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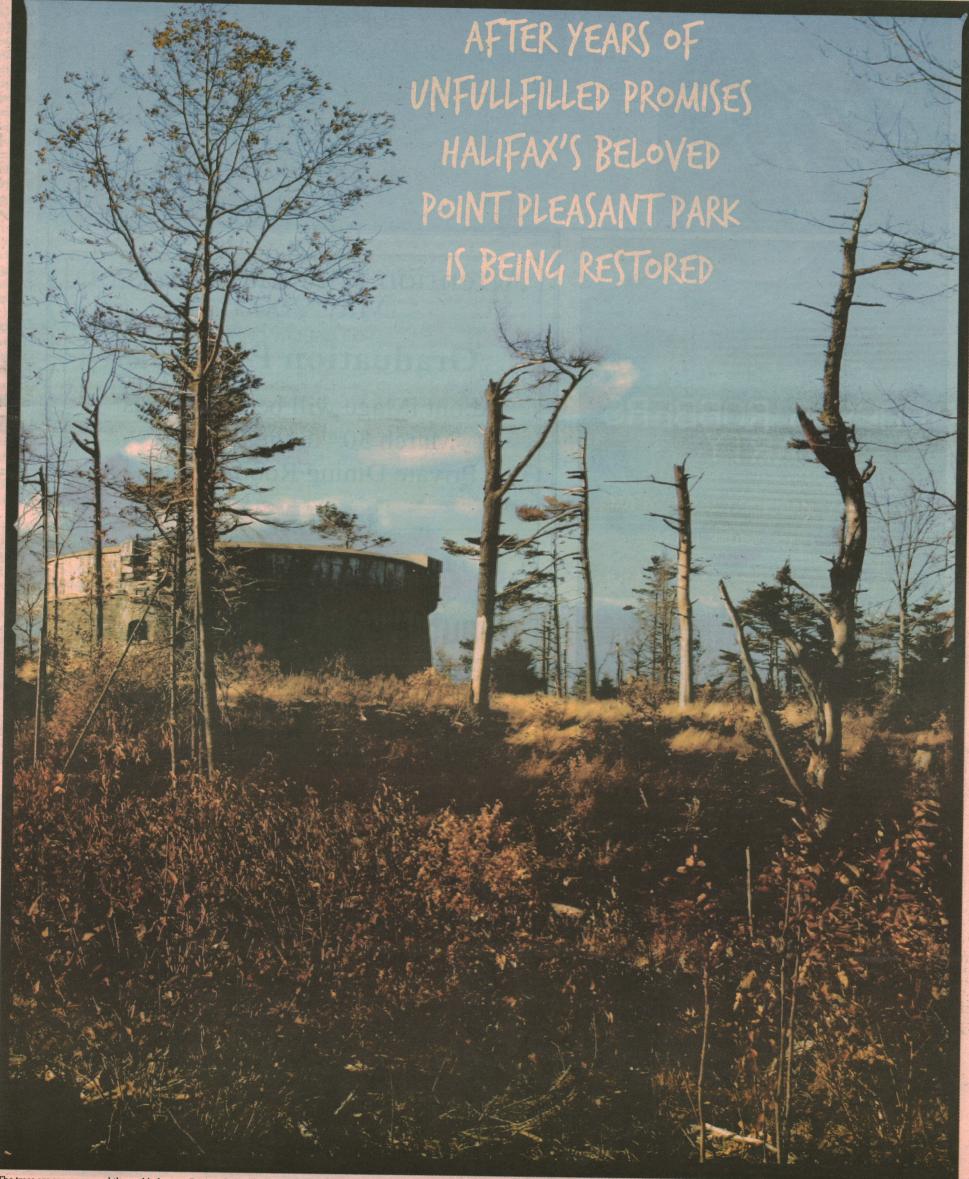
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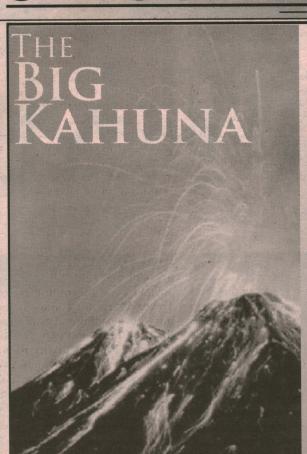
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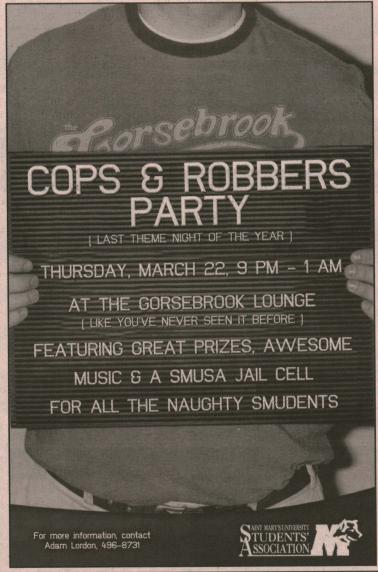


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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

POSTER CONTROVERSY: SMUSA RESPONDS

This letter was accidentally omitted from last week's issue.

To the editor:

I am writing in response to the letters to the editor in the issue two weeks ago.

To clarify the statement made in "Bearsy's" letter, Holly Taylor (Women's Centre Coordinator) did issue a complaint to SMUSA about the candidate's posters being up around school with SMUSA's approval. She voiced that complaint to SMUSA on behalf of the Women's Centre Board of Directors and other concerned students. The judgment call on SMUSA's part was to allow the posters to stay up until the end of the election period. If the posters would have been taken down prior to the end of elections, it could have been detrimental to the candidate's campaign and could have potentially caused legal problems for SMUSA. SMUSA has recognized that the authorization process for campaign posters should be reviewed, and SMUSA President, Zach Churchill, is meeting with the Women's Centre Board of Directors to discuss how to prevent similar issues from occurring in the future.

"Bearsy" wrote in her letter that she knows that women and men are equal in every way. I would like to point out that this is quite untrue in more ways than one. On average, white women in Canada make only 71 cents for every dollar that a man makes (it is even less for women of color). Women are the victims of violence in an astronomically higher proportion than men are (here's a statistic that should feel close to home: 85% of victims of sexual offenses reported to the HRM Police Service are female). I would like to encourage "Bearsy" to further explore and research the issue of gender equality.

I think it is also important to clarify the points Holly raised in her letter to The Journal two weeks ago regarding the image in the campaign posters. Holly did not in any way state that a woman who is a willing participant in a sexual encounter is dehumanizing. The point she raised is that the image on the campaign posters did not look like the woman was willing in any way. She is on her knees, in a lower position than the man while the man poured a white substance into her mouth: this image could be interpreted as conveying a message that women should take on submissive roles to men. The SMU Women's Centre does not denounce sexuality in any way-should be apparent with the recent production of the Vagina Monologues and the selling of chocolate vaginas on campus: both conveyed the message of sexual empowerment for women.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the work that the Women's Centre does in the community and right here on campus. The Women's Centre enhances the student experience for many (including myself) and, under the direction of Holly Taylor, continues to be an influential organization in the fight for women's rights.

Respectfully,

Leah Bilodeau VP Finance and Operations SMUSA

WHAT IS FEMINISM TO A MAN?

To the editor:

I was recently asked by a friend who publishes Edwards, a feminist internet magazine to summarize perhaps, what men (or a man, if its easier to not generalize) think of feminism." It doesn't take a scholar, or a feminist, to understand the tall order handed down by my friend. Whether or not it was International Women's Week (which is was last week, FYI to all you brutes out there), this could have been The Grand Project that would either sum up the entire relationship between XX and XY, or potentially crush the credibility of its author under the weight of his own sweeping generalizations. But here I am, apparently ready to take up the challenge, break out the bold colours, and paint with

incredibly broad strokes.

What is "feminism" to "man"? This loaded question confronts us with terms that are highly contentious and clearly still open to debate - I am not the first, nor will I be the last, to make such an obvious claim. Words and concepts, of course, are plastic and malleable, and will never signify a common meaning over any great length of time, especially to large groups of people. Further, another friend once relayed the important point that second-wave and third-wave feminists need to work together again, before any work on or against our cultural institutions and social norms will ever be successful. But if I were to make one contention of my own today, it would be that most men cannot tell the difference between second and third wave feminism if asked, or even know that different waves have, and still exist. If I were to go out on a limb here, I'd even contend that a man couldn't ever be a feminist. A man can advocate feminism's ideals, but can never identify as a feminist.

Depending on the man you are, feminism could be society's great liberator and a process always incomplete, or, a harbinger of destruction and the precursor to the demise all the social structures and systems we hold sacrosanct. Personally, I tend to align myself with the "great liberator" camp, which explains why I've agreed to examine my thoughts on the issue for Edwards, and am happy to contribute the piece to The Journal.

Forgive me, however, as I wax poetic about identity politics for a moment. I refuse to speak for all of "man", whatever that means, on the subject of feminism. The concept of "man" is as contentious as "woman" is. And frankly, I find "man" to be a rather out-dated concept. "Feminism", which is not out-dated, not out-moded, and not finished, points toward a movement, a concept, a feeling and a desire. Women can be feminists and believe in feminism, if they choose to. Men can believe in feminism (as I do), but cannot be feminist. I believe in the movement, and encourage it, and long for its success. I can march with the movement. I can join hands with my brothers and sisters - but mostly sisters - and I can shout and chant and sing to advocate the merits of feminism. But for every step I march, left-right-left-right in the crusade, I march them in different shoes, and do not leave the same tracks as the woman who has been discriminated against. My footprint is a footprint of the person who admires, and longs for the movement to continue with force. But the marking on the sole of my shoe is not that of some one who

has witnessed, and experienced

first-hand all the markings, trappings and experiences of abuse, intolerance, and discrimination. For as much as I strive to not discriminate by sex or gender, it does not change the fact that I can not be discriminated against for my female sex or feminine gender, because I am not a woman. I am a man.

Those who object to this argument may suggest that feminism should not be defined in negative terms. This is a valid, and strong contention. Why should feminism be defined as only a reaction to discrimination? Why can't it be defined as pro-active participation in working to eliminate the discrimination and the abuse? It's a very good question. But if I could answer this with the similar primary colours and broad strokes I began with, I'd suggest that feminism, and the feminist movement, requires not only active work to fight sexism, but also, that since the discrimination has been so severe and so systemic for so long, because so many people have been hurt and wronged by the discrimination, that the experience of the discrimination itself is inherit to an understanding of feminism and to being a feminist. It would be an injustice to all the women who have ever been abused or discriminated against to discount all their experiences solely to include "men", like me, who sympathize and want to see change. The experience of discrimination and intolerance should cannot be diluted or forgotten for the sake of including "man" into

Feminism, then, is something a man can never fully experience, and perhaps never fully understand. It is a force I appreciate, but cannot be a part of. I will willingly advocate, and participate in forwarding the cause, but until I have experienced discrimination or abuse for being a woman, then, I can only speak for, and speak of the movement. I walk with the movement, but only in a parallel direction. When there is a victory for feminism, then there is a victory for me, too. But it is not my victory. It is a victory for all the women who have been abused and discriminated against by men who walk to the beat of a completely different drummer.

Michael Steeleworthy is a student at Saint Mary's University and a contributor to Edwards Magazine, a Canadian feminist online publication. This is an excerpt of a piece originally composed for Edwards for its Spring 2007 issue. Look for it in the near future at www.edwardsmagazine.ca.

Michael Steeleworthy

THE JOURNAL

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ECMAS, MP3 DOWNLOADS ARE NOT OK

I really enjoyed two articles

recently in the Journal and I just wanted to comment on them to maybe add some fuel to the debate.

First off, I have to agree with Allyson Marsh's comments in "The ECMAs are not OK". As both a SMU student and a 2006 ECMA nominee (in one of those genre categories not mentioned during the telecast), I can first hand express my frustration with the entire conference. Beyond a membership fee which is required to be considered for any nomination or any industry showcase held during the 3 day conference, artists/bands are required to pay a fee for each nomination category they are applying for as well as each showcase stage they are applying for. Over two years I've easily racked up \$1000+ bill in mere application fees all of which are non-refundable whether you are nominated or not. That doesn't include the costs of travel, food, accommodations etc. if you do attend the event (which isn't always held in Halifax). You can easily dump a lot of cash into trying to get recognized by "the industry" without ever seeing any results. I highly recommend saving your money and spending it on recording, developing a great marketing website, buying gear to make your live show great, and hitting the road and playing as much as possible.

Secondly, the entire ECMA community is artist based with the odd manager and/or publicist present throughout the event. At best luck, you'll be exposed to the artist community which you can easily do outside the event by attending local shows and using the MySpace network. It is rare for any manager or publicist to take notice of an artist at these events and offer services for free. Anyone who is working on the industry side is trying to make money (which is understandable), so don't expect to walk away from the conference with a record deal or a manager without a price tag attached to it. It's become a Do-It-Yourself industry, and the ECMA committee needs to recognize that to make the conference more artist friendly.

Lastly, the entire awards process is completely political and all based on who you know and kiss ass with. I'm not trying to detract from those artists who have won awards, because many of them deserve them.

However, based on the voting rules and criteria of the ECMA conference, if you have more friends who have ECMA memberships than the other nominees in your categories, you'll win regardless of how much your album sucks. I could guestimate that under 5% of the voters actually listen to each nominee in every category. I would know - I was a voter after all, and the entire process is so daunting

that it's unlikely anyone would bother to listen to all of the other nominees when they can just go down the list and pick their friends or the names that are most familiar to them. I think it's time for a change in the system.

The people and fans that are going out to the bars each weekend to see their favorite artists/bands play need to stand up and start getting involved and making their voice heard. The entire industry is shifting to be about what the consumer wants, and thus award shows and industry conferences need to be as based around the consumer as they are around the artist and industry community.

With that said, I'll lead into another point I want to make on Trevor Murphy's comments on mp3 downloading and its affect on the retail music industry. For the most part, I agree in that the record industry hasn't properly adjusted to the changing consumer market place. However, I think in some sense it is immoral to suggest that the consumer should not be held at all responsible for the downfall of the retail music industry (and the closure of stores like Sam's CD's). Every time someone downloads an mp3 file, they are illegally taking a piece of art which is available for commercial sale. We've all heard that debate before, and I could care less whether the Canadian Government believes it's only illegal when you share files, not when you download them - as either way, in one case you're committing an illegal act (sharing), and in another case you're participating and thus facilitating the illegal act (downloading). I'm not going to tell anyone they shouldn't download mp3's, but to say that the record industry is the ONLY player at fault for the closure of a store like Sam's is wrong. Yes, the record industry needs to adapt to changing consumer demands and utilize the benefits of free downloads to offset the negatives. However, the consumer still actively makes a choice to not pay for an artist's/band's creation every time they download a song, and that, in the end, will hurt the consumer. The less money spent on consuming music, the fewer artists there will be who can afford to make music and

market it to the public (even in the independent scene). That might not be evident at this point in time because of the recent explosion in do-it-yourself artists all vying for your dime, but it's an inevitable reality that could easily be seen in the future. It's a catch 22 – if you want it for free, you better enjoy it now because eventually the artist community cannot survive off the consumer belief that if art is made available for free, it's okay to take it.

Mitchell Hunter



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CORRECTIONS: LAST WEEK, WE ERRONEOUSLY CREDITED ALEKS STARK FOR THE "HALIFAX PULLS 2014 BID. THE AUTHOR WAS ROBBIE NAUFFTS.

EDITORIAL

ZACH CHURCHILL APPOINTED CASA NATIONAL DIRECTOR

BY OLIVIER JARDA

SMUSA President Zach Churchill is moving to Ottawa. He was recently appointed to serve as the next National Director of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA). The full-time position is a two-year commitment that will make Churchill the primary spokesperson of the national lobby group. This is a great achievement, and it is well deserved. Churchill will be on the front lines full-time, lobbying the federal government on behalf of students across the country.

This is most likely a welcomed change, for SMUSA has encountered its fair share of criticism this year, and Churchill has been a favourite target. Let us recap. The organization decided to extend voting days of its referendum to change its constitution in the fall after ballots had been counted and not

enough students had voted to ratify the changes. Later it was discovered by a Journal mole that the constitution was riddled with typos, including one that demanded the Chief Returning Officer of the election post the results of elections at Dalhousie, not Saint Mary's.

Although I've enjoyed being a Churchill critic, I respect that he has taken the time to address student concerns and criticisms. He has been a vocal spokesperson throughout his two terms as SMUSA President.

It was on these pages that philosophy professor Mark Mercer lambasted Churchill for his strong stance against Peter March's actions during the Islamic cartoon controversy. Later, Churchill personally dealt with the re-branding of SMUSA's "CEOs and Office You Knows' party and the recent election poster controversy. He has stuck his neck out in situations where he could have easily placed the

blame on others in the organization, or where he could have simply not commented.

Throughout these controversies, Churchill has valiantly attempted to fulfill the goals he set.

It was Churchill who spearheaded the SMUSA Student Opportunity Bursary - student voted in favour last year of a one-time \$5 fee towards a bursary for students in financial need, contributing \$30,000 to the fund. Churchill has worked with the university's development team, and has been trying to reach the goal of raising \$300,000 for the bursary. Currently, Churchill and SMUSA have raised over half of

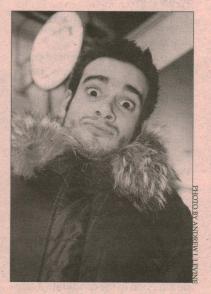
Churchill organized a guerrillastyle attack on the labour negotiations between the Faculty Union and the Administration by posting "Don't Forget About Us" signs in the negotiation room. This was probably not a crucial factor, but it showed Churchill's capabilities as a student activist.

Churchill led by example last year by prohibiting the sale of cigarettes in the Gorsebrook. Churchill lobbied Aramark to follow suit, and it did.

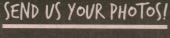
He spearheaded Café Santamaria, an interactive discussion of hundreds of students, faculty and staff brainstorming on ways to improve life on campus, in order to improve SMUSA's

It comes as no surprise that Churchill was appointed as CA-SA's National Director. During his two terms as SMUSA President, he has shown his capabilities as a leader, a spokesperson and a lobbyist. He's done so with an ear to the ground and with his tongue in our ears (literally, unfortunately).

This editor wishes Zach Churchill the best of luck in Ottawa. He should be missed.



ZACH CHURCHILL ON THE WORLDS LARGEST PUBCRAWL



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For more information contact: atlanticwavesconference@yahoo.ca -or- www.myspace.com/atlanticwaves

The visit of the Anglican Primate of All Canada to Halifax

The University of King's College, Coburg Road, Thursday, 29 March 5.00 p.m. preaching at the King's College Chapel 6.30 p.m. Question & Answer session with the Anglican Primate

The King's College Chapel invites students and community members of all faiths and beliefs for a Q & A session with the national leader of the Anglican Church of Canada, Archbishop Andrew Hutchison. The Archbishop has just returned from an historic international meeting of the Anglican Communion in Tanzania. The 500-year old communion is struggling with a very divisive issue: the blessing or sanctioning of same sex unions. This is an unprecedented opportunity to speak with one of the leading Canadian religious figures about the relation between social values, church doctrine and politics.

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SOCCER CHALLENGE

(SMU students) Pros vs. Joes (Halifax West High School all-stars). A food fundraiser for the food bank, all players and spectators required to bring one non perishable food item No Food = No Play. Trophy to be awarded to the winning team by SMUSA President Zach Churchill. March 18, 4pm-6pm at the Tower Field. Email eliamchikange@yahoo.com -or- jchrvala@smu.ca for more info.

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Proceeds go to The Ark (an outreach centre for homeless & street-involved youth).

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Location: Diamonds Lounge (2215 Gottingen St.)

Price: \$10 for 10+ bands
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in the Saint Mary's University Conference Hall, Loyola Building 290.

IT'S ALMOST HERE!

The Maroon & White Ball, presented by the Alumni Association in conjunction with the 2007 Grad Exec, will be held March 31st, at the Marriott Hotel.

A reminder that table sign-up for the event has begun. Sign-up sheets are available at the Student Centre Info Desk and must be completed and returned by March 23. Make sure that the first and last name of each person at the table is PRINTED NEATLY. Also, PLEASE only submit 1 sign-up sheet per table. Tables are reserved in groups of 10. Those with less then 10 people are not guaranteed their reservation together, so please try to fill the table.

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Your Grad Class Executive

Ally, Shannon, Meg, Erin, and Mike

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When: Monday, March 22 at 7pm Where: Room TBA, Weldon Law Building

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What: 60 Minutes of new documentary material with panel discussion on the Right To Water from various perspectives.

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The seminar is also designed to provide participants with information that will help you make informed decisions as it pertains to the purchase of your first home or purchase/sale of investment in real estate.

In addition to the presentations and discussions on the above topics, service providers and resources that you need will be on hand to provide you with information on their services. \(\sigma\) \(\sigma\) To register or get more info, call 422-2100 or send an email to support@century21teamone.com.

When: March 20, 2007 4:00pm-6:00pm Where: Sobey 4th floor Lounge, Sobey Building, SMU

We hope to see you there!

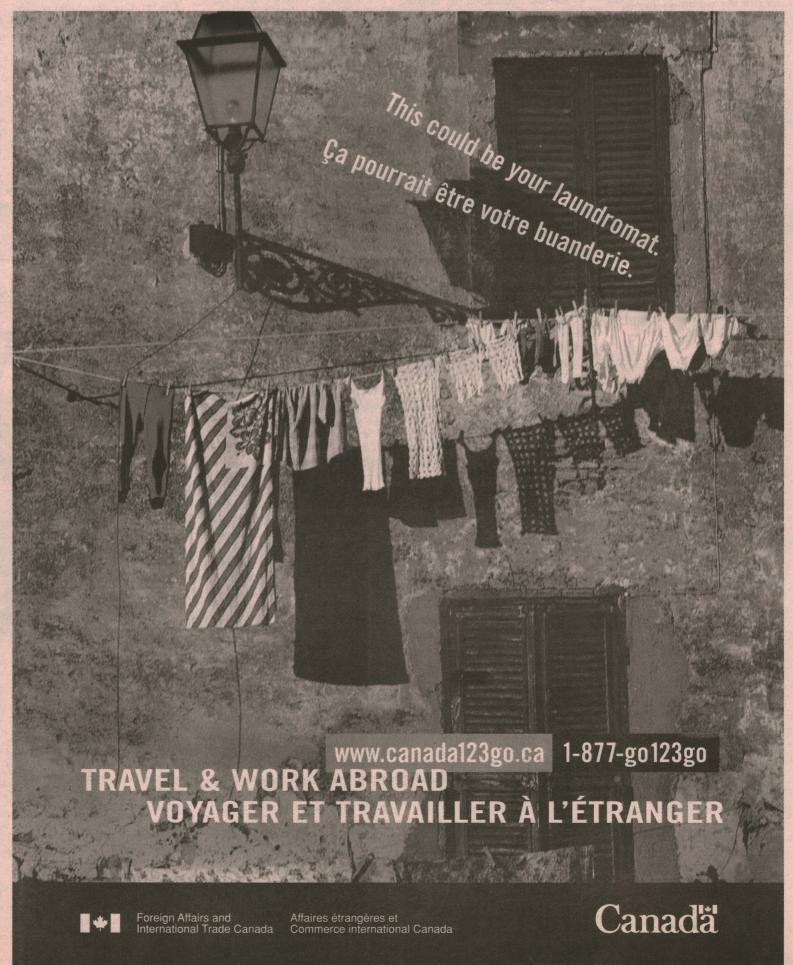
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NEWS

Kerlow Wins Millennium Scholarship

BY LISA XING

Millennium Scholarship recipient Christopher Kerlow is a third-year commerce student in Halifax, Nova Scotia and dedicates his time not only to athletics, but to finding a common ground between the field and volunteering.

A receiver for the Saint Mary's University varsity football team, the Huskies, Kerlow brings his love of the sport to the community though his work with SMU Pals, a program dedicated to offering mentors and role models to children in disadvantaged environments.

"We run through ball drills and play with them," he says. "We hold tackling bags and do obstacles courses. The kids have fun doing it."

According to Kerlow, it's a complete change from the kids' usual environment. "They really look forward to it. It's different than the normal things they learn, like reading."

The athlete is also a speaker for the anti-bullying campaign, which is a tradition for the team. The players tour elementary schools in the city and speak to the children about bullying and its effects on victims.

"Alot of kids don't understand the long term effects of it, like depression," he says. "I'm there with these big guys and we talk about our own experiences and how we used to get called [names]. We try to bring peace to the playground." For Kerlow, the children give back as much as they receive.

In one instance, a child got up in front of the whole school and talked about his experience being bullied. "I thought that was courageous. It made me realize you shouldn't hold back because you're nervous," says Kerlow. "I really admire him."

In addition to football, the avid athlete also plays golf and is training to be a professional player with the Canadian Professional Golfers' Association in the summer.

He also canvasses for the Alzheimer's Society and encourages his team to participate.

For his contribution to the community, Kerlow received a \$5,000 renewable Excellence award from the Millennium Scholarship Foundation, which recognizes students who demonstrate outstanding community involvement and leadership skills, while maintaining a solid academic standing.

Kerlow attributes his desire to improve his community to his participation in team sports. "I started playing football in grade 7 and after high school, I was recruited to play (with St. Mary's)," he says. "I like the camaraderie of the team and it's kept me on the right path."

But teamwork is not the only reason behind Kerlow's success. Holding the highest average on his team of 82 players – four A+s and an A, Kerlow attributes his achievements to sheer hard work.

"The screen saver on my computer says "work harder!" laughs Kerlow.

Feds Finally Help Fix Point Pleasant Park



When Hurricane Juan struck Point Pleasant Park 75,000 of the parks trees were lost

BY ALEKS STARK

Last Thursday the federal government finally made good on their promise to help with the clean-up and repair costs of Point Pleasant Park in the south end of Halifax. The assistance comes in the form of \$1 million dollars. The money comes from both the Ministry of the Environment and the Ministry of Natural Resources.

The Honourable Peter MacKay announced the news at a press conference held in the battered park.

"Canada's New Government is making this contribution so that Canadians and visitors from around the world can once again fully enjoy this natural treasure," said Minister MacKay. "I am proud to be involved in helping make this happen."

The funding comes just weeks after Halifax's deputy mayor Sue Uteck blasted Ottawa for favouring western Canada when it came to funding for parks. The government helped out Vancouver's Stanley Park by giving them \$2 million within a month of losing 3,000 trees in two December windstorms. In comparison, when Hurricane Juan struck Point Pleasant Park on September 29, 2003, 75,000 trees (more than 7% of the entire park) were downed or damaged by the storm.

It was reported by Amy Smith

(Chronicle Herald) that Ms. Uteck remarked that she was impressed with how quickly things moved once she contacted Mr. MacKay.

"Point Pleasant Park is one of our municipality's greatest natural assets and one of the most loved and well-used parks in Canada," said Halifax Regional Municipality Mayor Peter Kelly. "This funding will help us restore the health of Point Pleasant Park so that HRM citizens and visitors can continue to enjoy and take full advantage of this wonderful resource."

Point Pleasant Park is actually federal land that is leased to the Halifax Regional Municipality by Parks Canada.

Forty-Fifth Canadian Soldier Killed in Afghanistan

BY KIMBERLEY DARES

On Tuesday March 6th, Canada lost another soldier, Corporal Kevin Megeny. The twenty-five year old reservist from Stellarton, NS was shot in the chest through his left lung in his tent at the Kandahar Airbase. Since 2002, forty- five Canadian soldiers and one Diplomat have been killed in Afghanistan.

Afghanistan.

Cpl Megeney came from a family with a long history of military service. He joined the reserves at seventeen and volunteered for a tour of duty in Afghanistan in the fall of 2006. He left Base Gagetown in December, and had just been home on leave a few weeks ago. A member of the 1st Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders, Megeney was serving as part of a base security platoon. His job was a relatively safe one, to guard the main gates to the base and check all those who

Megeney was the eighth Nova Scotian killed since the war began. Thirty-six of the deaths came in 2006, shattering the thought that Canadian Forces were simply serving as Peacekeepers. Friendly fire-has claimed the lives of six soldiers since 2002.

The defence ministry ruled out the possibility of enemy fire being involved, but have yet to release any other details surrounding his death. Relatives say he was accidentally shot by a colleague while in their tent. The incident occurred within the confines of the Kandahar Airfield. Canadian Soldiers

are required to carry their weapon with them at all times on the base. Their rifles are kept unloaded and ammunition is carried separately. Soldiers from other countries are also required to carry weapons at all times, yet accidental firings of the weapons are extremely rare. An anonymous source has been quoted saying Megeney was shot by a fellow soldier.

Foreign Affairs Minister Peter MacKay, of Nova Scotia, had met Megeney on many occasions prior to his departure for Afghanistan. Megeney lived in Peter MacKay's former riding. "He was an extraordinary young man and I know that his life's ambition was to be a soldier..." MacKay went on to say that "His loss comes at a time when a lot of progress is being made inside Afghanistan, and while it's a huge sacrifice, there's some comfort in knowing that it's not in vain."

Canadian troops have done a lot of good in Afghanistan since the war began. Since the fall of the Taliban in 2001, there have been many changes to the lives of those living in Afghanistan, particularly women. According to February's Conservative Progress Report on the mission, school enrolment has been increased to five billion, from seven hundred thousand and approximately one-third of students are female, a stark contrast to the zero it had been in 2001. The economy has felt incredible growth. Over two-thirds of the population now have access to basic health care services. Much work is still being done to help build the Afghan National Army.

Officials from NATO and the UN have said things are much better for people in Afghanistan today, but if NATO countries were to pull out today the consequences could be devastating. That the country could potentially slide into civil war and that most, if not all, of the progress made in the past five years would be reversed. The UN has said it is most important the Afghan people believe NATO is not going to abandon them before finishing what they started.

Canadian support for the war has fluctuated over the past year, it was at a high of fifty-five p March 2006, but dropped to thirtyfive percent in December following the deadliest year for Canadian troops. A former commander of Canadian troops in Afghanistan says public opinion has been influenced by unbalanced coverage of the war. Brig.-Gen. David Fraser "I'll tell you right now, the story Canadians are receiving is like an iceberg. They're only seeing onethird of it." Fraser goes onto say that coverage is too focused on the causality count, and virtually ignoring all the efforts of nation building being made by soldiers.

Still there are many people doing everything they can to show support for soldiers here in Canada and serving overseas. Many cars are adorned with yellow ribbons reading 'Support Our Troops.' Also Red Friday campaigns have been started, the idea is basically that everyone



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wears something red on Friday to show support. Rallies are also being held with a tie in to the Red Friday Campaign. Most recently approximately three thousand soldiers and civilians gathered in Base Gagetown to create the largest human Canadian flag. The flag was created as a sign of community support for troops soon to be departing for Afghanistan.

There are currently about two thousand five hundred military personal serving in Afghanistan, and that number is not about to decrease anytime soon. There are currently over thirty-five thousand people serving in the Canadian Army, both as members of Regular Force, and as Reservists. Many University students chose to join

the reserves as it offers secure parttime employment with benefits such as good pay, healthcare, and opportunity for promotion, flexibility and also reimbursement for some education costs. Reservists are able to volunteer for deployment once they have completed the required training and cannot be sent if they do not volunteer.

Even though there is much disagreement with the War and the role of Canadian troops in it, it must be recognized the sacrifices these men and women are making for their country. They are leaving everything they have ever known to help create a better world. As the saying goes "If you love your freedom, thank a Veteran."

NEWSFEED

Sorry Robbie
Last week an article written about
the Commonwealth Games Bid
was mistakenly attributed to
Aleks Stark. The article was actu-

ally written by Robbie Nauffts.



HPD Responds to SMU Library
Members of the Halifax Police
Department deal with incident in
the SMU Library.



CIS Showdown.

Despite managing to knock out the No. 1 ranked team from Concordia, SMU fell short of the title losing to Brandon.



No More Racism

March 21st is the International
Day for the Elimination of Racism. Saint Mary's will be hosting
several events from Wednesday
to Friday of this week.



Feds Pony Up \$1 Mil.

It may have taken 3.5 years, but the federal government is finally going to pay Halifax to help clean up Point Pleasant Park



Conservative Budget Released
The Tory government released
their budget on Monday. So far
the government has not collapsed.



Airbus Superjet A380 Lands in New York The 500 seat behemoth is the new

The 500 seat behemoth is the new flagship for the ailing European aeronautic company.



Mutant Mosquitoes could fight

Malaria

A family of mosquitoes has been genetically modified to be resistant to the Malaria virus, and it is designed to out-compete traditional mosquitoes.



Angelina Jolie adopts another foreign baby.

I don't even know what to say at this point.



US attempts \$1 coins... again. Once again the US mint is trying to move from dollar bills to coins. So far they are not very popular.

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THE SEAL HUNT

BY ALEKS STARK

With the threat of European countries banning Canadian seal products, a group of pro-seal hunting supporters visited Hague. They were there to protest the anti-sealing protesters that were demonstrating that day.

The Canadian initiative included both Inuit and Newfoundland seal hunters. They were dressed in full seal-skin outfits for their meetings with both the protesters and the Dutch parliament. The pro-sealers presented a petition from Canadian citizens that argued a ban of Canadian seal products was misguided and should not be enacted.

Those who argue against the annual seal hunt claim that it is a gross mistreatment of animals and that they are treated inhumanely. They frequently bring up the image of a young seal pup being bludgeoned to death, or skinned alive. The anti-sealing protesters are championed by groups such as Greenpeace and many celebrities (Pamela Anderson, Brigitte Bardot and Sir Paul McCartney etc). Ironically enough, McCartney actually broke several federal laws about approaching the protected animals

when he decided to head up the ice floes with Heather to get a photo opp with one of the baby seals. When the pup snapped at Heather McCartney, one of the helicopter pilots apparently kept the mother seal back with a stick. Many celebrities and even whole counties have decided that the yearly cull is an 'inhumane slaughter'.

In truth, the killing of those cute baby seal pups has been completely banned for 20 years now. In that time the seal population in the areas where the hunt takes place has tripled. A result of the major increase in the numbers of seals has been the decimation of the fish stocks for that area.

As for a massive slaughter, this year 325,000 of an estimated 5.8 million seals will be killed. For comparison's sake, more then 310 million cows were killed last year for meat.

Many northern communities don't have many other options when it comes to simply surviving. The money brought in from the pelts supports hundreds of families. The hunt is a major source of income for many. The few days of hunting can account for as much as 1/3 of a hunter's total income for the year. For some hunters, the collapse of the seal hunt would



nally the mother of this whiteback seal pup would never let so one get this close. I wonder where she is?

mean they would be left with not enough to sustain themselves. The seal meat is used as food for the rest of the year. As one Native person put it: "...we hunt it and we eat it because we cannot grow potatoes, we cannot grow vegetation,"

Natives communities also argue that this has been a way of life for them for far longer than the countries that are protesting the hunt have existed

One Native member of the Canadian delegation had this to say:

"People have been informed by the animal rights movement and they haven't had a chance to hear the Inuit side..." "I'm worried about the effect a ban would have ... and I think it is based on misinformation."

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A POSITIVE FIRST STEP FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

Halifax, NS – Saint Mary's students are relieved that the Conservative Government finally took a first step towards improving Canada's post-secondary system. The budget included several initiatives for higher education, the highlight being an increase of \$800 million in earmarked federal funding for post-secondary education.

"Students have been pushing for a dedicated transfer payment for years now, and this is a step in thwe right direction," said Zach Churchill, President of the Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA), "yet the government's commitment to increase funding to \$3.2 billion dollars by 2008-09 only partly makes up for the cuts made to higher education in the early 1990s."

Churchill met with the Prime Minister in late 2006, and lobbied on a variety of issues, including a dedicated post-secondary funding as well as a review on student financial assistance. Students are pleased to see that our their lobby efforts are producing results and will no doubt be motivated to hold the government accountable for the promises made today.

The budget delivered \$35 million over 2 years for more Canada Graduate Scholarships, but failed to address the impeding expiration of the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation, which delivers \$350 million in needs-based grants annually.

"This budget is a positive move, but an increase of \$800 million to the provinces will not mean much if the federal government does not act quickly to renew the millions of dollars in grants that will soon disappear if Millenium is not renewed," concluded Churchill.

The Saint Mary's University Students' Association is a not-forprofit organization that provides the students of Saint Mary's with services, employment and volunteer opportunities, as well as student advocacy. SMUSA was incorporated in 1966 and has continued to play a vital role in the Saint Mary's community, representing over 8500 students. SMUSA is a proud member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations and the Alliance of Nova Scotia Student Associations.

Police respond to Patrick Power Library

BY ALEKS STARK

In the middle of last week the Halifax Police responded to a call to the Saint Mary's University library to remove a patron.

The man who was removed was not a student but a member of the community. According to many students, the man had been in the library before. On one occasion he was claiming to have lost something in the library. At that time he was directed to the SMU Campus Security desk to check the lost and found.

On the day in question, it was in the evening when a call reportedly came from the SMUSA Infodesk alerting security to a possible problem. Campus security responded to the Patrick Power library. They stopped the man and asked for some identification. When he was confronted by security, the man began shouting and causing a scene.

SMU staff tells us that the man had a medical condition that required treatment. The Journal has yet to obtain independent confirmation of the man's state at the time of the incident.

Some students who witnessed the event claimed that the man was being arrested for causing a disturbance. The universities official statement is that it was "... purely a medical issue."

Emergency services were contacted and the Halifax Police Department responded to the library. They escorted the man off campus and took him to the Halifax infirmary. It's reported that the man was treated for his medical condition.

Both the library and the department of external affairs assure us that every action taken was in accordance with regular policy, and that all appropriate actions were taken to ensure the safety of Saint Mary's students and staff members.

BUSINESS

MISSBIZ

Show Me The Money! Profiling a Student Entrepreneur

BY JACKIE HOWATT

As the Journal comes to a close for yet another awesome year, I've been plagued by how I want to finish off my last MissBiz articles. Over the past two and a half years, MissBiz has been a weekly feature in The Journal, addressing a full spectrum of business issues and events, from the diamond mining industry in Sierra Leone and Facebook to reusable menstrual products and The Farmers' Market. With so much going on in the world of business, and even within local business here in Halifax, I was dubious of how I wanted MissBiz to make her final exit. Two and a half years ago, MissBiz was implemented to solely interview and feature young student businesses in Halifax because I really felt there was a lack of attention and exposure to such things in local University and HRM papers. I figure, to finish off my run as MissBiz, I'd leave off where I began, and feature a student entrepreneur.

Keegan Whalen, a Dalhousie student, has recently implemented the Maritime Student Loan Solutions Center, a local, private sector initiative that is designed to help students manage the student loan process. He describes that, "The MSLSC offers a completely hands off approach to financing your education for students. Essentially a potential client should think of us as very similar to an H&R Block, only we specialize in managing the Student Loan Process." He explains further that, "We do all of the paperwork involved so that our clients don't have to, and we do the paperwork right the first time so that our clients have the money they need for post secondary education when they need it. We combine managing the application process with application to additional forms of financing (grants, scholarships, and bursaries) and a comprehensive debt reduction process. The goal of the MSLSC is to finance your education efficiently so that you receive adequate funding when you need it and get out of debt faster, so that graduated students can get on with the rest of their lives."

His business is off to a successful start for just beginning this year. Keegan describes how the loan process works by explaining, "The MSLSC is a brand new venture; we are currently operating in our first year. We do look forward to meeting the needs of this year's graduates and next years new Nova Scotia Student Loan applicants. This year recent graduates who seek out MSLSC services after graduation will receive the benefit of our services completely risk free. For any graduates who seek our services within 3 months after they complete their degree we will start them on the MSLSC debt reduction process. Our fee for this process is a percentage based on how much debt we reduce for our client. If we do not reduce your debt; we do not

One of the most pulling questions in my own mind regarding the MSLSC was who would benefit most from the services. "I believe any student who is thinking about taking on debt to finance their education should give the Maritime

Student Loan Solutions Centre a phone call. At the very least we can advise the student on the pro's and con's of their own chosen debt financing options. In addition, there have been many changes in the Student Loan Centres' policies that allow for families of almost any income to access financing, so you may be eligible and not even know it. When you hire a MSLSC representative our clients are getting a "hands off" approach, they do not have to worry about messy paperwork or missed deadlines. We simply call our clients once the paperwork has been processed to let them know how much money they received, when to pick up their money and where to pass in the forms to get their money. In addition to this the MSLSC manages application to scholarships, bursaries and grants on behalf of our clients and structures our client's debt to maximize debt reduction opportunities. Essentially our clients benefit from not having a structured debt reduction strategy and they do not have to do complicated paperwork or meet deadlines."

Now understanding what the MSLSC is all about, I wanted to get into the motives behind the business; to understand the entrepreneurial process involved in developing a company like this. Being a very applicable program to so many students, I needed to know how someone could come up with such an in-demand business. "The need for this business came about from a casual observation that I'm sure many people share with me. Many competent,

qualified individuals have been forced to drop out of post secondary education because of financing problems. Higher education is something that should not be stopped because of short term cash flow problems. In addition to this problem Nova Scotia has some of the highest tuition rates in Canada and consequently some of the highest graduate debt ratios in the country. As for how the debt reduction process developed, I really have to thank my own personal post secondary experiences. I have an Economics degree from Dalhousie University, so figuring out the way to efficiently utilize the Student Loan process to maximize debt reductions, maximize short term cash flow while minimizing total debt was relatively simple. Once I realized the potential benefit to all post secondary students in Nova Scotia I felt obliged to make sure that this information reaches as many students as possible."

Most businesses need some type of financial backing or support upon implementation, and the MSLSC is no exception. The funding process for a small business can be a pivotal hurdle in the start-up process. Keegan explains his experience with business support, "The MSLSC has been very fortunate to be backed by a private investor during its start up phases. Other than direct financial support there is very little help or support offered to those who are starting their own business. It is a matter of offering a good service that provides benefit to end users and hoping that there is a big enough response to continue."

In looking to the future, Keegan describes his plans for growing his business, "The MSLSC is looking forward to a long term commitment helping the student population. Plans for growth indicate strategies toward a deep market penetration here in Nova Scotia and then an expansion into the Maritimes and then the rest of Canada once there is a stable base of satisfied consumers here at home."

In wrapping up, Keegan gives a few pointers and words of wisdom to aspiring entrepreneurs, "I think there are 3 words of wisdom that I would offer to anyone thinking about starting their own business (other than Do it, Do it, Do it!). These are simply the words of wisdom that have been said to me and throughout my own experiences I have found to be true. 1. Be prepared to work more than you ever have before. People think that entrepreneurs write their own hours; they don't. In fact if you have any sort of success your hours write themselves.2. Get ready for criticism; No matter what you do someone will not like it. 3. Keep the faith. Not necessarily in a religious sense but believe in yourself and believe in your product. If you are "out there" genuinely trying to help people, people will take

I would like to thank The Journal, Jackie and Olivier on behalf of the Maritime Student Loan Solutions Centre(MSLSC). We really appreciate being given an interview with The Journal.

The Barry Basics: Fashioning Reality

BY LAURA MACINTOSH

On March 9th the World Trade and Convention Centre in downtown Halifax welcomed the ACE regional competition. ACE's guest motivational speaker was just that; truly motivational. Ben Barry, er ACE CIBC Student Entrepreneur of the Year, told his remarkable story and left the crowd speechless. During the question period with Ben, when no one had anything to say, one student entrepreneur replied to the silence with "I don't think anyone knows what to say because you just blew our minds!"

Ben's rise to the top of the entrepreneurial ladder started at the tender age of 14. No that's not a typo, at fourteen years old Ben started his business. When a friend came to him upset over spending thousands of dollars on modeling school only to be told she "didn't have the right look", Ben took over as her manager. He sent the girls pictures to local magazines and found her first job. After a few weeks, Ben got a call back. The voice on the other end asked for the girl's manager, to which the young boy replied "of course that's

me... really". And that's where it all began.

Now, the Ben Barry agency has grown out of its humble roots to be one of the biggest names in Canadian fashion. From using a friends fathers law office a few nights a week to the main streets of Toronto, the now 24 year old Ben is the true depiction of a new age entrepreneur.

Ben Barry is the name for real women in fashion. Ben's business strategy is amazing, as he has created a phenomenal change in the fashion world; the campaign for real beauty. Ben signs models of



Ben Barry, shown here, owner of the Ben Barry Agency and winner of the ACE CIBC Student Entrepreneur of The Year Award in 2002.

all shapes, sizes and backgrounds, and has found them a place in modeling. By appealing to the marketing aspects of why using typical tall, thin, white models is negatively impacting sales, Ben is making a real difference. Corporations are starting to realize that by reaching out to their typical consumer, the 5'4" size 14 women, they can't loose.

You know Ben's work, you may not know it, but you've seen dozens of commercials inspired by the Ben Barry agency, so has the rest of the world. Starting with local fashions shows as a youngster, Ben now contracts to Coca-Cola, Old Navy, Macy's, The Bay, Nike and many more big names. Although these accolades are impressive enough for a 24 year old Canadian, it doesn't show off the talent that is Ben Barry. One word does; Oprah! While preparing for an exam, Ben got a call to do The Oprah Winfrey Show. The producer definitely got a shock when Ben replied that he would call them back after he figured a way out of his exam.

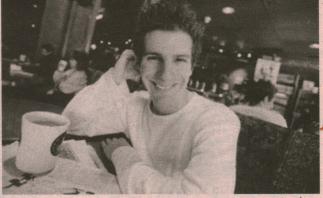
Ben admitted that although Oprah was definitely a huge boost for business, his real break came when his agency was contacted

Dove was having issues selling their wide variety of products, and uponcus - tomer surveys realized

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their customer base. This is where Ben came in; Dove put their trust in the young Canadian kid, an entrepreneur dedicated to depicting the average consumer; it was a perfect match. That's how the Dove Campaign for Real Beauty began. Now a world-wide phenomenon, these commercials depict you and I, the average; the truly beautiful.

Ben Barry says that we, as students are in the ideal time of our lives to start a business. After all; there's so much to gain and not much too loose. Without the constraints of the ridged business



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world, it's easier to be more adaptive and fluent. His new book; Fashioning Reality, tells his story and those of other young entrepreneurs.

Ben is changing the fashion world one contract at a time, doing justice to every man and woman who's not 5" taller and 10 sizes smaller than "normal" models. This is the story that left hundreds of future entrepreneurs speechless March 9th. Ben Barry; we (and Oprah) thank you.

Check out Ben's website; www. benbarry.com and pick up a copy of his newly released book; Fashioning Reality.

STARKTALK

The Television is dead. Long live the Television.

BY ALEKS STARK

"Choose again." That is the philosophy of the central figure in one of my favorite books. Her idea is that if we humans ever stop questioning the status quo, if we ever stop innovating and looking for new solutions, we will loose that which what makes us human.

It's her ideals I see echoed in the most recent project by two of favourite dot-com pioneers. Technology idealists Niklas Zennström and Janus Friis (Best. Names. Ever.) are the creators of the world's latest revolutionary video streaming company. Their goal is nothing less then the complete restructuring of the entertainment world. They would see us move away from traditional television viewing experience and towards complete control of what we watch, when we want to watch it.

First a little history lesson. Niklas Zennström and Janus Friis are far from new to the internet technology industry. They first jumped onto the international arena with the creation of the infamous Kazaa. For any of you who haven't seen a computer for the last decade, Kazaa is a peer-to-peer (p2p) file sharing program that allows users to download files from other users on the network. Kazaa was released in 2000, just as the p2p pioneer Napster was rolling up shop due to legal problems. Kazaa went into competition against p2p giants Morpheus and Grokster for the hearts and minds of the world's music pirating market.

It was around the time that the copyright advocates started setting their sights on these second generation p2p programs that our heroes Zennström and Friis got out of the business. They sold all the rights to Kazaa to an Australian company called Sharman Networks. In doing this they also managed to avoid getting sued repeatedly by the recording and movie industries. Good timing. (Editor's Note: We at the Journal do not support illegal file sharing. We also do not approve of you using Limewire to do it. We are against going to http://www. limewire.com to download the latest version)

While Kazaa crashed and became a hollow shell of its former self, Zennström and Friis moved on to their next big plan. They saw a world where everyone was connected by two forms of communication tech:

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- Internet cables, they stream into everyone's home and allow us to connect with the rest of the world.

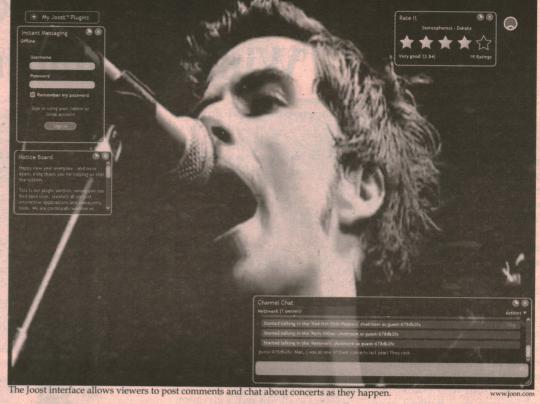
It seems kind of redundant when you put it that way. Why use two different systems when the newer, high-speed internet cable is capable of transferring so much more data? And thus, Skype

All users had to do was download the free client software on to their home computer. Then they could make free voice calls to anyone on the Skype network. They also have a SkypeOut program that lets you call any real telephone in North America for free. Free! Skype also had a SkypeIn feature that allowed you to have a phone number in any area code you wanted. A business in India could have a Halifax area code number. That means someone calling from Halifax would pay no long distance charges. Obviously the phone companies were not impressed, but there wasn't really anything they could do.

Skype was such an impressive internet innovation that it received the honor of being banned in most of China (see: Youtube, Google, MSN, Wikipedia etc)

In 2005, just two years after its inception, the owners sold Skype to EBay. (Yeah, EBay. I thought it was weird too.) In the purchase, Niklas Zennström and Janus Friis made OVER 1.5 BILLION DOL-LARS EACH. Which for the record, is more then the recent YouTube purchase. And what happened after Skype got bought out? They got sued of course. Streamcast Networks is suing for 'stealing its peer-to-peer technology' to the tune of \$4.1 billion dollars

So what do two billionaires do after almost destroying both the recording industry and the telephone industry in the span of four years? Go to Disney world? Buy a small country? Burn logs of



hundred dollar bills in their platinum-plated fireplace just because they can? Nope. These guys are tech geeks of the most hard-core variety. Within weeks of handing off their impending lawsuits to EBay, the digital duo planned their next assault.

Working under the codename 'The Venice Project,' Zennström and Friis started developing a new way to get entertainment from professional producers (television and movie studios) to the expectant consumers (you). Building on their success with p2p networks, they created a new system that would allow DVD quality streaming video to be broadcast directly to your computer system. Instead of streaming directly from one server, the load is spread out across a massive peer-to-peer network. It's very decentralized and allows for much more bandwidth provide in comparison with the traditional network set up. Video quality is stunning and the whole system has a built-in redundancy.

The oncoming revolution is simply named Joost (pronounced like 'juiced') and according to the creators, the new system is:

... powered by a secure, efficient, piracy-proof Internet platform that enables premium interactive video experiences while guaranteeing copyright protection for content owners

They've specifically moved away from the YouTube-inspired free-for-all that has received so much legal attention lately. Remember last year when Viacom sued Youtube for a couple billion? They were upset because Youtubers were posting TV show clips and shows online for everyone to watch without paying for them.

Joost has already signed contracts with Viacom to provide content. Viacom controls Paramount pictures and over 130 channels including MTV, VH1 and Comedy Central. Joost has also signed contracts with many other companies such as Warner Brothers and National Geographic.

The viewing experience itself will also be greatly enhanced compared to your current television. Besides being able to search for specific shows and channels, users/viewers can also rate the show they are watching; post comments on the shows interactive message board; and even contact their friends via instant messaging to link them to the show. The control interface is elegant and very easy on the eyes. The whole package

is clearly far more interactive then regular television, and makes YouTube look like an obsolete

I love saving the best details for last. The price? FREE. No cost whatsoever. The whole thing is funded by commercials. And there aren't even that many commercials. The creators estimate about 3-4 minutes of commercials for every hour of content.

This is a huge slap in the face for the cable/satellite companies that have been charging more and more for their services. Compared to a service that offers more channels and more control for less money, the future looks grim indeed.

At the time of print, Joost is still in the Beta stages. You can sign up to be a beta tester, or get someone already in the program to send you an invitation. The program won't be ready for the public for at least a couple months now.

When it does become available I hope you'll do what I do: take a step back, re-evaluate the whole entertainment market, and Choose

Stark Talk is produced well after my normal bedtime every Sunday night. It can be read online at http://www. smujournal.ca.

TECH @ A GLANCE:

has capitalized on this by creating

the world's first industrial ozone

disinfectant system. It's designed

One of the first games available for the Windows Live gaming network will be Halo 2 for PC. But the real fun comes in June when Microsoft releases Shadowrun. Shadowrun will be available on both networks and will allow PC gamers to play against Xbox gamers. This may finally decided if the mouse-and-keyboard approach really is superior to the handheld

One Microsoft exec even hinted at combination games that would allow an overall commander on a PC direct an army of console-playing soldiers on the ground.

OXYGEN, THE NEXT WMD

That's right; it seems good old oxygen could be the next weapon of mass disinfection. It seems that ozone, that three-atom molecule of pure oxygen, is incredibly deadly to fungi, bacteria and other microorganisms that we humans love to take oxygen right out of the

air, fuse it into ozone with 'mini lightning storms,' and then spray that ozone over the product to

disinfect it.

Ozone disinfection is already used to clean water and materials for companies like Dasani, Arrowhead and Aquafina. Novazone's next project is to install the system

A company called Novazone at farming and harvesting facili- ridiculous. ties. This would greatly reduce the amount of chemical cleaners and fungicides needed in the preparation of fruits and vegetables.

The only by-products of the system are nitrogen and oxygen.



GPHONE VS. IPHONE

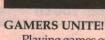
Ok guys, branding using the single letter thing was cute a while ago, but it's getting a little

Hot on the heels of Apple announcing their high-end iPhone. Google has officially let it leak that they are actively pursuing the production of a mobile phone system.

The leak came from a man by the name of Richard Windsor. It's based in a conversation he had with Google execs in Spain.

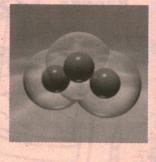
"Google has come out of the closet at the CeBIT trade fair admitting that it is working on a mobile phone of its own," Mr Windsor wrote in a research note. "This is not going to be a high-end device but a mass market device aimed at bringing Google to users who don't have a PC.

Google is looking to produce a cheap low-end phone. This is a stark contrast to Apples high-end \$500 iPhone. Both phones would feature fully functioning internet browsers.



Playing games on X-Box against people from all over the world is fun. Playing games on a PC against people from all over the world is fun. So what happens when they play against each other?

Microsoft is finally preparing to release their 'Games for Windows Live' service. It's essentially the popular 'Xbox Live' system transferred over to the PC world. Microsoft intends to have the entire network work as one system. If you currently have an Xbox Live account then Games for Windows Live account is free.



FEATURES

GET CULTURED: Wines of South Africa

BY CATIE MASON

Grape vines thrive in warm climates so it is no surprise that wines coming from South Africa are adding a lot of variety to the Canadian wine market. The South African wines you will find in stores are unique, complex, bold, fruit driven, and for the most part reasonably priced.

When trying to find the best valued wines, meaning the highest quality for the least amount of money, I tend to choose wines coming from good wine growing climates that are relatively new to the market. This means that while the actual product is on par with the wines from well established wine regions they haven't been producing wine long enough to see a major increase in price because of high demand for an exclusive product. This means avoiding countries like Australia, France, and Italy in favor of new wine growing regions like Chile, Argentina, and South Africa. This doesn't mean that all wines from the former are over priced or every wine from the latter is a good deal; it is just an idea to keep in mind for the value-savvy.

There are quite a few good South African wines under the \$15 dollar cap in stores on a regular basis but I do have a few favorites I think you should try.

First, Golden Kaan is an impressive product that is made by

a European-based wine company with vineyards in South Africa. The attractive wine bottle is emblazed with a golden symbol of the continent of Africa that catches the eye for good reason. It is sold in Nova Scotia in a red and white; Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc (both \$12.42). The Cabernet Sauvignon is an accurate representation of what a good cabernet should be. It has upfront scents of cherry and herbs on the nose which balances well with the vanilla oak characteristics from the maturation time in the oak casks. The finish is lively and lingering with moderate acidity and soft tannins. This wine is a good match for any red meat dishes and game.

The Golden Kaan Sauvignon Blanc, on the other hand, is a fruit driven and exceptionally made wine. The upfront tropical fruit mixed with apple and apricot is well balanced with the slight mineral quality and lively acidity. This wine is full of freshness and will be an excellent summer wine for those hot days! It can be paired well with any chicken dish that isn't overly spiced, fish, and asparagus dishes.

One of the most well known South African wine producers is Flagstone winery. This company produces wines with a sexy and creative attitude appealing to modern consumers with a philosophy that revolves around taste and quality. One of the most appealing of their many wines on the market is Flagstone Cellar Hand Backchat Blend (\$12.99). This wine is made with a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Tinta Barocca, Pinotage, Cabernet Franc, Pinot Noir, and Merlot grapes (in order of prominence). Most of Flagstone wines include a screw cap both for easy access and to avoid cork taint, and this wine is no exception. This wine has enticing red fruit, chocolate, and spice on the nose with an interesting mix of earthiness and pomegranate on the palate. The finish is smooth and fulfilling.

Cellar Hand is an easy-drinking wine, perfect for impromptu BBQ's and get-togethers as it complements most meat dishes but is also great on its own.

Finally there is the very interesting Man Vintners Chenin Blanc (\$14.10). This is a wine made by three men whose objective was to make a wine that was affordable, of good quality, and unique. There are four different varietals available from this company at the NSLC but the Chenin Blanc stood out as the best. This wine's crisp acidity matched with juicy melon,

tropical fruit, and citrus is what stands out. It leaves a refreshing and smooth finish in the mouth and would be a perfect summer wine. Try it with pasta with a

Next time you are in a wine store or a NSLC check out the South African section! If you have any questions, comments, or feel like sharing a good wine you discovered (I love to try new wines!) please email me: Catie. Mason@smu.ca. Cheers!

cream-based sauce, poultry dishes,

a salad, or on its own.







Flagstone Cellar Hand Backchat Blend (\$12.99)



Man Vintners Chenin Blanc (\$14.10)

Rock the ARK and Have a Good Time Doing It

BY SHANE BEEHAN

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" the proverbial golden rule of a co-dependant society. Such a strong and powerful sentiment that just seems to be lost amongst today's front headlines. Everyone seems to acknowledge that we have problems in our own society, but acknowledging it is the easy part. Actually doing something about it is where the difficulty often lies, however several Saint Mary's students are in the habit of practicing what they preach.

The SMU psychology society fused their love for music and their passion for humanitarianism by creating the "ROCK the ARK" benefit concert. In it, they hope to able to provide the ARK outreach center with some much needed support.

The ARK provides "the only direct and ongoing storefront support and refuge for homeless and street youth in Halifax." There, youth can access basic necessities such as laundry and kitchen facilities, but above all else it is a safe haven, a community of support and assistance. The incredibly dedicated fulltime staff do their utmost to aide those who require it to the best of their ability, but the ARK is not governmentally funded, which definitely interferes with their mission statement and vision. This is where the psychology society hopes to make a difference.

The idea for the concert itself emerged from a mental health benefit concert hosted by the psych society previously. Michael Nahirnak at the time was not a member of the executive, but approached the society in September of this year with a proposition to repeat it. Soon afterwards the ARK was chosen as the charity to support. "We wanted something grassroots" says Micheal, "It had to be someone really in need. For every charity that is well known, there are dozens other that go unrecognized." With the help of Diamonds Lounge on Gottingen Street and ten local bands the concert was quickly made a reality. Many of the bands playing at the concert have a link to Saint Mary's as well. The Blank Stares, Harbour Fire, Thumbdrift and Rob Anderson all have members who are students, and The Sorry's, another local band, includes the psychology department's very own Dr. Jim

It is always incredible when such a diverse community can come together around an issue. The psychology society and supporting musicians are definitely doing their part, but where does the student body come in? "That's easy" says Patrick Horsman, another Society Executive, with a grin on his face "just come out to the concert and have a good time. It's in support of a good cause, and will definitely be a good show."

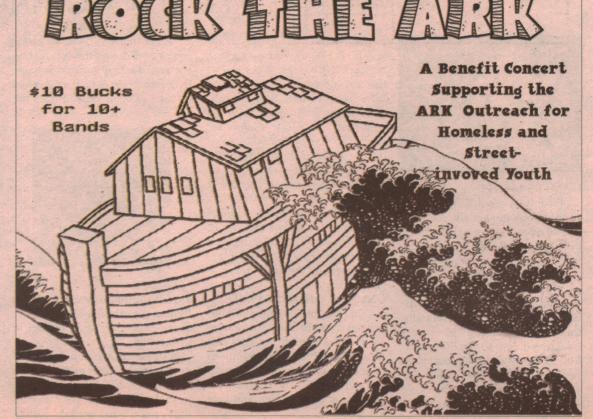
Both Patrick and Michael say

a common misconception people have is that without money to donate they can be of no help. People just have to be aware of the reality of the situation and not play ignorant to the fact that there are people who need our help. Money is not always the only answer; people are capable of so much more than that. They can give time, support,

talent, or words. There are so many people out there who are not just looking for a dollar, but for an opportunity, and that is exactly what this benefit concert hopes to give.

At \$10 a ticket for 10+ bands and close to 8 hours of music it is assuredly worth the trip, and promises to be a good show. Other bands playing include Silvergun,

Kristina Trites, Laura Merrimen and the Lonesome Travellers. Tickets can be purchased at the Student Center Info Desk, Musicstop Halifax and Online on the Dalhousie Arts Center Website. The concert is March.24th at Diamonds Lounge, 2215 Gottingen Street from 6:00p. m-1:30a.m.



OJAT THE PUB Q&A WITH OLIVIER& JOEL

Q: IT'S ST. PAT'S, 9:00PM. HOW IS YOUR NIGHT GOING AND HOW MUCH HAVE YOU SPENT?



SHANE DUMARESQUE

"The night's going awesome. I think I'm up to \$250. I started at 11 o clock here at the Gorsebrook."



JOSEPH MCLAUGHLIN

"My night is going perfect, everything's fine, I've spent about \$35 and I'll probably spend more. Happy St. Patrick's Day!"



JULIA FRASER

"I'm having an awesome time. The Gorsebrook is awesome. I have no idea how much I spent because my boyfriend has my money. Maybe like \$20-\$30 so far, I don't know, hard to say really."



PAUL MORRIS

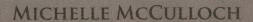
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[He spent over \$250.]



ALEX QUINN

(right) "This is awesome! [I've spent] zero dollars!"



(left) "Friggin' awesome. [I've spent] about thirty bucks."



JOELLE Marshall

"I'm having a f@%#in' awesome time, and I've spent about \$20."

Photos by Joel Miller

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G Spot Presents Sexpose 2007 Part 2

Baby it's Cold Öutside Randy Blue & NN Ginger Snatch

The weather is finally getting warmer, but it doesn't hurt to know a few techniques to turn a chilly day into a sizzling night. Sometimes losing some layers of clothing will heat you up faster than putting more on

The key to remember with foreplay is that you want to get the engine started but you don't want to leave it idling. Foreplay is often minimized, or skipped altogether, but it can make the difference between her having and not having an orgasm. So, unless someone is going to walk in on your sexy time together, pace yourself!

Remember the erogenous zones. The earlobes are sensitive, as are the neck, shoulders, and pelvis. The best way to figure out what your lover likes is to make like Christopher Columbus. You know where go to find the goods but you may stumble upon some other interesting places along the way. Touch anywhere and everywhere and pay attention to the responses. If you get a good response then keep up the good work and stash that discovery away for next time around.

It's been said that women are better at multitasking than men are. Show off how well you can do it when you start fooling around with your lover! Never limit yourself to one action at a time. As your fingering her you can curve your fingers back up towards the front of her body and stimulate the clitoris at the same time- she'll be blissful. Impress her even more by putting slight pressure with your other palm on her pelvis while you're doing this. Partial stimulation of the anus might be something else she enjoys. If you want to see how she feels about it in the moment, gage her reactions to subsequent movements closer and closer to it. It might not be something that she puts on the menu but it doesn't mean that it isn't available upon request.

Now might be the time you're ready to take the big plunge. A great way to stimulate her when she's on her back is to pick her legs up and put them on your shoulders which will change the angle of entry and just might stimulate every lady's best friend, her G-Spot. This gives you a lot of control and it frees her hands to get very touchy-feely with you. This position isn't the best for her lower back but if she wakes up the next day with a kink it will only remind her of the awesome romp you two had the night before

Never let sex become stagnant or routine. Consider the action of the thrust in any of the positions you utilize. Don't limit yourself to the in-out pumping motion but increase your spectrum. We live in a three dimensional world so mix the thrust with some circular motions or ever figure eights. All it takes is to master maneuvering your hips and you'l find that you will like the way it feels as well.

she's up for it, work in some toys or even a little massage oil to turn up the carnal points. These can be worked in gradually from the beginning or brought out as a surprise guest mid-show. This can show her that you're a truly caring lover and are genuinely concerned with her pleasure. What girl could say no to that kind of attention?

HOT OR NOT

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Bursaries

Cleaning up litter by choice

Final "Final 8" for Halifax

Picking a riding where you can win one for the Greens

Cops and Robbers Party at the Gorsebrook

Super Jumbo Jets

☐ Glamorous

Being restrained

"Stephen Colbert Day"

Coming up with original "Hot or Not"s

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Holds on your account

Cleaning up litter because you threw your cell phone at your maid

CIS moving "Final 8" to Ottawa

Picking Central Nova

☐ Actually getting arrested

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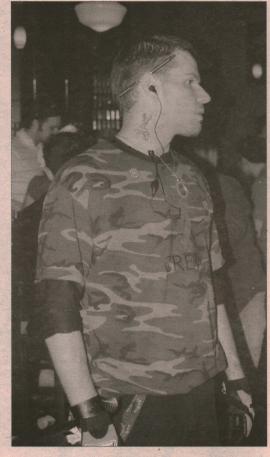
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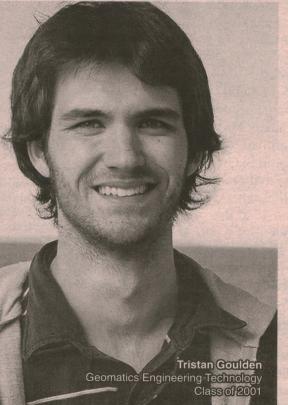
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THIS WEEK IN HALIFAX...

Wednesday

Jonny Stevens CD release show at Tribeca

Hope for Wildlife Benifet featuring Sarah MacNeil, Throws This Away, The Nellis Complex, and Thumdrift at Gus' Pub, 9 pm \$5

Benefit Show for Habitat for Humanity featuring Speedy Recovery, Murder She Wrote and others at the Grad House

Thursday

Terralodge Benefit featuring Terratombe, Alchemy, Hellacaust, Talksick, Miles Deck and the Fuzz at the Attic 11 pm \$5

Mike Evin, Brent Randall, and Flat Fifth at Ginger's Tavern, 10 pm

Halcyon, My Vendetta, Search for Alexander, and Very Bad Things at Gus' Pub, 10 pm \$5

Hotwiremyheart at Charlies, 10 pm Free

Friday

Fuck the Facts, Memories of Phoenix, Burning Moon, Prisoners, and Blindside Assault at the Pavilion, 6:30 pm \$8 All Ages

Fall Horsie and Oh Dinah at the One World Café, 7 pm \$5 All Ages

Constantines, Jon Rae, and Shotgun and Jaybird at the Marquee Club, 9 pm \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door

Fuck the Facts, Collapse, and Inexoreath at the Attic, 11 pm \$10

Glitter Cinnamon, Inside Job, and Jon Hines at Gingers Tavern, 10 pm \$6

Fantods and others TBA at Gus's Pub, 10 pm \$5

Well Tapped- Water For the People Benefit with Old Man Luedecke at Garrison Brewery, 8 pm tickets \$20 at Biscuit

Saturday

Slowcoaster, The Broomhandles, Knock Out Exploit, Phence, and others at the One World Café, 2pm \$7 All Ages

In Flight Safety, Jenn
Grant and the Night
Painters, The Foxy
Wolves, Carol Brady's
Amazing War Proposal,
and One Eyed Jacks at
the Pavilion, 7 pm \$10
Fall Horsie, Ghost Bees,
Tanya Davis and more
at the One World Café, 7
pm \$5 All Ages

Art Department, Chinstraps, and Surprise Witness at Gus' Pub, 10 pm \$5

17th Annual Wearable Art Show featuring an after party with Windom Earle at the Marquee Club, 8 pm tickets \$10 advance, \$15 at the door

ARK Benefit with
Silvergun, The Blank
Ståres, Gloryhound, The
Skyhawks, The Sorrys,
Floodland, Thumbdrift,
Harbour Fire, Rob
Anderson, Kristina
Trites, Sidelins, and
Laura Merrimen and the
Lonesome Travellers at
Diamonds Lounge, 6:30-1
am \$10

Fistfist, Janus, Badseed Overdrive, and Orchids Curse at the Speakeasy, 10 pm \$5

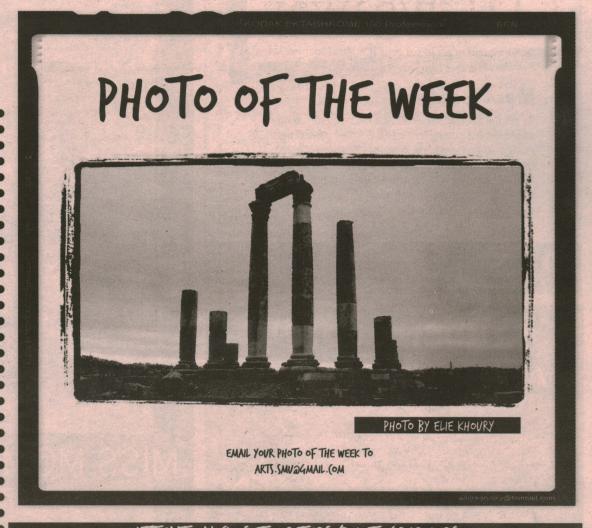
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Food Bankd Benefit Show featuring Seconds To God, Callahan, Forty Cent Fix, Flatlined, The Giveaways, and Skelter Shell at the Pavilion, 2 pm free with 3 canned food items or \$5 at the door

Mike Evin and Laura Peek, and Chillin' Room at the One World Café, 7 pm All Age

Wednesday

The Coasts Best of Music Party featuring Tanya Davis, Windom Earle, and the Stance at the Attic, 6:30 pm passes downloadable online



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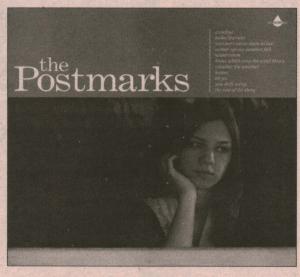
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CD Review

The Postmarks The Postmarks (2007)



REVIEW BY JON DEMPSEY

This indie pop trio from Miami, The Postmarks, is a bit of an enigma. I normally don't associate Miami with wonderful, folky, moody and stand-out ish music but more with dance music a la Miami Booty Bass, and from Florida maybe twangy country from a bygone era. Enter the Postmarks; who make decadent music, hinged on the sweet words and sweeter voice of Tim Yehezkely (she is a girl, named Tim, yes), with lush accompanying music by Christopher Moll and Jonathan Wilkins.

They cite 1960's French pop, John Barry soundtracks, Brian Wilson and The Smiths as influences; which makes for some interesting listening. You can hear evidence of this not only in their powerful musical arrangements and instrument selection, but also in their approach to recording. I would dare say they used a great deal of vintage instruments and equipment to record this well-crafted debut, giving it that sought-after, warm analogue sound reminiscent of the '60s and '70s.

I usually try to avoid drawing comparisons when reviewing music...but with The Postmarks, it would be hard to find something notable and contemporary that isn't too obscure or European (maybe Scottish softies Belle & Sebastian). But that isn't a bad thing folks; it means that music in 2007 has a chance, with honest works of art like this changing people's minds and becoming more accessible.

This album is slightly themed in a blissful post-breakup world welcoming changing leaves of the Fall and coffee cup-clutching window gazing, with lines like "Sitting by the window sill, where the sun beams melt my day dreams" on the song "Watercolors", and song titles like "Summers Never Seem To Last". On the album

opener, "Goodbye", we get a taste of the bittersweet "it's over" punch-to-the-gut where Tim sings "Goodbye, I'm not gonna cry / As I'm hopping that train, knowing I won't see you again." It is sincere, but not heavy-handed or cloy; Tim's voice carefully delivers the right amount of sentiment with measured melancholy and soft lament. Despite being another wistful girl singing about her favorite time of year or the reproach of an ex-boyfriend, the lyrics come across as mature and introspective.

This is a great album; the music really speaks for itself. I don't have to say a million good things about The Postmarks' debut. Instead, I will look forward to listening to this CD while I take a drive through the Valley when the leaves change this fall, or for a rainy day when I decide to call the girl I am seeing to break up. Visit www.myspace.com/thepostmarks or www.thepostmarks.com

A and E CD Giveaway

As the school year comes to an end it's time for the Journal to clean out the office. There are still lots of CDs left that never got the chance to be reviewed and are looking for a good home. If you would like a chance to win a CD simply send an email with as many answers as you can give to arts. smu@gmail.com. The first ten people with the most right answers will be mailed a CD. Please be sure to provide your name and mailing address with your entry. Good Luck!

- Name two Halifax bands that were on tour in March
- 2. Name one show our TV Geek reviewed this year
- 3. What movie won best picture at this year's Oscars?
- 4. Name two independent Halifax record labels
- 5. Which two musicians have reality TV shows on Much Music?
- 6. What two movies based on children's TV shows from the 80s coming out this year?
- 7. Name one big act to come through town so far in 2007
- 8. Which did our TV Geek not do an in depth look on; Gays on TV, African Americans on TV or Women on TV?
- 9. What was the highest grossing film of 2006?
- 10. What play is SMUDS performing this season?
- 11. What two bands tied winning the most ECMAS this year?
- 12. What TV show and upcoming movie caused a bomb scare in Boston after an ill-conceived marketing ploy?
- 13. Name one of the art exhibits at the SMU art gallery during the 06-07 school year
- 14. Which former American Idol contestant has found success in the movie world with a Best Supporting Actress Oscar for her first ever film role?
- 15. What Sci Fi star guest starred on NBC's "Heroes" as Hiro's father?

FILM REVIEW

Zodiac

BY RESSA PETERS AND SEAN BEAUCHAMP

Yes, you probably know the basic story of Zodiac and you probably have a pretty good understanding of how it ends. But hey, you know what's gonna happen in Titanic and that didn't stop millions of people from seeing it. When the movie opens on young couple driving to lover's lane, the fact that it's a serial killer movie starts the uneasiness. The dark unidentifiable car idling behind them and Donovan's creepy "Hurdy Gurdy Man" add to the tension. While the crime scenes are few they are genuinely disturbing in their realism.

The Zodiac killer may have been one of those infamous criminals who pioneered the "genius game-playing psychopath that is always one step ahead of the cops" genre. Anyone who has seen a Morgan Freeman cop thriller should know what I'm talking about.

Luckily Zodiac hardly follows this over stenciled formula of Riddler-esque suspense films



You know this ain't gonna end well in a serial killer movie

(seriously, what's his power? He just tells on himself!). Instead the film acts more as a timeline of the years of the Zodiac killer's reign and his impact on the public. Like the original events and the book the film was based on, Zodiac is more focused on interpretations, ideas, and good old fashion police work than creating a heart pounding action adventure.

Director David Fincher also directed Se7en, which took the typical action thriller and made it creepier with more mood and atmosphere. This is what sets Se7en and Zodiac ahead of the other serial killer films that Hollywood belches out incessantly.

The Zodiac killer is barley visible on screen for the vast majority of the film. Instead, the focus is on dedicated, puzzle-loving, do-

gooder Robert Graysmith (Jake Gyllenhaal) and an eccentrically drunk crime writer Paul Avery (Robert Downy Jr., a real stretch, I know). Minimizing the ominous image of the killer not only keeps the focus on those who he terrorized by his murders, it also keeps from relating Zodiac too much, to exaggerated psychopath characters. Indeed Zodiac has much more in common with the Spike Lee joint Summer of Sam than mellow dramatic interpretations of real events such as From Hell or Psycho.

Of course, none of these other killers ever had to deal with Jake Gyllenhaal *swoon*. First he travels through time, then he has sex with Heath Ledger, now he's tracking 60's serial killers. What can't he do?

TV GEEK

Possibly Coming Soon to a TV Near You! 2007 Pilots



CBC Tests the Nation

BY ALLYSON MARSH

Last Sunday CBC embarked on a nation wide IQ test featuring random selections from seven occupational groups ranging in education and social status. Celebrities, millionaires, mayors, tattoo artists, fitness instructors, DJs, and surgeons made up the studio audience while average Canadians were urged to take the test online on cbc.ca or fill out a paper ballot that came in Saturday's National Post.

The test was made up of sixty questions focusing on language, memory, logic, visual memory, math, and perception. Hosts Wendy Mesley, CBC's host of Marketplace, and Brent Bambury, CBC radio host, read out all the questions, making for a long hour and a half before answers were given. The two tried to keep viewers amused with weak attempts at humor while dictating but it was the celebrity group that managed to save this reality show special from being anything more then the equivalent of a televised SAT test.

In the end surgeons came out as smartest, which was no surprise given their training for multiple choice tests (think MCATs), education, and ability to think under pressure. You may be surprised to hear that your town mayor isn't as smart as your fitness instructor, or that in the end, the much teased tattoo artists didn't place last, celebrities sunk to that spot. Newfoundland comedian Shawn Majumder came out as smartest celebrity, and millionaire Tom O'Sullivan was smartest of them all with an IQ score of 137. The online test told statisticians that redheads were the smartest of

but only by 1%. My favorite part of this show had to be the explanation of how to calculate your own IQ test, providing you with how to do so even if you got one answer right. If you were to actually fall into that category, having a 30 IQ, you would not have the ability to read with any comprehension and probably couldn't figure out how to do this test. If you think you are up to the challenge its not too late, the online available at cbc.com/testthenation. Why not check it out and see if you are smarter then the average Canadian.

the hair colors and that men may

actually be smarter then women,

BY RESSA PETERS

To everything there is a season and to every season there are new television pilots. Some of these will blossom into the prettiest flowers in the garden, some will be picked before their time and some

may never make it out of the dirt.

Women's Murder Club (ABC) Based on books by James Patterson this series will follow four women in the criminal justice system; a medical examiner, a reporter, a homicide detective and an Assistant District Attorney. This one sounds pretty interesting to me, I'll probably give it a try.

Pushing Daisies (ABC) A man has the power to bring back dead people by touching them. They are only alive for a minute and if they don't die again, someone near them will die. And it's a romantic comedy! Wow, sounds kind of like Dead Like Me, but maybe even weirder. I have to see this to believe it.

1321 Clover (CBS) A documentary style sitcom based around a typical suburban family. Even the show description uses the word "typical", it practically screams mediocrity right there.

Twilight (CBS) A vampire struggles with his immortality and the stresses of being a private eye. I liked this show when it was called Angel, and also liked it when it was

called Forever Knight.

M.O.N.Y. (NBC) An ordinary guy finds himself as mayor of New York. What sounds like an unremarkable premise should turn into a great show for the following reasons: it stars Bobby Cannavale (Third Watch), it's created by

Barry Levinson and Tom Fontana (Homicide: Life on the street, Oz) and the pilot is directed by Spike Lee! I'm there!

Journeyman (NBC) A man has the ability to move back and forth through time, while he may affect the past, he may also alter the future. Also there's some romantic subplot in there. "Sam! Ziggy says you can't leap until she kisses you!" Yeah, I think I've seen this before.

The Sarah Connor Chronicles (FOX) Sarah and John Connor from the Terminator films hide from evil robots and such. Starring 300's Lena Headey as Sarah and Firefly's Summer Glau. If this isn't good

there's nothing right in the universe.

John from Cincinnati (HBO) A surf-noir about a Californian dysfunctional family shook up by the arrival of a man seeking revenge and a boy seeking surfing lessons. Hmmm. Well it has a few things going for it: 1. it's on HBO, which is mostly superior television. 2. It's created by David Milch, who's worked on NYPD Blue and Deadwood. 3. It stars Ed O'neil, Al Bundy himself.

The Tudors (Showtime, premieres April 1st) A historical drama about the life and romance of a young Henry VIII. Starring Jonathan Rhys Meyers (velvet goldmine) as the legendary horny Henry.

As an Anglophile history nerd, I'm really excited about this.

These are some that look appealing to me, but they could always turn out as crap. And of course every season there's the surprise show that doesn't look to promising on paper but is really a Trojan Horse of awesomeness. Last fall Heroes and Brothers and Sisters took me by pleasant surprise.

SPORTS

Saint Mary's Goes Down in Semis at CIS Final 8

OUST NUMBER ONE SEED IN THE COUNTRY ON THE WAY

BY DANNY CAREW

Saint Mary's storybook season has come to its final conclusion. The Huskies advanced to the Elite 8 as the 8th ranked seed after making it to the AUS Championship last week. No one expected Saint Mary's to make it past the #1 Concordia Stingers in the opening game of the tournament, except the Huskies themselves. The Stingers made the mistake of looking past the Huskies in the opening round, when a player on Concordia commented about how they were looking forward to a rematch against Carelton. Fuelled by this offense on their integrity, the Huskies, the Cinderella team of the tournament, wiped away the chances of any rematch with a 63-62 win over the best team in the country. The win set up a semifinal match-up against the #4 seed Brandon Bobcats. Despite being down by as many as 18 points in the second half, the Huskies fell just short of making it to the National final, by losing to the Bobcats 79-74. The CIS tournament has been held in Halifax for the past twenty four years, however, next year the tournament will be in Ottawa. It would have been something for the Huskies to win it all, but despite not attaining that goal, one thing for sure is that this team is the embodiment of what a true champion is. By defying all expectations, and playing fundamental team basketball, the Huskies have



Huskies reflect after tough semifinal loss.

with 7:20 remaining in the first half, but the lighting-quick Concordia duo of brothers Dwayne and Damian Buckley kept the Stingers

Concordia player clearly touching it last. Despite of this, however, the ref called it Concordia's possession -- sending Saint Mary's Basketball legend Mickey Fox, who had a perfect view of the play, out to let the ref know what a horrible call he had made. With 39.9 seconds remaining Concordia had the ball and attempted to pass the ball into post, where out of nowhere Eric Glavic stole the ball! He was immediately fouled which put him on the free throw line for two foul shots. He sunk the first shot but missed the second. Concordia needed a 3 to tie the game. Dwayne Buckley quickly took care of that requirement to tie the score at 62 with just 20 seconds left in the game. SMU called a timeout. If there was one player who has the right to have the ball with the game on the line it is none other than Mark McLauglin. Mark had the ball at the top of the key and began to dribbling at a stand-still to kill time. With about five seconds remaining he chose to cross over his defender, and as he did, pulled up to shoot a 15 foot jumper, and at the apex of his shot -- he was fouled! Mark went to the line and as the crowd stayed silent he missed the first one. It was then imperative that Mark make second one, and as that quintessential shot left his fingers, the whole crowd erupted over the fact that he had. With just three seconds remaining, Concordia tried to run the floor to make a desperation shot which ended up nowhere near the hoop. The Concorida Stingers were stung. So much for a rematch with Carelton;

Saint Mary's was led by Mark McLaughlin with 24, followed by Clint Bateman and Ikeobi Uchegbu with 11 a piece. Concordia was led by the Buckley brother's with 11 and First Team All-Canadian

the Huskies had sunk the #1 Sting-

Patrick Perrotte had 10. After the game Eric Glavic talked about how he became a part of this team, as he only joined the squad about a month ago. He played ball in high school and he went after coach Quackenbush after football season to talk about playing on the team. As the season progressed, Eric was given the much-needed role as the teams' 6th man, as he explains: "Coach told me "your not here to score points." I just bring energy and do a lot of dirty work. I don't need the glory." Going from Quarterback to a 6th man in basketball

role that Eric has relished.

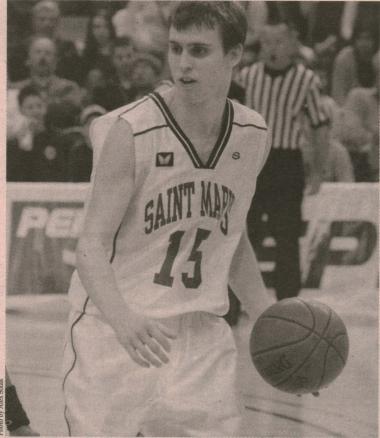
The semifinal against the #4

is certainly a transition, but it's a

Brandon Bobcats would prove to be a much tougher contest for the Huskies. Saint Mary's played tough defense throughout the game but Brandon was able to make a lot of difficult shots. Brandon forward Adam Hartman made his first seven shots to give Brandon a 31-27 lead at halftime.

The Huskies went cold at the beginning of the second half as Brandon went on a 7-0 run to give the Bobcats a 38-27 lead with 17:02 left in the second half. At one point in the game Brandon led by as many as 18 points. The Huskies wouldn't give up.

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Mark McLaughlin is the man who will take the team back to the dance next year.

learned what it takes to make a run at a championship.

From the beginning of the game the Huskies made sure that to win against Concordia they had to take away their offensive game. The Huskies played tight man-to-man defense, which caused the Stingers to force turnovers. Neither team was able to pull away from each other. Saint Mary's came out shooting, including early 3's from Cordell Wright and Clint Bateman to give the Huskies a 20-17 lead

close. At half the score was 31-29 for Saint Mary's.

In the second half both teams exchanged buckets back and forth; neither team led by more than 4 points. With about a minute left in the game the score was 61-59 for SMU. Concordia had the ball and Dwayne Buckley drove through the paint and a put up a shot that was incredibly blocked by Ikeobi Uchegbu. As the momentum carried the ball toward the sidelines, both St. Mary's and Concordia dove to keep it in play, with the

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They managed to cut the lead to 11 with about two minutes left in the game. The Huskies best strategy was to foul the Bobcats, forcing them to attempt free throws. Overall the Bobcats shot 20 for 41 from the line, including a cold 4 for 12 from the stripe with a minute left in the game. The closest the Huskies cut it to was 3 points, when Eric Glavic pulled down an offensive rebound and put it back. However, there was only 13 seconds left. Time had run out for Huskies and their season. Final score: Brandon 79, Saint Mary's 74.

With the win Brandon was set to face the #3 ranked Carelton Ravens in the Championship game. The Ravens had won the title the past four years and a win would give them their 5th consecutive title, arguably putting them among the greatest dynasties in CIS History. Victoria won the title seven years in a row, beginning in 1979-1980 season. Carelton didn't disappoint their streak by downing the Bobcats 52-49, the lowest scoring championship game in CIS history. The win was especially special for Osvaldo Jeanty, who is in his fifth year with the team and has been named tournament M.V.P for two of the titles. He is also the National Player of the Year, a title he has owned for the past two years. While Brandon did their best to stay in the game, they couldn't contain Aaron Doornekamp, who hit 4 three-pointer's on the day. Doornekamp had 20 points and Jeanty accounted for 15. Brandon was led by Dany Charlery and Stevens Marcelin with 13 a piece.

While Saint Mary's is disappointed that they didn't capture the crown, they did manage to capture the fans. The reason why the tournament is so successful is because of the fans. Halifax has been home of the CIS Championship for the past 24 years. It's understandable that the tournament has the right to be hosted in other cities. This tournament will be here again, hopefully sooner than later. The fans at the metro center gravitated toward cheering for Saint Mary's, especially because they were the underdogs and only played 7 players - showing how hard each of them had to play. Ikeobi Uchegbu is only 6'5 but he plays much taller. Mark Ross should be the model for any kid who wants to be a point guard. His pass first, shoot second mentality goes to show how unselfish he is.



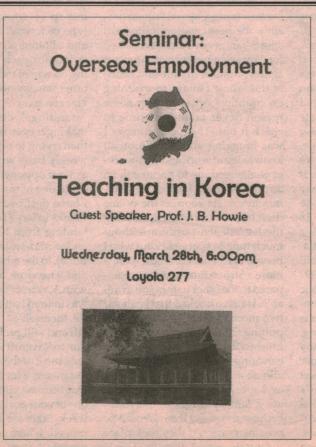
Top: Cordell Wright inbounds the ball as SMU fans look on. Bottom: Ikeobi Uchegbu defends the low-post.

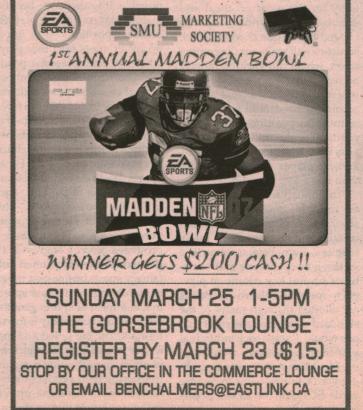
The best thing that Mark does is that he makes every one around him better. Cordell Wright and Clint Bateman can shoot the lights out. Eric Glavic does all the dirty work and while it isn't necessarily pretty, it sure is effective. Mark Poole, while his minutes were limited, his potential certainly is not. And Mark McLaughlin is just fun to watch. Every time he releases the ball, you think it's going in. Mark's the type of guy that eats, sleeps and breathes basketball. You don't get that good by not shooting shot after shot. He was rookie of the year last year and a second team AUS all-star. He was also named to the tournament all-star team. Mark is the man who will take this team back to the dance next year. Each one of these guys plays to the best of their ability, which is why they had so much success down the stretch. The best news, besides the Huskies defeating the #1 seed in the tournament, is that all of the Huskies are eligible to come and play next year. These guys have chemistry and it will certainly carry over to next season.



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BY ADAM COSTELLO

North America is being swept by a new phenomenon called "fantasy sports" -- an interactive online game where fantasy owners build a team that competes against other fantasy owners based on the statistics generated by individual players or teams of a professional sport. During training camp and the start of professional sports seasons, people gather in individual leagues with other owners and wait for "draft day" to choose their players. This is accomplished through either an online draft, where people log on and take turns picking players based on either their own knowledge of the sport or the rankings provided by the website. Random and offline draft systems are also used for this process, though the online system is by far the most practical and entertaining. The individual who created the league chooses which statistics will make up the competition, which can vary, or, fantasy owners may enter a public league where the statistics used are set according to a default system. The number of positions and which positions make up the team may also vary from league to league, and no player may be on more than one team.

In football for example, owners must fill positions including several slots at QB, RB, WR, and usually just one at TE. In many leagues, owners also choose a kicker, a team defence and sometimes several key defensive players to round out the roster. Points are allotted through many of the standard offensive categories that one would assume each individual player at his position would put up; including rushing yards, passing yards, touchdowns, receiving yards ECT. For the kicker, points are allotted for how many and the

length of the field goals he connects on during his team's game, while the defense can gain owners points for the amount of points it allows, interceptions, sacks, fumble recoveries and huge points for any defensive touchdowns it scores. The defensive players gain points for tackles and any of the above categories for the overall defense with the exception of points allowed. In basketball, players put up points for defensive accomplishments such as steals, blocks, rebounds and turnovers, as well as shooting percentages, points, 3 pointers and so on. In hockey, points are often allotted for penalty minutes, plus/minus and shots, along with the usual statistics one would expect.

The key to any fantasy sport is to create a balanced roster of players that will excel in as many areas possible. It is also quite beneficial to draft players that can play a few different positions so as to open up roster spots for other players who may only play one position - as you team is usually allowed several bench players to alternate in from day to day. Also, in fantasy sports there is the ability to trade, release and sign players who were not drafted in the initial draft. It has been estimated by the Fantasy Sports Trade Association that 16 million adults in the U.S., age 18 to 55, play fantasy sports - that's around half of the entire population of Canada. There was a bill presented before Congress in 1999 that would have prohibited public fantasy sports businesses, the contention being that fantasy sports is in fact a form of sports gambling, which it fundamentally is in many formats. The bill failed and major league baseball has since increased its efforts in preventing company's from using their product for business purposes, coming up short in their attempts numerous times. Fantasy sports are an entity which

refuses to die.

It was a baseball fan named Daniel Okrent who is recognized as creating the first fantasy sports league in the early 80s. At the beginning of the baseball season, Daniel, with a few friends who followed baseball very closely, organized a league where they not only picked players for a pool, but each took on the role of a team owner. Having picked their players, they calculated a winner based on real player statistics during the season. This new and advanced form of sports pool was low on the public radar until the mid-1990's, when leagues began to branch out into football, basketball, and other sports. It has since become a mainstay in the lives of sports fans across the globe.

The reason I tell you all this is because fantasy sports is quite possibly the best creation a die-hard sports fan ever could have asked for. I myself have been an adamant sports fan most my life and heard of this whole fantasy sports thing on countless occasions, for some reason never taking the time to check it out. This past summer I was bragging about my football knowledge at work and a co-worker challenged me to partake in an annual fantasy league he commissioned. As soon as the online draft began I was hooked; scouring the list at each position without much time to spare, picking who I personally believed might have a more extraordinary season compared to the other names still available. I was so hooked that I entered two more random football drafts, putting my knowledge to the test. I finished first overall in each league, elevating my sports confidence to almost arrogant levels. The last 3 or 4 weeks of the regular season are a fantasy league's "playoffs" because too many teams would be missing players if they took place

during the actual playoffs. This is

where it gets really intense, as all 3 of my teams competed with other fantasy owners in a head-to-head style; winner takes all on Sunday format. I only ended up winning the championship in one of my leagues, finishing second in the other and a meager 4th in the one with people from work (preventing me from bragging about the league that counted the most).

This experience only wetted my appetite at being a fantasy owner, as I also drafted 4 fantasy hockey teams soon after my NFL drafts. One of my two head-to-head style format teams has just advanced to the second round of the playoffs, the other lost in the first round. The other type of format is called a rotisserie (named after the restaurant Daniel Okrent and his friends first came up with the idea of fantasy sports while eating at). In this type of format, teams are ranked and allotted a certain amount of points for each statistic depend ing on where they sit in relation to other fantasy owners. This means you can gain or lose points in the 'standings" on any given day, making it even more skill oriented than trying to win match-ups on a weekly basis with just one owner as your opponent.

In one of my rotisserie leagues I have destroyed all competition, thanks in large part to stellar goaltending from Kipper, Lundqvist and a mid-season pick-up, Peter Budaj. In the other I drafted Gerber and Theodore and was thus left with Raycroft and Vokoun (who was injured half the season) to fend for themselves. I am currently in 7th and will probably finish there, due to Raycroft playing like a ballsack most of the season. Goaltending means a lot in this type of format because you can't get lucky if one of your goaltenders has a lucky week. Stats are accumulative and ranked; where as in head-to-head formats the two owners just matchup each statistical category against each other week by week and are awarded an amount of points at the end of the week according to their record against one another.

I only drafted one Basketball fantasy team, as I'm not as familiar with the depth players in Basketball as I am in Hockey and Football. I'm currently holding down the final playoff spot heading into the final week of the regular season, but may have done better if Wade and five other starters on my team hadn't gone down with injuries. In many leagues, you are allowed 1-2 injured reserve spots that allow you to save an injured player and pick up another to take his place until the injury is healed. Unfortunately, this league gave owners no such privilege and I will more than likely go down in the first round. Boozer is my best

I've become so obsessed with fantasy sports that I have also already drafted four fantasy Baseball teams and a Golf team. In Fantasy Golf on Yahoo, owners pick 8 players for each weekend tournament, two "A" players, four "B" players and two "C" players. During each round of the tournament, owners choose 4 players from the 8 (one from each A and C and two from B) to play each round. Points are then allotted per round depending on where the players selected each round finish. I started off the year hot and reached the rank of 3,000th out of approximately 140,000 people, but have since had a couple bad weekends and have dropped to just under 10,000th in rank (I know very little about golf). Fantasy Baseball looks promising and Danny says it's the most fun out of any of the fantasy sports. Here's hoping, because fantasy football became my life for 4 months.

www.Yahoo.com is by far the easiest and most convenient website to play fantasy sports on. They offer a total of 4 free teams per sport and also offer league's costing 30 dollars to join that give prizes to the winner. Other websites offer cash prizes at the price of a large entry fee but it's better to start out small so you get the hang of the system and how fantasy sports work before trying your luck with money on the line. Extensive inside information and advice can be obtained from www. sportsline.com/fantasy, which offers fantasy coverage un-comparable to any other website. There are, though, fantasy sections in nearly every sports website these days and many are even-creating their own formats of the game, as NFL. com has done. My advice: if you're a huge sports fan and haven't yet tried out the entertaining world of fantasy sports, do so; Baseball season is just a few weeks away.

*To check out The Journal's sports editors fantasy record on Yahoo.com, his account name is Costellburn. The website rates his performance at about 74% — Just barely at the level of all-star status.

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SPORTS ROLLBACK

RUDISUELA WIN AUS MVP AWARD

AUS leading scorer and Saint Mary's Huskies leader, Dan Rudisuela, was named the most valuable player in Atlantic university hockey last week. Rudisuela, who anchored the Huskies' top line, led the conference in goals with 20 and points with 45. He managed a 23-game scoring streak to start the season and also cracked the roster for the league all-star team that won gold for Canada at the World University Games this past January in Turin, Italy. Rudisuela also had a league-leading 10 powerplay markers, two short-handed goals and a hat trick. The last SMU player to be named the Atlantic conference MVP was Steve Kluczkowski in 1992-93. Also last week, three players from the Saint Mary's Huskies earned first-team all-star honours, including Rudisuela, along with defenceman Scott Hotham and goalie Brandon Verge. Hotham managed 30 points and Verge posted a 10-10 record in his freshman year, maintaining a 2.90 goals-against average with a .910 save percentage. Forwards Rob Hennigar of the UNB Varsity Reds and Karl Fournier of the Moncton Aigles Bleus as well as defenceman Louis Mandeville rounded out the squad.

MOOSEHEADS HEAD TO PLAYOFFS

The Halifax Mooseheads will open their 1st round playoff series with the Moncton Wildcats on March 19th in Moncton. They finish the season in sixth place with a 32-31-4-5 record. Halifax's Jakub Voracek, projected by many to be taken in the top five in this summers NHL entry draft, finished as the highest-scoring rookie in the QMJHL with 86 points in 59 games.

CHACIN DRUNK AS FUCK

Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Gustavo Chacin was arrested and charged early Friday morning in Tampa, Florida, on a misdemeanor count of driving under the influence. The club confirmed a report on SI.com and MLB.com that Chacin was stopped by Tampa Police at 3:43am ET. According to police reports, his blood alcohol content measured at .150 at the time of his arrest. The legal limit in Florida is .08. Chacin was booked, then released on a \$500 bond later in the morning. Chacin, who the Blue Jays signed to one-year contract in

March, missed over two months last season with elbow trouble. He posted a 9-4 record with a 5.05 ERA in 2006.

TAVARES THE NEXT ONE?

John Tavares of the Oshawa Generals scored twice Friday night to break the record for most goals in the Ontario Hockey League by a 16-year-old. Despite the effort, the Generals fell 7-4 to the Ottawa 67's. Tavares tied and then broke the old record of 70 set by Wayne Gretzky, and he still has two games remaining to add to his total of 71. He also added an assist.

EX-BASEBALL COMMISSIONER DIES

Former commissioner Bowie Kuhn, who held the position for 15 years, died last week. During his time players gained free agency, which started the spiral of multimilliondollar salaries. He was 80 years old and died in hospital following a short illness. When Kuhn took over as commissioner from William Eckert on Feb. 4, 1969, baseball just had completed its final season as a tradition-bound, 20-team sport with no playoffs, a reserve clause and an average salary of about US\$19,000. During his tenure, the sport battled the rise of the NFL and a combative players' union that attacked him with lawsuits, grievances and work stoppages. By the time Peter Ueberroth succeeded Kuhn on Oct. 1, 1984, the major leagues had 26 teams in four divisions, a designated hitter in the American League, the first night World Series games, coloursplashed uniforms, free agency and an average salary of nearly \$330,000.

TORONTO FC SELLS OUT

Major league Soccer's newest club - Toronto FC - announced Thursday that the team has sold out of season tickets for the 2007 season. In five months, the team has sold a record setting 14,000 seasons seats for Toronto's new soccer club that will play at BMO Field at Exhibition Place. BMO Field also sold out its executive suites. Soccer fans that missed out on buying 2007 Toronto FC season tickets can reserve their spot for the future seasons through the team's waiting list program. Toronto FC joined Major League Soccer on May 2006 as its 13th team and the first outside the United States. The team will play its inaugural game at the new 20,000 seat

BMO Field at Exhibition Place on April 28, 2007.

PORTER PUNCHES BENGALS PLAYER IN VEGAS

Former Pittsburgh Steelers standout and current Dolphins line-backer Joey Porter was cited by Las Vegas police for battery after he punched another NFL player in the face. Porter was cited for an alleged fight he had with Cincinnati Bengals offensive tackle Levi Jones after Jones was treated by medical personnel at the scene. Porter recently signed a five-year, \$32 million deal with the Dolphins after getting released by the Steelers. In his eight-year career, Porter has 60 sacks and 10 interceptions.

BIG BASKETBALL BRAWL IN NEW YORK

Teenagers brawled in the stands at a high school basketball game at Madison Square Garden on Sunday night before police cracked down on the melee, which spilled into the streets. Gunfire was heard as the crowd went from the arena to Times Square, police said. No injuries were reported. Twenty-one people, mostly teenagers, were arrested, police said. Some were charged with disorderly conduct or resisting arrest and one was arrested on a riot charge. A 17-yearold male was arrested at a subway station on a charge of criminal possession of a weapon. He was not the one who fired the shots, police said. A WCBS-TV camera crew inside the arena caught images of fights breaking out in the stands, including a girl slapping a boy, who in turn hit her. Other boys then jumped him, and police intervened. The news video also showed police swinging batons at someone who cannot be seen, and the station reported that they were hitting a fan. The police said the incident was under investigation, but had no further comment on the footage. After the crowd spilled into the streets surrounding the arena, police used crowd control tactics, including officers on horseback and in riot gear. Several fights broke out in nearby subways.

CELTICS DESPERATE

The Boston Celtics confirmed Sunday that the team had been fined \$30,000 by the NBA for excessive contact with the family of University of Texas star freshman and likely lottery draft pick Kevin Durant. General Manager Danny Ainge sat next to Durant's mother during the Big 12 tournament. The league said Ainge violated rules demanding that contact be kept to a minimum between team executives and potential NBA draft picks, until college players officially declare for the draft. SI.com also reported that the Bobcats and Warriors were fined \$15,000 each for comments team officials made about Durant and Greg Oden. Charlotte was fined \$15,000 for comments that minority owner Michael Jordan made about Durant that appeared on the Charlotte Observer's Web site on March 14 and Golden State was fined \$15,000 for comments that coach Don Nelson made about Durant and Oden that appeared on SI.com on March 9. NBA personnel are prohibited from commenting on players that are still in college and haven't declared for the NBA draft. The Celtics won in San Antonio for the first time in 17 years on Saturday, topping the Spurs 91-85. At 20-46 on the year, the team has the league's second-worst record behind the Memphis Grizzlies.

PAKISTAN CRICKET COACH DIES Pakistan cricket coach, Bob Woolmer, died in hospital last week soon after he was found unconscious in his hotel room. Woolmer, 58, played 19 Test matches for England and also coached South Africa. Woolmer was pronounced dead within an hour of being taken to hospital after being found on the floor of his room at the Jamaica Pegasus hotel. The cause of death was not immediately known. Pakistan lost in an upset to Ireland at the Cricket World Cup on Saturday, ending its chances of advancing in the tournament. Woolmer said, after the loss, that he would reassess his future in international cricket, but would like to continue coaching in some capacity. Woolmer worked as a coach on three continents, including a stint for the ICC helping developing cricket nations. Fans rioted after the loss.

CANADA RULES SLEDGE HOCKEY TOO

Bradley Bowden's goal 48 seconds into overtime earned Canada a 1-0 win over Norway in the final of the inaugural world sledge hockey challenge. After the two sides battled to a scoreless draw in regulation, Bowden scored on Canada's only shot of overtime. The Canadians dominated play in outshooting Norway by a 24-9 margin, but needed the extra session to finally beat Norwegian goaltender Roger Johansen. It marked the second straight game that Canada needed overtime to beat Norway. Bowden came down the left side and beat Johansen with a shot high to the Norwegian's glove side for his third goal of the tournament. Afterwards, Bowden was named the Canadian team's player of the game.

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