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## The Texas thanks

by Gregory E. Miller

The letter that follows was forwarded to me recently by the President of Saint Mary's University, Dr. Colin Dodds. Dr. Dodds wants the students of Saint Mary's to be able to read this letter, which was written by an American man on behalf of himself and his family. The letter, as you will see, expresses extreme gratitude for the hospitality of our fair city and in particular to Saint Mary's. This letter is very touching. When you read it I am sure it will make you proud not only to be Canadian, but also to be a student here at Saint Mary's. Thank you to Dr. Dodds for recognizing this letter and for bringing it to my attention so that it might reach the entire student population. I think once you read it you will agree with me that it is front-page material. - J. Strong, News Editor.

Dear students and faculty of Saint Mary's University,

My wife and I must apologize for taking so long in sending this letter to you.

## Managing student debt

by Samantha Anderson

If you are a student in today's post-secondary sector you are probably among the majority of students on a student loan. I am writing this article to you some tips on how you can manage your debt now, before you have to pay it back.

**Take five courses during the year**

Many students think that taking fewer courses and working part-time is the answer to paying that high tuition, paying rent, food and everything else. Statistics show that completing your degree over a longer period of time actually increases your debt by up to \$10-\$12,000. Of course, in order to do this you need to have a strict budget

and the government has to assess your needs correctly. If both of these factors are in your favor take five courses each semester, graduate sooner, and have a lighter debt load.

Though a tremendous amount has happened personally and in world events, it seems like just a few weeks ago we were lying on a mattress with our daughter in your gymnasium-stranded in Halifax.

As you recall, we were on flight 2025, non-stop from London's Gatwick to Houston's Intercontinental Airport on September 11<sup>th</sup>, when we were diverted about halfway into our flight to Halifax's airport. Yes, we were some of the "plane people".

Though we were in a place we did not expect to be in, the hospitality and generosity the students, faculty, and residents at Saint Mary's showed us was incredible. This was our first experience in Canada and we found your university, city, and country to be an extremely beautiful, warm, safe, and charming place.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank-you so much for feeding and housing us during our time of crisis. It was your genuine acts of compassion that got us all

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and the government has to assess your needs correctly. If both of these factors are in your favor take five courses each semester, graduate sooner, and have a lighter debt load.

**Apply for loan remission in your province**

After every academic year, some provinces in Canada offer a loan remission program whereby you apply to have some money taken off of your loan from that year. This is money that you will not have to pay back. If your loan is \$6,000 and you may be remitted \$1,000. That means you will only pay \$5,000 back in the end. If you apply every year you can reduce the amount you have to pay back.

**Apply for bursaries from**

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A yellow card is handed in the CIS bronze medal game. Weekend brought excitement, suspense and confusion.

## Crash causes concern, not panic

by Jeremy Strong

On the afternoon of Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, an American Airlines jet carrying 255 people on board, crashed in a residential neighborhood. The Rockaway section of the New York City borough of Queens, after taking off from New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport, was the sight of the plane crash. The crash occurred between five and ten miles away from the airport. The flight that crashed was an American Airlines Airbus A300, flight number 587. The crash occurred at approximately 9:17 a.m. EST. The plane was supposed to travel to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Of the 255 people on board the American Airlines flight, 246 were passengers and nine were crew.

At this time, there is speculation there was an explosion on board. It has also been reported that there were no unusual communications with the cockpit. When asked by reporters if there were indications of terrorism, White House officials were unwilling to make assumptions, as were many of

those on hand for rescue and recovery. The investigation is being led by the National Transportation Safety Board, indicating that until evidence proves otherwise, the crash will be treated as an accident. Technically there were two crash sites, one where the engine landed and one where the plane landed. The heat from the crash set at least four homes on fire, with no indication yet of any additional deaths or injuries. Mayor Rudolph Giuliani declared a Level One emergency, mobilizing all available police, fire and emergency personnel.

Naturally, New Yorkers and the rest of the world watching on television are still shocked from the events of the eleventh of September and first reactions of fear to another plane crash, are natural. There has been a commendable air of rationality in response to the crash though, not only on television but also with the general public. Not many are willing to cause a huge panic and disrupt the world even more until they are in possession of all the facts. Precautions were taken

however, including the immediate closure of all three New York airports. Some other flights were grounded and others were diverted, such as several flights from England. Also, all of the bridges and tunnels in and around New York were closed, then later reopened. Also, the United Nations went into lockdown after the crash. No cars or citizens were allowed to enter the United Nations. The Empire state building was evacuated. Family members at the airport in San Domingo, which was to be the destination of the crashed flight, were distraught, waiting to hear the fate of their loved ones.

Perhaps as you read this, the cause of the crash has become clear. At this time, there is an indication that there is a hope amongst the public that the cause was a tragic accident, as opposed to another attack on innocent people. The public demonstrates that it can deal with tragic accidents much more rationally. It has become clear in recent times that it is much harder for people to imagine the motives behind

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# SMUSA PAGE

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## HOW MUCH IS EDUCATION REALLY COSTING YOU

The Canada Student Loan Program is essential to 2100 Saint Mary's Students each year. The Intent of the program is to help economically disadvantaged students access post-secondary education. Student Loans have never been so important, as highlighted by Human Resource Development Minister Jane Stewart "73% of the new jobs in this economy are going to require post secondary education." That's great, but do you know how much this education is really going to cost?

The average SMU student borrowed \$6,407 last year in student loans. If you borrow the average amount in a 4 year bachelor's degree, the total amount of loan borrowed is \$25,628. If you make monthly payments of \$350; you will spend \$14,171 in interest and take 9 years and 7 months to pay off your student loan. So, the total cost for the average student loan borrower is \$39, 799. This is too much money for students to pay for education. The Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) believes the federal government should commit to a federal loan remission program, and decrease interest rates on student loans. Current interest on student loans negotiated in October 2001 is 7.75%, this amount does vary as the 2000 interest rates were on average 10%. (source CSLP: [www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)) CASA believes that the Canadian Student Loans Program is a social program and should be administered as such. The government should not be making a profit on interest received in student loan repayment. The interest charged should only cover the cost of administering the program and natural inflation. Now the federal government has taken full control of the CSLP, it is no longer partnered with the banks, therefore the Federal Government can control how much interest rates to prime +1% for floating or variables, and prime +2% for fixed rates. For further info, please visit the CSLP online at [www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca) and for info regarding CASA [www.casa.ca](http://www.casa.ca), or Ian Appleton, Vice President of External Affairs SMUSA @[vpexternal.smusa@stmarys.ca](mailto:vpexternal.smusa@stmarys.ca) or call 496-8716.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE CO-OP PROGRAM?

If so then come out for the inaugural meeting of the SMU CO-OP SOCIETY We will be a meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm in SB165 Bring your ideas and enthusiasm!

We will bring the refreshments!

Any questions Email

Karen at [Cooper.Karen@jdirving.com](mailto:Cooper.Karen@jdirving.com)  
or Tomoko at [t\\_omori1@stmarys.ca](mailto:t_omori1@stmarys.ca)

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## News briefs

Cecilia Matthews

### Christmas, Christmas time is here

This Saturday, as most of you know, is the Atlantic Bowl. Later on Saturday evening is the Parade of Lights. Go out and see it, it's quite the sight.

### Interested in teaching as a career?

Presentation will be held Tuesday, November 27, 2001, 4:00-6:00pm at the University of King's College in the Screening Room of the Arts & Administration Building on the bottom floor. And again on Saturday, December 1, 2001, from 2:30-4:00pm in the Terry Symonds Auditorium of the North Branch Library, 2285 Gottigen Street, Halifax. For more information, contact the Department of Education by phone: (902) 457-6178 or by fax: (902) 457-4911.

### Professor Emeritus from McMaster to give history of medicine at Dalhousie

On Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, Dalhousie University and the local community will honour this region's medical history at a conference marking the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dalhousie Society for the History of Medicine.

This conference will consist of a series of eight talks with the keynote speaker being Dr. Charles Roland Hannah, Professor Emeritus of the History of Medicine at McMaster University. He will discuss "The comfort of each individual life: The heritage of the nineteenth century".

This free conference is open to the public and will take place in Theatre A, Sir Charles Tupper Medical Building, College Street, Halifax. Registration begins at 8:45 am and the Conference runs until 5:00pm.

If you wish to attend, you **must** register by calling Roxy Pelham at 494-2514 by 3:00pm, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2001.

### Shambhala training level I

On November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, you can change your life. Shambhala Training is offering a contemplative meditation workshop that is designed to increase awareness and cultivate compassion. Meditation can teach us to soften our hearts and appreciate the sacredness present in our daily lives. The workshop begins Friday night, 7:30pm and continues through Saturday evening. The cost is \$75. The address is 1084 Tower Road. For more information, please call 422-2216, extension 34.

### Open House for the School of Health Science

The QEII/Dalhousie School of Health Science will be holding its' Second Annual Open House on Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2001, in the Ballroom of the Bethune Building. Faculty and Students will be on hand with demonstrations and information on all five professional streams. Please join them from 10:00am-3:00pm to learn more about Bachelor of Health Science degree programs in Diagnostic Cytology, Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, Radiological Technology, and Respiratory Therapy.

For more information, please contact Barb McLennan by phone: 473-5510, or by e-mail: [health.science@dal.ca](mailto:health.science@dal.ca).

### Why not give more of yourself?

Volunteer at the QEII Health Sciences and make a difference in the lives of the patients and Veterans. If you are available two to four hours a week, call 473-5420 to book your interview and view our volunteer programs. The website is [www.qe2.hsc.ns.ca](http://www.qe2.hsc.ns.ca)

### Embroider a holiday card

Make a Christmas keepsake at the Museum of Natural History. On Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00-3:00pm, children ages seven to twelve are invited to learn the art of embroidery and create a special Christmas card at this workshop. The cost is \$4.00. To pre-register, call 424-7353. The Museum of Natural History is located on 1747 Summer Street, Halifax.

### The Maritimes Mosaic

Take a journey to an ancient time of strange life forms, and moving continents. The Museum of Natural History invites you to a talk called "The Maritimes Mosaic" on Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:30pm. This is the second of a series of illustrated talks based on the best selling book, "The Last Billion Years-A Geological History of the Maritime Provinces of Canada". Call 424-7353 for more information.

### Santa Claus is coming to town

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Spryfield Santa Claus Parade will be held on Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2001 starting at 2:00pm and will span from Punch Bowl Drive along the Herring Cove Road and will end at the South Centre Mall. This is the longest running Santa Claus Parade in Atlantic Canada. If you want to check them out on the net, try <http://members.tripod.com/spryfieldsantaparade>

If you're interested in entering the parade, come on up to The Journal and grab an application form. There's no entry fee and marching groups, floats and all other entries are welcome. The deadline for application is Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2001 (this Friday).

## My left and right wings

The opinions expressed below are those of the writer and not of The Journal.

by Don Landes

Why did you do that? What were you thinking? How are you going to make up for your actions? These questions point towards a serious issue that needs to be addressed. The question here is whether or not individuals should be held responsible for their actions. However, this question runs much deeper, to the very issue of human freedom itself. It should be noted that I do not believe to have solved any issues in this column, I simply wish to help inspire the conversation of our generation by offering my left and right perspectives on important issues.

We should first look at society to see exactly how it is set up in terms of responsibility. At first glance it is apparent that we must believe to some extent in the responsibility of an individual because of the system of punishments enforced by our legal system. However, we have been adding many exceptions to individual responsibility, which is evident from Social programs such as Medicare and

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### Debt your school

Each year at Saint Mary's University the Financial Aid office holds numerous 'bursary workshops'. They only last for about an hour and then you can apply for free money. The only thing you have to do is show up, sign in and demonstrate that you have any amount of financial need, even if it is only \$200. Again this is money you do not have to pay back.

### Don't eat Pasta

Many students eat pastas and other complex carbohydrates because they are a quick fix, however they only fill you up for a short time. The result: late night pizza, chips, etc = more money spent. If more students ate healthy diets they would spend less money thus have extra money to take that extra course or make a general payment on their student loan.

These are just some ways that you can manage your student debt while you are in school. If you need help creating your budget, or want to attend a bursary workshop, or need advice on anything from this article-visit the Financial Aid office on the fourth Floor of the Student Center.

Employment Insurance, to legal exceptions such as 'temporary insanity' and mental disease from experiences, for instance, in childhood.

The real issue here is whether or not individuals may choose to act or not to act in any particular situation. If a person is completely defined by their past experience, their biology and their current circumstances, then there are many who believe that this means they actually do not have a choice in their actions. If there is no room to choose not to perform an action, then there is no room to hold an individual responsible for an action.

It however does seem to be a key part of our psyche that we are responsible for our actions. We, as a society, want to hold murderers responsible for the decisions they make to take someone's life. Our legal system is set up to punish individuals for their action meaning that it must presuppose that these individuals are to be held accountable for their actions. This is the leaning of my right wing: that people should be held responsible for their actions and that we need the notion of responsibility for society to function.

On the other wing I lean towards the socialist tendency to take circumstances into account. The idea here is that an individual is not responsible for an action because they are literally not choosing to act, but rather they are acting as a result of their past, biology and circumstances. This point of view is also widely held and

makes a lot of sense itself. The resulting legal consequence of this wing is that people cannot be necessarily improved by punishment, but rather they must experience a change in their circumstances. From this notion we get ideas of social engineering, trying to tinker with society to indirectly create the best people by giving them optimal circumstances.

As is so often the case with debates as such, we would be naive to dismiss one side outright. It seems that both sides here have important points to make, ones that jive with our deepest feelings on these issues. I believe that the nice and neat division between right and left is somewhat of an illusion here. The fact that an individual is responsible in a society must be counted as part of his or her circumstances, and many cases indicate that learning of dispositions has much to do with punishment and reward in past experience. It seems that we should find a middle ground here, the position that would best enable us to live together in society. Regardless of human freedom, a deep philosophical and religious issue that is far from being resolved, responsibility and punishment do help to influence behavior as part of an individual's circumstances. But also, as we have included responsibly in our systems, the circumstances beyond one's control often have profound influence on actions.

(Let me know what you think, or if anyone other than Paul is reading this column. [rightandleftwings@hotmail.com](mailto:rightandleftwings@hotmail.com))

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## The Pigheads

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by Ben McCarthy

The majority of us have a number of issues that require sorting out. Complex? Us? No, I hardly think so. The confusion is quite simple. We judge, yet ask not to be discriminated against. Our ideal is peace, yet we demand autonomy. We confuse the importance of popularity with the popularity of importance. Which is all fine, as we can't care. We can't be held accountable, we're simple victims of our conditioning. I envy the fundamentalists, the upper class, the pedants, the bureaucrats and the colour blind. I envy anyone who only knows about black and white. I applaud the pure consumerist, as I would the hopeless alcoholic and the absolute dictator. These are the Pigheads. These are the women and men who bear the real conviction. If there's a hotter place in hell reserved for those of us who cannot make a decision in a time of conflict, then I'll see all of you there and we'll be wearing our modern and importantly labeled jeans to match our 'Down With Capitalism' t-shirts. We'll be heralding love and have a pocket full of roofies and KY-jelly. We'll be talking universal harmony over the broiled foreign flesh harvested from the children of our most recent national target. We'll line the walls with expensive and ignored copies of the Constitution, Torah, Qu'ran

and Bible and serenely finger the notches on our belts representing another forced ideal, another opinion impounded in a basement in Rome or in Washington. We'll pass around the hat to see if we can't spring for a Dali or a Mapletorpe, and then we'll ignite the whole place using the barefoot and pregnant housewives, right along with their bras they refuse to burn. Then, when that self-important stench fills the air, nervous fingers will scratch baffled heads wondering, quite literally, what in the hell went awry. The time to decide has long passed and the conflict is relentless. Which is all fine, as we can't care. Thus is the nature of this beast, this social animal. A heavy shadow revolves in almost every woman and mans' conscience that keeps the way things should be and the way things are always partly in the dark. The Pigheads would try to introduce electric light to us misguided savages, but we're not having it, because, you understand, we can't. Bravo to those of you with unshaken and objective standards, for you are the vanguards of progress, in any form, and I apologize on behalf of us, who suffer under the great irony of our time. Understand that it's beyond us to be concerned. We are your burden, because you can care.

## Anthrax scare

The opinions expressed below are those of the writer and not of The Journal.

by David Penney

Watch any news report from the US now and the lead story is sure to be about the bombing in Afghanistan followed closely by the Anthrax letters. Though there is no evidence linking the two events, the buzz in the media is that they are somehow both from the same terrorist source. Americans are scared and the feeling is spreading, even to the point that a man in Cape Breton who died unexpectedly this week was, for a time, linked to the Anthrax attacks.

The anthrax attacks are curious and, at the risk of sounding the conspiracy horn, strangely over-hyped. An examination of the facts, readily available to everyone, will explain my misgivings. According to CNN [<http://www.cnn.com/2001/HEALTH/conditions/11/09/anthrax.investigation/index.html>], seventeen people have been infected so far and four have died. And although over 32,000 people have started antibiotic treatment, most of the incidents have been confined to postal workers and their facilities. That is to say, no one has yet received an infected letter at home, no one has picked up anthrax by using the subway and no one who does not work around mail has contracted the disease. I cannot stress enough that I am not trying to dismiss the deaths of these people, or call the infected letters anything short of insanity. My point is this:

Last year in the US, according to U.S. Department of Justice Statistics, over 10,000 people were murdered by handguns. [<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/guns.htm>]. That is roughly twice the number of people killed in the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks. And this happens every year to our neighbors down south. Why are the deaths of these four Anthrax victims being hyped as if there were dozens more? Unlike handgun murders, the anthrax letters have been directed at specific offices and individuals, while the postal workers have been incidental victims. Handgun murders have affected all levels of society and continue to do so. But there is no daily CNN special report on this long term American epidemic, despite the harrowing statistics.

It seems to me that when Bill Clinton launched a few cruise missiles into Afghanistan a few years ago, we all marveled at the similarities between his actions and the movie "Wag the Dog". The thought of a president using an international incident to distract his country from his indiscretions was something we all smiled at but wondered in the back of our minds if it could be true. Now we have a president trying to keep his country and the world behind a month long bombing campaign 'against terror'. Could the current crisis over anthrax be a distraction to keep the threat of terror alive? There are more pressing dangers to the average American, handgun murders being but one. Why is death by anthrax more fearsome than the other? Why are the media and the government presenting it as such? Even as the War on Terrorism continues, I would hope thinking people continue to ask themselves such questions. Listening to George W. Bush pontificate on a daily basis certainly causes my alarm bells to go off.

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### Texas

through a terrifying ordeal. We were amazed at the efficiency the city of Halifax and its' residents came together in such a short time under such dramatic circumstances. Words cannot express our gratitude for how you helped us.

When President Bush was speaking before Congress shortly after the terrorist attacks, he named Great Britain as the United States' strongest ally. In my opinion, he misspoke. I think he should have mentioned Canada in the same breath. You are a great nation, an honourable people, and a fine neighbour that cherishes the virtues of freedom.

My wife and I have told everyone we have come into contact with about how exemplary Saint Mary's University was when it called to action. We'll never forget you and we hope to visit you sometime in the future, but hopefully this time it will be under less-stressful and happier circumstances.

Sincerely,  
George E. Miller  
League City, Texas

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### Plane

the pointless taking of life. From now on, whenever there is an accident like what hopefully was just an accident on November 12<sup>th</sup>, there will inevitably be initial reactions of panic and fear. However, after the way the media, particularly the American media, reacted to what did happen (by assuming the crash was accidental), we can be hopeful that fear will not become a part of everyday life.

## You've got mail... coming soon



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## Where have the heroes gone?

Many great people have graced our world with their views, movements, and opinions. Men and women who have taken the time, given their commitment to a cause, in trying to better our world, and in turn our lives, are pivotal in history and directly influence our lives. Names such as Nelson Mandela and Mother Theresa, are among those who are recognizable immediately and are remembered for their skillful work, either as powerful orators or as humble, letting their silent actions speak louder than their words ever could.

In 1963, during the March on Washington, Martin Luther King Jr. "still had a dream. That one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal". These powerful words fueled the Civil Rights' Movement.

Mahatma Gandhi "knew the path. It is straight and narrow. It is like the edge of a sword. I rejoice to walk on it. I weep when I slip. God's word is 'He who strives never perishes'". His words inspired millions to the path of non-violence. These words strike a chord in the human soul seeking answers to questions we have all, at one time or another, had. Someone once said, it's not aptitude that determines your future, but rather your attitude. I firmly believe this because, no matter what your transcript says, if you have a positive and determined attitude, you will succeed. Not to say that good marks are not important, because they certainly aid you. Some of the smartest people I know have absolutely no common sense or street smarts, if you will. This illuminates the importance of a balance, that sometimes experiencing life is more important than doing well on a test. How much can a piece of paper, taken from one hour of one day of your entire life, say who you are or how intelligent you are? How can we let this type of system determine our future? Is it fair?

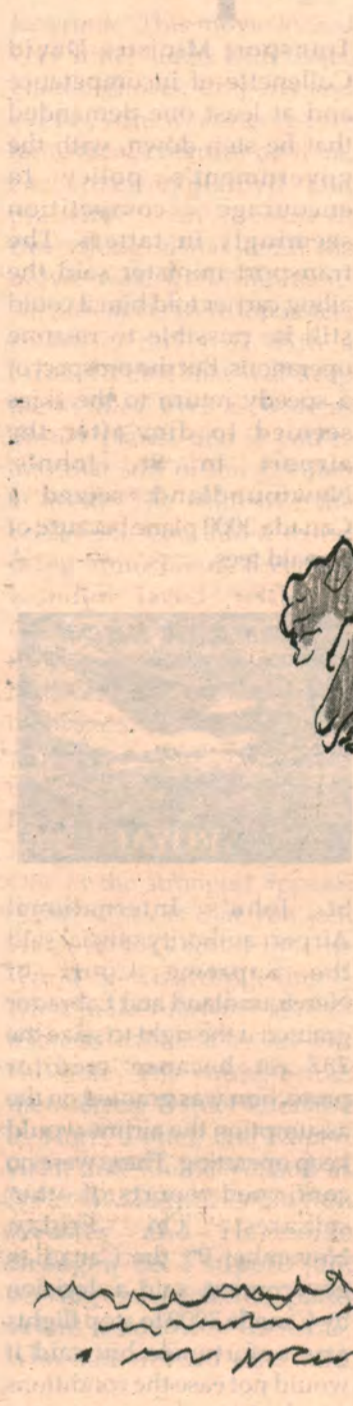
I know some of you will notice that so far I have only quoted influential men from our past, but there have also been a number of influential women as well. With a good portion of our history being consistent with men being the dominant figures in positions of power, it has only been the past fifty years or so that a shift towards women becoming more prominently focused in the world of power. Yet, despite this, a number of women have raised their voices, and acted out in fashions they say appropriate over the centuries. One such woman was Harriet Tubman, who led a massive movement of slaves to freedom using the Underground Railway. Her efforts freed hundreds of slaves being persecuted in the southern United States in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

"Don't interfere with anything in the constitution. That must be maintained, for it is the only safeguard of our liberties. And not to Democrats alone do I make this appeal, but to all who love these great and true principles."-Abraham Lincoln, 1856, speaking publicly about maintaining the people's freedom and equality.

It is not everyday that people stand up for what they believe in. But every once in a while, our world is blessed with people who do great things with the gifts they have, whether that be a strong presence in giving an oratory address, or by giving the most of themselves, or maybe by even leading and guiding people to a greater good.

Looking back through history a few very prominent figures stand out as truly amazing and great people. I wish I had more room to comment about all those people who I believe are truly great and that without them having graced our world, it could possibly be a drastically different place. Imagine a world without Albert Einstein; would we have even known what the Theory of Relativity is? There are also 'the little people' who should most definitely not be overlooked. Those who have molded us into who we are today, and who will mold us into our future selves, essentially, parents and other people, who have labored many hours for us, and for those great people of the past.

Do we emulate people who have come before us? Is there a great person now, one who might stand up and voice their opinions against what is going on in the world today? I personally think that after the events that occurred on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 (I'm sure you are tired of hearing about it by now) this war that is engaged across the ocean, is a ridiculous response, but have you heard anyone in a powerful position (whether it be political or otherwise) voice their concerns against it? I have heard very few, and they are given little attention by the media. Where is our modern-day Martin



PAUL SAYS THE CANADIAN DOLLAR'S DOWN THERE SOMEWHERE ...

Luther King Jr. now? Will we find one to fight against the oppressing governments before it is too late?

With increasing technology, less time is spent interacting with other people and participating in public events. What I mean by this is, that by comparison to the earlier part of the century, there are a greater number of distractions that bring us further from the general population and more into our own little world. If we do not interact with others, but instead these blasted computers, then what is the use of it all?

C.M.

Who is your role model or idol? Whose words have had the greatest impact on your life? Who do you think the most influential person has been in this world? Write it down and send it to me at [smueditor@hotmail.com](mailto:smueditor@hotmail.com), your responses will be printed in the next issue to gain a better understanding of what you think is important to look for in a great person. The responses can be as long as you like.

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## Canada 3000 up in flames?

by Rich Hockney

Canada 3000 Incorporated, asked for government permission on Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup>, to close its



Royal Aviation unit in a move that could see the airline cut about 1,400 jobs, a union official said on Tuesday. Officials from the country's number two airline made the proposal to the Canadian Industrial Relations Board at a hearing in Toronto on Tuesday afternoon. An official with the Canadian Union of Public Employees, which represents Canada 3000 flight attendants, said the initial application to the board would be limited to the elimination of 500 flight attendants and 180 pilots. The remaining employees include baggage handlers and machinists. A Canada 3000 spokeswoman said the airline is not making any comment on the matter. The airline's stock was down six Canadian cents to C\$3.24 in Toronto Stock Exchange trading of just over 6,600

The Canadian government last month agreed to give the struggling airline a loan guarantee of \$75 million on the condition the carrier implement a major restructuring plan. Transport Minister David Collenette said Ottawa had agreed to help Canada 3000 after the airline produced a viable business plan that included increased shareholder involvement, reductions in lease payments, pay cuts of up to 20 percent, as well as capacity and staff cuts. Canada 3000, the country's second-largest airline, grounded all its flights on Friday November 9<sup>th</sup>, stranding thousands of passengers at home and abroad and triggering the seizure of at least one aircraft. The shock decision, announced at midnight, came hours after the airline won court protection from its creditors and told the public it could keep flying. In scenes reminiscent of the collapse of Swissair and Belgium's Sabena, bewildered passengers wandered airports in search of alternative travel arrangements. Canada 3000, like other airlines, has suffered from a sharp decline in already weak ticket sales as passengers cancelled travel

Transport Minister David Collenette of incompetence and at least one demanded that he step down, with the government's policy to encourage competition seemingly in tatters. The transport minister said the ailing carrier told him it could still be possible to resume operations. But the prospect of a speedy return to the skies seemed to dim after the airport in St. John's, Newfoundland, seized a Canada 3000 plane because of unpaid fees. A



St. John's International Airport authority official said the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador granted it the right to seize the 737 jet because creditor protection was granted on the assumption the airline would keep operating. There were no confirmed reports of other seizures. On Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, the Canadian government, said a decision by Canada 3000 to stop flights was unfortunate but said it would not ease the conditions attached to a loan guarantee

Ottawa has offered the troubled airline. "The conditions for government assistance remain the same," said Anthony Polci, spokesman for Transport Minister David Collenette. The government has the responsibility to taxpayers to ensure that they are not throwing good money after bad, which is why a viable plan is necessary. The airline abruptly stopped all flights on Friday, stranding thousands of passengers in Canada and abroad just hours after obtaining a creditor-protection order. If that wasn't bad enough the directors and other officers of grounded airline Canada 3000 resigned on November 11<sup>th</sup>, and an Ontario court has been appointed a trustee to handle negotiations with creditors, the carrier said on Sunday. In a brief statement which appeared to dim lingering hopes that the airline, Canada's second largest carrier, would fly again. Canada 3000 said that Deloitte & Touche Inc. would represent the company in this matter. The airline last week sought court protection from its creditors and then abruptly grounded all its planes. Deloitte & Touche Inc. was appointed trustee in bankruptcy. Deloitte & Touche Inc. is taking steps to

preserve the assets and business of the companies pending further discussions with interested stakeholders and further order of the court. Like other airlines, it has been hit hard by a slump in air travel following the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks in the United States. Last Thursday an industrial tribunal overturned its attempt to waive a union contract in its effort to slash jobs. The airline had said it needed to cut jobs and costs drastically as part of a restructuring plan designed to win a \$75 million in federal loan guarantees. It grounded planes after Canadian airports began seizing them because of unpaid bills. The union representing Canada 3000's flight attendants said on Saturday it was anxious to work with private investors and the government to save the struggling airline.

Canada 3000's collapse leaves Air Canada as the only major airline flying scheduled flights across Canada, although low-cost operator Westjet Airlines Ltd offers a limited service, mostly in western Canada. Canada 3000 shares plunged 66 percent to close at C\$1.05 on Friday, down from C\$3.11 on Tuesday. Trading in the stock halted on Wednesday and Thursday.



shares on Tuesday morning. Canada 3000 bought Royal earlier this year, in an all-stock deal aimed at solidifying its position in the country's consolidating airline industry. But, like airlines around the world it has been hard hit by the Sept. 11 attacks on New York and Washington. The company's stock plunged by more than 40 percent on Oct. 16 after it warned it could run out of cash before Christmas.

plans after the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks in the United States. It grounded planes after unions rejected its bid to cut staff and jobs.

That was little consolation to passengers seeking alternative flights at Toronto's Pearson International Airport. Canada 3000 ticket desks were staffed, but crews checked no luggage and sold no tickets.

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## Sprint to buy \$1.1 billion of Nortel equipment

by Rich Hockney

Sprint's local phone subsidiary said on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> it had inked a four-year \$1.1 billion supply and services deal with Nortel Networks Corporation, to transform its network into a packet-based system, allowing it to move data traffic more efficiently.

The deal with Sprint's local phone division is one of a handful of similar contracts recently announced by Nortel. Nortel's packet switching system moves information in blips and, as opposed to Sprint's current circuit-switch technology, doesn't require a continuous circuit for the entire transmission. Sprint said it will be the first U.S. carrier to "packetize" its entire network - although this contract with Nortel covers only phase one of the roll-out, giving customers the ability to use one phone line for simultaneous phone calls and Internet connections. Also, the new network will expand the reach of Sprint's high-speed data services. The new packet technology will initially cover 3.6 million telephone lines, or less

than half of Sprint's 8.3 million lines, with Nortel shipping equipment in the fourth quarter of 2001, with initial deployment by Sprint in 2002. Shares of Brampton, Ontario-based Nortel rose 23 cents to \$6.11 in New York, while Sprint moved up 39 cents to \$20.54. Sprint says the new network will reduce capital expenditures on network equipment, namely by reducing the number of sites required to power its network. It will save a lot in terms of operational expenses and capital expense because it allows them to collapse the amount of switching points they have. Sprint will be able to reduce the number of physical switching stations to 32, from the current 135, which will make it easier and cheaper to service and upgrade the network. Nortel bid for the contract against about 14 other vendors, all of which had test equipment in Sprint's laboratory. Nortel is in similar test stages with networks around the world, some of which are currently using Nortel's circuit switched technology.

## Canadian airline stocks fall again

by Rich Hockney

Canadian airline stocks fell early on Monday November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2001, declining across the board from higher opening levels, as the industry reeled on news of another plane crash in New York. News reports just before the market opened said an American Airlines Airbus A-300 passenger jet crashed while taking off from John F. Kennedy International Airport, plowing through homes in the surrounding Queens neighborhood.

The Federal Aviation Administration said flight AA587 crashed after taking off from Kennedy airport on its way to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Air Canada, the nation's largest airline, was down 29 Canadian cents from Friday's close, at C\$3.55 on the Toronto Stock Exchange, after opening higher at C\$4.05. Westjet Airlines Ltd., was down C\$1.30, at C\$18.30. But Transat A.T., the parent company of Air Transat, was up ten Canadian cents from Friday's

close at C\$6.80, down from the open of C\$7.30. Airline stocks made gains on Friday after Canada 3000, the nation's no. two carrier, grounded all flights, hours after receiving bankruptcy protection. On Sunday, the airline announced that the directors and other officers had resigned, and an Ontario court has appointed a trustee to handle negotiations with creditors. The TSE halted trade in Canada 3000 stock pending clarification of the airline's finances.

## Oil prices hit a two-year low

by Rich Hockney

Oil prices hit a two-year low on Tuesday November 6<sup>th</sup>, despite plans by OPEC producers to reduce supply again in the face of slowing global demand. London Brent Blend crude fell 49 cents to \$18.95 a barrel by 9:30 a.m. EST, its lowest level since July 1999. Prices have now slumped by 31 percent since September 10<sup>th</sup>, the day before suicide air attacks on the United States darkened an already gloomy economic outlook. U.S. light crude lost 24 cents to \$19.78. OPEC ministers lining up to endorse the cartel's fourth output cut this year, ahead of a their November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting in Vienna, have made little impression on a market focused instead on poor demand prospects.

Some dealers are now saying that OPEC may need to cut more than the heavily daily trailed million barrels if it wants to prop up prices. So far, nothing concrete has emerged from OPEC's ranks

to suggest that a larger cut is being contemplated. Traders will be keeping an eye open for comments from leading OPEC minister, Ali al-Naimi of Saudi Arabia and group Secretary-General Ali Rodriguez this week on the sidelines of a climate change conference in Marrakesh, Morocco. The critical issue to look forward to is whether OPEC will curb that output sufficiently to pull the crude price back within its target range, after the company announced third quarter results. OPEC continues to target a central \$25 price target but its crude on Monday was valued at just \$17.81, a two-year low.

A new cut would take OPEC supply limits below the levels of April 1999, when the cartel completed a series of curbs that eventually lifted oil from \$10 to \$35 a barrel. OPEC already has sliced 3.5 million barrels per day this year, reducing output quotas for ten members by 13 percent to 23.2 million bpd.

Despite its efforts, prices remain weak partly because speculators are betting that weak demand will keep stocks plentiful even if OPEC withdraws supply. U.S. futures trading watchdog the Commodity Futures Trading Commission said on Friday that investment funds increased their net short positions on U.S. light crude - a bet that prices will fall - to 66 million barrels in the week ended October 30. Rising supply from non-OPEC exporters such as Mexico, Angola and Russia has not helped. OPEC has been lobbying oil exporters outside of the cartel's umbrella to join any further supply curbs, but so far only tiny Oman has pledged support. So, for now we will have to put up with increasing prices in gas. However during the fall, winter and spring months we can enjoy a relatively low cost on gas because of the tourist market falls in this time period.

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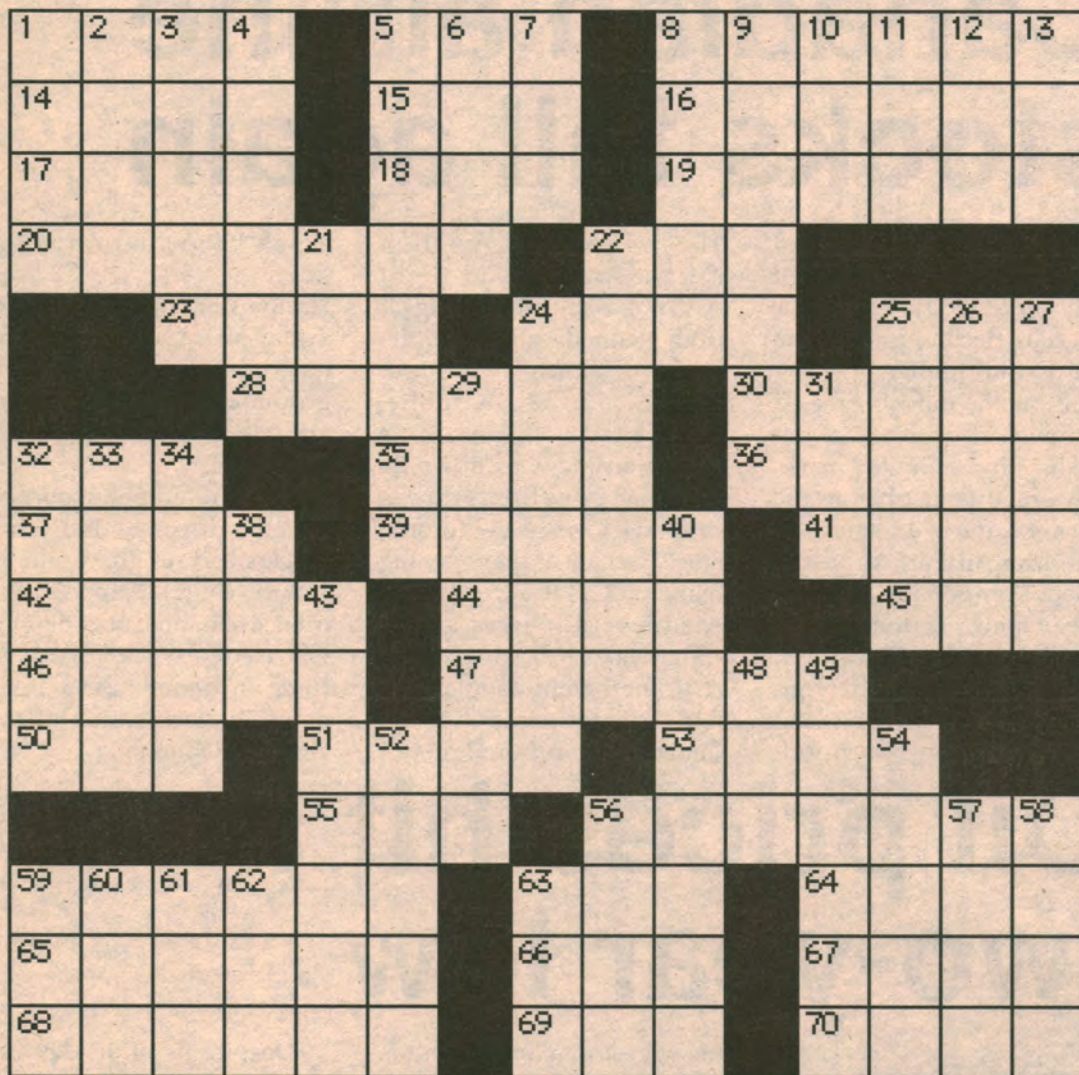
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## Animals with a message



created by Kevin Smith  
edited by his Mom and Dad

### Across

- 1 "Get a cell phone"
- 5 \_-Magnon
- 8 Some curling matches
- 14 Shock-jock Don
- 15 Former head of France
- 16 Consume more pies
- 17 Indian princess
- 18 Time partner
- 19 "Only you can prevent forest fires"
- 20 "Don't break the law"
- 22 Panel, abbr.
- 23 Prepare flour
- 24 Vicki Lawrence, sometimes
- 25 Low, Fr.
- 28 Pants-poopier
- 30 Andre, for one
- 32 Naysayer
- 35 Actress Carter
- 36 "Drink milk"
- 37 \_\_ now, immediately
- 39 Was accepted
- 41 \_ majesty
- 42 "Have a Bud"
- 44 Mil. agreement
- 45 German article
- 46 \_ cotta
- 47 Greeks markets
- 50 Finish
- 51 Knowledge
- 53 Too French
- 55 Little bit
- 56 "Buy Starkist"
- 59 "Buy 9 Lives"
- 63 Ship pronoun
- 64 Nude

- 65 Skier Picabo
- 66 Atmosphere
- 67 Latin catch-all
- 68 Snoops
- 69 Wolf Blitzer's employer
- 70 "They're great!"

### Down

- 1 Company
- 2 Apple model
- 3 Excrements
- 4 Egyptian god
- 5 Hand-making
- 6 Mouth part
- 7 Fryer need
- 9 Yard sale relative
- 10 Judge Lance
- 11 Cry of fear
- 12 Norma \_
- 13 Pig's digs
- 21 Saucer
- 22 Al Pacino title role
- 24 Degree of thaw

- 25 Working out of
- 26 Licorice base
- 27 Command
- 29 Poet Cohen
- 31 Under the weather
- 32 Excess
- 33 Colorado resort
- 34 Pumpkin or squash
- 38 HST preceder
- 40 Some lights
- 43 More seaworthy?
- 48 Coach Parseghian
- 49 Ice cream kin
- 52 Kilns
- 54 Student of Socrates
- 56 Jaw point
- 57 Iraq neighbour
- 58 Slippery and slimey
- 59 18 across competitor
- 60 Ear, prefix
- 61 CN and CP
- 62 Female Sandpiper
- 63 Biological pouch

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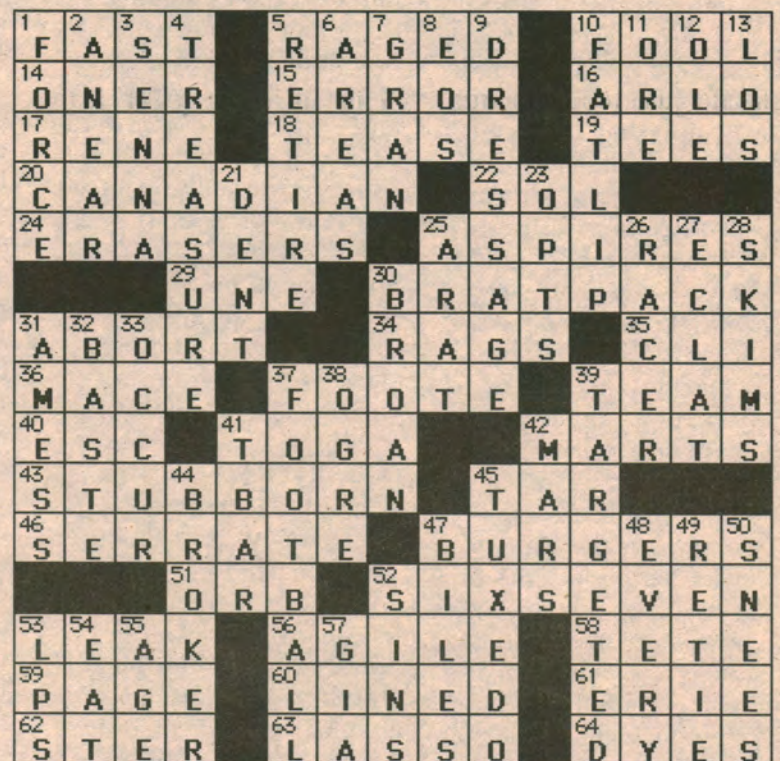
## CRYPTOQUOTE-

by Dan Woods

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"Manners are a sensitive awareness of the feelings of others. If you have good manners, no matter what fork you use.- Emily Post



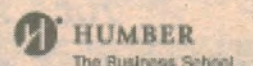
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**McGee,**  
I miss you, come back. Oh  
yeah baby.  
Nix

**Heather,**  
The next time my innards  
decide to implode.  
Tiff

**Juliette,**  
Dating lots is good.  
Not the right one

**Kaz AKA "Master  
Mooch",**  
You both are takers, but at  
least he contributes or  
doesn't wear his welcome  
thin!  
The Terrible Truth

**Christine,**  
I'm tired of colors.  
Lianne

**Wade R.,**  
Hope you had fun here at  
home.  
You're always missed

**Kat,**  
Thanks for the Tootsie pop  
and wings and pizza. You  
should just feed me from  
now on.  
Tiff

**Huskies,**  
It's payback time against  
Laval, we know you can do  
it.  
SMU Fans

**Hockney,**  
Keep off that knee, boy.  
Will cook for you if you want

**Craig,**  
Does Western Union have  
Montreal offices?  
Rob + Craig

**Cee,**  
Sorry I missed girl's night.  
One again soon?  
Have you video

**Jenni,**  
At least the movie titles  
don't show up on your bill.  
He! He!  
Loving boyfriend

**Christine,**  
Just call me Boobs McGee  
from now on. Too much  
J.J.'s, thank you very much.  
Tiff

**Sam and Paul,**  
Thanks for going to the  
incredibly gay duo.  
Owe you big time

**Matt,**  
Thanks for the help, bud.  
Couldn't have beat the  
Czech's without you.  
Mr. Sarcasm

**Kathleen,**  
I'm holding your note  
ransom.  
Cee

**To my girlz,**  
Let's sing "I Will Survive"  
from now on.  
Pussykat

**Rob,**  
I'm glad you got some,  
finally.  
Worried roommate

**Marcin,**  
Happy birthday, old man. I  
wish you lots of good  
things.  
Sunshine

**SMU Men's Soccer team,**  
You're still number one to  
us.  
Journal Staff member

**Minuteman,**  
Shut your mouth, now.  
Pissed

**Kaz,**  
I'm surprised you'd be  
anyone's firsts.  
Reality

**C.I.S.,**  
Time to revamp your  
tournament rules. You  
suck.  
Journal Staff member

**Hudson,**  
Miss you! Hope the candle  
party went well.  
Matthews

**Freezing,**  
If you can't stand the cold,  
get out of the house.  
1380 Boyz

**Marvin's l'il friend,**  
Still love you. We on for  
Thursday pm?  
Snork

**Tiff,**  
I'm dancing. Who are you?  
Stine

**Bonner and Christine,**  
Screw you guys, I'm going  
home.  
Lianne

**Kaz,**  
We here you're just a three-  
pump-chump.  
SMU Ladies

**K.D. Gurl,**  
Ho ho and Dome again on  
Saturday? This time I'll  
drink.  
Loaded on Saturday

**Kathleen,**  
Sorry about ICQ.  
Where's my note

**Organ,**  
I miss our quality time on  
the soccer field.  
Nix

**Kaz,**  
It doesn't matter what flag  
they fly under, you'll never  
get the right area codes.  
Tiff

**Observer**  
**Boobs,**  
Great friends.  
No boobs

**S.S.,**  
You shouldn't know about  
certain conversations haha.  
Movie soon.  
J.G.

**Bonner,**  
I think I'll stick with my  
winning soccer team.  
Nix

**Spaz,**  
Thanks for the empty room.  
Justin

**Cinn,**  
Single and loving it.  
Tha Gurl

**C.I.S.,**  
You f!/?ing suck.  
SMU Soccer Fan

**Babin,**  
Nice!!!  
Ex-Prez

**Dear Pylons,**  
I will come back with a  
vengeance for the indoor  
season.  
Big Bitch

**Mich, Nix and Dan,**  
Great work Sunday.  
Love me

**Kaz,**  
It's all about burning you  
this week.  
Ha

**Watt,**  
How old are we again?  
Organ

**Toros,**  
Lose the jerk coach and  
redheaded bitch, and you  
might just be a respectable  
team.  
Lions

**Spaz,**  
Thanks for doing the rest of  
the house a favor.  
I love PEI

**Jeffy D.,**  
For God's sakes, grow some  
balls, man.  
Not whipped

**Christine,**  
So many boyz, so little time.  
At least meathead's out of  
the way.  
Tiff

**Kaz,**  
It's pretty pitiful when you  
sound desperate in the fieds.  
Fied reader

**All Pit Crew Members,**  
Let's get our ass in gear.  
Organ

**Danny,**  
Archie's getting jealous/  
pissed due to the lack of  
attention you're giving him  
lately.  
Peacekeeper

**Justin,**  
Still scared of the ghost in  
my house, eh big boy?  
Tiff

**Mat and Cheeks,**  
Good job.  
Huskie Fan

**Kaz,**  
At least Mooch #2 asks  
before he eats everything in  
the house.  
1380 Boyz

**Ched,**  
Somehow I get the feeling  
that very soon, we will both  
feel like putting something  
up our noses.  
Pep

**Kat,**  
Ketchup??  
Heather

**Gurlz**  
Am I the only single one yet  
again??  
Stine

**Unexclusive**  
In the running!!!  
Exclusive

**Heather**  
Help me plot the take over!?  
Christine

**Tiff,**  
Which of your body parts  
will make it to balderdash  
this week?  
Heather and Christine

**Hat boy**  
Where's mine?  
Skirt girl

**Tiffany,**  
I want who? Wolfy?  
Stine

**Slutty School Gurl**  
Sorry I bailed, next time  
let's dance to the end!  
Slutty Angel Gurl

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## A perfect view

by Peter Dobek

October twenty-third gave birth to Morning View, a compilation of thirteen soulful songs by the L.A. band



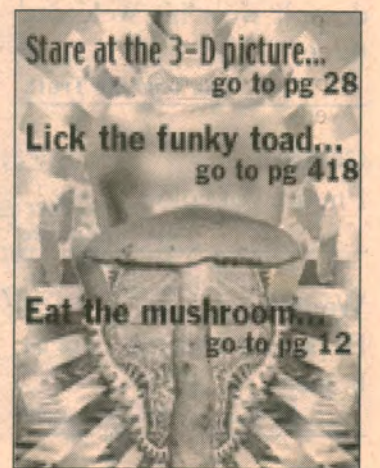
Incubus. This will be Incubus' third full-length album to date. Signed when they were still in high school, Incubus started playing in the L.A. area to small crowds and slowly built a following in California. They played a mixture of funk and metal. They picked an appropriate name to fit their style at the time. Incubus: a mythological demon that has sex with women in their sleep. Their first album was

"S.C.I.E.N.C.E", a collection of metal mixed with scratching and beats mixed with funky riffs. The sound is extremely diverse and the style jumps from one end of the sonic spectrum to the other. The album to follow, "Make Yourself", bred "Stellar", "Pardon Me", and "Drive". It seems that the mainstream was not ready for a heavy band, so the first two singles were acknowledged, but not received with open arms. It wasn't until "Drive", the third single of the album, was released that the band was thrown head-first into the lime-light. "Drive" was popular because it was a more subtle and toned-down song as opposed to in-your-face and aggressive. All of the band's work is well thought out and melodic. This is largely due to the dynamic front man, Brandon Boyd. Boyd has a great vocal range that can go from being very melodic to very strong and loud when put to the test. Incubus enjoyed great radio success with "Drive" which

put them on the spot to release a new album to continue their success. The final result was "Morning View". "Make Yourself" concentrated on taking charge of your life with a strong underlying theme, being in a relationship. "Morning View" subverts the previous album and deals with the pain and frustration of dealing with the loss. It's visible that Boyd is dealing with internal pain when in "Just a Phase" he uses lyrics like: "I am bottled fizzy water and you were shaking me up. You are a fingernail running down the chalk board I thought I left in third grade". The album itself is very toned-down. It seems more sad and soulful as opposed to the previous. It's hard and soft at the same time. The songs are less metal and more thought. A sign of a truly great band is that they mature, progress and still retain their signature sound. This album is probably their best yet. It's obvious that some Incubus fans that liked them for their hard sound may be let down.

"I am aware that many will not [like the new album], for stratospheric string orchestrations, Disney-esc, trip-hop, escapades, lyrics about contentment under a full moon, and not a shred of rap in our metal usually spells trouble for rock band with aspirations for success" states Boyd in an interview. Despite their fears of disappointing fans the album has been well received judging by their first single, "Wish You Were Here" which is actually a perfect blend of hard riffs and strategic melody. Don't let the name fool you, Incubus is not a death metal band. They have a DJ but they don't rap. They are edgy at times, but Morning View brings out more of the sad and soulful. The band repeatedly goes against the grain of the mainstream and yet manages to come out on top. They are the nice-guy underdogs swimming in the same pool as Tool, Limp Bizkit, Slipknot, and Korn. "If we wanted another guaranteed hit album, we'd just put in "Drive"

thirteen tracks in a row" jokes Incubus Guitarist Mike Einziger. After all was said and done, Morning View came out to be an edgy yet radio-friendly album full of nice subtle bells and whistles. This album is Garbage's "Version 2.0", it's Moist's "Mercedes Five and Dime", and the Red Hot Chili Pepper's "Californication". It's simply one of those great follow-up albums that you can't keep out of high rotation on your CD player.



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## Harry Potter casts his spell on Hollywood

by Marcin Modzynski

The unorthodox coupling of a children's movie with a length exceeding 90 minutes has created an unusual film in *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. Based on the immensely popular fantasy series by author J.K. Rowling, where an English orphan goes to a wizarding school, the books have risen to worldwide fame in the past few years, in part due to their universal and ageless appeal. And now that the feature film based on the first book is set to open in theatres this week, it seems the effort made to keep the same appeal for the silver screen has succeeded. Working closely with the filmmakers, author Rowling was able to contribute her personal vision to the smallest details, such as the exact positioning of Harry's infamous lightning-shaped scar on his forehead. With the high level of collaboration, the film was able to capture the essence of the books, as well as produce visuals that were accurate and believable. The faithfulness in adaptation has one drawback. What is supposed to be a movie for children (many of whom can barely sit through a trailer, much less a whole movie) made the final edit at a length of two hours and thirty-two

minutes. Although this means that as an adult, I definitely appreciate the added time, especially since it is well used to enhance certain elements generally lacking in kid's movies, such as character development or more and better effects, the kids might have a rough go of sitting through the whole thing. However, all the kids attending the screening were so hyped and crazy for this movie that they couldn't get enough, even after sitting through the flick in relative silence and peace. Keeping this in mind, the film will not only do well, its going to destroy the box office. The kids have been salivating over this since the first book came out, their parents will be going with them as chaperones, and then there's all the adults who have read the series for their own pleasure and have no choice but to see the movie, cause they're hooked (it's true, it happened to me; I read all four books and now I've got my mom addicted). This is a movie that will have five-year olds standing next to eighty five-year olds in line, as well as every age in between.

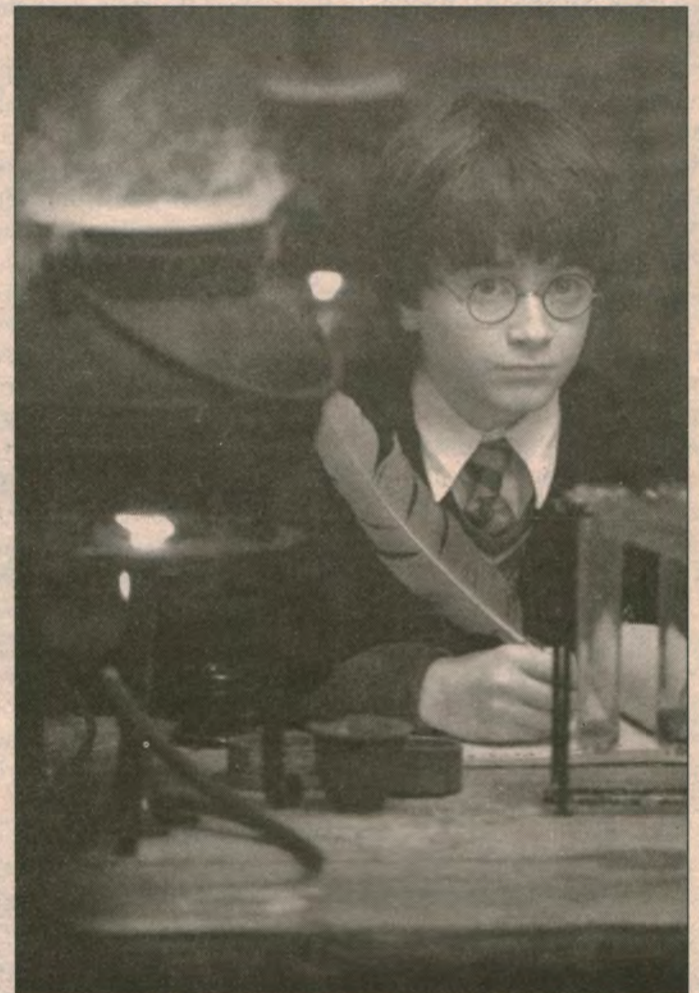
*Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* is guaranteed to become one of the classics, up there with other tremendous fantasy films like *The Wizard of Oz* or

*Labyrinth*. This movie lacked very little; laden with trolls, giants, ghosts, dragons and every other conceivable fantastical creature or item, each well-explained and plausible in context. Everything visual about the movie was, well...fantastic. All the effects were top notch, realistic, but still with a cartoon-y feel that will keep the kiddies' eyes as wide as dinner plates, and if you're into that sort of thing, yours as well. The film, like the books, put you into a world using atmosphere, a certain wonder laced with an unknown darkness where little is as it seems, and the truth can bring a smile or gasp of horror. The feel of the movie was almost virginal, as everything that Harry sees or learns about for the first time, the audience does as well. One of the strongest appeals of the series is that you join Harry on his journey into the world of wizarding, this is what makes anyone able to relate to his character, not just children. The young actors themselves, Daniel Radcliffe as Harry Potter, and Rupert Grint and Emma Watson as Harry's closest friends, Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, do a superb job. Having only acted in plays before (aside from Radcliffe, who had worked on a BBC

adaptation of *David Copperfield*), and bringing a bare minimum of experience to the production, the young cast were able to portray their characters professionally and accurately, bringing the three rookie wizards to life, along with all their tell-tale characteristics and nuances. The plot held very close with the book, aside from some small differences, which are to be expected and usually make the film better if properly edited, and with the author doing that, the original vision was kept intact, including the story. With a book series that read so well and quickly, there

was no doubt that the plot of the movie would be nothing less than spellbinding, even if loosely based on the novels.

Although it has been said before, I really do recommend this to everyone. This movie has everything you could have ever wanted out of a movie when you were a kid, and to tell the truth, it had almost everything I could want out of a movie as an adult, too. It seems that when a movie is truly well made, it transcends age categorization, and Harry Potter achieves that with little more than a flick of his wand.



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## The G-Spot: My story of my hormone high

by Kara Gammell

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This week I got a lot of questions about birth control, which brings me back to a great day I had last week when I realized I had missed four (no, not just two or three, but four friggin' pills) and decided to take them all at once. Obviously I wasn't thinking because I then went to work at the Body Shop for nine hours. Visualize this if you will, make-overs all day on Friday and I am so strung out on estrogen I was weeping at the sight of cute babies and listening to girls talk about their great boyfriends. By the time I got home from work, I was bawling in my hallway (something about the washer and dryer must have set me off) and my roommates thought I had been assaulted or was just on crack. I was not a pretty sight. I felt like I was in my third trimester and should be having cravings for ice cream and gravy. Thank God I didn't have a boyfriend, because I would have been humping his leg from the overdose of hormones raging through my veins. Is that smoke I smell? No, that was just my burning loins. But, lucky for me I was packing my own fire hose – the river of tears that I couldn't control. By the end of this very long and emotional day, I ended up LOOKING like birth control, with mascara all over my face and a runny nose. That's right boys – one at a time please, because who wouldn't want a piece of that? Needless to say,

once I came down from this hormone high I vowed to never, ever and I do mean never to do that again. Just picture the worst PMS you have ever seen, then times that by four. Ladies, please do as I say, not as I do.

**Q:** Why are so many women getting pregnant while practicing birth control?

**A:** This is something that most of us girls forget about. The pill is not 100 percent effective in preventing unplanned pregnancies. I know so many guys who figure that if you are on the pill, then they will be permitted to go bareback, but my currently-in-your-sexual-prime-young-bucks, this is not a guarantee. Fifty-three percent of unplanned pregnancies occur in women who are using contraceptives. According to a 1999 article in the Journal of the American Medical Association 76 percent of them in 1994, occur in women over the age of 20, and I don't know about you, but I don't like those odds. Some of the reasons behind these problems are mostly due to human error: such as not following instructions for use of contraceptives correctly, using them inconsistently (it only takes one time or one missed pill to get you in a bind like this), broken condoms or the use of antibiotics/herbs with birth control pills. If you want additional information regarding this or any other sexual education, swing by

the SMU SEKSS office (Burke 221A) and they will hook you up.

**Q:** I read in a magazine that if you are throwing up and on the pill, you can put it in your vagina instead? Is this true?

**A:** Yeah, it's funny that you mention this, because I also read it in this month's Cosmo. Naturally, after reading this I became a woman on a mission and tracked down the right info. I must say though, it was like bleeding blood from a stone. I called around and didn't really get anywhere, and then I realized why am I running hell west and crooked when we have a health centre right here on campus. I asked Jane Collins, the Saint Mary's Nurse Educator, and naturally she had the goods. She said that yes, you may insert the oral contraceptive pill into your vagina when vomiting is present, but it may not be 100 percent accurate, probably only 60 percent or so. The problem is, that one cannot be certain that you have not passed the pill unless you lay on your back for a few days, so you must use back up methods of protection for the rest of that month.

**Q:** What is Frotteurism?

**A:** Considering I couldn't even pronounce this puppy, I had more than a bit of a problem figuring it out. But after searching the Internet for an hour or so, people in the

computer labs are starting to look at me funny – when I use a search engine and things pop up like, Live Teen Sluts. I think they might be getting the wrong idea. Regardless, this is what I came up with; Frotteurism is the rubbing against and fondling of an unwilling woman's breasts or buttocks in crowded situations, like bars or subways. Which indicates that this variant of sexual exhibitionism is rampant in many of Halifax's bars. Yikes! Maybe I will start a support group, I will call it WWF (Women Welcoming Frotteurism) – catchy, isn't it?

**Q:** Should I be douching?

**A:** To douche or not to douche? There is no question – just a plain and simple NO. The point of douching is to wash out your vagina with warm water or a store-bought solution, which requires a special bag or bottle that shoots the liquid up your vagina. Which would not be the most flattering beautification procedure a lady can perform. This is unhealthy because it washes

away the fluids in the vagina that keeps it clean. Without these fluids, the vagina can easily become irritated and infected. Some douches even damage the vaginal lining, making it more vulnerable to infection. And as for being a method of birth control – you might as well try to put a Tylenol between your knees and not let it hit the ground. It does not work and may only prove to propel the sperm toward the cervix faster. Besides, it only takes sperm a few minutes to reach the cervix and once there in, there is no coming out because they are on their way to the fallopian tubes with a one way ticket to baby-land.

I would also like to mention that not once in this week's column did I mention the fact that I get less action than the Pope does. My friends said it was starting to ruin my image. What image? Oh right, the one of me being the spokesperson for Involuntary Celibacy. I think I may reclaim my virginity – can I do that? If Britney Spears can, why the hell not?

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## Hockey Huskies split series at home

by Daniel Bonner

The start of the 2001-02 campaign for the Saint Mary's Hockey Huskies must be looked upon as a great success. The Huskies, after

process began on Friday night against the UNB Varsity Reds.

The Reds have been able to solidify themselves as a powerhouse in the AUHC over the past decade, and this season looks to be on par with

to steal at least a tie from the evening, but Huskies netminder Brent Zelenewich stood tall and led the Huskies to the victory.

The very next night, the Moncton Blue Eagles rolled into town to do battle with the Huskies. In the last meeting between these two, the Huskies drubbed the Aigles Blues by an 8-4 count. However, Moncton was rolling after defeating the St FX X-Men 8-2 on Friday evening. The Huskies started the scoring on Saturday night, as they attempted to run their undefeated streak to eight games, when rookie Lindsay Plunkett fired home a feed from Billy Manley. The Eagles struck back, on the first of what would be many powerplay goals on the evening, making the score 1-1. Jean-Benoit Deschamps scored the second goal for Moncton, again on the powerplay, to extend the lead before his teammate Benoit Vezina made the lead two-goals, this time scoring on an even-strength rush. Travis Kennedy, who has been playing great hockey thus far for the Huskies, slid one past the Moncton goalie just before the horn, to make the score after one period 3-2, Aigles Blues.

The second period proved to be all Moncton. The period

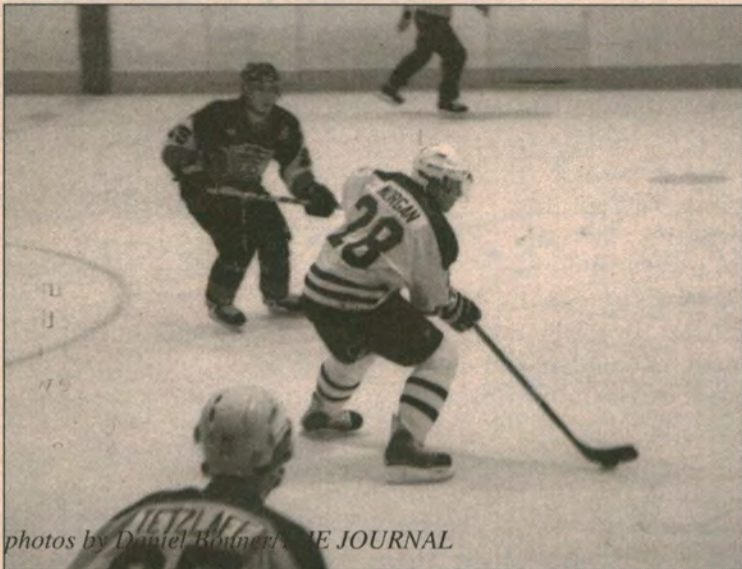
began with Luc Cormier scoring his first of two in the period, as he managed to fire the puck past a disoriented Zelenewich. Moncton's powerplay soon struck again as the Aigles Blues took full advantage of a Keith Delaney tripping call to run the score to 5-2. With the Moncton powerplay functioning as well as it was, one would think the Huskies would be attempting to stay out of the box. However, just ten seconds after the Aigles Blues scored, Clark Udle took a bad crosschecking penalty to put Moncton up a man again. Les Aigles Bleus required a scant 19-seconds to once again solve Zelenewich, through no fault of his own, to make the score at the intermission 6-2 Udm.

The Third saw the Huskies begin to show a little life, but the four-goal deficit proved to be too much. Huskies sparkplug Alex Halat proved he had more to offer this club than just grit as he fired a shot past Jonathan Pelletier, to make the SMU total three. Two minutes later, big Huskies defenseman Brad Morgan found the twine behind Pelletier to bring the Huskies within two, and give SMU a chance. The Huskies were unable to score again, however, and in fact Moncton added one more late to make the final Udm 7, SMU 4. The

lose was frustrating for the Huskies because they played every bit as good as Moncton in five-on-five action, and the lose is a direct result of undisciplined play and a Moncton power play unit that was firing on all cylinders on this night.

By print time, the results of the Saint Mary's vs. number three-ranked Dalhousie from Tuesday night were unavailable, check back next week for a full recap.

The Huskies continue their home stand this weekend as Alumni Arena plays host to a



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losing their season opener, have strung together a six game unbeaten streak that has seen them rise to be ranked tenth in the country, with a record of 3-1-3. The schedule, however, began to heat up this past week with games against fourth ranked UNB on Friday, and a game against third ranked Dalhousie coming up on Tuesday. This set up a key test for the Huskies, a chance to prove to the AUHC that they are here to compete, not merely overachievers. This

the expectations. UNB has claimed three AUHC championships in the past five years, including a national championship in 1998. They entered this past weekend's action ranked number four in the country, but they quickly found out that Alumni Arena is not all that friendly to opposing teams. The Huskies rode three first period goals to victory on the night. UNB scored twice and put on a lot of pressure in the final five minutes of the third to attempt



pair of games. First up is Friday night against the UPEI Panthers, who the Huskies beat 10-2 in the first meeting this year, and tied 4-4 in the second. Game time is at seven pm. Saturday evening after the Atlantic Bowl, why not head over to Alumni Arena where the Huskies will be playing host to the defending AUHC champions, the St Thomas Tommies. The puck drops at seven pm, be sure to come out and support your Huskies.

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## Huskies run over Axemen

SMU to meet Laval in Atlantic Bowl this Saturday

by Daniel Bonner

Conference finals. Nothing beats the intensity involved with playoff football.

only one minute and so the Huskies prepared to punt the ball away. On the ensuing punt, the Acadia defense broke through the line to block

the wind, and both the Saint Mary's and Acadia defenses collapsed quickly to prevent any sort of run after the catch. In fact, only three points were scored in the third, the first of which came again off the boot of Bartolacci who missed a 30-yard attempted field goal (thanks in large part to the crosswind gusting across Huskies Stadium), but the field kick sailed through the endzone for the rouge and the single point. A conceded safety by the Acadia punter accounted for the other two points in the quarter. The fourth quarter opened with Perez finally being rewarded for his hard work on the day, smashing through the line to score on a three-yard run to make the score 32-7. With the game well at hand, the Huskies seemed content to run down the clock, with backup quarterback Billy Robinson at the helm, and promising sophomore running back Gabriel Harvey carrying most of the load. Late in the game, with the Huskies driving, Acadia managed to sack Robinson, and add a little extra after the whistle, much to the displeasure of the Huskies. This proved to be all the excuse needed for the Huskies to feel justified in running up the score a little farther, and with no time on the clock Harvey punched the ball in from one-yard out to make the final 38-7.

This win belonged to Perez, who despite only scoring the one touchdown, ran for 287-yards on 34 carries, unheard of numbers. Dean Jones and Gabriel Harvey also had productive days in limited use, netting 56 and 43-yards respectively. The passing game was less effective in the wind, as evident by Ryan Jones' numbers of 84-yards on only

seven completions with a pair of touchdowns.

In Quebec the QIFC finals were held between the fifth ranked Laval Rouge et Or and the unranked McGill Redmen, to determine

who would face off against the Huskies in the upcoming

Atlantic bowl. The day started out clear and cold, much like here in Halifax, however by halftime the snow had begun to fly, often heavily relegating the offenses to a war of running games. Laval leaned on Mathieu Brassard, their leading running back and winner of the QIFC's most outstanding player award, and he didn't let them down, scoring twice on his way to 80-yards in total. By the end of the game the snowfall had turned into a blizzard, hindering the view of players and converting the field into a monotonous white sheet, and on this day McGill's playoff hopes were lost in the void, falling to Laval 42-14. The victory means that the Huskies will square off against the Rouge et Or in this week's Atlantic Bowl, in a rematch of Vanier Cup 1999. Game time is at noon.

Elsewhere in the country the Churchill Bowl's participants were also determined. Number two ranked McMaster downed number four-ranked Ottawa 30-22 in a hard fought contest, guaranteeing a new national champion this year. Out west the Manitoba Bisons made themselves one of the final four teams as they downed the Regina Rams by a score of 23-17, setting up a McMaster vs. Manitoba Churchill bowl, also to be played this

Saturday.

The Laval vs. Saint Mary's makes this Atlantic Bowl, the



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Always involved in a win-or-go-home situation, these games are what people wait for all year long. Instant classics. Not this time. You would have been hard pressed to find a football fan inside Huskies Stadium that could honestly say they were expecting a close contest on Saturday afternoon in the AUFC championship tilt between the Acadia Axemen and the Saint Mary's Huskies. On one side you have the Huskies who have set records in both most points for and fewest points against this season averaging 60-4 victory each time out this season. Then you have the Axemen who have a laundry list of injuries at key areas, their three losses to the Huskies this season were by 36 points on average, and the only real bright spot has been Karim Grant and his 11.5 sacks. To say that an upset was unlikely was an understatement, and on this day the game went pretty much to course.

It was a cool blustery day in Huskies Stadium on Saturday afternoon, and the conditions certainly played into a running based offense. As a result the Huskies game plan was simple, give the ball to Luis Perez, repeat as needed. The game, however, started slowly for the Huskies as their first drive ended after

the punt that was eventually picked up by Regan Isenor and ran back 38-yards to give the Axemen the early lead. The Huskies replied later in the quarter when, after a Dominico Bartolacci field goal made it 7-3, Ryan Jones found Dave Stala in the back corner of the endzone. Stala's acrobatic one-handed catch made the score 10-7 in favour of the Huskies after one quarter of play. The Huskies continued to receive good field position thanks largely to the play of the defense as well as Perez's rushing. SMU was having a more difficult time finding the endzone, however, and the second quarter saw the Huskies settle for a pair of field goals by Dominico Bartolacci. SMU did manage a single major in the quarter as Jones found favorite target Pat Thibeault at the end of a 6-yard pass for the touchdown. A failed two-point conversion attempt made the score at halftime 22-7.

The third quarter saw the defenses take over.



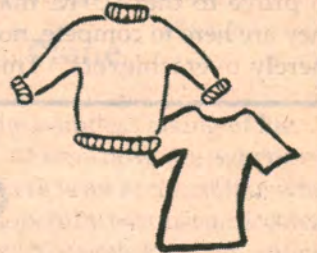
Completions were forced to be short yardage on account of



last to be held at Huskies Stadium, one of the most exciting to the local sports scene in many years. The memories of the Huskies four-point defeat to the Rouge et Or just two years ago in the Vanier Cup, is still fresh on the minds of many Huskies fans. The Rouge et Or should expect a hostile crowd of nearly 4000, who all have revenge on their minds.

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## National CIS soccer tournament wraps up

Weekend full of surprises

by Jeffrey Warford

Triumph and jubilation turned to bitter disappointment for the Huskies this past weekend. The top-seeded Saint Mary's

opposition by three goals, as opposed to SMU's two, the Golden Hawks moved on to the gold medal match while the Huskies, were relegated to the bronze medal game. The irony is even greater when

70th minute with a goal from Maxim Pollack. UNB also received two yellow cards in the second half, one for goalkeeper Shaun Connell after he ran well out of his net to lay a crushing tackle on Brad Kickham, and another for Joey Vantour for an aggressive slide tackle in midfield. But by the end, the Huskies sailed to a massive 5-1 win to earn the bronze medal.

After slipping past the Huskies by the narrowest of margins, the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks went on to claim the gold medal for the second time in as many years. The Ontario conference runner-ups defeated the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds by a count of 2-1.

Both teams relied on conservative play and strong defense early in the game, but it was Laurier that received the first chance at the 30-minute mark. A UBC defender inadvertently swung his elbow at a Laurier player while attempting to clear the ball. The Hawks Nicki Budalic made good on the ensuing penalty kick to put his team up by 1-0. UBC struck back only a few minutes later, however, with a header just past the outstretched arms of defender-turned-goalkeeper, Kordo Doski. The 34th minute goal was Kasra Asrar Haghghi's first of the tournament for UBC.

The teams remained deadlocked at one goal apiece

## The day the system failed

The mockery that was the CIS soccer championships

by Daniel Bonner

The past weekend illustrated how national championship tournaments should not be set up. The Saint Mary's Huskies soccer team was the victim of an ill-conceived system by which the six competing schools vied for the national title in men's soccer, and Wilfrid Laurier was the benefactor. The one simple underlying fact that has to be known, is that the Saint Mary's Huskies went undefeated this entire season, including the regular season, the AUS and CIS championships with a record of 16-0-2, and yet they are not the champions this year. How could a team finish third by not losing? At the end of the day, the best soccer team in Canada did not take home the gold; in fact they took home the bronze.

How did this happen? Easy, the system allowed it to happen. The CIS soccer championship was set up with two, three team pools. Each team played the other two teams in its pool with first place in each pool advancing to the finals and second place in each pool advancing to the bronze medal game. This should immediately set sirens off inside one's head. As the story goes, the Huskies won their first match 2-0 against UQTR. The next night they

played Laurier, and the teams sailed to a 3-3 draw after regulation. No problem, extra time right? No. The teams went ahead with a shootout (which SMU won 5-3), but it was later revealed that the shootout was just in case there was a need for a third tie breaker, as both goal differential and goals for, were the first two. Simply put all Laurier had to do was beat UQTR by three goals or more to circumvent SMU into the gold medal. Laurier went on to beat UQTR 4-1 and gave themselves a spot in the finals.

Why is a national championship tournament not done on a ladder based single elimination style, like the CIS basketball championship? Instead with the system the way it is, what transpired was quite sickening. Often times in sports the best team loses, just as often, a team has a great season go sour with a poor effort in the playoffs. If either of these applied, there would be nothing to discuss. Had the Huskies gone 0-2 in the round robin then there would be no reason to complain, but the Huskies went 1-0-1, preserving their undefeated season at 16-0-2. Now explain to a team that doesn't lose all year long, why Laurier (whose combined regular season, OUA playoffs, and CIS

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squad was denied a place in Sunday's gold medal match on account of the CIS's peculiar tie-breaking scheme.

After a 2-0 win over the University of Quebec at Trois Riviere on Thursday, the Huskies were pitted against defending CIS champs Wilfrid Laurier on Friday in a rematch of last year's CIS final. The Huskies and Golden Hawks slipped and slid to a 3-3 draw in the driving rain, which meant the game had to be settled by penalty shots. Saint Mary's won the shootout 5-3, after one Laurier player bounced a shot off the goal post, and SMU goalkeeper Carlos Louriero stopped another. It seemed as if Saint Mary's had avenged the outcome of the 2000 CIS final, in which Laurier won the shootout by a 6-5 margin.

However, the sweet taste of victory was short lived. The shootout victory against Laurier would only have been called into effect as a last resort. First, the CIS considers the overall tournament record (both SMU and Laurier had 1-0-1 records), then the total of goals scored in each of the teams' meetings (three each for both SMU and Laurier). Third, the CIS examines the goal differential in all of the teams games (SMU was +2, while Laurier was +3 after a 4-1 Saturday victory over UQTR). The shootout would have decided the winner only if the teams remained tied after all of the other methods.

Because Laurier had managed to outscore their

considered in light of the Huskies performance this season. The team never lost a single match, and had a combined record of 16-0-2.

In spite of the devastating loss after a near-perfect season, the Huskies managed to refocus in time for their bronze medal game against UNB on Sunday. These teams had previously met in the AUS soccer finals only a week earlier. SMU walked away from that game with an easy 3-0 win.

The Huskies looked sharp early in the game and spent most of their time in the UNB zone. Brad Kickham fired the first SMU goal past UNB netminder Shaun Connell only ten minutes into the first half. Matt Boulton added another at the 17-

minute mark to put the Huskies up by 2-0 going into the half-time break. SMU really began beating up on UNB in the second half. Matt Boulton netted a pair of goals within two minutes of each other at the 53rd and 55th minutes, while Dan Fournier blasted home a penalty shot in the 57th minute to give SMU a commanding 5-0 lead. UNB finally managed a reply in the



until the 88th minute. UBC's aggressive play had kept the ball near the Laurier net for most of the second half, but the Hawks managed to break out as the game was winding down. Laurier's Wojciech Cwik pounded a low shot that ricocheted off the leg of a UBC defender into the top right corner of the net to clinch the victory for the Hawks.

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## Optimism "runs" high for women Huskies

by Stephen Clow

This season brings about a change for these Huskies as the coaching staff tries to move from the post oriented offence of yester year to a "run and gun", pressing defensive system.

Seven of the Huskies roster spots are filled by returning veterans, while the remaining four players are all new to the system. "As teams try to key in on Julie. That may be their mistake, we have great perimeter balance and I am quite confident with the rest of the players we have," remarks Coach Jeffery. The pressure will be on the backcourt to produce early and often. In the backcourt, the Huskies will be looking for leadership and ball distribution from Katie Gammon, a fourth year returnee from Bathurst. Gammon will be asked to push the ball hard up court and feed her teammates in positions where they have a high percentage to score.

Returning along side her is Joslin Cheverie, a Charlottetown, PEI native, a high energy slasher who will be counted on to penetrate and score or create easy shots for her teammates. Add into the backcourt freshman Jamie Walker from Vermont, who will also see time in the forward position, and sharp shooting Katharina Hack, who returns for her third season, and the Huskies definitely have the legs to run the up tempo style of basketball that Coach Jeffery is asking them to. Should the backcourt get tired, SMU can run as many as four sets of fresh legs from the bench. Leading this crew is third year science student from Milford, NS, Carolyn De Amicis, who is looking to have a break out year after spending most of last season on the shelf with an ACL injury. Natalie Ryan (second year Moncton), and first year players Patricia Downey (North Preston), and Sarah Hebb (Halifax) will also be called upon to eat up some important minutes down the stretch. "We have no problem with playing everyone, they

have shown me that we can do this and not have it hurt the team," says Coach Jeffery.

Despite running an up tempo offence, the frontcourt will still be counted on to do the majority of the team's scoring and, of course, rebounding. The team returns All-Canadian, League and Team MVP Julie Galipeau (Halifax), who will be counted on to control the paint and put points on the board. Already one of the better players in Canada, Galipeau could see improved numbers if the perimeter plays the way they are capable of playing, thus forcing opposing defenses to play her one on one inside, a place where she has dominated the last two years. Joining Galipeau is first year G/F Jamie Walker, who will take on much of the scoring load as she moves between both inside and outside positions. Helping with the rebounding, an area where the Huskies have impressed in early games, will be returning 6'1 Melanie Thomas (Campbellford, Ontario) and six foot first year post from North Wiltshire, PEI, Laura

MacPherson, who has already impressed the coaching staff with her ability to battle hard inside and snag rebounds. The inside has shown the ability to out rebound bigger teams; thus, creating second shots and holding opponents to one shot each time down the floor. They will have to continue this strong play in order to compete night in and night out.

If the Huskies can get their inside and outside games to compliment each other, they have the potential to play and beat anyone in the conference. The problems arise in the form of team chemistry, learning a new system which may balloon turnover numbers, and the fatigue factor that comes with such a system. If they can work through their early mistakes and keep their turnover numbers down, this team should have no problem competing with anyone in the Atlantic Conference and all of Canada.

The Huskies have their sites set on putting themselves in a position to win their division and even the AUS.

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tournament record was 13-2-1) should advance to the gold medal match by virtue of the fact that they trounced the worst team in the pool by a larger score than the Huskies did. In something as important as a national championship, shouldn't the champion be decided on the field, rather than by virtue of a goal differential? Single elimination, ladder style tournaments are not perfect either, but at least the games are decided then and there, right on the field.

Should Laurier be the CIS men soccer national champions? No. Should the Huskies be bitter about the loss? No. Regardless of how imperfect the system is, Saint Mary's knew going into the tournament what the rules were, and therefore they knew what they had to do. Although for any justice to be served the system must be changed for future years, this past year is done and in the books, and Laurier worked the system to perfection, while for the Huskies perfection just wasn't good enough.



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