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GST Finds Way Into Meal Plans

by David Ryan

When the Goods and Services Tax (GST) was first introduced in Canada, Saint Mary's worked very hard to ensure that student meal plans would remain exempt from the new and unpopular financial burden. Now, a change in policy has resulted in a complex situation in which students, who have opted to purchase meal plans, will have to be careful in avoiding the sting of the GST.

The Provincial and Federal Tax Departments had originally set out a definition of what constitutes a tax exempt meal plan. Under that definition, any plan that provided at least 10 meals per week over a four week period would be tax free. This led to the creation of Meal Plan 1 at Saint Mary's, which met those exact requirements. For \$1,850, students were able to get 10 meals per week. In addition, they had the option of spending up to \$300 worth of points per year in the Mini-Mart. Now, however, students will not be able to spend any money at the Mini-Mart under that plan, without paying GST on their purchases. Students with plans 2 and upwards do gain tax free purchases- providing that they haven't spent enough points to put them at or below the 10 meal per week level.

Director of Student Services, Keith Hotchkiss, says that he is very concerned over this new development. "People will have to be very careful around here," he says. "They will have to decide very soon about the meal plan that they want: keeping this tax in mind. The Mini-Mart is very popular on campus, so if they want to buy things there, they have some considerations to make."

Hotchkiss says that the situation is even more complex than it first appears. Towards the end of each semester, students often buy and sell meal points, depending on each unique financial situation. In the past, these traded points were tax free. But now even these points will have to be sufficient to cover ten meals per week. That means that students will have to trade in large quantities to avoid tax. Furthermore, all carbonated beverages are now subject to the Provincial Sales Tax (PST), regardless of any meal plan. Students purchasing these will be taxed at the point of sale.

Students who applied for residence will have noticed that they received a news letter informing them of these changes. They have until today to decide which plan is suitable for them, and should keep taxes clearly in mind when making this decision.

Student Expo Fails To Draw

The annual Student Expo fizzled this year, in what was otherwise a very successful Frosh Week at SMU. The event, which took place in the Tower last Thursday, was marked by low attendance, poor participation, and a live band that was

so loud that it made communication difficult.

The Saint Mary's University Students' Association Vice President of Student Affairs, John Francis, who organized the event, says that the event failed because of weak promo-

tion. "Of course, hindsight is 20/20, but if I were to do it over, things would be different."

The Student Expo is designed primarily to promote student societies at Saint Mary's. Booths are run by soci-

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IT'S A DOG'S LIFE: VANIER HOUSE PARADED ITS NEW MEMBERS ON HANDS AND KNEES AT SUNDAY'S FOOTBALL GAME. THE GAME, KNOWN AS THE ROBE-BOWL, IS A CHANCE FOR NEW RESIDENCE STUDENTS TO BE INITIATED TO RESIDENCE LIFE.

Frosh Week A Hit

by Paul Fitzgerald

A group of Frosh on their hands and knees, with leashes around their necks, were led through Huskies stadium at last Sunday's football game. Frosh leaders, acting as their masters, made them bark. A quick cheer echoed through the stands. "I am just happy to be here," laughs one Frosh while being patted on the head for obeying. It's part of the initiation for coming to Saint Mary's University. The display of the new students on campus marks the end to this year's SMU Tropi-Cool Frosh Week.

"It was a great success," says John Francis, Saint Mary's University Students' Association Vice President of Student

Affairs. "Even though the side effects of a hurricane doesn't help a corn boil, students really seemed to enjoy themselves. The input we are receiving overall is rewarding. This is a sign that we have made all the Frosh feel at home, and most of all, well orientated with our University."

In the past, people have been quick to criticize Frosh Week activities. Poor organization, and cheap budget events were the reasons of dissatisfaction. But Francis says that this year the association made sure they went all-out to make it as memorable as possible. "We can't say that this is the best Frosh Week ever. We'll let history dictate what Frosh Week was the best. Instead, our aim

this year was in offering the students a full package to our school."

Two top rated bands in Canada, 54-40 and The Killjoys, played to a large crowd last Saturday night. Breakfast Television was also on site for some of the events.

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Huksy Patrol Makes Leap In Services

by Paul Fitzgerald

Making sure students arrive home safely is big business. Just ask the Husky Patrol Coordinator, Brian Leadbetter.

With almost 8000 students using the van last year, the Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA) felt that an additional van would speed up the delivery of the service, and accommodate even more students. And with the new van means five new jobs.

But the association is also taking the service to a new level that they say will benefit the community as a whole. One van will offer a free shuttle service to the Bayers Road Shopping Centre each week. Also, one van will be used as a community events cruiser. This means that the van will pick up

international students at the airport, and allow societies and professors to use when traveling to conferences.

"We want to build and enhance the services from last year. Now, with having two vans, it will create effective growth that meets the needs of students and faculty," says Leadbetter. "We felt that by providing the shopping service to the Bayers Road Shopping Centre, it would allow students to shop cheaper. There are more outlets in that area that students can afford."

He says that the response from students using the van is favourable. "I think when it comes right down to it, students know that they no longer have to walk home alone in the dark. They have a safe service that takes them to their door

step," he says.

The Husky Patrol service has undergone vast change over the last four years. In 1993, University Security began offering a volunteer walk home service for students. Through the interest of that service, SMUSA adopted it and purchased the first Husky Patrol Van which began operation in the Spring of 1995.

One van this year will be for personalized service, and is available from 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 am. The other van is used for a set-route, and is available from 8:30 p.m. till 12:00 am.



BRIAN LEDBETTER, HUSKY PATROL COORDINATOR, PREPARES FOR THE BUSY YEAR OF DRIVING THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS HOME SAFELY

Applicants Invited For Model UN

by Journal Staff

For the fourth straight year, Saint Mary's will send a delegation of students to participate in the National Model United Nations. 2000 students from 150 universities throughout North America and from as far away as Austria, Venezuela and Indonesia meet annually to try to solve some of the world's most pressing problems.

Simulating the work of the actual United Nations, each university represents one country. In the last three years, Saint Mary's has represented Croatia,

Canada and the Netherlands. At the conference, the students break up into 21 different committees, including six General Assembly committees, seven Economic and Social Council committees, and the Security Council, International Court of Justice, regional summit conferences and various UN specialized agencies.

For four days, from early morning until late at night, the students negotiate, debate and write working papers and resolutions in an effort to reach compromises and even consensus where possible. They en-

counter the frustrations of trying to overcome competing national interests, and experience the subtleties of negotiating strategies, the importance of details and the satisfaction of coming up with realistic solutions that can be an example to the United Nations itself.

In the last three years, Saint Mary's students have done excellent work representing the university at the Harvard National Model U.N. and one student, Paulo Eusebio, received the "best delegate" award for his work in the United Nations Development Program. As they work with students from the University of Chicago, Berkeley, Harvard, McGill and other "famous" places, our students find they can more than hold their own and gain confidence in their abilities and their training here.

The Saint Mary's delegation is sponsored by the Political Science Department and in past years has received additional financial support from the President, Vice-President, Dean of Arts, Student Association and Political Science Society. The students also undertake their own fund-raising to help pay for transportation and accommodation.

Application forms for the 1997 National Model U.N. are available outside the Political Science Department in MacNally Main building Room 301D. The deadline for completed applications is September 27, and preparation and research for the conference will begin in early October. The students spend four months researching their particular topics and practicing negotiating and diplomatic skills and public speaking. Students from throughout the university may apply but should have a good academic record, be highly motivated and willing to work hard in preparation for the conference.

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MBA Student In Mexico

Promoting Canada in another country as a summer job is an experience of a lifetime. Demetria Tsoutouras, a student enrolled in the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program at Saint Mary's University, worked in Mexico City this summer as an Education Market Advisor at the Canadian Embassy.

From the hundreds of applicants across Canada, she was one of eight students chosen by the Foundation for the Americas (FOCAL), an organization that places MBA students in Latin America and the Carib-

bean to increase the number of Canadian business people with experience in these countries.

The demanding workload at the Embassy, and the hectic pace of a city with almost 30 million people, has given her a clear understanding of what life is like in Mexico. "The exposure I had to another culture and language will help me in immeasurable ways," she says.

At the Embassy, she established an education centre that provided Mexican students with information about programs at Canadian universities. She says that the federal gov-

ernment of Canada realizes that it's an economic benefit to have international students study in Canada. Not only do they contribute to the finances of post-secondary institutions, but they also contribute to local businesses. In the future, many international students return to Canada for vacations. They even recommend Canada to their friends and family.

On her days off work, she took advantage of traveling. She drove through the hillsides that led into small villages and through such tourist attractions as Acapulco and Cancun.

Expo Fails To Draw

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ety members, who encourage students to get involved. Businesses can also operate booths. "There were several factors contributing to the low turn out," Francis says. "The timing was poor. It would have been better to have it on a day where there were no classes- right before school started. As it was, we should have used other promotional tools: "The Journal", for instance. It's just that the event has been so successful in the past, that we

felt its popularity would spill over. It didn't."

Some students found it difficult to get into the tower. The gateway, which is monitored by staff during regular days, was not left open. Some students were even required to produce I.D.. This discouraged some people from entering. Francis says this was due to a lack of communication, resulting from a large turnover of staff over the summer. "Some of them just didn't have proper awareness of the event," he says.

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Tax This!!!

It's no surprise that the federal and provincial governments have stuck their arms in the tax pot at Saint Mary's University. For those of you who are not aware, the governments have both decided that tax revenue obtained from students is too good to pass up.

New and returning students to the University who have purchased certain meal plans have just found out that they can not avoid having the Goods and Services Tax (GST) imposed on them. At one time, a student could purchase Meal Plan 1, and still shop at Mini-Mart and avoid paying the GST. In essence, they could pay \$1,850 for Meal Plan 1, which provides 10 meals per week, and also spend up to \$300 in the Mini Mart. Students can no longer shop at the Mini Mart, unless they want to pay the GST. There is an alternative to avoid paying the GST, but it's going to cost students much more. This would require students purchasing Meal Plan 2 and up. This means that if students; regardless of their meal plan status, will be taxed if they spend their points on 10 meals or less. Sound confusing? Well it is, but don't give up yet. There is a simple scenario occurring: the government is saying to students that if they don't want to pay the GST, then they have to spend big bucks. But what the governments are forgetting is that Meal Plan 1 was created in order for students to save.

If this isn't bad enough, let me tell you what they've done with carbonated beverages. They will face the Provincial Sales Tax (PST) at the point of sale regardless of what meal plan a student has. Why on Earth would the governments want to make things harder than they already are. We're talking about students here; the same people who pay hundreds for books, thousands for tuition, and thousands more for rent. I could include the other expenses, but there's no need. In these cases, we could do without further taxing. But it doesn't end here either.

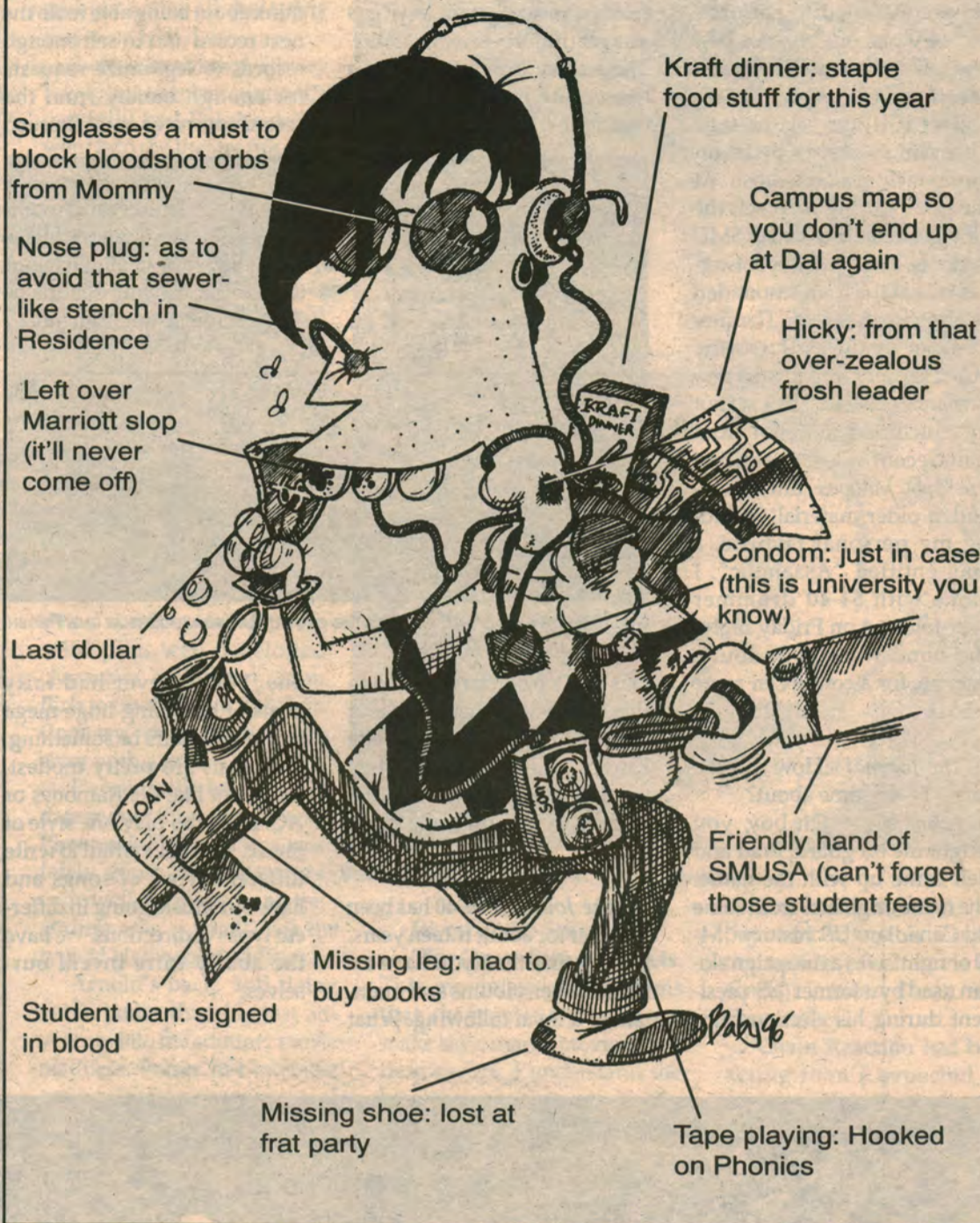
Students who have meal points to trade, must make sure that they buy enough for 10 meals per week in order to be tax free.

Basically, in three areas, the government has found a way to slightly alter the rules, which results in students having to pay more, regardless if they stay with Meal Plan 1 and pay the GST, or buy bigger plans to avoid it. Once again, students are getting the shaft. The government makes the rules, and the people have to follow. Why aren't governments creating plans to cut their pays and their pensions. Instead, they up the tax on books, up the tuition, make the loans smaller, and tell all of us that that's the way things go. I would love to hear for once that governments in our country trim from their fat and not from our own. I never understood people who say they want bigger governments. This only means us spending more money to keep them employed. We spend much more money on other things, but just the fact that we have to pay them is, for me, a little unsettling.

Remember, these are both governments who want to give less to students and their institutions, but take more from them.

P.F.

Your typical frosh after one week... of university exposure at SMU.



Graduating?

Apply now for Spring Convocation 1997, which is scheduled for Monday, May 12, 1997. Deadline for receipt of the application for Graduation is Friday, September 27. Forms are available at the Registrar's/Records Office. The \$20.00 graduation fee can be paid directly at the Business Office anytime before April 18, 1997.

Students Not Properly Registered

Your attention is directed to the fact that with the automated registration system, all students were provided with a Registration Receipt as well as a Statement of Account which shows a detailed list of all courses (with applicable section numbers), labs and recitations for which they are officially registered in the 1996-97 academic year. These are the courses for which grades and, if appropriate, withdrawals will show on their official University record and hence on any transcripts or

official documents produced by the University. Students who are attending a course or section of a course for which they are not officially registered will not receive a grade or possible credit for the course for which they are registered, an automatic "F" will be assigned both at Christmas and at the end of the academic year. Further information on this matter is found in the academic regulation 16-b, 1996-97 Academic Calendar.

Welcome Back

It's that time of year again. Summer ends and school is already starting. But remember one thing: this is your school, and your student fees pay for many of the operations on this campus. The Journal, for example, is your newspaper, and circulates 10,000 copies all around town each week. If you are interested in writing news, sports, Arts and Entertainment, or even photography, just drop by and get involved.

The Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA)

always has an interest in recruiting students to assist in a wide variety of activities on campus. It's a great way to learn and meet people.

There is also a large number of societies on campus, such as: CFSM Radio Saint Mary's, Political Science Society, the Caribbean Society, and the Commerce Society. The list could go on.

But the main thing to remember is that being involved in activities on campus is an experience on its own. Try it. You'll enjoy it.

Senior Class

The first meeting of the Senior Class of 1997 will be held on Thursday, September 26, at 5:00 pm in the Student Centre, 3rd floor, Room SC 301. If you expect to graduate at either the Spring '97 or Fall '97 Convocation, please attend so you can have a voice in your graduation and related events. Life officers for the Class of '97 will be elected and will then become the official representatives for the Class of '97.

Letters, Letters, Letters

Letters to the Editor must be received by the Friday before publication. Letters should be typed and not exceed 300 words. The Journal reserves the right to edit letters for brevity and clarity. All letters must be accompanied by a student number, name, and contact number.

In The Mosh Pit With 54-40

by Sean Peddle

Last Saturday night, students at Saint Mary's University were treated to performances by one of Canada's best new talents, **The Killjoys**, and Canadian rock veterans **54-40**.

The Killjoys set the tone with a high-energy performance which incited a mosh. At one point during their set, the band greeted the crowd of SMU students. The loud and boisterous fans at the front responded by chanting S! M! U! The momentum of the enthusiastic crowd carried over into the performance of **54-40**. Their set not only included material from their recent release, entitled *Trusted by Millions*, but also included older material, including my personal favorite, a song entitled "Assaholic". I spoke with **54-40** drummer Matt Johnson on Friday night. The band were in Sudbury, Ontario, for a concert en route to SMU.

The Journal - How did the name **54-40** come about?

Johnson - Oh boy, you caught me off guard. Brad and Neil came up with the name. The name originates from some old Canadian/US history. "54-40 or fight" was a campaign slogan used by a former US president during his election cam-

paign. He wanted to establish the border between Canada and the United States at the fifty-fourth parallel, fortieth minute, instead of the way it is now, at the forty-ninth parallel. The reason Brad and Neil had chosen the name was that at that time "new wave" music

factors do you attribute to your longevity?

Johnson - We had pretty modest goals. We really only think about being able to do the next record and to sell enough records to legitimize requests for enough money from the record company to do the next



NEIL OSBORNE OF **54-40** ROCKED THE CROWD SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE FROSH WEEK BASH AT THE TOWER

was at its peak. Every band in the world was either calling themselves **The Spoons**, **The Knives** and **The Forks**. They wanted to stay away from that so they went with some numbers.

The Journal - **54-40** has been together for about fifteen years. During that time you have released seven albums and maintained a loyal following. What

one. We've never had lofty goals of becoming huge mega world rock stars or something. Our goals are pretty modest. We're not like the **Ramones** or **AC/DC**, who play one style of music. We aren't afraid to write different types of songs and have our music going in different types of directions. We have the ability to re-invent ourselves.

The Journal - What major changes and developments in the Canadian music industry have you noticed throughout the past fifteen years?

Johnson - Five to eight years ago, there was maybe a dozen bands that were touring this country who were Canadian. Today, there are so many bands out there. The industry and radio are playing bands like ourselves much more than they were ten years ago. It's a double-edged sword. In one way, it's much easier, but on the other hand you're competing with a lot more bands. It's probably a good time to be a fan of music.

The Journal - When did you begin touring in support of *Trusted By Millions*?

Johnson - Throughout the summer we've been playing at music festivals across the country. This tour starts here in Sudbury and then we're off to where you guys are in Halifax, and then we'll inch our way back west. We'll be playing with the **Killjoys** in the Maritimes and then in Montreal we'll pick up the **Screaming Trees** and tour the rest of the country with them. The tour will encompass about five weeks. We get back in Vancouver around the first week of October. It's pretty extensive.

The Journal - What other bands have you toured with in the past?

Johnson - Oh boy... bands that have toured with us? Lots of bands have toured with us. I couldn't even begin.

The Journal - Any Favorites?

Johnson - I'm a big **Sloan** fan. They've done a couple of shows with us. **The Hardship Post** have also done some shows with us. Then there are bands such as **The Pursuit of Happiness** and **The Tragically Hip**. We've been around for a while. We've shared the stage with a lot of bands. It's part of being in a band. It's fun to tour in the summer because you end up playing in a lot of festivals so it's a chance to see a lot of friends in other bands that I don't normally get to see all the time.

The Journal - **Hootie and The Blowfish** recorded a rendition of your song entitled, "I go Blind". What's the story behind that?

Johnson - They just did it. They informed our publishers a couple of years ago. We got a letter saying that they were putting the song on the B-side of their first single. Then they

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Summer Movie Madness

by Kate O'Rourke

Ahh, summer. Sun, sand, surf, beaches . . . oops, wait a minute - this is Nova Scotia. OK, well, there's no snow, and . . . umm, oh! Lots of movies. Lots and lots of movies, which is great for those of us with no lives, who are stuck in little towns with nothing to do. Now, you'd think that with such a vast number of movies out, there would be a lot of good ones, right? Not necessarily. So to save the rest of you money on movie rentals, here are my picks for the best and the worst of this year's summer movie season (in no particular order).

Best of the Season-

OK, I know the plot was a little messed up, but I loved

Mission Impossible. Good acting (for an action flick), great special effects, awesome soundtrack, and Tom Cruise. What's not to like?

A Time to Kill was one of the best, if not the best, movie I saw all summer. It doesn't have the flashy special effects of some of the other summer movies, but it had a solid plot, great acting, and even (gasp) a good ending. What more do I need to say?

In spite of the military context of **Courage Under Fire**, I enjoyed it immensely. This movie had a solid plot that was explained to the satisfaction of even a clueless civilian such as myself. There were a few too many twists to the plot, but it wasn't nearly so bad as **Mission: Impossible**. I also think

Meg Ryan died a few too many times, however, her death scenes avoided unnecessarily explicit blood and gore, and all the acting was very well done.

I am a confirmed Disney Freak, but after last summer's painfully bad **Pocahontas**, I went into the theatre fully expecting not to like **The Hunchback of Notre Dame**. I was joyfully proven wrong. This movie is hilarious, although I certainly wouldn't take little kids to go see it. It follows Disney's recent (since **The Lion King**) trend towards more adult content in their animated movies. It had some great songs, the usual heart-touching scenes, moral lessons and the like.

The Rock was just an all-around good movie. Good acting (in spite of Nicholas Cage, who I can't stand) a fairly solid plot, well-developed characters, and it's an action flick to boot. Also it has Sean Connery, who is an awesome actor with a great voice.

Probably the best (only?) date movie this summer was **Phenomenon**. The acting was fairly good, the characters were well-developed, and the ending was . . . well, not the typical Hollywood ending.

Arnold's back, and doing much better than his last adventure into the summer movie madness. **Eraser** has tolerable acting (better than most of Arnold's movies), some awesome special effects, and a really cool gun. Don't ask, just go see it. Oh, and one other thing-it doesn't have the usual naked women running through it. Action movies tend to be bad for that, but there's not so much as a kiss in this one. Most refreshing.



VINCENT PEREZ IN THE CROW: CITY OF ANGELS

Worst of the Season-

The Crow: City of Angels. This movie sucked! It seems that they were trying to re-make the original movie and it didn't work. I understand the basic theme to the comic books, that a different guy is brought back by the Crow each time. OK, if it's supposed to be a different guy, couldn't they have picked someone who looked a little less like Brandon Lee? The acting was awful and the characters were so underdeveloped, they practically didn't exist. I could go on forever about why this movie is awful. Even with-

out comparing this sequel to the excellent first movie (**The Crow**), it bites. Don't waste your money.

Chain Reaction had better acting than I expected and worse special effects. Since the acting isn't all that great anyway, there's really no reason to spend money on this movie. Unless of course your only other options are **ID4** or **The Crow: City of Angels**.

I knew almost nothing about **Emma** before I saw it, so I can't really say I was disappointed in the movie. I think after seeing **Sense and Sensibility**, I just expected something better from a movie adapted from a Jane Austen novel. This movie wasn't really bad, but there was nothing to distinguish it the acting was mediocre, the plot was sickly-sweet and the characters were alternately irritatingly self-absorbed or completely under-developed.

The Cable Guy is definitely Jim Carrey's worst movie yet. Don't get me wrong, I'm normally a big fan of his. The biggest problem with this movie is that it's never really clear whether this movie is parodying suspense thrillers or if you're supposed to be taking it seriously. Had they gone the parody route with it, it could have been an awesome movie. Carrey proved in **The Mask** that he can be a fairly good dramatic actor, but here he seems as if he can't decide how to play his character. This is a warped and useless movie. Don't bother.

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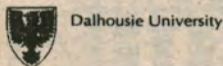
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ended up putting it on the Friends soundtrack also. We knew this band from touring the US. They used to come to our shows in the Washington D.C. area. They used to come backstage and go, "ohh, we love you guys, and we do a bunch of your songs all the time. You guys should come down to the Carolinas and play a couple of shows". We used to be like, yeah, OK, get away. Later on, we remembered them and realized that those guys are Hootie and the Blowfish. It was very flattering that these guys were such big fans, and wanted to record the song. It almost made their record, which would have been nice, considering that it sold 15 million copies. Still, it was great that they put it on the Friends soundtrack. We don't know the effect it will have on us down in the U.S. because this record won't be released there until the new year.

The Journal - Do you receive a lot of airplay on MTV and American radio stations?

Johnson - No. We've been played on MTV a few times. If you can get MTV to play your video and receive heavy rotation on radio, then you're pretty well on your way. We haven't been able to piece those two things together, but we're in good company. It's tough for

some bands, not so much for us because when we decide to take on the expense of making a video, chances are that Much Music is going to play it. For a lot of American bands, it would be pointless to make a video because if MTV is not going to play it, there are very few other avenues to go to that would legitimize the cost of making a video.

The Journal - Do you find that Canadian audiences are more accepting of different types of bands? I find that the Canadian music scene is not heavily based on trends. There is a great deal of diversity among Canadian bands.

Johnson - It might be the same everywhere else. What happens is that you tend to hear about the trends. Usually there is something else going on that you don't hear about which is either more important or bigger. That's the thing about music right now. There seems to be no one music type on top. Obviously, rap is still really strong. As far as rock music goes, or pop music, it's quite diverse. It might be boring for some because you're hearing lots of guitar pop bands which are all over the radio. I don't see any important bands on the horizon. I don't think that there are any REMs out there. There are bands out there that I really dig that really don't get any air play. I'm a big Stereo Lab fan.

In Canada you can go from city to city, and the music scene can be quite different. I guess it's pretty healthy.

The Journal - Do any of the members of 54-40 have any side projects on the go between tours?

Johnson - Not at this moment. We try to focus on what we [54-40] do. By the time you get off the road or get out of the studio you're just too burnt out. Music is the last thing you'll want to think about. You never know, You might see something from one of us in the next couple of years. It would be a matter of being able to fit it into our schedule without compromising 54-40. That's rule number one right there.

The Journal - I recently read a quote by Neil Osbourne which really interested me with regards to various types of mass cultural expression. The quote read as follows: "That's why music is so special, it's the last form of spiritualism left." I'd like to hear you elaborate on that, if you could.

Johnson - Well It's funny, I just heard him talk about that. He said, "I said that? If I did say that, who remembered?" ...It's about as close to spirituality as you can get. This New Age stuff drives me nuts, and I'm not into religion. It's the one thing in my life that has a spiritual element to it.

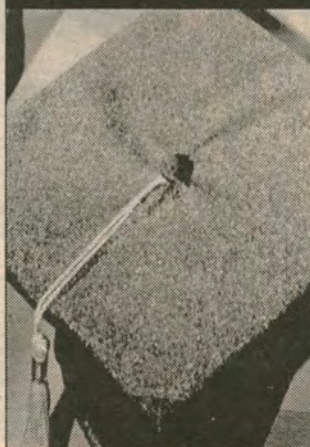


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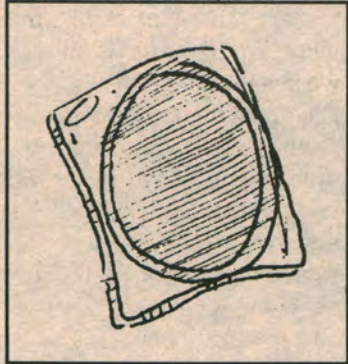
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Wanted...Condoms

by Andrew Bowers

Your Mission, should you choose to accept it: find appropriate and available prophylactic devices on campus. Armed



with only your wits and a shiny loonie, you have but precious

minutes to do so, before all mood is lost. Of course, if you should fail, your partner will deny all knowledge of your existence and phone number. Good Luck.

Holy pre-lubricated Batman, I should have given the job to Tom Cruise. I'm not saying acquiring a condom at the last minute on campus is hard... it's downright scary.

You see, it all started out when I used to carry around a spare in case of emergency, or luck. Mind you, I'm not from the Donna Martin school of sexual theology, but it never hurts to be prepared. Also, let's set the record straight. I used to

wonder if at times the condom in my possession outdated some of the Redwoods growing in that forest somewhere in California. But let's not forget that when you're about to partake in the Sheik Olympics, and you instinctively pull out that wrapped bundle of safe sex, your partner is probably thinking:

a) "Isn't he thoughtful!" or b) "He's pretty \$#@# sure of himself". The latter usually results in you taking a cold shower, or even re-enacting some sort of sicko Bobbitt dinner theatre. Let's face it, though; in this day and age you either wrap it or slap it. It might mean the difference between you picking daisies in the near future, or pushing them...



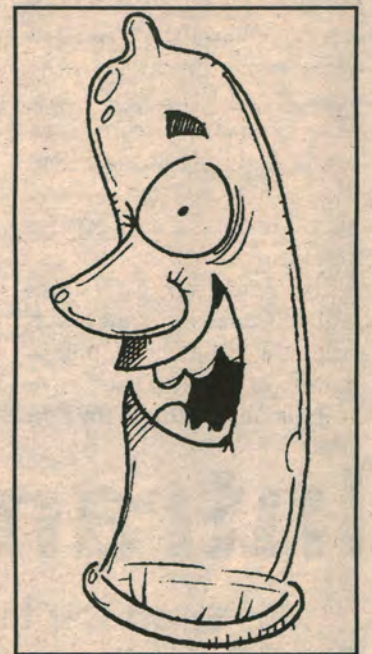
So as for my mission, I'm sweating it. I'm basically reduced to a slobbering desperate freak looking for Waldo. And he's nowhere to be found. I entertain the thoughts of using other acceptable forms of spermus-interruptus. That Zip-loc thing doesn't truly work, although the yellow-plus-blue makes green seal

solves spillage. I've never been quite the same since I saluted Richard Dean Anderson by trying out a wool sock. She seemed to enjoy it, but I just wanted to scratch the whole damn time. Don't sit there and say you haven't quickly adapted to this grim situation. I'm sure not a day goes by that you can't consider your Mittens!

Anyway, nothing's open, so I hail a cab and ask him to take me to a supplier of Trojans!! I must have been slightly intoxicated, because before I know it he's dropped me off at the House of Mythology. Expecting to meet eternal virgins playing their 13,000th game of Dungeons and Dragons, I rush in looking for a large line of unused yet dusty condoms! Instead, I'm greeted by burly men clad in leather (And they're not professional wrestlers). I suddenly had the same sensation that a misplaced pretzel vendor would feel interrupting a Weight Watchers meeting. I am invited to partake in a naked night of lurid Macarena dancing. To make matters worse, they have the dance floor filled with cold Kraft Dinner, laced with tinsel to catch the neon lights. Although I enjoy the Macarena much more than the Lambada, I fear for my safety and quickly flee this demonic salute to Saturday Night Fever.

What this town needs is a condom drive-thru. You just get

in your Sprint and drive right on down to McCondoms. You'd be greeted by Ronald McCondom, and, perhaps on special occasions, Grimace. For those of you who are wondering what Grimace has to do with condoms...paint your own



picture. I'll have three McRibbed to go, with a side order of Jelly. Do you want an IUD with that? I tell you, life would be a lot simpler. The problem is, you'd probably be doing all this business at night. That would increase the chances of being robbed by busloads of horny Mormons (it's just a rumour, actually). I guess life just isn't fair, is it?

But back to reality. I don't have a condom. I don't have a prayer. I'm screwed, and only in the figurative sense. I don't want to see another Sears catalogue as long as I live. One time, in a moment of passion, I accidentally skipped to a page featuring girdles for the elderly. I've been in counseling ever since.

My advice to you, my friends, is simple. If you even have the most remote inkling that you might find yourself in a... compromising position, make like a Boy Scout and be prepared. Otherwise, it's going to end up being a really long night. Especially if you can't find your mittens.

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The Week That Was

by Journal Staff

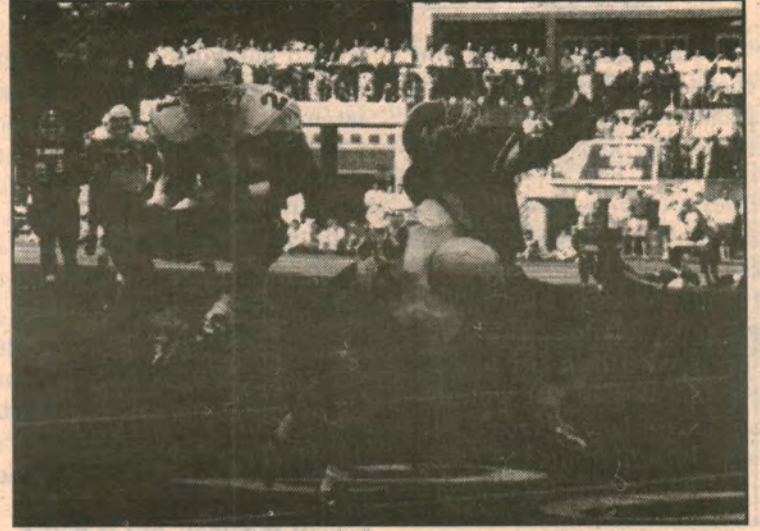
The varsity season officially got underway this past Saturday at 1pm, as the women's soccer team took on the Mounties on the turf. The team got off to a great start as Terynn Boulton netted the first goal of the game and the season. The remainder of the game saw some insurance from Tara Timms and Barb Rasmussen, who each scored a goal, and some shutout goalkeeping from Heather Richards.

The mens team played immediately after and some tough goaltending from the Mounties, courtesy of Charles Dean, gave the Huskies a tough time in

their attempt to score. At the opposite end of the field Brian DeMone had also come to play, and eventually the match ended in a scoreless tie.

The men's football team played this past Sunday on the turf in an exhibition game against X. A preseason game gives both teams a chance to see their players in the real thing, and to try out some things to see if they really work. This game saw a lot of players getting a chance to play, but a big reason for that was because of the fact that our guys kept on getting hurt. The game seemed to drag on at times, as players would be hurting after numerous plays. Don't be surprised

if you see the trainers out practicing, because I think that some of them got a better workout after running out on the field so many times. The end result of this less than exciting game saw the home team lose by a score of 15-3. The team seems to have their work cut out for them now, as they have a couple of players on the medical injured list as well as the academically injured list. With Mt. Allison beating Acadia on the weekend and the expected success of the X-Men, the team is really going to have to pull things together if they hope to be successful in the AUA this year.



PAULUS LACOMBE/JOURNAL

STEPHEN BILODEAU (24) LAYS AN AWESOME HIT ON A STFX RECEIVER AS ROB DALEY (21) ADMIRES HIS HANDIWORK

Intramural Dates

Sport Captains Meeting Start Date and Times

Coed Softball	September 11	
	Sunday, September 15	6pm - 12am
Mens Softball	September 11	
	Monday, September 16	8:15 - 12am
Coed Soccer	September 12	
	Thurs., September 19	8:15 - 12am
Men's Touch Football	September 12	
	Wed., September 18	8:15 - 12am
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	Thurs., September 24	8:15 - 12am
Men's Soccer Tourn.	September 18	
	Friday, September 27	
	Oct. 4,	6pm - 12am
Coed Broomball	October 8	
	October 18	
	Oct. 25	
	Nov. 6	
	10am - 7:00pm	

Athletes Wanted

The SMU track and field team is getting ready to start off what they hope will be another successful year. Head Coach Debbie Brown is looking to get a lot of new students out, practicing hard in an attempt to bring home the banner this year. Some of you probably don't realize that SMU has a track and field team, but the truth of the matter is that it does exist, and it has been quite good in the past. The last couple of year's has seen success from the likes of Dwayne Provo and last

years relay team. If you are interested in sprints, hurdles, long jump, triple jump, high jump, shot put or relay, then you can give Debbie a call at 496-8764. For those of you that like to punish yourselves with things like distance running and cross country, call Kevin Heisler at 443-5485.

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Double Header Weekend

by Journal Staff

This upcoming weekend represents a busy weekend for three of our varsity teams. The Women's and Men's soccer team travel together this weekend to the land of Frank McKenna to challenge for a possible eight points. Saturday has the teams in Moncton to take on the Blue Eagles and then continue on to Fredericton to compete with the University of New Brunswick. The women will be looking to continue their winning ways while the gents will be looking to record their first win of the season.

The Women's field hockey team kick off a promising season this weekend as the host a pair of games with the UPEI Panthers. Play on Saturday begins at 4pm on the turf and the second game begins at 12 noon on the Sunday. The girls will be looking put in a strong showing this year thanks to a large number of returning players. For those of you that have never watched a field hockey game, come on out and watch in amazement as they run hunched over for the whole game without ever hurting backs.

In other action this weekend the football team starts off their regular season down in Wolfville. This game is a tough one to call as both teams are coming off an exhibition loss

last weekend. The Axemen are trying to cope these days without Larry Jusdanis who is now playing in the CFL with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats. The Huskies are also going to look quite different this weekend after suffering a number of injuries last weekend including a broken leg for Neil Morley. This game goes at 2pm for those of you that can find a way down to the valley.

The Women's and Men's rugby teams are playing this Saturday at the Graves Oakley

field as they host their respective teams from X. Despite the fact that the teams are not varsity, they still have managed to stir up quite a following. The women's team has been strong over the last couple of years and will look to continue that this year. The guys have been left in the shadows but are looking to really take off this year thanks to a dedicated bunch of lads showing up for practices these days. Show up on Saturday to watch a real game being played.



Rookies

by Paul Meek

The start of every school year brings a lot of young hopeful athletes with aspirations of making their respective teams. Each team goes through training camps and grueling practices. Probably the hardest part of making the team is surviving the ceremony often referred to as initiation.

Initiations are a funny thing, because it isn't so much that it is tradition as much as it is redemption. It gives the returning players an opportunity to put the frosh through the same stuff that they had to go through at one point. Most of the varsity teams carry out this practice, but without a doubt the most noticeable is the football team. For those of you that are wondering why there are a bunch of guys around campus with

bad haircuts, the reason is that they are probably rookie football players - either that or they are just looking for attention.

Prior to the first game of the season, the players are all brought together to get their heads shaved in such a way that they are sure to get noticed around campus. Traditions tend to adapt to the times, and this year a little twist was thrown into things courtesy of a SMU football alumnus. Greg Mackan was the honorary stylist this year; and chose to have the players sit on a block of ice for the entire time that their haircuts were being created.

For those of you that always wished that you were a better athlete and could make the football team, just have a look at some of these haircuts and think about it a little more carefully.

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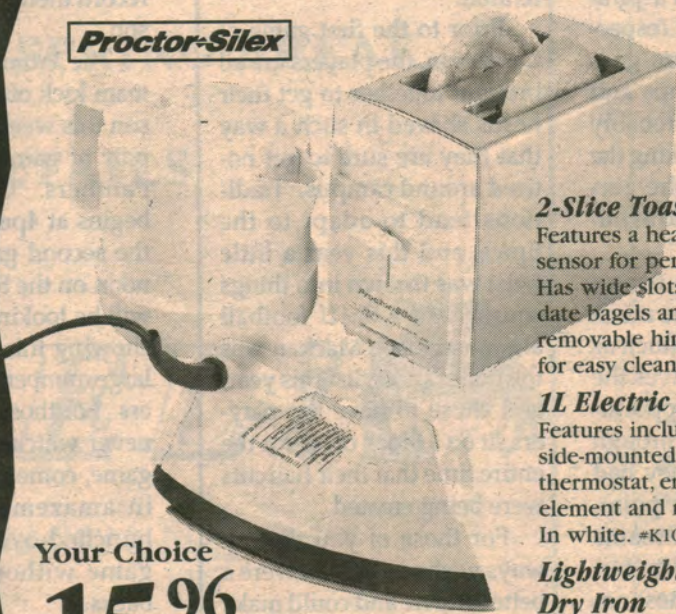


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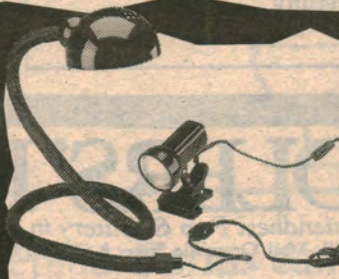
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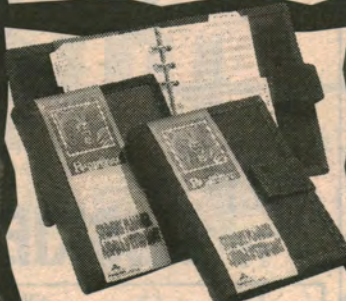
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Every Day



MYLEX
Computer Work Station
Large work surface. Black and granite-look or oak-finish. 42" W x 20" D.

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This 15" adjustable lamp is perfect for detailed work. Hand-mounted on/off switch.

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With large 10-digit LCD display, high-speed calculation, single variable statistics, time and fraction calculations.

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