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## BUSINESS BOOMS!

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### A JOB WELL DONE

Shinerama volunteers celebrate a successful day on Saturday Sept. 11 after raising \$3,700 for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Prior to the event, NAITSA had raised approximately \$10,000, so the total is now \$13,700! Forty seven volunteers participated in the NAITSA-sponsored event, one of 65 such fundraisers held on campuses across Canada. See story, Page 2.



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# NEWS & FEATURES

## Education in protection

By CELESTE DUL

E-mail and the Internet have become prominent avenues of communication, whether it be in school, work or social networking, but NAIT officials are reminding students to be careful when using these technologies, especially on campus.

Online communication tools do not come without their risks and most students are unaware of how vulnerable the Internet can make someone.

Viruses, worms, scams and identity theft are only a few of the many concerns Internet users must face on a daily basis.

The question is, how can students protect themselves from these insecurities without being deemed as outcasts from the World Wide Web?

"Being up to date is probably one of the best things to do," says Maxwell Keeling, a systems analyst at NAIT. "Without keeping your system up to date, it leaves your computer vulnerable to a lot of viruses."

Updating programs and loading trusted, industry standard anti-virus programs on your computer on a regular basis can save students the trouble of dealing with computer problems.

However, students must now be cautious of fake anti-virus programs, Keeling said.

"If you didn't install the program, don't allow it to scan your system."

Being aware of e-mail safety can also save you the trouble of identity theft and viruses.

Keeling said that although e-mailing is effective, popular and used on a daily basis, it is one of the most insecure systems on the Internet.

When reading through e-mails, it is good to approach everything with a little bit of skepticism.

"If it seems too good to be true, it probably is," advises Celia Wanderley, NAIT's

e-mail administrator.

"People may assume something is safe because it comes from family and friends, but

that is not necessarily true. Those people could have been infected, too and it wasn't their choice to send it to you."

Although an e-mail may seem legitimate, this is not always the case.

Fake e-mails are often created to mimic a respected company posing as your bank and asking for login information or bank numbers. So how can students recognize the fraud?

"Any legitimate company is not going to ask for your information," explains Keel-

ing. "They shouldn't ask for your first name, last name, account numbers or anything that specifies who you are."

Wanderley said everyone has to be very careful when sending information over the Internet.

"It seems like common sense to not send personal information over e-mail such as credit card numbers," Wanderley said. "But we see people fall for it on a daily basis."

So how can students protect themselves from a World Wide Web that is constantly finding new ways to harm us?

"The biggest thing we can do is educate our staff and students," she said.

If students don't become aware of what they're against, they cannot completely protect themselves online.

"If you're concerned about an e-mail, hover over a link on the e-mail, it should show at the bottom of the page, if the URL is not the registered site do not go to it," said Keeling.

"The biggest thing you can do to protect yourself is to constantly update your system, whether it is a PC or a Mac. It's a small price that will far outweigh the consequences."



**Maxwell Keeling**  
E-mails are insecure

## Shinerama a breath of fresh air

By ALEXIS DICKSON

Take a deep breath. It gives you a sense of calm, a sense of relief.

But what if you couldn't? What if your deep breath was equivalent to breathing through a straw?

That is cystic fibrosis, the most common, genetic disease affecting Canadian citizens, a disease with no cure.

"It is a cause that doesn't get a lot of attention," said Teagan Gahler, NAITSA Shinerama event co-ordinator.

NAIT came together last Saturday to work for the cause.

Student volunteers shined shoes, washed cars, sold T-shirts and worked together at seven different locations across the city to raise money to help those with cystic fibrosis.

"I hate seeing people suffer, seeing people be sick, peo-

ple with no help," said Garrett Prince, Shinerama team leader.

"Sometimes we have no control over a situation, but we do what we can to help out."

With various Shinerama events held throughout the summer and weeks leading up to Shine Day, along with the day's results, Gahler said NAIT has raised more than \$13,000, but the final tally for money raised won't be known until closer to the end of the month.

But Gahler said the effort made by NAIT student volunteers has already proved the event has been a success.

"Shinerama day was fantastic," she said. "The volunteers were amazing and worked very hard in the chilly weather."

For nearly 50 years, Shinerama has been the biggest post-secondary fundraiser held in schools across Canada.

All of the money raised goes to the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

So take a deep breath and breathe in all the air you can.

Students across the country, and right here on campus, are working to help those with cystic fibrosis.



Photo by Karen LePage

The King Team was stationed at the Kingsway Mall bus stop, shining shoes and raising awareness for cystic fibrosis on Saturday for Shinerama.

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# Biz students tie for 1st

By **RACHEL LEES**

Over the summer, NAIT finished No. 1 at an international business simulation competition.

Representing NAIT, Online Strategic Management student Gustavo Hernandez tied for first

place with Upper Iowa University – Online Campus and Boston University in the Business Strategy Game (BSG) simulation challenge, competing against students from around the world.

According to business instructor Don Aus-

man, in this BSG competition, students in teams of two run their own company and use the skills they've been taught to try to become the most successful company.

"The game is one that is very competitive and they have to make decisions in marketing, production, financing and accounting," Ausman said.

"These are all the subjects that they learn here at NAIT."

Students who enter in the world-wide competition compete against more than 500 other "companies" that are entered into a server based at the University of Alabama.

In the operation of their company, students make more than 150 strategic decisions on how to compete and continue to be one step ahead in the virtual business world.

"It is very difficult for a company like this in the simulation game to even rank in the top 50 world wide, and it is practically unheard of to come in No. 1," Ausman said. "I was absolutely impressed with our students ..."

Hernandez says the win shows NAIT has great potential in training Business students to be successful.

"This performance shows that we have a valuable base of knowledge and possibilities of creating talent. We are creating a baseline of knowledge for the future of this region," he said.



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**Gustavo Hernandez, a NAIT online summer business student, tied for first place in an international business strategy simulation competition. His simulated company beat out more than 500 "companies" around the world.**

# Getting fit with NAIT

By **NICOLE De CHAMPLAIN**

Earlier this month, a local firefighter succeeded in a nationwide firefighting competition, thanks to the training provided by a NAIT instructor and his students.

"Firefighters turned to NAIT for help," said NAIT personal fitness trainer and instructor Randy Dreger.

"They were looking for sponsors ... equipment and various things and one of the sponsorships they needed was personal training ... that's how we connected up."

Turning to NAIT proved to be a great move by firefighter Jim Hill, who competed in his first Scott FireFit Championships and finished the national combat challenge course in one minute and 37 seconds, an improvement of 15 seconds from when he first began training with NAIT.

Dreger oversaw an elite training program created by NAIT students for Hill and other firefighters, a program they followed for about two and a half months leading up to the

competition that took place Sept. 2-5 in Brampton, Ont.

Dreger picked three personal training students to work with Hill.



**Randy Dreger**  
Picked three students

But while Dreger oversaw the program's design and was there for testing and initial training, he credits the students for doing the most one-on-one work with Hill.

"Three out of 110 students. (I) offer(ed) a practicum and they volunteered and showed a lot of promise so I ended up choosing them," he said.

The training was task specific and by using regular gym equipment, they were able to design a program that catered to the firefighters' needs.

"On the treadmill we had them training in full gear [using] the full firefighting gear as well as doing some of the resistance training in gear and then doing movement patterns that mimic the sport

itself," Dreger explained.

Since this was Hill's first competition, the trainers did not have any specific goals for him to reach. Hill was mostly competing with himself to complete the training and improve on his initial time.

The SCOTT FireFit Championships is a nationwide competition consisting of tasks that firefighters would have to perform in an emergency situation. Competitors go head to head to see who can complete the series of events the fastest.

"Our expectations were more around just making sure that he does the training and does his best," Dreger said.

He placed 72 out of 185 firefighters in the national contest and praises Dreger and NAIT students for his success.

"The training program [Dreger] developed with his students was precise and advanced," Hill said.

"The training developed my core muscles and helped with reflex and muscle movement. Randy is professional and knowledgeable."

Now, Dreger says the local firefighters are looking into continuing with the training with NAIT for next year's competition and says he and the students are prepared for the challenge.

"We're looking at how we are going to develop a whole year or year-long plan."



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- Outside Fresh Express
- Outside Campus Read & Needs
- Outside Bytes Cafeteria  
HP Centre
- South Campus
- Patricia Campus

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# Getting lost in space



## EVERYTHING GREEN

**DARYLANN HUTCHINGS**  
Assistant Issues Editor

Astronomy is one of my favourite topics to talk about. I have always enjoyed the unknown and continually surprising topics. For all the space lovers that share my love I thought I would share with you 10 things you may not know about space.

1. There are more than 100 billion galaxies in the universe. The largest galaxies have nearly 400 billion stars. There are an estimated 100 billion stars in the Milky Way, our galaxy. If you tried to count all the stars in our galaxy at a rate of one star per second, it would take you about 3,000 years.

2. The Sun is the largest object in our solar system. It contains roughly 98 per cent of our solar system's total mass.

3. The moon is drifting away from the earth. Every year, the moon moves 3.8 cm further away from us. Because of this, the Earth is also slowing down. Every century, the earth's rotation will be two milliseconds slower. In other words, 100 years from today, the day will two

milliseconds longer.

4. Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system. It's also the fastest rotating planet. A day on Jupiter lasts only nine hours and 55 minutes. Jupiter has 62 moons and Europa, one of Jupiter's moons, is completely covered in ice.

5. Saturn, the second largest planet, is the lightest in the solar system. Its density is so low it would float in water.

6. Most asteroids lie between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter. Asteroids are byproducts of the formation of the solar system, more than four billion years ago. Dangerous asteroids, ones that could cause major regional or global destruction, only hit the earth every 100,000 years on average. We can observe more than 20 million meteors every day but only one or two meteorites hit the earth's surface each day.

7. By the most accurate definitions there are 14 known black holes. The closest, Cygnus X-1, is 8,000 light-years away. Black holes only absorb things that cross their event horizon, so they wouldn't destroy an entire universe.

8. It is a myth that the Great Wall of China is the only man-made object visible from space. Shuttle astronauts have seen highways, airports, dams, the pyramids and even large vehicles at 217 km from Earth.

9. The darkest space, with absolutely nothing around, would be about 2.7 Kelvin (minus 270 degrees Celsius and minus 454 degrees Fahrenheit).

10. Death by outer space: If a human being were suddenly exposed to space, they'd experience sudden expansion of gas in the lungs and digestive system due to decompression. Water would spontaneously vapourize, meaning moisture in the mouth, eyes and soft tissue would



NASA photo

### Orion Nebula

The Orion Nebula is located at a distance of more than 1,300 light years away and is the closest region of massive star formation to Earth. It is estimated to be 24 light years across. Older texts frequently referred to the Orion Nebula as the Great Nebula in Orion or the Great Orion Nebula.

evaporate. Direct exposure to radiation from the sun or another star would cause severe burns to exposed skin. In complete absence of air pres-

sure, the lungs would begin to work in reverse. *Anyone with thoughts, or topics for Everything Green, e-mail me at [issues@nait.ca](mailto:issues@nait.ca).*

# Lockers – valuable resource



Photo by Karen LePage

**By RACHEL ROSE-MARIE BARTHÉLEMY**

Students returning to NAIT this fall were in for a surprise as the locker rental system has been changed in many ways, including an increase in costs.

Why the changes? What caused them? What are the consequences toward them, the students and the system management?

Rick Ellis, director of NAIT corporate services says the change was inevitable.

"Over 11,000 lockers have to be managed," Ellis said. "There aren't enough lockers to fit all students so it had to happen sometime."

The old system wasn't adequate to fit every student's needs because each program had their own control over the locker rental system for students in that particular program, he said.

Ellis explains that what ends up happening is that some programs end up having more lockers than others, while some not enough. Students had to come to the office, line up and sign up to pay the fees to get a locker assigned to them, which proved to be a complicated circle.

The new rental fees vary depending on the student's status. Full time students in 2009 paid \$20 plus GST per locker and semester while this year the price has

increased to \$24 plus GST. The apprentice students in 2009 paid \$10 plus GST per semester for a locker while this year it has risen to \$12 plus GST.

While some concerned students have wondered why not have the lockers be free and why did NAIT have to be raise the prices, Ellis said the cost increase was a necessary operational cost.

"Everything has to operate and be well maintained and maintenance costs money," he said. "We cannot do maintenance without money and we have to find it somewhere."

He says that it's not necessary for students to rent a locker, but the new system makes it easier for those who do decide they want one.

"It is an option for the students, it is not mandatory because there are obviously not enough lockers for everyone."

Ellis adds that the online system also makes the process smoother.

"We can't answer to everyone's needs," said Ellis. "But we are doing what we can to fit all needs with what we have, by improving the service, making it easier for students and for staff."

For any concerns or questions regarding the locker rental system, students can contact the Student Access Contact Centre at 780-471-6248 or [lockers@nait.ca](mailto:lockers@nait.ca).



# 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*

# Gmail's just grand!



**LINDA HOANG**  
Issues Editor

"Starting today, you can call any phone right from Gmail."

That was announced by Google's Gmail team last month and it really just proves how much more awesome having a Gmail account is compared to having any other e-mail account – I'm looking at you hotmail and yahoo users. Switch over, already.

Not only do Gmail users now have the ability to call someone at the comfort of their computer screen, they can do it for free – anywhere in Canada and the United States.

Does this make you want to switch to Gmail yet?

I swear, they aren't paying me to make them sound good, this is just how it is.

I've made many calls using Gmail's built in "Call phone" button since the feature showed up on the sidebar of inboxes in late August and it's been a nearly perfect experience.

Quick calls placed with ease. Longer calls made with just as much ease.

If your current phone plan doesn't give you very many outgoing calls, this feature can really come to the rescue. Also if your job entails you having to call out a lot – sometimes to long distance numbers (hello journalist interviewing people) – then this seems to be the perfect alternative to using your actual phone.

But there have been some bumps.

One call I made to a Toronto cellphone was extremely poor audio quality, with voices on both ends cutting in and out. I lost the connection after several minutes.

I thought this might have been a Gmail fail

at first, but upon calling a couple more long distance numbers – one to a different Toronto phone and another down to the United States and both of which were crystal clear calls – I've come to the conclusion that it was just that first person's cellphone or cellular signal strength that messed up the call.

There's also been some area code confusion.

On some calls I've made to local numbers, the caller ID shows up as your regular, local 780 area code, however for other calls it's shown up as a California area code.

I've been assured by various other Gmail calling users that despite the California area code, those picking up the phone shouldn't be charged long distance, but I guess we really won't know until they get their bills at the end of the month.

However, aside from those minor hiccups, it's safe for me to give Gmail's free calling to any Canadian and American phone num-

ber (and very cheap calling internationally) a Linda's Tech Talk thumbs up and seal of approval.

One more thing should be mentioned though, is the free calling across North America only lasts until the end of 2010. After that the service will likely begin charging something similar to Skype fees. Still, that gives users nearly four months of free calling goodness.

Please do yourself a favour and ditch your current free, web-based e-mail service to sign up for Gmail. You just can't go wrong with it.

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# Alberta oilsands under siege

By **DARYLANN HUTCHINGS**  
Assistant Issues Editor

*"To extract this oil, a diverse boreal forest the size of England would be destroyed or seriously degraded."*

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*"Huge amounts of water are required in the process, leaving toxic tailings ponds covering 170 sq km."*

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*"Millions of migratory birds will be lost in the next several decades because of tar sands operations."*

...

These are all claims made by the Rethink Alberta campaign, a San Francisco-based group that has been lashing out against the province, placing advertisements on billboards, sending postcards to travel agencies and playing commercials depicting the environmental "disaster" in Alberta.

The postcards have been sent to travel agents and tourism operators in California, Oregon, Washington, Montana and Illinois, states that Corporate Ethics – the company behind the campaign – says are Alberta's strongest tourism markets in the U.S.

"The real intent is to sound a warning alarm that the future of tourism in Alberta is really threatened by the continued unbridled development of the tar sands," said Michael Marx of the San Francisco-based group Corporate Ethics, one of eight mostly American groups behind the campaign.

The first version of Rethink Alberta was criticized for inaccurate information, but Marx said all of those mistakes have since been addressed.

All of the statements against Alberta on the campaign's current website are sourced to specific studies, some from government, some

from independent scientists and some from research commissioned by environmental groups.

The postcard superimposes its message about Alberta's natural beauty being under attack over an image shot in one of the province's mountain parks. However, those parks are hundreds of kilometres from the nearest oil sand mine.

But Anne Douglas with Tourism Alberta said the government still considers the Rethink Alberta message inaccurate.

"We still don't agree with the accuracy of everything they claim," she said. "The government of Alberta website does contain links to accurate information. We encourage people to go there and take a look for themselves."

Marx said he hopes the campaign will encourage Alberta to sit down with Canadian environmentalists and address some of their concerns.

Alberta's oil reserves make up the second-largest proven crude oil reserve in the world, next to Saudi Arabia. This is enough oil to meet Canada's current oil demand for almost 400 years.

But even with the negative media attention surrounding the oilsands, NAIT's Petroleum Engineering program officials say they don't think the attacks will affect

prospective students.

"I believe that the students who still have interest in pursuing an education in the oil and gas industry will still apply and continue applying and pursue the ambition," said Laurie Semotiuk, associate chair of Petroleum Engineering, Chemical Engineering and Geological technologies.

"As of right now we have been very busy with students applying."

Semotiuk said current students in the pro-

gram shouldn't be affected by the negative oilsands image either.

"As long as there is continued activity of drilling and production and interest in terms of developing more oilsands projects and so on. There should be a good demand for the students coming out of the program," Semotiuk said.

"And the basic thing I found is that most people that graduate from this program, and any program, if they are really interested in working, they will find the jobs."



**A San Francisco group has mounted a wide-ranging campaign against the Athabasca oilsands in northern Alberta.**

# OPINION

— Editorial —

## Facebook: Friend or foe?



**KATHY LE**  
Editor-in-Chief

The subject of Facebook and social media in general, and how it's changing the way we communicate with one another and share information, is not (well it shouldn't be in this day and age) anything new. However, I'm bringing it up in this week's editorial because I always hear about some-

thing happening that involves Facebook and it's mostly bad news. Yes, Facebook is a great medium that allows you to stay in touch with friends and family, near and far, keep up-to-date with everything that is going on in everybody's lives (from what they're eating for lunch to who's preggo), and is even a great way to network and make important contacts.

### A life wrecker?

But, on the flip side of all these great things Facebook offers, I have to ask, is Facebook a life wrecker too? A certain someone came up to me last weekend (I can't reveal the identity, so we'll call this person Jane) and told me how she heard from a friend that her on-and-off again significant other was actually seeing someone else. During this period of time, Jane and her significant other were actually hanging out, I guess you can say in the grey area, but were possibly on the verge of getting back together. Jane went on Facebook and looked up this other woman's name and indeed found photos of her significant other and the mystery person holding hands, kissing, etc. Now you could imagine how hurt Jane was. I guess this scenario could go both ways. Obviously finding out through Facebook spared her more months of being in the dark, but at the same time finding those photos made her feel like a knife went through her stomach. It's never a pretty sight to see your lover lip-locked with someone else, all the while feeling humiliated because the whole world can see this.

### Other wife discovered

This takes me to the story that gained a lot of media attention this summer. It was about a lady named Lynn France, from Cleveland, who found out on Facebook that her husband was married to another woman. OUCH! And France did not find just one photo. She found an album of about 200 photos from her husband and his new wife's wedding. To make a long story short, France began divorce proceedings and her husband "kidnapped" their two children to Florida to live with his new wife. She now only gets to see her sons through the photos on Facebook. Now if that story isn't a good example of how Facebook can be a life wrecker I don't know what can top that.

### Better not to know?

I am grateful that technology is just blowing through the roof and we're lucky to be alive during this era to experience these breakthroughs. However, sometimes I miss those days when you couldn't just press a button and find out the guy who left you because he wasn't ready for a relationship is now suddenly happily married to another girl. Sometimes it's just better to not know. Like myself, I'm sure there are many who have cancelled their Facebook accounts more than once because it was seriously stressing and depressing their lives. It took many months before I had enough strength to activate my account again (and it's so convenient that they make it so easy for you to do so). My solution to this drama-magnet medium was to never, ever add significant others as friends anymore. I guess that's kind of pathetic, but I've decided that the only way I'll survive is to keep Facebook strictly for business. I still value face-to-face conversations and those who are close to me are usually just a phone call away. On a final note, to those who have never had their lives wrecked by Facebook I can only suggest one thing: Facebook carefully because you never know.



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# SPORTS

## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

# New Ooks coach resumes career

By TAYLOR POLLMANN

With the loss of former head coach Keith Lundgren to the Thompson River Wildcats of the CIS, the NAIT Ooks have added a world-class athlete to take over the reigns of the school's women's volleyball program.

Erminia Russo Thorpe was named head coach of the Ooks for the upcoming season, bringing Olympic experience and a prestigious CIS Coach of the Year award with her.

As a member of the Canadian national women's volleyball team for nine years, including a trip to the 1996 summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, Russo Thorpe has the experience to relate to the players.

She believes, however, that it's not simply experience that can transform someone into a top-level coach at the college or university level.

"It's a cliché when people say I've been there, done that so I know how the players feel. I don't think that's enough to make you a good coach," she says.

Russo Thorpe says her experience as a player under some of the best coaches in the world is the reason she stands where she is today.

"As a player I was lucky to have really good coaches. I have translated that into at least knowing what I'm talking about," she says.

Having spent a lengthy stint on the Canadian national team, Russo Thorpe appeared in the Olympic Games towards the end of her playing career. Knowing the amount of hard work that is needed to reach that top level is what helps her with her players today.

"I think it helped me understand as a coach, not everybody gets it right away, and that there is a lot of work that goes into it," she explains.

At the conclusion of her playing career, Russo Thorpe began coaching at the University of Western Ontario in London.

After a two-year stint, she took on the head coaching job at the University of British Columbia, where she was named CIS Coach of the Year in her first year with the program.

She continued to coach there through the start of the



NAIT Athletics

### Erminia Russo Thorpe

millennium until she decided to step aside to raise her family. The decision to re-enter the field of post secondary coaching was a combination of timing and the right mindset.

"I have been out of coaching as a head coach for 10 years. Now that my kids are old enough and are in school all day, I just wanted to get back into it," Russo Thorpe says.

In addition to her coaching career, Russo Thorpe has also served as the colour commentator for indoor and beach volleyball during the last Summer Olympics in Beijing.

The coach and her new squad will begin the regular season of ACAC play on Oct. 22 at Grant MacEwan University against the Griffins.

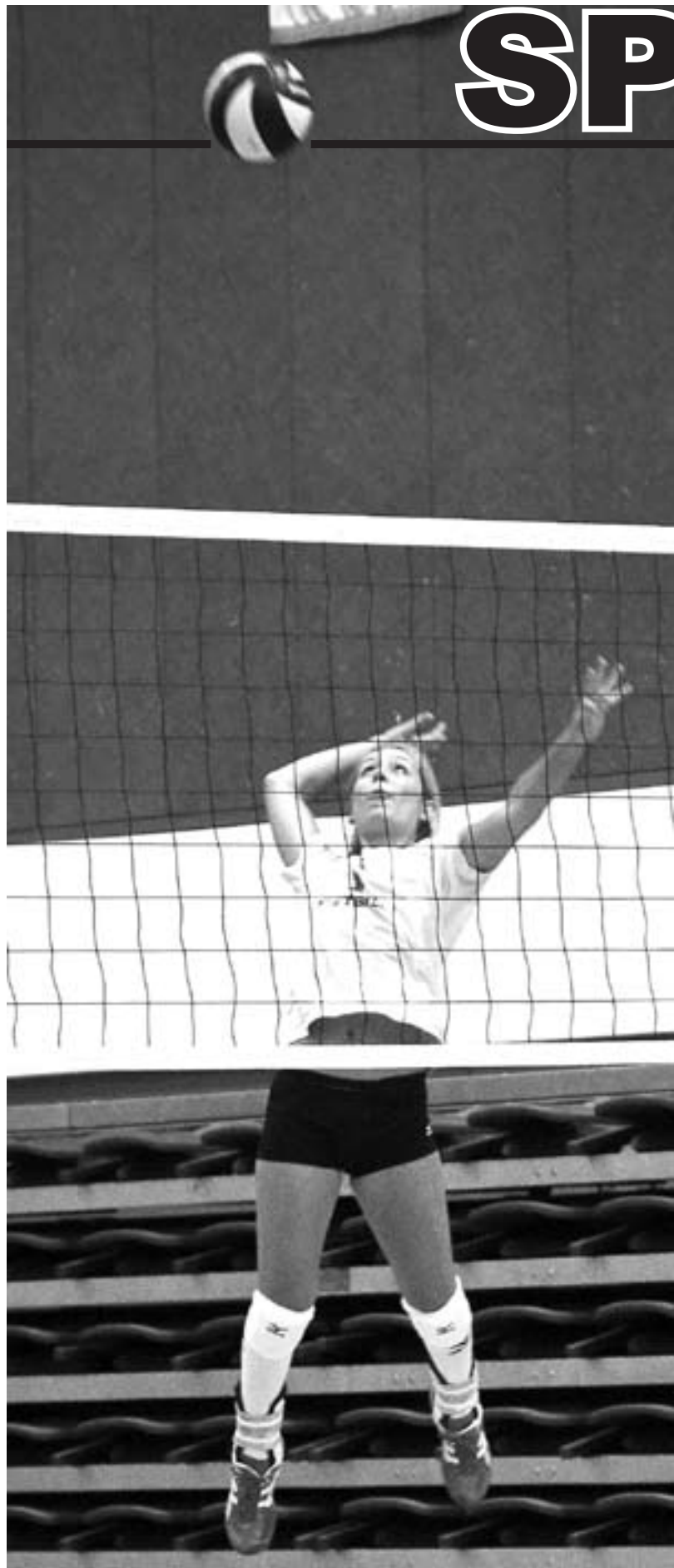


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An Oook hopeful shows her stuff at team tryouts on Sept. 9.

## NAITSA BALL HOCKEY

# Team Petroleum takes title

By DARCY WALKER

Tensions were high last Wednesday at the beginning of the 2010 NAITSA Ball Hockey Tournament, which quickly changed to everyone having a lot of fun after the puck drop. Despite the cold and rainy weather spirits were still very high as the 13 teams battled for glory and the title of 2010 NBHT champions.

The first round of play saw Team Hicks beat the Angry Dragons without a goalie. Single and Looking were beaten by Blue Steel. Team Petroleum took the Italian Sausages to school with a score of 10-5.

Round No. 2 brought teams Here For Beer, Hillbillies and Combustion one step closer to the finals as Team Hicks, Blue Steel and Team 2 Wyked all took disappointing losses.

The last round-robin games would seal the final teams' spots in the finals, as Angry Dragons took away the opportunity for Here For Beer to play for the No. 1 spot. Single and Looking were able to secure a spot in the semi-finals by defeating The Brew Crew with a score of 9-3. Team Petroleum won in a shootout against Combustion while securing a spot in the semi-finals.

The semifinal games were fast, hard, and intense as teams were all fighting for the top spots. Team Petroleum and Team Single and Looking would be the two teams battling for the title of champions. The two teams fighting over third spot were Here For Beer and The Hillbillies.

Here for Beer destroyed the Hillbillies so badly that they quit playing after the first half was over. In final round play, Team Petroleum beat out Single and Looking in a fast, gripping, and overall exciting game on rink one. As the final whistle blew, Brodie Todd fell to his knees and raised his fists to the sky

letting out a glorious holler, very reminiscent of *The Shawshank Redemption*.

I was able to catch up with Team Petroleum before they left for the Nest to spend their well earned \$100 gift certificate for winning the tournament. The boys gave a big shout out to Team Combustion as they gave them the most trouble.

"The organizers are the true heroes of today," said Kole Kryzanowski, Team Petroleum's goalie and MVP for the tournament. I asked the fellas what their secret was to winning and the only thing they said was to maintain a good buzz.



## CFL

# More of the same

By TAYLOR POLLMANN

Last Friday's game against the Calgary Stampeders may have come to a similar conclusion as the recent Labour Day Classic, but Edmonton Eskimos head coach Richie Hall believes the effort given by his squad was a vast improvement over previous exhibitions.

"We played hard and I told them that I was

proud of them. When you play hard, you play with pride and give yourself a chance to win," said Hall.

With a 36-20 loss to the Stampeders, and a point differential of 104 in the Stamps' favour

over the course of the season, the Eskimos are looking at ways to narrow the gap. Though

Hall's team spent a staggering amount of time on defence throughout the course of the game, he believes they had a chance to take a break from the action.

"Calgary did a good job of running the football but we had opportunities to get off the field and we didn't execute," said Hall.

Though the first two matches between the two teams had been lopsided affairs, quarterback Henry Burris and the Stampeders came out on the field with the same mentality as any other match.

"It was a tough game. We knew they were going to play hard. At home you always play hard," said Burris.

"You've got to protect your home turf and we knew they would. We withstood, it was a team result and we have each other's backs."

Heading into halftime, the Eskimos only trailed the Stampeders 19-17 after a dazzling, career-long field goal of 57 yards, booted by Noel Prefontaine – the defending CFL special teams player of the week.

"You always try to feel confident. You try to believe in your abilities and deal with the results no matter what they may

be and hopefully you make more than you miss," said Prefontaine.

In the fourth quarter the Eskimos scored a frantic touchdown on a missed field goal return by Tristan Jackson, but the play was called back due to an illegal block delivered by line-



Noel Prefontaine

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Richie Hall

backer Maurice Lloyd, who felt the call could have gone both ways.

"It was a 50/50 call. To me I didn't feel it was a clip but I feel like there were personal fouls some plays before, but who am I?" he said.

"I'm a player. I'm not a ref. They get paid to make the calls. They get paid to make the right calls."

The Eskimos now drop to dead last in the Western Conference with a 2-9 record, after the B.C. Lions beat Toronto on Saturday.

The Stampeders lead the division with a record of 9-1.

The Eskimos will take the field next in Montreal against the Alouettes on Sunday at 2 p.m. local time.

## Athletes of the week

September 6-12

**Leanne Kadatz**  
Soccer



Leanne scored an incredible 11 goals on the weekend in a two-game series at Keyano College, including tying an ACAC record for goals in a game, with seven on Sunday. After scoring four goals in the first game versus the Huskies and helping her team to a season opening 9-0 win on Saturday, Kadatz was unstoppable Sunday, leading her team to another victory. "Leanne put on a clinic!" said coach Sergio Teixeira. "She was very unlucky not to break the record. She hit a post and just missed several chances." Leanne, from Edmonton, is a second-year student in Animal Health Technology.

**Shane Faria**  
Soccer



Shane played an integral part in both of the Oaks games this past weekend at Keyano College. Faria scored a total of six goals, three in each game, and helped lead the Oaks to two victories to open the season. "Despite only playing the first half on Saturday, Shane was one of our best players," said head coach Jeff Paulus. "He may have been even better on Sunday as he was selected as the player of the match." Shane, a fifth-year striker from Edmonton, is enrolled in the Bachelor of Business Administration program.

## NAIT notes ...

By NUGGET STAFF

Here's a quick look at what's been going on and what's coming up in NAIT sports this week.

### Soccer teams kick off with weekend sweeps

Both the men's and women's teams began the 2010 campaign with a weekend sweep of Keyano College in Fort McMurray. The men's squad earned 11-0 and 8-0 victories, led by a pair of hat tricks from fifth-year striker Shane Faria, who was chosen as player of the match on Sunday.

The women were just as dominant, pounding the Huskies by scores of 9-0 and 13-0. Striker Leanne Kadatz paced the Oaks with an astounding 11 goals in the two games, including an ACAC record-tying seven in Sunday's match. The Oaks host Concordia on Saturday and Grande Prairie on Sunday.

### Women's hockey team holds fundraiser

The women's hockey Oaks are excitedly plan-

ning a trip to Europe in December, during which they will play teams from Sweden and Germany. Of course, such a trip bears a fairly hefty price tag, so the team has planned several fundraisers, the first of which is this Saturday, Sept. 18.

The main event is a silent auction, featuring a number of great items from several generous donors. So get out and help send these ladies to Europe!

### A new tradition for women's basketball squad

Friday, Sept. 17 and Saturday, Sept. 18 mark the first annual NAIT Oaks basketball alumni event, with men's and women's games to be played on both days followed by an alumni social hosted by Hudson's on 104 Avenue.

Former Oaks athletes will take on current Oaks basketball players in a pair of games. Women's games are scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday night and 3 p.m. Saturday, while men's games are scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday and 5 p.m. Saturday.





# The CFL – by a landslide



## OUT OF BOUNDS

**RYAN FLAHERTY**  
Sports Editor

Another Labour Day has come and gone and, as is often the case at this time of year, I am mindful of what an important part of our national identity the Canadian Football League has become. The long weekend is one of two occasions – the other being Grey Cup Sunday – when even the most casual of fans gets caught up in all the excitement the league has to offer. And why not? Every year, we get to bear witness as our favourite team re-engages in battle with its most bitter rival, with all kinds of bragging rights and pride on the line.

This year, I got to thinking; hockey may in fact be “Canada’s game,” but the CFL is Canada’s

league. It’s not really even a close race. Here’s a quick rundown of why I think this is true.

**Reach** – This is a case of basic math. Six Canadian cities in a total of four provinces are home to National Hockey League franchises, while the CFL has its eight teams spread out over six provinces. Even back when the NHL had the Nordiques and Jets, the CFL had the Ottawa Rough Riders, making the tally 9-8. So, more people have access to the CFL than the NHL. Yes, the NHL may be returning to both Québec City and Winnipeg, but the CFL has plans to expand in the near future as well, with Ottawa, Québec City and Moncton on the radar as possible homes for new teams.



**Affordability** – The average cost of a ticket to a CFL game, according to recent data, is a few pennies shy of \$40. Average cost of a ticket to an NHL game? Over \$50, and remember that there are fewer seats in an NHL arena than there are in even the smallest CFL stadium, and fewer seats means fewer cheap tickets. Also, concession prices are higher at NHL rinks, meaning the overall cost to attend a hockey game is significantly higher than it is for those heading to the football

field. In short, the CFL is more affordable, making it appeal to people from a wider range of income levels.

**Accessibility** – CFL players make far less money than their NHL brethren. There are certainly many legitimate reasons for this disparity – primarily, that the NHL has a much larger revenue stream, and therefore can afford to pay its players more. In this regard, it is not fair of me to compare

the two leagues, but I think it is reasonable to say that this salary discrepancy leads CFL players to be much more involved in their communities than their hockey-playing counterparts. This is not to say that NHL players are above getting their hands dirty, but there are a couple of factors which allow football folk to be more accessible to the general public. First, since teams in the CFL only play one game a week, it offers the players more time to be out and about, whether they’re appearing at a charitable event, store opening or autograph signing. Also, most CFL players simply don’t make enough money to forget how to be humble and remember who pays their salaries, ie.

the fans. Which leads me to ...

**Identification** – Because they don’t make buckets of cash, many CFL players have other jobs in the off-season. The average salary for these guys is about \$45,000, compared to a cool half-million in the NHL. Because of this, I think that more fans can relate to CFL players, respect their work ethic, and consequently identify more closely with them than they can with NHL players. This fosters a closer relationship between fan and team, which is evident when you look in the stands. Go to a CFL game and you’ll see fans dressed in all manner of creative garb, shouting and screaming their lungs out in support of their team. NHL fans love to get vocal too, but the level of passion behind their cheers just doesn’t compare to that of their CFL counterparts. As for the matter of crazy game-day attire, they’re not even close.

So, while more Canadian children may play hockey than football, and though there are more hockey rinks in this country than football fields, it seems pretty clear to me which league truly stirs up the most passion amongst the citizens in this country. It’s the CFL by a landslide. And I, for one, wouldn’t have it any other way.



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## UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

**GARIT BYINGTON**  
Assistant Sports Editor

What's up with one of the game's greats in Roger Clemens? I mean "The Rocket"

# Who shot Roger Rocket?

could be lying about lying! He could be lying about lying about lying about lying for all we know. He seems at least two levels deep ... what does he think this is, *Inception*? Perhaps he's misremembered everything.

Clemens testified against steroid use after being named in the Mitchell Report, which found rampant use of steroids, Human Growth Hormone (HGH) and other performance enhancing drugs in baseball. Remember what Clemens had to say: "Let me be clear. I have never taken steroids or HGH."

His denial of steroid use wasn't very convincing, since other witnesses, like Clemens's former teammate Andy Pettitte, gave statements contradicting him. Pettitte told Congress that Clemens told him he had used HGH. Clemens's response to this was that Pettitte "misremembered" their conversation. Again with the *Inception*! Damn great movie!

The interrogators repeatedly reminded Clemens that he was under oath. Now he faces charges of perjury as he's accused of lying to Congress. Clemens appears to be prepared to fight this until the bitter end. It's his word against everyone else's. Clemens

worked with Clemens, was brought back into the picture recently when Toronto police were called in to help the FBI and federal prosecutors in the perjury and steroid investigation case against Clemens. The police demanded medical records and documentary evidence to end the question as to who's lying between McNamee and Clemens.

"During the time I worked for Roger Clemens, I injected him on numerous occasions with steroids and human growth hormone," McNamee told Congress in 2008. "I am not proud of what I have done and I am not proud to testify against a man I once admired ... To those who have suggested I take some personal satisfaction taking down Roger Clemens, let me assure you nothing could be further from the truth."

Clemens says he only received vitamin B-12 injections. Well we're going to find out soon enough now that the FBI has the medical records and concrete documentation.

When you look at the big picture, all of this makes sense. Think about it. It makes complete sense that he doesn't have the balls to say he took steroids. It's pretty common knowledge what taking steroids do to a man down there. In all seriousness ... hasn't Clemens' head grown just as much as Barry Bonds?

may fully well believe what he's saying. I wouldn't put it past him after hearing his interviews and some of the stories about him. If he did take steroids, he may be fully convinced and brain-washed into believing that he hasn't, or he might just be in complete denial.

Former Blue Jays trainer Brian McNamee, who



AP Photo

On Feb. 13, 2008, former Toronto Blue Jays and New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens testifies before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington. Clemens was indicted recently on charges of perjury and making false statements.

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



# ENTERTAINMENT

## Maurice lights up the Nest

By JORDAN PELLEY

Tackling the Nest's stage on Thursday Sept. 9 was a band out of Victoria, British Columbia called Maurice. With unrivalled enthusiasm they pumped out the bass and cranked up the notch to 11.

With the band only coming together in 2006, they have made a name for themselves and have signed with Warner Brothers Records. The band has influences ranging from hip-hop to metal to a pop-punk kind of scene.

Jean-Paul Maurice (guitar) and Simon Margetts (piano) filled the air with sultry vocals with the backing of Connor Waddell (drums) and a riveting bass experience by Mark Lavoie. With the band starting out in 2006, Maurice and Waddell, being long-time friends, asked Margetts if he would like to be their pianist.

After their old guitarist, Aidan Knight, left the band, Lavoie, a good bassist from Victoria, joined them in 2008. As they puzzled the pieces together to make the four piece band, they became known as Maurice.

Although the entire band loves indie rock, they have roots in various other genres that have caught their atten-

tion and help influence the music that they write. Members Maurice and Margetts dig the hip-hop, while drummer Waddell is heavily into metal and Lavoie loves his pop music. They have brought forth their own style of music: indie with a twist of pop-punk. "We don't try and make music to fit a specific genre, we write music that we want to hear and love to play," says Maurice.

The members of the band had a heated discussion on what their favourite time in Edmonton has been and what they came up with was staying with a long-time bud, Brad MacNab, and getting to meet the fan base at the small venue shows.

On the road they got to open for and party with the members of Finger Eleven.

"Best thing ever happened at some random after party we attended with the drummer of Finger Eleven – someone put on Paralyzer and the drummer started doing the worm to his own song," says Lavoie.

If you had the chance to see them at the Nest, and even if you didn't, this band is good-all-around entertainment with stellar stage presence. Make sure you check them out at "Live on Whyte" Friday, Sept. 17.

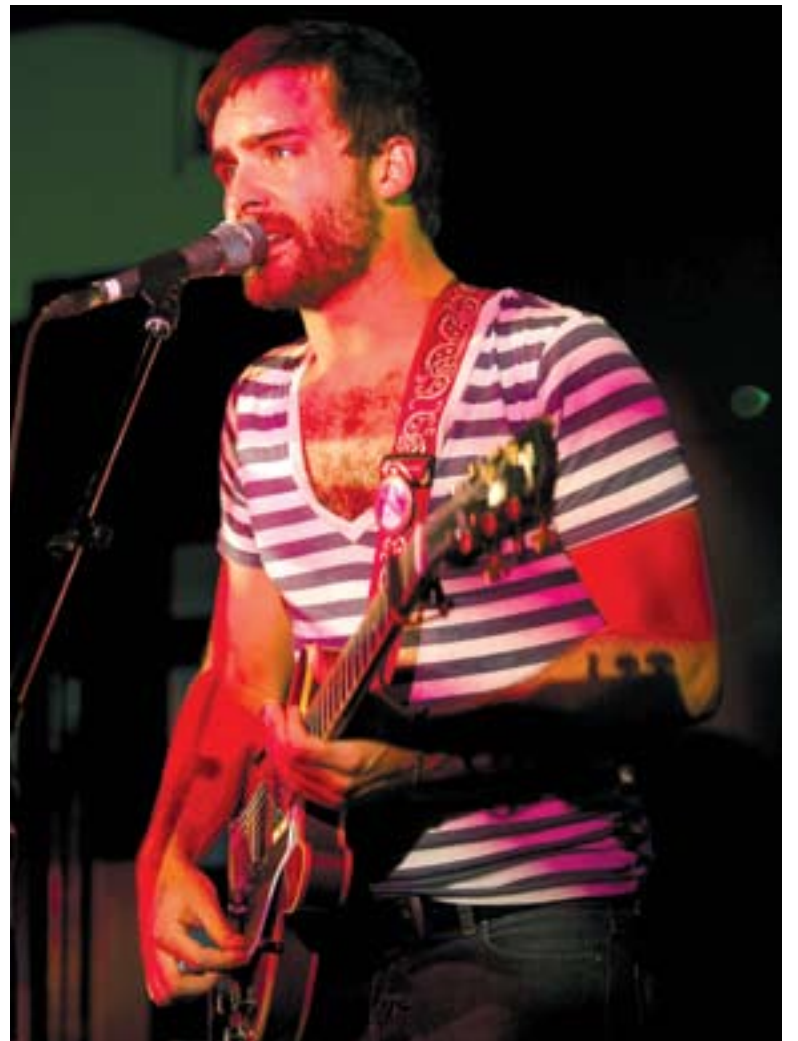


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Jean-Paul Maurice of the band Maurice performs at Indie Night on Sept. 9 at the Nest.



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FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE ...

# \$3.99 mixtape



By ERIN BEZOVIE

School is now in full swing, which means the weekends are more precious than ever.

Since tomorrow is Friday, I decided that this week's \$3.99 mixtape should focus on songs to get you pumped up for your weekend bar hopping/partying/studying. These tracks should get you into the mindset of having a great night out.

1. I Like It – Enrique Iglesias & Pitbull
2. Peacock – Katy Perry
3. Take it Off – Ke\$ha
4. This is How We Live – The Summer Set

5. Shots – LMFAO featuring Lil Jon
6. Bonafied Lovin – Chromeo
7. Dirty Picture – Taio Cruz featuring Ke\$ha
8. Hot In Herre – Nelly
9. Like a G6 – Far East Movement
10. Déjà vu – 3OH!3
11. Danger High Voltage – Electric Six
12. Ultraviolet – The Stiff Dylans
13. Don't Stop Believing – Journey



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# Mortal Kombat – the movie

By DARCY WALKER

That's right; It's back for more huge martial arts combos with crazy acrobatics thrown into the mix. The brilliant minds at Warner Brothers started working on getting a new Mortal Kombat movie produced with Mr. Larry Kasanoff. Larry also produced both *Mortal Kombat*, and *Mortal Kombat: Annihilation*.

The storyline follows captain Jackson Briggs (Jax) as he informs former assassin Hanzo Hasashi (Scorpion) about a couple of super serial killers Reptile and Baraka. Johnny Cage was working as an undercover cop following a lead on Baraka and is killed in the process by Baraka. Captain Briggs believes that both

criminals are working for a man named Shang Tsung, who is trying to promote an underground martial arts tournament.

After giving Hanzo this information, Briggs offers his freedom to compete in this tournament and kill Baraka and Reptile. Hanzo reveals that he incarcerated himself and could free himself at any time. Then, as he says he is not interested in doing what is asked, Sonya Blade walks into the room and hands Hanzo a file with information in it saying that his rival Sub-Zero is still alive and will be attending. With



this being the only way to get at Sub-Zero, Hanzo realizes that this is his only option and

agrees to join the tournament and kill Reptile, Baraka, and Shang Tsung in order to get access to the whereabouts of Sub-Zero. Hanzo agrees to the deal and as he is walking out he is now calling himself Scorpion.

The beauty about making a reboot is you can take the original series to a completely different style. Kasanoff chose to give each character a dark and gritty style.

Reptile was born with harlequin-gnosis, a

rare disease that causes the body to produce too many cells, which create large diamond shaped scales that can't retain water. His preferred way of killing is cutting off the heads of his victims and storing them in his fridge until he is hungry. Baraka is a plastic surgeon gone psychotic after failing in his career. He sharpened his teeth into fangs and surgically implanted giant blades into his forearms. His preferred way of killing is using his blades to finish off his opponents.

Go check out the eight-minute long trailer on Youtube. You won't be sorry when you hear Scorpion's iconic phrase "Get over here!" Seriously, it's badass.

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# Mindless fun



## REVIEWS GRAHAM McCANN

The fourth instalment of the Resident Evil movie franchise, *Afterlife*, blasts at audiences in full 3-D. The movie is very loosely based on the video-game series, which debuted on Playstation in 1996 and goes up to the fifth instalment in 2009 on the PS3 and 360. The movie series, which started in 2002, has only cherry-picked elements, characters and monsters from the games and is not set in the same universe as the beloved game series.

Milla Jovovich returns as Alice, who has escaped the evil Umbrella Company and is looking for survivors in the zombie-ridden lands as she commandeers her own propeller airplane. She makes her way to Alaska where her friends from the previous movie set off to, but only finds one, Claire Redfield, who has amnesia. They go all the way down the south coast of North America to make it to L.A. where they land on a roof of a fortified former prison and survivors

have held themselves waiting for salvation. Without spoiling anything – they get together to make a plan to escape to a rumoured safe-haven while shooting hundreds of zombies and mutants, which are heavily inspired by the fifth game.

Taking all that into account, this is a very good movie. It is good precisely because it is pitch perfect for the gimmicky 3-D element.

The filmmakers – husband and wife team Paul Anderson (writer/director) and modern action hero Milla Jovovich (Alice) – know exactly what they are doing and what they want.

Arguably, this is the best 3-D movie (perhaps besides *Avatar*). Every action sequence in this movie is tailored for the 3-D element. They are executed wickedly.

Jovovich's airplane was written into the movie to exploit 3-D effects while flying. The plane flies through the screen with fluffy clouds going past your face. Just a reminder, please don't mind the story – just sit back and let the bullets, blood, explosions and shrapnel fly at your face.

However, don't wait. See it in the theatre to get the 3-D experience because sadly, few positive things can be said for a regular version.

It's hard to imagine a serious drama being made in stereoscopic 3-D; it is only for one thing and *Resident Evil Afterlife* has it.

It is mindless fun, and well done.



# Bamford a big CCMA winner

By TAYLOR POLLMANN

The City of Champions turned into the city of cowboys and girls starting last Wednesday with the annual CCMA charity hockey game and ended with the prestigious Canadian Country Music Awards.

At Sunday night's main award ceremony held at Rexall Place, the stage turned into a canvas of stars from every walk of life. Everyone from Sam Gagner of the Oilers to Brooke Hogan from *Hogan Knows Best* braced the stage, much to the delight of the crowd.

This year's big winners included Gord Bamford and long-time songwriter Victoria Banks who now calls the city of Nashville home.

Being awarded the prestigious female artist of the year was a final validation for Banks, who has travelled a long and bumpy road to land where she stands today.

"It's been a long road to get to this point for me. I've been working behind the scenes, writing songs for other people for over a decade in Nashville," Banks told the press.

Bamford, a native of Lacombe, racked up an impressive trio of awards, including album of the year and male

artist of the year. The chance to win the awards with most of his family in attendance was an experience he will never forget, says Bamford.

"When I got up on that stage today I really thought I was dreaming, to be honest with you. I could look into the crowd and see my family that all came here and just

enjoyed the show and it just tore me it up," said in the press room.

The star of the night honours belonged to respected musician Johnny Reid who brought the crowd to their feet two times throughout the night with his soulful rendition of his hit single "Today I'm Going To Try and Change the World" and his announcement as the

fan choice artist of the year.

"Fans are the supporters and the people who give you a chance. The only thing I ever asked for in life is a chance and that's probably why [the award] meant the most to me," said Reid.

Next year's CCMA country week festival and award show will be hosted in Hamilton, Ontario. Read next week's *Nugget* for exclusive interviews with the biggest award winners, including more from Reid, Banks and Bamford.



Gord Bamford

## The NAITSA Senate wants you!

Here are a few of many reasons for getting involved with the Senate ...

1. Earn an honorarium
2. Obtain invaluable experience
3. Cultivate leadership skills
4. Improve your school
5. Provide a strong student voice
6. Pad your resume and many more ...

The NAITSA Senate meets every second week (about 12 meetings per academic school year) to discuss issues concerning NAIT students and broader post secondary issues. The Senate reviews NAITSA bylaws and policies and monitors the annual budget, which is made up primarily of your student fees. Wouldn't it be nice to have a say in where they go?

Senate representative positions available

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)



# Katy Perry is living the teenage dream

By RACHEL LEES

The new Katy Perry CD is definitely going to be one of the biggest pop albums of the year. Besides the fact that the CD case actually smells like cotton candy, it is a lovable album that debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard chart and sold almost 200,000 copies in its first week.

Billboard named "California Gurls" as the Song of the Summer, beating out Eminem's "Love the Way You Lie" and B.o.B's "Airplanes."

Her second single "Teenage Dream" later reached No. 1 and even after a few weeks continues to remain high on the charts.

"Circle the Drain" is one of her songs with an extremely strong message, and is a huge reality for many couples. The simple message portrayed is that she is no longer going to stick around with her deadbeat boyfriend who does nothing but sit and drink his life away. She is not

going to stand and watch him 'Circle the Drain.' Besides a bit of harsh language, this song is a strong anthem for the girls who feel weighed down by their 'do-nothing' boyfriends.

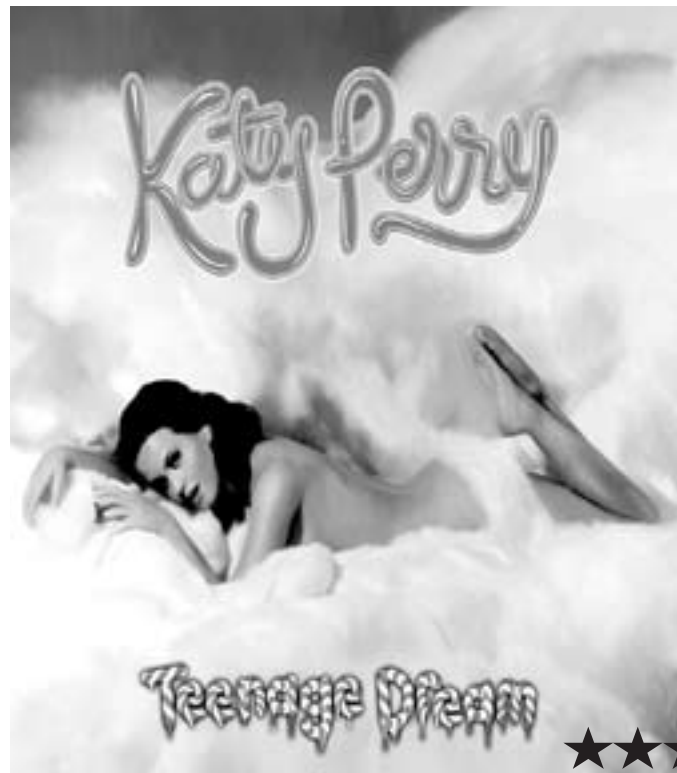
My personal favourite on the CD however, would have to be "E.T." The beat and production for this song is insane and for lack of a better term, out of this world. It is a simple song about an alien fantasy, but the vocals and effects for this song are outstanding. The album continues with songs like "Firework" and "Not Like the Movies" which are also uniquely written romantic songs that also grab our hearts the same way "Teenage Dream" did.

Katy Perry is such a quirky and unique writer who cranks out a lot of hits. She knows how to get her songs stuck in your head and to get you shamelessly blaring them out of your car. There

are a few songs on the album with some sort of purpose/meaning, but most of them are over-produced fun beats for the world to get hooked on.

In terms of a real message and purpose for the album, there was nothing too impressive, but looking at it as an album full of chart-topping hits, I'd give it four bags of cotton candy out of five!

★★★★☆



## Mainstream Ignorance

By GRAHAM McCANN

- 1. Women live longer than men.** False – Life expectancy heavily relies on sociological conditions. As gender roles in society loosen, the gap is closing – also life expectancy is going up as medical breakthroughs persist.
- 2. December 2012 will be the end of the world.** Probably false – what makes prophecies have any credence whatsoever?
- 3. Genetically altered food is bad.** False – people have been genetically altering food for around 12,000 years since the Neolithic Revolution. (Apples, bananas, even cows ... are in their current state due to human intervention.)
- 4. Albert Einstein was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1921 for his theory of relativity.** False – He actually won his Nobel Prize for his lesser known work- the photoelectric effect.
- 5. A penny dropped from a very high building can kill a pedestrian below.** False – The aerodynamics of a penny are not sufficient enough to kill a pedestrian. It would sting, but certainly not kill.



Photo by Karen LePage

**Ali Mackechnie**  
Interior Design Technology  
**Scott Kochan**  
Chemical Engineering Technology

**What is your ideal first date?**

**AM:** Dinner or a comedy club. Something I've never done before.

**SK:** Go to a hockey game get smashed and then hit up a club and the rest is her decision ...

**If you were a wild animal, what would you be?**

**AM:** Elephant

**SK:** That Zaboomafoo thing might be a lemur or something.

**What is your biggest turn-off or pet peeve?**

**AL:** Cockiness and close-minded people.

**SK:** Girls that are only in it for my money and ditzy girls that know nothing.

**What are your three favourite body parts? (On the opposite sex)**

**AL:** Eyes, lips, arms.

**SK:** Definitely an ass man. Got to have a nice round one, nice smile and blonde hair that flows.

**Would you ever date a friend's ex?**

**AL:** No, too awkward! It didn't work out for a reason!

**SK:** Have tried, turned out a mess, learned from it, next question.

**Are you hot and single? E-mail us at [entertain@nait.ca](mailto:entertain@nait.ca)**



## REVIEWS

# Spidey senses tingling

By RAYMOND CAMPHU

*Spider-Man: Shattered Dimensions* is the newest adventure from Activision and Marvel Studios. It stars our web-headed superhero chasing down fragments of an ancient tablet that have been scattered across four different Spider-Man Dimensions.

*Amazing Spider-Man* is the classic red and blue and quick-witted spider-man. *Ultimate Spider-Man* is the newer, over the top cartoon style of Spidey. *Noir* takes the graphic novel styling of *Sin City*, in both image and context. And finally 2099 is the future Spider-Man where cars fly and everything is neon.

Right from the beginning, it is apparent that this game was derived from the success of *Batman: Arkham Asylum*. But unfortunately for Spider-Man, Batman's adventure was executed better.

The stealth mode lacks realism. You can literally pick off a thug in the middle of a conversation with another enemy and life will just go on like nothing happened. It makes it easy for the player but makes it difficult to immerse yourself. The combat is decent, however none of the good combo moves are available until you get to the end of Act 2.

All the boss battles aside, the hardest battle in this game is against the god-awful camera. There is no auto-lock to a specific target, so it's difficult to fight hordes of enemies and it's even harder when the game decides to give you a nice fruit basket shot of Spidey while in a heated battle with Doc Oct and her minions. (Yup, I said her!)

The fighting is just lacklustre in comparison with the strides



made in modern gaming — this game engine just seems ancient. Graphically the game is almost solid, albeit a few minor bugs. Each dimension has its own look and feel where you can really get something out of each design. Gone is the open world, which isn't really a bad thing because it allows players to go and find their mission and complete it, but that doesn't mean that you

don't have to stop and save a citizen or two.

It's a rental; the game can be finished in around 10 hours and has no replay value. Only recommended for hard-core Spider-Man fans.



## Single released

By ERIN BEZOVIE

On Wednesday, Sept. 8, the popular American rock band Kings of Leon, known for their hit songs, "Sex on Fire" and "Use Somebody" released the first single off their newest album.

"Radioactive" combines the spirituality of their first album *Youth and Young Manhood* with the new sound of their fourth album, *Only by the Night*. "Radioactive," as described by drummer Nathan Followill in an interview on the band's website, is a song that brings them back to their spiritual roots and reminds them of their past.

"We grew up in this type of lifestyle, like gospel music was a big part of us growing up, so to be able to come back and revisit that part of our lives at this stage of our lives is a pretty special thing," says Followill.

The video that accompanies the song is complete with a group of (mostly) young gospel singers fishing, dancing, playing soccer and doing other summer

activities with the band members.

The video also creates a classic southern feel with the sepia tone and the way that most of the video was shot to resemble an old home movie. But wait, there's more! You can't have a good southern music video without a performance in an old rickety barn! Don't forget to pack your picnic lunch!

With the song and video's fall release date reminding us how the joys of summer have long passed, we can at least take joy in some of the ridiculous lyrics of the song.

"Just drink the water where you came from." If you come from a small town, then you know that usually isn't a great idea.

Though "Radioactive" isn't a song that's going to get stuck in your head like "Sex on Fire" or "Use Somebody" did, keep an eye out for their new album *Come Around Sundown* due out in Canada on Oct. 19.



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Darylann Hutchings

## What was your favourite thing about returning to school?



"Having a big work load gives me something to do."

**Jean-Francois Fitamant**  
Instrumentation  
Engineering Technology



"Spending too much money on school."

**Henry Huynh**  
Electronics  
Engineering Technology



"Seeing all my friends."

**Dustin Stashko**  
RTA/Radio



"Time off work and the ladies, of course."

**Sam Redman**  
Carpentry



"Hearing about everyone else's exciting summer."

**Caitlin Dowbiggin**  
RTA/Television

# Ahoy, matey!

By LACE SENIO

The sweet taste of rum rests lightly on your lips. A grinning moon bathes the faces on the boat in a dim light, setting the mood for a night of fantasy and fun. Everyone around you is dancing and celebrating. You raise your drink and join those around you in cheers, and you think, "Captain Jack Sparrow has got nothing on me."

NAITSA invites you to "The Pirate Party," a Frosh Week event. Sept. 16 will surely be a night filled with eye patches, pirate hats and really good times. The party is going to be all pirate themed and is taking place on the Edmonton Queen Riverboat. Tickets are \$20 for students, and \$25 for guests.

Last year's pirate party, according to VP Campus Life, Tyler Bernard, "was absolute phenomenon. There was no way we couldn't do this event again, it was that successful."

The party was such a win because everyone put so much effort into their costumes and were ready to let loose and party. For new students, this is a great opportunity to meet new people and establish long lasting friendships.

Bernard says: "People seem to become friends when they are in the same gear, when they are all dressed as pirates."

Bernard spoke about that with such enthusiasm and fondness that it became obvious that this year is going to be just as great as last year. "As soon as everyone got on the boat, everyone was friends. I've never seen so many people dancing and having fun dressed as pirates – and they barely even knew each other."

The plan this year is to meet at the Nest at 4

p.m. to make like pirates and grab a few drinks. The band Mourning Wood will also be attending the party and playing a killer set for the pirate folk. The event ends at 10:30 p.m., but that doesn't mean that a bus won't be making a pit stop on Whyte, which everyone really enjoyed last year.

Everyone is encouraged to dress up. In fact, if you don't, you may just be the only one with out an eye patch. Another perk to dressing up are the prizes being offered to the best pirate costumes. For the best male and female costume the prize is \$500 each.

This year's Pirate Party promises to be a great time for everybody. NAITSA has really out done themselves this time. Captain Jack Sparrow, he's got nothing on the Pirate Party.



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# Arts on the Ave

By **GRAHAM McCANN**

Those who did not attend the fifth annual Kaleido Family Arts Festival on 118 Avenue over the weekend missed out on something unique and very special to the community.

There was an array of artistic vibrancy from paintings, singers, live theatre, workshops and even dancers roped horizontally on the side of buildings – all for free admission.

Christy Morin, founder and executive producer of the Arts on the Ave Edmonton Society, said the idea was conceived when a couple of artists were sitting having tea and decided to do something for the community to add to Edmon-

ton's history of festivals.

Since 118 Avenue happens to be home to many of Edmonton's artists, they have come together, bringing their flair to the community.

"We want to keep the backdrop of 118 Avenue vibrant and alive," Morin said. "It's to celebrate where we live and that has turned out to be a big boost to the neighbourhood (bringing) new life and rebirth."

This festival also helps the "We Believe in 118th" movement to reclaim the area from criminality that seemed to overrun the area.

There were many different venues, such as The Carrot Coffee House, Bernard Boisvert

Gallery and Don's Grand Piano Alley, which consisted of a grand piano in one of the back alleys of the avenue.

There was even a contest for artists called "Deck Out a Lamp Post" on Saturday, which involved a 24-hour time limit for them to build different artistic projects on lamp posts down the avenue; such as a wire and mesh dragon, a lamp post covered in leaves and an elaborate set of strings between two posts to make a spider web.

As the day went on, you could witness the buildup of these creative designs, which added to the beauty of the avenue for the festival.

"Arts on the Ave (has) enriched my life and my family's life more than I ever imagined it could," said Mat Halton, who is lead singer for the band Pre-Post and lives in the community.

Halton started to volunteer at Kaleido in the second year, helping out with booking of stages, such as at the Carrot Coffee House all year round. He is now on the production team, along with performing with his own band.

"At the time it was a little festival and I was

excited about closing the street down and doing music on the street," Halton added.

Go to [www.kaleidofest.ca](http://www.kaleidofest.ca) for more information on the organization, events and to volunteer.



**Living Statue**



Photos by Graham McCann

**Lamp Mural**

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# EA scores with NHL '11

By CODY MILLARD

EA Sports' NHL franchise has captured 22 Sports Game of the Year awards and they certainly didn't disappoint with their newly released addition, NHL 11.

As its predecessor had already captured rave reviews with both hockey fans and critics, EA only continued to build on what was already a great game. Some of the new features they added

made it feel more like an actual hockey game. These features include the chance your stick can break while taking a shot, user-controlled goal celebrations;

and even the addition of all 60 Canadian

Hockey League teams (WHL, OHL, QMJHL) for the first time ever.

The game-play mechanics themselves didn't require a lot of tweaking, but the main area to see improvement was the physical contact in the game.

No longer do body checks follow set animations like the goalie making a save; the players' interactions

are now run off a physics-based engine, allowing the game to realistically show how players would take a hit depending on where you hit them and how hard.

The trend of new game modes was also continued, this time adding in a variation of the 'Be A GM' mode. HUT or Hockey's Ultimate Team gives the user a pack

of hockey cards with randomly generated players originating from the NHL, AHL, CHL, and even the European leagues.

The player then makes their roster and competes with their team to earn EA pucks, which allows them to purchase more packs of cards to make their team better.

Of course, the game doesn't escape without its quirks. Frame rate issues and lag still plague the online atmosphere, while the ability to buy players and skill

upgrades give an unfair advantage to those with excess income that are willing to spend an extra \$50 on in-game content.

Despite these issues with the online play, NHL 11 still delivers one of the most realistic ice hockey experiences on the market,

and is definitely a must buy for any hockey fans.



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# CLUBS CORNER

## Upcoming ...

### Latter Day Saints Club

**What:** Weekly meetings

**Where:** Room E-221

**When:** Thursdays, 11:15 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. and 12:15 p.m. to 1:10 p.m.

### Paintball Action Sports

**What:** Meeting

**Where:** Young Guns

**When:** Sept. 26 at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$40 per person and include all gear required to play, 200 paint and refreshments. To register, contact Ian Cloutier at: [ian\\_soccer20@hotmail.com](mailto:ian_soccer20@hotmail.com). Join the Facebook Group – paintball action sports;naitball

### International Students Club

**What:** Elections

**Where:** International Student Centre Room E-124

**When:** Thursday, Sept. 23, 4 p.m.

There will be free refreshments and fun activities. Exercise your voting

power!

### PGC Students Club

Beer Garden – Sept. 30, 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. at "The Dock (L building)". For more information, contact Angelique Schmidt at (780) 887-2239

### Clubs Centre Info

**Hours:** Monday-Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Phone:** (780) 471-8871

**E-mail:** [campusclubs@nait.ca](mailto:campusclubs@nait.ca)

**Website:** [www.nait.ca](http://www.nait.ca)

**Location:** Room E-133 – NAIT Main Campus

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# How to succeed at NAIT



## TIMELY TIPS

**MARGARET MAREAN**  
NAIT Student Counselling

1. Attend all classes. Unless you are ill or have a personal emergency, make it your goal to have 100 per cent attendance. There is a direct correlation between marks and attendance.

2. Ask for help early. If you don't understand something from class, ask an instructor or a classmate. One thing builds on another and if you don't get the basics you will have difficulty understanding the next material. And if you have a personal problem, don't ignore it. Problems are much easier to deal with if you catch them early. Counsellors are available to help you with any study skills and personal concerns.

3. Analyze and improve your study skills on an ongoing basis. What could you do better this week than last week? What new study technique could you try out? Attend the Student Success seminars to get the best study tips for success at NAIT. Check out our website at [www.nait.ca/counselling](http://www.nait.ca/counselling). And don't forget to download your copy of Strategies for Success: Techniques to Maximize Learning Potential, a study skills manual written specifically for NAIT students. Find the manual at [www.nait.ca/53521.htm](http://www.nait.ca/53521.htm).

4. Get into a good study routine right away. Set aside daily time when you can make homework and studying your priority. Find a study place where you can concentrate. If you can study at the same time every day, that is ideal.

5. Take charge of your learning. You may find NAIT different than high school in that you need to take more responsibility for finding things out on your own. NAIT resources – The McNally Learning Centre, The Project Factory and the Tutorial Centre (Room A-133) can be tremendous supports. You can also hire a peer tutor (Room A-172) if you need extra support.

6. Manage your time. Prioritize your most important tasks and schedule realistic amounts of time to complete them. Be realistic about how long tasks take and beware of being a perfectionist. Marking all due dates, exams and appointments in your student handbook and making a schedule will help you keep on top of things.

7. Control procrastination. Procrastination is probably the No. 1 reason students don't do as well as they could at NAIT. Start working on assignments as soon as you get them and commit to sticking to your study schedule. No excuses!

8. Maintain balance in your life. You have to keep up with schoolwork to succeed but it is also important to make time for having fun, do things that you enjoy, get adequate sleep and exercise.

9. Get involved in NAIT activities. There are many clubs, volunteer activities, social activities and sports activities available at NAIT. Getting involved not only helps you to meet other students and enjoy your time at NAIT more, employers love to see extracurricular activities on resumes.

10. Be positive. Last but not least, maintain a positive attitude. Chances are that you won't love every course, instructor, assignment and classmate at NAIT but trying to see the positive not only helps you out mentally, research shows that a positive attitude assists with memory and learning!

To book an appointment at Student Counselling, come in person to Room W-111-PB, HP Centre or call 378-6133. We're open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

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## Who You Gonna Call? NAIT Services for Students

**Academic & Personal Concerns** – Student Counselling: 780-378-6133, Room W-111-PB, HP Centre.

**Health insurance coverage** – Student Health and Dental Plan: 780-471-7730, Room E-125. (Note that you must opt out by Sept. 24 if you have alternate coverage.)

**Housing** – on-line housing registry at [www.rentingspaces.ca/search.htm?ref=3](http://www.rentingspaces.ca/search.htm?ref=3)

**Injury or minor medical concerns** – Health and Safety Services: 780-471-8733, Room O-119  
**NAIT Security** – 7477

**Part-time campus jobs/ Volunteering** – NAITSA: 780-491-3966, Room E-131

**Program-related concerns** – Contact Program Chair or Program Advisor

**Scholarships & Awards** – Student Awards Office: 780-491-3056, Room O-101

**Special Needs Students** – Services to Students with Disabilities: 780-378-6133, Room W111-PB, HP Centre

**Student Loan/Grant Assistance** – Financial Aid Office: 780-491-3056; Room O-111

**Tutoring** – The Tutor Centre in Room A-133 (main campus) offers free assistance with Math, Physics and Chemistry. Open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Also available at Patricia Campus (Room P-150/152) and Souch Campus (Room Z-153A)

**Peer Tutors** – sign up in Room A-172. The cost is approximately \$15/hour

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## 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 Leeanne 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.



THE NUGGET PRESENTS:

# HOROSCOPES



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## Sept. 16-Sept. 22

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

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

The stars got boring to look at after a while, so let's just say you'll have a good day and leave it at that.

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

Take a day off and rest. Use this time to do those things you've been meaning to do, but just haven't had the time.

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

You know that guy you've been

dying to ask out? Well now's your chance! Take the first step, ladies (and gentlemen) and he (not she) will be all yours!

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

Do not second guess yourself today, for all of your decisions will greatly benefit your wallet in the very near future.

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

Enjoy this day because the next few are flat out going to suck quite a bit.

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

Today is a day for the people in your life. Cover your garden of friends with the manure of love. You will enjoy the fruits of this labour.

## Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

All your business ventures will succeed on this day from dawn till the stroke of midnight, then you turn into some kind of vegetable.

## Aries (March 21-April 19)

Aphrodite is looking down upon you and this bodes well. Under her watchful

eye, your love life will improve by leaps and bounds.

## Taurus (April 20-May 20)

If you feel like you have forgotten something, chances are you are right and you should avoid anyone with authority today.

## Gemini (May 21-June 20)

For you today is "beware animal day" (this means you should be wary of other

people. You might get slapped, bitten and/or clawed).

## Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Lucky for you that the Cancer sign is taking a break this week and you can expect yours to be boring and dull.

## Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

If you are reading this then you should just go back to bed; seriously.

# Poll clerks needed

Duration: Sept. 30, 2010

Compensation: \$14/hour

- Poll clerks needed for NAIT-SA Senate election polling stations on Sept. 30 (10 a.m.-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 Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. in E-129. All will be paid.

- 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 NAIT-SA office, E-131 from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

TIP OF THE WEEK – FROM NAIT SECURITY SERVICES

# Protecting your laptop

Laptop theft does occur. This information can provide users with an overview on how laptop theft can be prevented.

The main reason why laptops are sought after by thieves is the same reason people like to use them. They are small, easily carried, powerful mobile computers that provide the user with the means to work outside of the office easily.

Of course, not all laptop thefts are committed in an attempt to grab valuable property but to gain the proprietary information stored on the laptop itself. According to some research, approximately 10 per cent to 15 per cent of laptops stolen are taken with the intent to sell the data.

Given the risk of laptop theft and the potential losses that laptop theft can cause, what are some of the steps that individuals and organizations can implement to prevent it?

## NON-TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS

- Keep the laptop out of sight. When not in use, the laptop is safely tucked away in a locked desk drawer or cabinet. Never leave a laptop in a locker. Always take it with you or put it in the trunk of your vehicle ... out of sight, out of mind.
- If you work in an office, keep your office space locked when you are not in it. Everyone is busy working so relying on co-workers to watch your office while you are out is taking a significant risk. It is amazing how fast items can grow legs when left unattended.

- Communicate employee responsibility of owning a laptop. Extra care must be taken to ensure it is safe and secure.

- Be aware of your environment and report suspicious people or events to Campus Security Services at 780-471-7477.

## Cables

One of the cheapest and most cost effective solutions to deter thieves is to attach a security cable to your laptop. In most cases, the very fact that you have made the effort to physically secure the laptop to an immobile object will be enough to cause a potential thief to look for easier prey.

## Secure storage cabinets

Don't leave laptops unsecured in general areas. If your work group has "common use" laptops, lock them in a storage area or cabinet. Do not leave them in the general work area for everyone to see and potentially steal.

## Label and tag the laptop and all accessories

Make sure that everything that can be labelled is labelled with the name of the individual or organization it belongs to and ensure that these labels are conspicuous. Record the serial number of the laptop and have that information accessible if you need it.

Laptop theft will always be a pos-

sibility. Do your part to ensure that it doesn't happen to you. For more tips and information visit [www.nait.ca/security](http://www.nait.ca/security).

*If you have information about a crime, contact Campus Security Services at 780-471-7477. If you see a crime in progress, call 911, then Campus Security*

*Services. If you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You will remain anonymous and if the information you provide leads to a conviction, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$2,000.*

Everybody benefits, except the criminal.

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# Run Wild for Wildlife

## WILD DISGUISE FUN RUN/WALK

**Saturday, October 23, 2010**  
**11:00 A.M.**  
**William Hawrelak Park**  
**(5 km Run or 2.5 km Walk)**

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Register online at [www.runningroom.com](http://www.runningroom.com) or call the Running Room at 780-439-3099

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