meetings at 5 p.m. most every second Wednesday starting Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010 for a total of 12 meetings. Some exceptions apply.
- **TRAINING** — Attend a training session on Oct. 1 (3:30-5 p.m.) AND a mandatory training session Oct. 2 (all day).
- **COMMUNICATION** — To help you keep in touch with the students you represent you will have your own section on [www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca) which will list your contact information.
- **ACCOUNTABILITY** — Represent the students of your School fairly and honestly.

### So If I Am Interested, How Do I Get Elected?

- 1. GET NOMINATED:** You only need 10 students from programs in your "School" to nominate you. Use the Nomination Form to collect the signatures required.
- 2. SUBMIT THE FORM:** The deadline to turn in your nomination is Friday, Sept. 17, 2010 @ 4 p.m. Take the completed form to Leanne Mills, Internal Operations Manager, in the Students' Association office, Room E-131 on Main Campus before the deadline.
- 3. START CAMPAIGNING:** It's easier to get votes than you think. A good way to start is by telling your own classmates that you're running for the Senate, and remind them to vote online Sept. 24-30, 2010.
- 4. TALK TO STUDENTS:** There are no speeches or debates. Just get out there and talk to other NAIT students about issues that concern them.

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LADY GAGA – ALEJANDRO

# Gaga keeps us guessing

Reviews by GRAHAM McCANN

Lady Gaga is a 24-year-old with ambition, passion and an a whole lot of eccentricity.

Gaga's newest video *Alejandro* is best put as bitter sweet. The video is absolutely nonsensical and absurd but is accompanied by a pretty good song.

To try to figure out a story to this video or how it relates to the music is a futile endeavour. It is like those modern art paintings that are just a mishmash of colours that are supposedly wrought with deep meaning. But perhaps it's just a charade and they are just paintings of random colours sprawled all over the canvas with no one the wiser. You figure it out.

Keep in mind that this video is eight minutes and 40 seconds, which is longer than the actual song.

The video starts out with what seems to be a group of some type of soldiers – with horrendous bowl-cut hair – who start to dance in (my opinion) a bizarre and embarrassing way. Then it cuts to Gaga in an indescribable outfit along with those dancers carrying a casket.

One interpretation I can think of is that she is some leader of a nightmarish dystopian empire.

For some reason there are a lot of firearms in the video. At one point her bra is made out of the stocks of M4 assault rifles – similar to her portrait on July's *Rolling Stone* magazine cover.



Lady Gaga

The theme of the video changes many times throughout. Sometimes she is in a Nun-like uniform in a bed swallowing crucifix beads, then contrasted with her and another man, both half naked, in a bed flexing with each other as if having sex.

This brings up the question of why Vanessa Carlton's video *White Houses* was banned, just because her song alluded to sex non-explicitly, accompanied with her performing ballet, while the Gaga's was fine.

I have no animosity towards Lady Gaga. She is an interesting person and a talented singer/writer – to be as eccentric as this and let herself go is somewhat respectable and definitely bold.

It is certainly worth watching. With all the thought and hard work with choreography, wardrobe, filming and editing – this is something that should be seen. Don't let all that hard work go to waste. But try not to think into it too hard to save your mind from melting.

# Who is Salt? Anybody care?

*SALT* is Angelina Jolie's new thriller. Who is Salt? (As the tag line asks), who cares? This is one mess of a thriller. It begins with Jolie's CIA character, Salt, being released from a North Korean prison after being tortured only to be traded with another prisoner.

Why? Perhaps to show her loyalty to the CIA. But that whole part of the movie seemed useless and unneeded. The movie seems to suffer from the syndrome of not having a proper beginning – it just seems like you are put into it at some point after it should have started, and strangely feels like you are watching a prologue, leaving the viewer frustrated at the feeling that the main story hasn't started yet.

Soon after *Salt*'s release, a supposed former Soviet defector comes to the CIA about information regarding the planned assassination of the Russian president, a plot to destroy America and that agent Salt is a Russian spy.

This proceeds to the constant chase theme of the movie, while her friend from the CIA, played by Liev Schreiber, tries to vouch for her innocence.

Plot twists and some confusion are abundant and the ultimate mystery of agent Salt – is she good? Bad? American? Russian? are constantly in question as she is trying to convince the CIA she is innocent, but beating up other agents, guards, and police officers in the process of her flight.

Many of the stunts and schemes of agent Salt are not particularly believable and are far-fetched and too convenient.

The action and story are uninteresting before being uplifted at the climax and the final twist.

Also, *SALT* poorly executes some ideas that are wasted in this and could be used for a much better and insightful film about sociology and children abused and raised to be unquestioning of dogmatic duties.

All-in-all, this is a very mediocre popcorn flick that might be forgotten after a while, and will only be another place in the list of movies that Jolie and Schreiber

have done.

However, the director, Phillip Noyce, has some great political thrillers on his resume that are really worth seeing: notably *Clear and Present Danger* – which is consistently well done – and the lesser prequel *Patriot Games*, which

falls apart at the end, but beats *SALT*.

The point is if you want to see a good action/political thriller; honour this director by seeing these great films instead.

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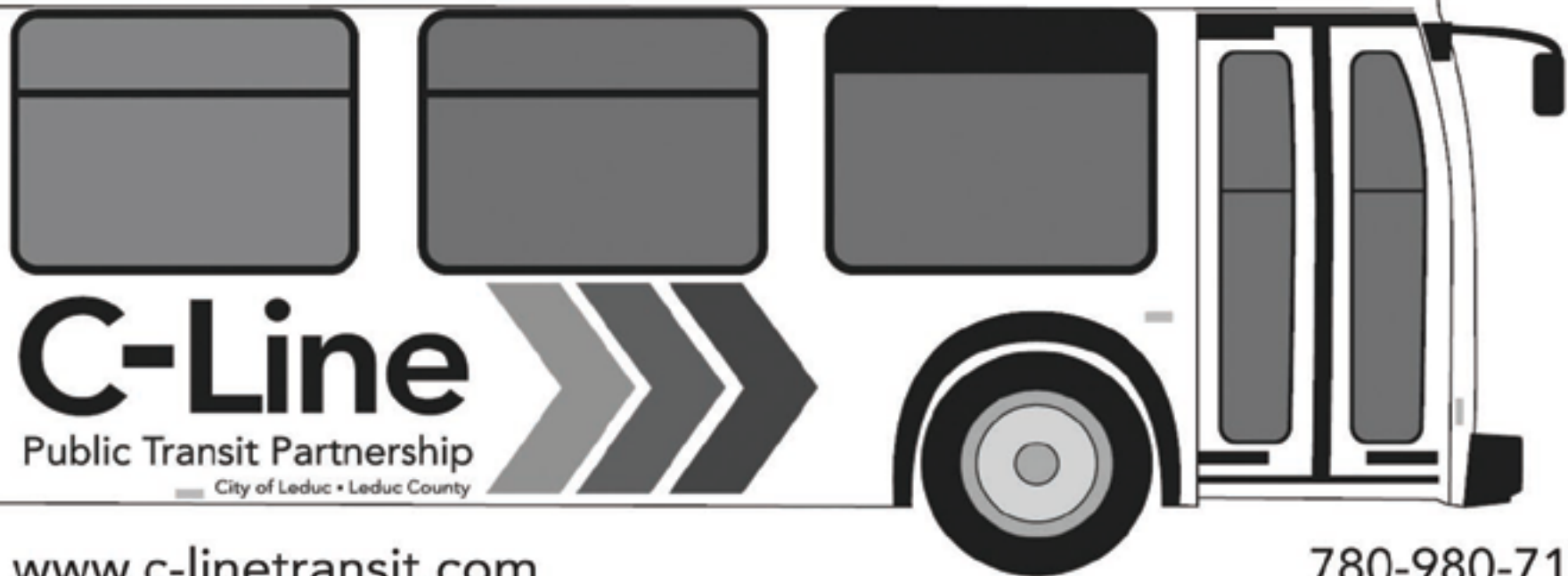
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## **YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT.**

Nomination forms are available  
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Every September, NAIT students elect three Senate representatives from each NAIT school. From October through April, these student leaders meet every two weeks at NAITSA Senate meetings (approx 12 meetings) to oversee the direction of the organization.

**You will gain valuable  
experience in:**

- Leadership development
- Networking with a wide range of other students
- Governance & political procedure

**AND it looks great on your resume!**

**For more information  
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Wednesday, Sept. 1  
Thursday, Sept. 9  
Wednesday, Sept. 15

**NAITSA Office (E-131)  
@ 4:00pm**



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# CLUBS CORNER

## All you need to know ...

Is your class fundraising for Grad? Do you have a special interest? Want to meet new people, build friendships? Make a difference? Get involved in the Student Experience?

If you answered YES to any of the above, check in with us at the Campus Clubs Centre Room E-133 at NAITSA (main campus).

### Fundraising for your grad?

You will want to register your class as a club. In return, there are many services to support you in your fundraising endeavours.

### Want to join a club?

Visit the Campus Clubs Centre and we'll get you connected.

### Can't find a club that complements your interest?

Why not start one? Find three people who share your interest and want to meet other like-minded students, describe what your club is about and register at the Campus Clubs Centre.

### Need help getting started?

The Campus Clubs Centre provides a variety of services to help you get going and keep you inspired throughout the school year. We offer start-up sup-



port, advertising on campus, equipment loans, storage space rental, funding opportunities, club banking, room bookings and club appreciation and recognition.

Most clubs are technology clubs that represent students in their programs. They primarily host events to raise money for their graduations, host industry nights or bring in guest speakers.

Special interest clubs are growing each year. They bring students together with similar

interests, beliefs and talents. Do you appreciate art, want to paint, like going to plays? Are you a movie buff? Do you want to explore spirituality, learn about faith? Want to green up your campus and take action? Do you enjoy hiking, camping and kayaking? Enter the realm of gaming? Enhance your paint ball skills? Are you all about the business, professional development and networking?

Check out these clubs:

- Aboriginal Student Association
- Business Connex
- BTech Club

- Chinese Student Association
- Christian Club
- DeFeYe Arts Club
- Gamers of Dungeons & Dragons
- International Club
- Movie Club
- Muslim Students of NAIT
- Outdoors Club
- Paint Ball Action Sports
- Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE)
- WineNot

Visit the Campus Clubs Centre, Room E-133 – NAIT Main Campus and Rose or Denise would be happy to help you.

You can also call 780-471-8871 or e-mail campus-clubs@nait.ca

We look forward to meeting you!

## Training sessions for clubs

**Clubs Beer Garden Training:** Location TBA, Tuesday Sept. 14, 4:30 p.m. RSVP by Sept. 9 to Campus Clubs Centre to sign up your club.

**Clubs Orientation Training Day:** Location – TBA, Sunday, Oct. 3, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This is mandatory training for all clubs. Registered club members only. RSVP by Sept. 24 to Campus Clubs Centre to sign up your club.

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# People are here to help



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NAIT Student Counselling

Staff at the Academic Success Centre would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to NAIT and to wish you success during your time here. Our goal is to provide services that will support you to maximize your academic potential and to enhance your opportunities for success. Services provided by the Academic Success Centre include Student Counselling, Services for Students with Disabilities and the Tutoring Services.

## How can you access Academic Success Centre services?

Counselling and Services for Students with Disabilities appointments can be scheduled in person at Room W111-PB, HP Centre, or you can telephone 780-378-6133. Office hours are: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Information can be accessed via the ASC website at [www.nait.ca/asc.htm](http://www.nait.ca/asc.htm)

## Student Counselling

Counselling is available to all NAIT students to promote and encourage student success. All counselling appointments are free and confidential.

### Individualized counselling includes:

**Academic Counselling:** Assistance with study skills, exam preparation, exam writing techniques, time management and other skill-building techniques to enhance academic success.

**Personal Counselling:** Assistance with personal concerns that impact your success as a student. Referrals can be provided to outside agencies for longer-term counselling.

**Online Information:** A study skills manual written specifically for NAIT students, *Strategies for Success: Techniques to Maximize Learning Potential*, is available online at [www.nait.ca/53521.htm](http://www.nait.ca/53521.htm), and tips for academic and personal success are available at [www.nait.ca/counselling.htm](http://www.nait.ca/counselling.htm).

### Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)

If you have a permanent or temporary disability, you are advised to meet with a Services for Students with Disabilities adviser as soon as possible to set up support services to enhance your academic success at NAIT. Depending upon a student's disability and documentation, services may include accommodations such as:

- Assistance with accessibility issues

- Assistance with accessing disability related funding

- Exam accommodations
- Tutoring services
- Academic strategies sessions
- Classroom supports such as note-taking, sign language interpreting, or audio recording equipment

• Specialized assistive technology  
Prospective students with a documented disability should contact Services for Students with Disabilities six months prior to starting their NAIT program.

Information on SSD services can be accessed on our website: [www.nait.ca/ssd](http://www.nait.ca/ssd)

### Tutorial Centres

Visit our free Tutorial Centres – special-

ized tutors can help you with math, physics and chemistry.

**Peer Tutoring Registry:** The tutor coordinator maintains a roster of names of students who provide individual tutoring for an hourly fee of \$15.

How can you access tutorial services? The Tutorial Centres are located in Room A-133 at Main Campus, in Room P-150/P-152 at Patricia Campus and in Room Z-153A at Souch Campus. Services are on a drop-in basis.

To sign up for peer tutoring, or to apply to be a peer tutor, go to Room A-172A.

Information on Tutorial Services can be accessed on our website: [www.nait.ca/tutorial.htm](http://www.nait.ca/tutorial.htm)

## Poll clerks needed

**Duration:** Sept. 30, 2010

**Compensation:** \$14/hour

• Poll clerks needed for the NAITSA Senate election polling stations on Sept. 30, 2010 (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

• Must have a strong command of the English language and have a complete and clear understanding of the democratic election process.

• All poll clerks must attend a training session on Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. in E-129. All clerks will be paid to attend.

• Poll clerks must have a complete understanding of the online voting process and be comfortable in providing guidance to students.

• Apply in person at the NAITSA office, E-131 from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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# Your horoscope



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## Aug. 26-Sept. 8

(Warning: These Nugget horoscopes are not written by an accredited astrologer; however, believe them if you like, as they are absolute and unquestionable.)

## Aries (March 21-April 19)

You're confused and need to sort out everything that's going on in your head. You may not have realized it yet, but you might be too late to

profit from a previous offer.

## Taurus (April 20-May 20)

What goes up, must come down. I am, of course, talking about your sex life. Jeez, what a downhill it is. Remember, "Slaying the Dragon" is only a funny game until you're the first to score.

## Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You need to relax more often, you're too stressed. How about I come over later and give you a back rub and you can tell me about your day? \*Wink wink\*

## Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Some people don't see your best personality traits. You should learn to show them off more to those who don't see it. This is an opportunity to be nice to others and

get recognized for it.

## Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Buy your books early this semester. You don't want to be stuck in a line with a bunch of fat dudes with their cracks exposed in front of you. The smell might rub off on you.

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

Has anyone ever told you that they don't like your style? It's probably because your style is outdated. Buy some new clothes for the new school year. You'll make more friends that way, or won't lose the ones you already have.

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

Your persona will shine this week as long as you keep fronting that smile of yours. Chin up,

show off your pearly whites! You'd be surprised how far a smile can go for someone.

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

You have about the same amount of diversity in your emotions that Nicholas Cage does. It means you're boring. Change something about it, you stale sack of crap.

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

Trouble is heading your way. The best way to avoid it is to put a dead octopus on your head for a week. A voodoo witch doctor told me that's how you ward off bad luck. Try it, then send photos to me so I can laugh at you.

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

Capricorn? More like CRAP-

icorn! But seriously, I don't have any beef with you. As long as you don't cause me any trouble, we won't have a problem.

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

With school starting up, it's a good time to learn about the birds and the bees as your parents have been too preoccupied with financial debt since your birth. Don't worry, I'm sure one of your friends can explain it to you. Remember, abstinence isn't 100 per cent safe.

## Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Your wit and talents are unmatched, unless you're put up against Stephen Hawking. Damn it, that guy can crack a joke. At the same time, don't flaunt your abilities unless you like getting a fat lip.

# STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

## NAITSA (NAIT Students' Association) Now Hiring!

Please apply with a cover letter and resume at E-131. Ensure you list the position you're interested in.

### Promotions and Event Co-ordinator

The NAIT Students' Association is currently looking for a Promotions and Events Co-ordinator who will be responsible for the following:

- Developing promotions for all NAITSA events, while staying within budget, to engage students and increase awareness of NAITSA events
- Supervise and manage the NAITSA Street Team during the school year
- Attend all NAITSA events and co-ordinate as required (ie co-ordinate all Indie Nights at the Nest and assist with all other NAITSA events)
- Assist with putting up event posters if required
- Approx 10 hours per week, term: September through April 30, 2011

**Perks:** Salary of \$600/month, parking on campus, office space, phone number, business cards and one heck of an awesome experience

### Volunteer and Security Co-ordinator

The NAIT Students' Association is currently looking for a Volunteer and Events Coordinator who will be responsible for the following:

- Co-ordinate and implement the Volunteer initiatives on campus
- Work with the Events Committee to co-ordinate:
  - the 30-Hour Famine, Shinerama Fundraisers
- Assist the events team in managing volunteers at NAITSA events
- Assist the Events Team at NAITSA events
- Attend all NAITSA events
- Develop a recruitment plan for volunteers
- Build relationships with external organizations

looking for volunteers

- Assist students with finding suitable placements for them to complete their required volunteer hours for course completion
- Recruit, manage, supervise and schedule event security for NAITSA and club events
- Approx 10 hours per week, term: September through April 30, 2011

**Perks:** Salary of \$600/month, parking on campus, office space, phone number, business cards and some rock solid resume experience!

### Movie Night Co-ordinator

The NAIT Students' Association is currently looking for a Movie Night Coordinator who will be responsible for the following:

- Co-ordinate logistics associated with implementing Movie Nights on campus, including:
  - Assist with putting up posters as required
  - Pick movies to be shown on Movie Nights
  - Co-ordinate shipping details with movie provider
  - Promote Movie Nights on Campus
  - Prep and distribute popcorn at Movie Nights, as well as clean the machine after each use
  - Promote NAITSA events at each Movie Night
  - Ensure the venue is clean after each viewing
  - Ensure proper paperwork is done each week
  - Ensure that Marketing has the movie schedule
  - Approximately four hours per movie night.

**Term:** Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 28 through April 12, 2011 (23 movie nights in total)

**Perks:** \$60/movie night and get paid to watch movies (but you're gonna have to do a bit of work, too!)

### NAITSA Street Team

The NAIT Students' Association is currently recruiting 20 students to become part of a Street Team that

will be responsible for the following:

- Implement promotions around campus that will be used to engage students and promote NAITSA (during school hours and at events)
- Hand out free promo items to participating students
- Conduct iPad surveys of students on campus and at events
- Promote NAITSA events and initiatives to students and staff

**Perks:** \$15/hour, sweet resume experience, flexible hours and VIP access to nearly every NAITSA event!

### NAITSA Security (SUDS Squad)

The NAIT Students' Association is currently recruiting 20 students to become part of the SUDS Squad that will be responsible for:

- Working club and NAITSA events to:
  - ID patrons
  - Ensure patrons are following all liquor laws
  - Liaise with organizers to prevent potential problems
  - Diffuse problems before they become serious

**Perks:** \$12/hour, very flexible hours (you can chose your shifts) and meeting a lot of cool people on campus. Note that shifts are not regular as these are casual positions that become available for events.

### Front Desk Assistants

- Students needed to work over the lunch hour 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Answering the phone, faxing and the ability to multi-task an asset

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