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Saint Mary's ranks 10th with Maclean's

by Lynn Watkins

Now in its 10th year, Maclean's exhaustive study of 47 Canadian universities provides the definitive report card on these post-secondary institutions, revealing which schools are making the grade. Overall, Saint Mary's showed up mid-way through the pack.

The school's spirit was noted, along with Thursday nights at the Gorsebrook.

"The rankings are another tool for university students to take a look at when figuring out which university they should attend," says Chuck Bridges, Director of External Affairs at Saint Mary's. He attributes the University's

MacLean's University Issue

Of the 21 Canadian Universities ranked, here are Saint Mary's highs and lows

Highs

- Tied for 1st in Faculty with PhDs
- 3rd in Medical Grants
- 4th in Proportion who graduate
- 5th in reputational survey and classes taught by tenured faculty
- 6th in Percentage of budget spent on student services

Lows

- 12th in 3rd and 4th year class sizes
- 14th in Library acquisitions
- 15th in 1st and 2nd year level class sizes
- 17th in operating budget
- 18th in Library holdings per student
- 19th in Library expenses

In the "Primary Undergraduate" category, SMU moved up in the rankings from 12th last year to 10th this year. Saint Mary's had many high and low points in the ranking to give the school the mediocre, overall ranking.

The rankings are not all that Maclean's discuss in the special edition: in a two-page spread on Saint Mary's, they give a brief history of the school, along with promoting services provided by the school. SMU was described as a surprisingly close-knit community, where "Maritime friendliness suffuses the place." In Maclean's, third year commerce student Mike Gibbs was quoted as saying "There's a great family atmosphere. Unless you're the kind of person who leaves campus right after class, you're almost forced to get to know people."

standing to its students and the quality of faculty.

The rankings are determined by data supplied by the

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Introducing the "MSS"

submitted by MSS

The "MSS" or Muslim Student Society is a new society that recently formed on October 27, 2000. It is a diverse society with members from the Caribbean, Middle East, Africa, the United States, Europe, Bermuda, Asia, and Canada. Its goals are to enrich the SMU community, intellectually, spiritually and culturally, by sharing knowledge about Islam's rich heritage. In addition, because SMU has



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Huskies crushed after their unexpected loss to Regina on Saturday in the Atlantic Bowl 40-36.

Dr. David Pearson - A Tale of Two Cities

by Samantha Stevens

Dr. David Pearson will conduct a lecture at Saint Mary's that will cover the environmental history of Sudbury, Ontario. His talk, "A Tale of Two Cities," will look at Sudbury from before mining began in the 1800's to the present, relating technology to its environmental consequences and emphasizing the role of the community in transforming the landscape from industrial barrens to the

beginning of a new forest.

Dr. Pearson was born in Newcastle, in northern England, and came to Canada in 1969 with a Ph.D. in Geology from Imperial College, in London, to teach for a year at Laurentian University in Sudbury. After thirty years he is still there as an Associate Professor in the Department of Earth Sciences, leader of the urban lakes section of the interdisciplinary Freshwater Ecology Unit, and joint coordinator of the Environmen-

tal Earth Science programme. His current research is focused on potential remediation strategies for a metal and sewage contaminated lake on the outskirts of Sudbury.

Outside the university he is widely known as "Dr. Dave" after appearing weekly as the guest scientist in the "Radio Lab" on CBC Northern Ontario Radio from 1981 to 1995. In the mid-1970's he wrote and hosted a T.V. Ontario/Laurentian University introductory geology television credit course, "Understanding the Earth," that was broadcast and used across Canada for many years. From 1990 to 1997 he was host of "Down to Earth," a weekly award winning northern Ontario television series on the environment.

From 1980 to 1986 he was on leave from Laurentian, first as Project Director and then Director of Science North, the science centre in Sudbury, now widely recognized as one of the leading science centres in the world. He remains Associate Director of the centre and is involved in expansion projects such as the recently

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such a large Muslim population, the society intends to be a facilitator in providing services for the special needs of Muslim students.

Currently, we are in the process of securing a location for Friday prayer, which is an obligation on the Muslim students. In addition, we hope to be able to secure a place where five daily prayers can be made in peace and quiet. We would like to invite new members to join. For the time being you can contact us at

Islam_smu@hotmail.com, keep an eye out for our website, it's being created as we speak. Look forward to reading more about Islam and its' rich heritage in the SMU Journal. Our next article will be about Ramadan.

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NSSAC represents Saint Mary's University students provincially.

For more info contact Samantha Anderson

VPEXternal Affairs @ 496-8716.

Attention Students!

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News Briefs

Car crash on campus

Late November 18th, 2000, a car was stolen from the Saint Mary's parking lot and was driven into the Student Union Building cafeteria.

Canada leads world in Internet use

Canada has become the world leader in Internet use. A survey conducted by the management firm PricewaterhouseCoopers found that 48.2 percent of Canadian households surveyed were on-line. Canadians also led in the average time spent on-line per week with 5.1 hours.

Saint Mary's Holiday Dinner & Dance

Mark your calendar for this year's *Holiday Dinner and Dance* to be held on December 16th at 6:30 for Saint Mary's Faculty and Staff at the Tower.

Joints in Motion Auction

Lorie MacCallum, Business Development

Centre, SMU alumna, will be holding an auction in support of the *Joints in Motion Training Team* for the Arthritis Society of N.S., on November 25, Big Leagues Beverage Room in Dartmouth from 2:00 to 5:00. The team will participate in a marathon in honor of those living with arthritis on January 7, 2001. For ticket information call Lorie at 429-4601.

Aramark

Aramark Services wants to help needy children within our community. At the Faculty Lounge and Sub Food Court there will be donation box for hats, mittens, scarves, and other clothing and good condition foot wear for children. With each donation you will receive a frequent buyer card for a free Java Coffee. Also looking for people to knit mittens and hats for children. Aramark will supply the wool. For addition information call Mabel or Gabriella at 5599. Thank you for your support.

Ramadan

by MSS

Ramadan is the most sacred holiday of the Muslim year and is mandated by the Qur'an. It occurs in the ninth month of the Islamic calendar and is the holy month of fasting. Fasting is considered to be the third pillar or religious obligation of Islam and provides many benefits including learning self-control. This results from a lack of preoccupation with satisfying bodily appetites during the daylight hours. Ramadan is a time of worship, reading the Qur'an, charitable acts, and the purification of individual behavior. This is also the time in which the Qur'an was revealed to Mohammed as guidance for the people.

Ramadan begins when a trusted witness testifies that the new moon has been sighted. Consequently, the fasting may be delayed if the moon is not visible. During this period, Muslims must ab-

stain from food, drink, and sexual intercourse from dawn until dusk each day.

Ramadan ends with Eid-al-Fitr or the Festival of Fast-Breaking, which is a joyous celebration, marked by a special gift of charity. Muslims dress in holiday apparel and attend a community prayer in the morning.

Five things can destroy the good that is acquired through the fast:

- 1) The telling of a lie
- 2) Slander
- 3) Denouncing someone behind his back
- 4) A false oath
- 5) Greed or covetousness

On the evening of the 27th day of the month, Muslims celebrate the Laylat-al-Qadr (the Night of Power). It is believed that on this night Muhammad first received the revelation of the Holy Quran. And according to the Quran, this is when God determines the course of the world for the following year

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universities, and analyzed by Maclean's, with a consulting statistical firm. A wide range of factors are examined, including incoming grades, the research strength of the university's faculty, and the percentage of the school's finances that are spent on scholarships and bursaries, and

student services. As well, Maclean's measures the universities' reputations with more than 7,000 high school guidance counselors, university officials, heads of organizations, CEOs and recruiters at corporations across Canada, asking them to identify the "Highest Quality" and "Most Innovative" schools, as well as the "Leaders of Tomorrow."

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opened Butterfly Gallery, and Dynamic Earth, a new earth sciences centre on the site of Sudbury's Big Nickel.

Earlier this year he was awarded the Geological Association of Canada's Ward Neale Medal for his contribution to the public awareness of the earth sciences in Canada.

Arts Major Day information session

submitted by the Dean of Arts Office

Have you decided what your major will be yet? If not, you are not alone, many students have a difficult time deciding on what to major in, or even how to go about declaring their major. One thing to keep in mind, though, is that you cannot graduate from university without a declared major.

Many students are unaware of the benefits of declaring a major as soon as they

have completed the first five credits. Students who have declared their major are given priority in registration in classes necessary for their major. When departments have an idea of how many students might be majoring in their program, they can plan their curriculum for the next school year and ensure that the necessary core courses, classroom seats, and even texts will be available.

Fortunately, help is here for students still uncertain of what to declare and how to

declare once the decision is made. Arts Major Day is held once a semester, twice a year, and the key speaker is the Associate Dean of Arts, Dr. Don Naulls.

If you did not make it make it to this semester's presentation, held last week, and currently do not have an academic advisor, please feel free to make an appointment with the Associate Dean of Arts Secretary, Ms. Joan Stevens in MN414A or by leaving a message at 420-5817 to see Dr. Naulls.

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ATTENTION

There will be a Journal
Annual General Meeting
on Tuesday, November 28th
at 5:00 p.m.
All are welcome to attend.

For further information, please contact Tim MacPherson at 496-8201 or email editor@journal.stmarys.ca

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing on behalf of the Computer Information System (CIS) Society concerning the article in the November 8th issue of the Journal, "Where have all the labs gone?" We believe Ms. Balcombe was incorrect in several statements and we would like the editor to correct them.

Ms. Balcombe states in her article that, "The head of the department then decided that I was more economical to have tutorials where you pay \$5 per session."

This statement is completely false. At the beginning of this year the CIS Society, had numerous inquiries from students enrolled in MSC 225, regarding tutors. Students told us they needed help with their assignments. Our society decided to offer assignment, midterm, and final exam tutorials. The CIS Society enlisted a tutor without the assistance of the Finance and Management Science Department. This was only for MSC 225, because no alternative tutorial sessions existed,

Ms. Balcombe also writes about other problems like tutors lack of knowledge, and small crowded rooms with nowhere to sit."

The CIS Societies Assignment Tutorials take place in a computer lab (usually in Loyola 279). Both tutors are 4th year CIS Majors with a great depth of knowledge and up to three years of marking and tutoring experience. The lab contains approximately 32 workstations, therefore, no students have to "sit on the floor". Students who attend our Assignment Tutorials do not get their assignment done for them. The tutors review and explain assignment topics to those students who need further clarification. Many students, who attend our help sessions, have expressed their appreciation and satisfaction for the service we provide. On the other hand, the Finance and Management Science Department hosts free MSC205 tutorials in various different rooms at different times to accommodate students' needs.

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We are just students at this newspaper. We have no large power overseeing and governing every step we make. We are not controlled by the corporate dollar.

This case was never more evident as it was shown last Saturday at the football game at Husky Stadium. We published our annual Atlantic Bowl Supplement for the eleventh time prior to the game and we had every intention of handing the issue out as we had for the ten years before now.

The Atlantic University Sport (AUS) rents out Husky Stadium every year for the Atlantic Bowl, and they control all aspects within the gates. Having control of whatever is done in the stadium, also means they get to sell advertising to corporations wishing to cash in on the immense popularity of the football game. When a little student newspaper, like ourselves, decides to sell advertising that conflicts with the various corporations that the AUS has sponsoring the event, intimidation and harassment starts to become evident.

Our pleasant distribution personnel started handing out our issue, outside the stadium gates, and outside the control of the AUS. They were immediately told to stop by event organizers, and a virtual war ensued over who had the right to be there. The truth is, we have every right to distribute our paper on our campus and there isn't anything the AUS could do to stop us. Despite the fact that they found it necessary to call in support from SMU Facilities Management, SMUSA, and later SMU Campus Security, they were still wrong. Some of the Journal personnel were even threatened to be arrested, imagine that, arrested for giving our student newspaper on our own campus.

They eventually conceded victory to us after all threats were shot down by our trusty staff, but it would appear that we haven't heard the last from them. On their last attempt to stop us, words were exchanged to the effect that next year the AUS would see that we aren't even given the opportunity to make a supplement. I personally guarantee that if we wish to make and distribute an Atlantic Bowl issue next year, everyone will see it outside the gates, as per usual.

My question for the AUS is where did you ever get the idea you could bully your way around Saint Mary's campus like you owned it? We acknowledged that you rented out the stadium, and we never distributed the paper in there. Yet your domineering attitude and self proclaimed power over us seemed to be nonexistent when the horrible truth of who was right was finally realized. Poor sportsmanship guys.

T.M.

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These are not mandatory, but rather the department hosts them to offer extra help to students who are having difficulty with the course. I have personally attended these sessions and found them helpful. However, many students expect help on assignment questions, which is not the purpose of these sessions.

I believe that the article misrepresents what our society is trying to do. Our goal

this year is to help students with CIS courses that they find difficult. We are not trying to replace the MSC 225 lab classes, which the department held in previous years, but to offer additional help to the students. You are welcome to contact us to verify any information about our services.

Barb Curry
CIS Society President

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Gain valuable experience with SMU BDC

by Andrew Spencer

For those students interested in the opportunity to gain practical business consulting experience before you graduate, please read on. The Saint Mary's University Business Development Centre (SMU BDC) provides undergraduate and graduate commerce students the opportunity to apply many of the academic courses to the real-world by allowing you to become a business consultant. You may have seen the SMU BDC office downtown on Barrington Street (across from the MTT building). The Centre was established in

1989, by the now SMU president Dr. Colin Dodds, to help people realize their entrepreneurial potential. The Centre was modeled on American-based University Business Development Centres that use business students to help local entrepreneurs.

SMU BDC, which is a division of Saint Mary's University, provides a range of consulting services to local and national public and private organizations, while allowing

business students to gain valuable experience and credit toward their degree. The mission of the Centre is "to develop client and student entrepreneurial potential through the delivery of cost-effective business solutions". Some of the projects students work on are: business plans, marketing plans, market studies, promo-

knowledge and understanding of business in general. I am currently working with two fellow colleagues on a strategic marketing plan to help a local business identify growth opportunities in the US. Usually there are two or three students assigned to each project under the supervision of a senior consultant. With most

worth the effort, and is a great way to build your resume with hands-on experience. Employers are looking for graduates who have the ability to handle large comprehensive projects from beginning to end. This consulting course is a great way to show potential employers that you have this skill set.

Eric Crowell, BDC Director, explains "the hands on experience students get here is like the difference between studying piano theory, and sitting down in front of a real piano," he reflects, "I tell the students, 'here is your chance to get in front of the piano!' That's what this centre is about." You just don't know where your next job may come from. Some consulting students have gone on to work for their clients. As well,

the Centre often hires part-time students to help with specific projects, and full-time students after graduation to become associate consultants.

Final year BComm students can register for the course in the fall or winter terms under any one of the following disciplines: ACC 475, MGT 498, MKT 495, FIN 491, or MSC 491. But don't expect to use only one specialized area of knowledge. Each project requires you to use skills learned in other courses and helps to bridge links between accounting, management, marketing, and finance.

Final year MBA students can register for the course in the fall, summer, or winter terms under MBA 698. MBA students can now choose between doing a Management

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tional plans, strategic plans, financial projections, feasibility studies, and other special projects.

Currently this term there are over 30 students participating in the course with projects varying from the start up of web-based businesses to growth opportunities for international organizations. I can tell you from first hand experience that this is an outstanding opportunity for business students to build on their

projects you are required to perform research on a problem or opportunity, analyze options, and present your findings and recommendations to a faculty board and finally to your client. Student consultants meet with the client several times during the term, and present a first draft and second draft to a faculty board, who provide recommendations on how to work through the project. It sounds like a lot of work, but it is well

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Major tax cuts intended by all federal parties

by Andrew Spencer

The federal election on Monday November 27th is fast approaching, and although there are several different areas to weigh in your decision, each party's proposed tax policy should be considered. With a national budget surplus and a growing economy, all parties are proposing to reduce taxes should they become the next elected party. As students, it is important for us to be aware of all the parties' policies, and as we graduate and start our careers, these tax changes will affect our future. It is often difficult to compare all the parties proposed tax platforms, but recently the accounting firm of KPMG prepared a 'Canadian Tax Letter' to cut through the election campaign and summarize the tax policy positions of each of the federal parties. This report is available at www.kpmg.com, or you can view the individual parties' 'Policy Documents' available on their websites. But if you don't want to read through

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Research Paper (MRP), or the Management Consulting Project (MCP) to fulfill degree requirements. All students both undergrad and graduate must apply to the center before registering for the course.

these long documents, here is a brief summary of 5 of the tax policy platforms of each of the major parties.

1.) Personal tax rates.

On October 18th the Liberals, led by Jean Chretien, presented a 'mini-budget', which would add a fourth tax bracket and accelerate previously announced federal tax rate cuts. Income up to \$30,754 would be taxed at 16%, plus 22% on income from \$30,755 to \$61,509, plus 26% on income from \$61,510-\$100,000. The new tax bracket would be \$100,000 and up, which will have a tax rate of 29%. The liberals are also claiming to eliminate the high-income surtax for 2001.

The Canadian Alliance, led by Stockwell Day, are planning to simplify the income tax rates to just two brackets, 17% on income up to \$100,000, and 25% on income over \$100,000. The party would also eliminate the federal high-income surtax.

The NDP party, led by Alexa McDonough would maintain the liberal govern-

ment's 2000 budget commitment to reduce the tax rate on the middle tax bracket to 23%, while the PC party, led by Joe Clark, have not mentioned tax rate changes in their document.

2.) Basic personal and spousal amounts.

These represent the amount that an individual and his or her spouse can earn tax-free, and are currently \$7,231 and \$6,140 respectively. The Liberals do not address this area in their document. The Canadian Alliance plan to increase both the basic personal and spousal exemption amounts to \$10,000. The PC party plans to increase the basic personal and spousal amounts to \$12,000 in stages by 2005. The NDP are simply proposing to "ensure no individual earning \$15,000 or less per year pays federal tax", according to the "NDP Commitment to Canadians".

3.) Retirement savings.

Currently Canadians can make a tax-deductible contribution of up to 18% of the prior years' earnings to a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP), to a maximum of \$13,500. This amount is reduced by an employer-sponsored registered pension plan (RPP) amount if your employer has one. The amount of foreign investments held in an RRSP is limited to 25% for 2000, and 30% for 2001. The Canadian Alliance plans to increase the RRSP/RPP con-

tribution limit to 30% from 18%, and increase the foreign content amount to an unspecified amount. The Conservatives plan to dramatically increase the foreign content limit to 50%. The PC party also plans to investigate allowing individuals to roll a portion of their Employment Insurance (EI) contribution into an RRSP upon retirement.

4.) Capital gains.

Any gain on the sale of capital property (stocks, small-businesses, real estate other than your principle property, etc) are taxed if the sale price is greater than the original purchase price. Currently only two-thirds of this gain is taxable, called an inclusion rate. The Liberals plan to reduce this inclusion rate to 50% for dispositions after October 17, 2000, as do the Alliance. The Conservatives plan to eliminate this tax altogether for individuals, and tax businesses 50% on capital gains. The New Democrats plan to tax the entire gain for both individuals and businesses, but keep existing exemptions for qualifying small businesses and farm property.

5.) Student tax and loan relief.

The Liberals intend to increase the education amount to \$400 per month for full-time students (from \$200) and to \$120 per month for part-time students. The NDP intend to make the Canada Student Loan Program interest-free

during the life of a loan and credit all interest repaid since 1995 as payment on the principal of the loan. They also intend to work with the provinces on an immediate freeze on tuition fees to be followed by a strategy to roll back fees to 1995 levels. The PC party intends to end the taxation of scholarships awarded to students in colleges and universities. They intend to change the repayment terms for Canada Student Loans, to provide that loans are repaid as a percentage of net after tax income starting the first full working year after graduation. The PC government also would like to introduce a tax credit for post-secondary students repaying Canada Student Loans to a maximum of 10 per cent of the loan principal, per year, for the first 10 years after graduation, provided they remain employed in Canada.

The tax policy platforms listed here do not form a complete list. For more information please visit the websites www.liberal.ca, www.ndp.ca, www.canadianalliance.ca, www.pcparty.ca for the complete policy documents. However, it does appear that the parties are all proposing tax cuts to all individuals to try and get your vote. Make sure you are aware of these tax policies, and the other various platforms when you vote next Monday.

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Gitty old person

Barb,
No more inflatables
Happy DD

Kent St.,
Wake up and smell the concrete.
Bainass

Santa,
For Christmas, please give me some lights which I desperately need.
Gorsebrook lower dance floor

Purple Toenails & Sandals,
Do you still go to school or what?

Guy who noticed

Pit Crew,
Thanks for a great three years. I'll visit next year!
Stallion

Everyone,
Whoops!
Hypnotized Paulie D

Big Sook,
The puppy dog faces are BS.
So-not a fire engine

News Editor,
I'm gonna miss you. Thanks for the warmth on Saturday.
Steve

Grads,
Start thinking about the Grad Trip in April. It would make a great Christmas gift.
Grad Class Exec.

Lonely,
Come on over and see for yourself!
Needs some Action

Football Huskies,
You're still #1 in our books, and we were with you right til the end.
Pit Crew

AUS,
We'll give our paper where we want, not where you want.
Journal

Saturday Night Host,
Thanks for the party... it was just what was needed after the afternoon.
Loves Baja and Appleton

Squash Chicks,
I swear its my alarm clock!
Not getting up at 8 again

Spanky,
'Fieds only work if you send them back too.
Bare Chin

sTRO,
OK, \$175 for the player, final offer.
J. Boss

Thong Lover,
You are horrible and evil!
Single and Loving it

Ange,
At least you don't like little boys.
Lesbian Bunny Owner

J.E.,
Sorry to hear that you've been missing out on your valuable beauty sleep.

WI

J.E.,
How do you run so fast with such short stubby legs?
Wondering Why

Hypnotist Guy,
I can't believe I did that!
Chair Humping Girl

Christine,
Wow, you got a 'fied.
Wrote you a 'Fied

Ange,
When is the next orgy?
Waiting for some Action

Hypnotist Guy,
I wasn't hypnotized, but I didn't wanna run the risk of you beating the s#!t outta me if I didn't play along.
Afraid of stronger guys

Ad Bitch,
Way to pick a fight with everyone at the game. You're my hero.
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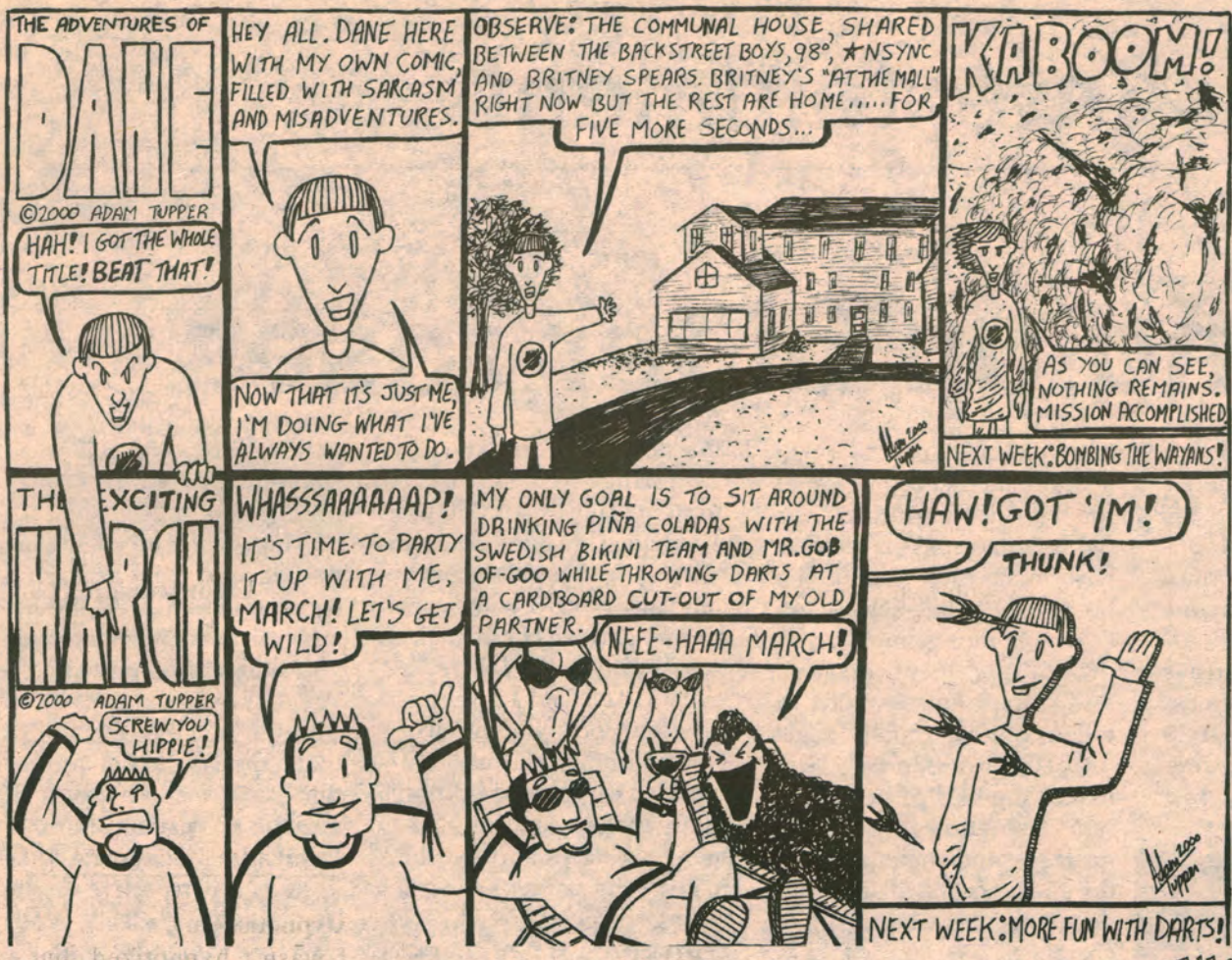
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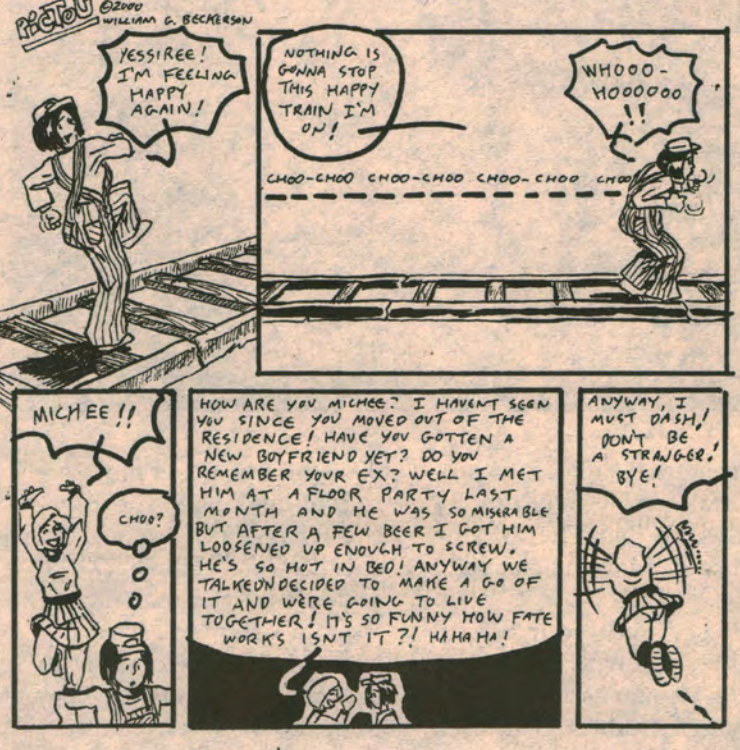
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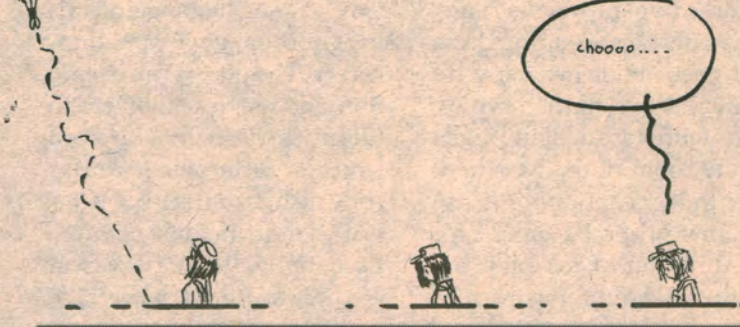
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Life's coming up bitter roses

by Marcin Modzynski

A successful one-person play is a challenge to produce for all involved, from the playwright, to the set designer to the actor. However, once achieved, the successful one-person play is a powerful, captivating and impressive show. *Bitter Rose*, which played at the DuMaurier Theatre from

wrote *Three Storey, Ocean View*, which just finished a highly successful run in the province, has written a captivating and relevant play which will speak to anyone that happens to see it. Although the subject matter is specifically about and directed mostly towards women, I still found some incredible parallels between what Rose had

and feistiness necessary to keep the audience interested for the full hour and a half (with no intermission). Rose is so much more than just a housewife, telling her story in a 'woe is me' manner, but a proud, intelligent, creative and outspoken woman to whom life continually deals unfortunate hands. She makes the best of her situations, sometimes she makes mistakes, and sometimes she does what no one else would do, making her simply a great character.

Rose is made such a great

character initially by Catherine Banks, but is brought to life by Amy House. Alternately breaking down, to being excited as a little girl, to dancing the waltz with an imaginary partner, House makes Rose a truly believable representation of Banks' message. Between House and the incorporation of quick quasi-costume changes, a seemingly plain set that actually had many working and useable features (i.e. paints, slide projector), and everyone and everything else involved, the play

is fleshed out and fully realized into a three dimensional production.

This was an excellent play that portrayed the trials and tribulations of a wife, mother and artist in a way that made you sympathize, pity and respect Rose as she went through her life, the things that happened to her and the things she made happen. If ever this production returns to Halifax, it is worth seeing as it offers a perspective on life that may be closer to your own than you think.



November 15th to 18th, is a one-woman show written by Catherine Banks with Amy House playing the character Rose.

Rose is not your typical middle-aged wife and mother; she is also an aspiring artist, although she does not have an existing body of work yet. After 16 years of marriage, Rose puts on a wedding dress and goes about her daily responsibilities, and the play starts with Rose arriving in the family room of the basement after grocery shopping. Rose remains in the basement for the duration of the play, exploring and recanting the conflicting interests of a wife, mother and artist.

Once again credit must be placed upon all involved in this production. First, Catherine Banks, who also

gone through in her life to arrive in her current position, and what could very well lie ahead of me. However, the underlying theme is definitely woman oriented, covering many issues that woman of all ages face today and every day, from the bias between men and women on Valentine's Day to the challenge of raising children while pursuing a career. The play is full of emotion, and ran from moments of hilarity to despair, with a continuous bittersweet undertone, punctuated by times with small beams of hope. Essentially, the play was incredibly full, but not overly so, so a true sense of realism was passed on, although extreme at times, of the complexities of what may seem to some as a simple life. Rose's eccentricity gives the play the spark

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Ballet over boxing

by Audrey Dianne Verge

If you are only going to see one movie this holiday season go see *Billy Elliot*. It is sad, moving, happy, and intense all at the same time. This is not just a dance movie; the story of the title character is heartwarming and inspiring to everyone. You would have to be very heartless not to enjoy it.

Billy (played extraordinarily well by Jamie Bell, a bright new star on the scene) is an eleven-year-old boy living in Yorkshire, in northern Eng-

land during the mid-1980s. His family, led by a tough father (played by Gary Lewis), is struggling to make ends meet while a coal miner's strike brings work in their town to a halt. His older brother (played by Jamie Draven) is the epitome of frustration and disenfranchisement as he battles against riot police and scabs during the strike. Billy, meanwhile, is almost oblivious to the chaos going on around him. He is forced to take boxing lessons by his father who wants him to be manly only to find Mrs.

Wilkinson's ballet class is more attractive. Naturally, when the father and brother find out about his new love of dance they are disgusted and ban him from participating. The family starts to tear apart and a crisis erupts.

This is an excellent movie, by far the best I have seen this year. Even though it runs short at only 1 hour and 30 minutes the movie is full of emotion and spirit. The plot never lets go, driving Billy and his family to the final scene. The film, which is about people finding a way out of bad

situations, is revitalising and refreshing. The only problem I had with the film was the thick northern British accents, which are difficult to decipher at times. I would place very good odds on this movie receiving several Oscar nominations, including best picture, and more than a few wins. I personally give it a rating of five out of five stars.



Sandler gives 'em hell

by Marcin Modzynski

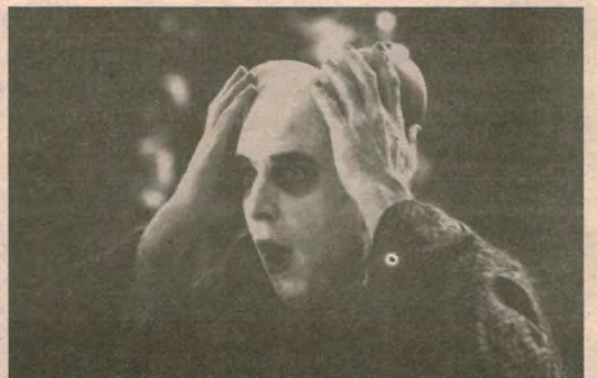
As a big Adam Sandler fan, I was, of course, very excited to hear that his new movie,

Little Nicky, was in production however many months ago. But then I saw a trailer for the movie, and something happened to me that's never hap-

pened before. I thought to myself, "That doesn't look very funny at all—in fact, it looks pretty stupid." It was horrible, I felt as if Adam Sandler had betrayed me and I in turn was betraying him. I decided to try to make the best of the situation, figuring that Sandler had never let me down before, I have faith. So, my birthday rolled around, and in accordance with tradition, my two best friends and I went to see a movie of my choosing, and I chose *Little Nicky*.

The movie stars Sandler as Nicky, one of the Devil's (played with great style by Harvey Keitel) three sons. The

Prince of Darkness' reign of ten thousand years is almost up, and he must announce on of his sons as successor. However, with Cassius (Tommy "Tiny" Lister, Jr.) being too fierce and brutish, Adrian (Rhys Ifans) too ruthless and cunning, and Nicky is too slow and sweet, the Devil proclaims he will extend his reign for another ten thousand years until on eof his sons is



ready to take over. Cassius and Adrian are understandable upset, since both wanted the job, and proceed to leave hell and attempt to build their own Hell on earth. By leav-

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Two Arnie's are better than one

by Dane Butler

Indeed two Arnold's are better than one. In the new science fiction thriller *The 6th Day*, the Austrian superstar teams up with himself to deliver twice the action and twice the cheesy catch phrases, such as "You should clone yourself while you're still alive...so you can go f*** yourself." So what do you expect when you go see an

Arnold movie? Moderate plot, funny lines, at least one broken neck and lots of gunplay and action. Surprise, surprise that's exactly what you find in this flick. What is more surprising is that it's actually a pretty good movie as opposed to his last two efforts *End of Days* and *Eraser*, although I did like both of those movies.

Arnold is one of the stars you have to love; his charm is undeniable, especially in ac-

tion hero roles. In this movie, Arnold plays Adam Gibson, a helicopter pilot and proprietor of an extreme adventures company. Through a slightly hurried and convoluted course of events he comes to find out that he has been cloned. From there he must find out why he was cloned without endangering his family. This movie is ripe with political content. It's a surprisingly open dialogue on the

prospect of human cloning and the potential of genetic engineering. For example, the 'Repet' company which clones your pets, or the absolutely terrifying 'Sim-Pals' (those things are creepy). So along the way lots of people get killed, Robert Duvall and his wife give moving performances and Arnold saves his family.

What else can I say, I really liked this movie, more so than I certainly thought I would. Between the typical Arnold fare that I find enjoyable, a bizarre but interesting directing style, and lots of yucky make up effects, I've gotta give it up

for this one. On a Dane and March scale of 1 to 10... I give it 7 March's out of 10. That means it's funny and it sure as hell beats watching golf on TV.



Sandler gives 'em hell

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ing through the fiery Gates of Hell, they freeze them, stopping the flow of souls, which slowly begins the decay and death of the Devil. Nicky is sent to earth in order to retrieve his brothers and restore his father. Many adventures and misadventures ensue, Sandler-style, as Nicky does everything he can to achieve his goal, from releasing his evil, to finding out who is true mother is (and not the mountain goat his brothers had told him as a practical joke.)

To compare the movie to his previous efforts, *Little Nicky* would have to fall somewhere between *Big Daddy* and *The Wedding Singer*, but not quite as good as those.

The thing that really bugged me was the physical side of Sandler's character. While his brothers stand up straight, talk normally, but still are total extremes, full of eccentricities that make them great characters, Nicky walks hunched over and talks with a weird lisp with his lips con-



tinuously screwed up in what looks like a bad Elvis Presley impression. The defect is ex-

plained (his brothers smoked him in the face with a shovel once), but it's more annoying than endearing. However, the movie did have some good points, with some great cameos, from Quentin Tarantino, to Reese Witherspoon, to Rodney Dangerfield, and many more, all popping up at perfect times to add more laughs. Overall, there are lots of hilarious moments, especially the pillow fight between Nicky and Adrian.

To all you Sandler fans out there, don't be dissuaded by the trailer. If you're like me, it might look bad, and the movie is not one of his best, but it's still a hell of a good time.



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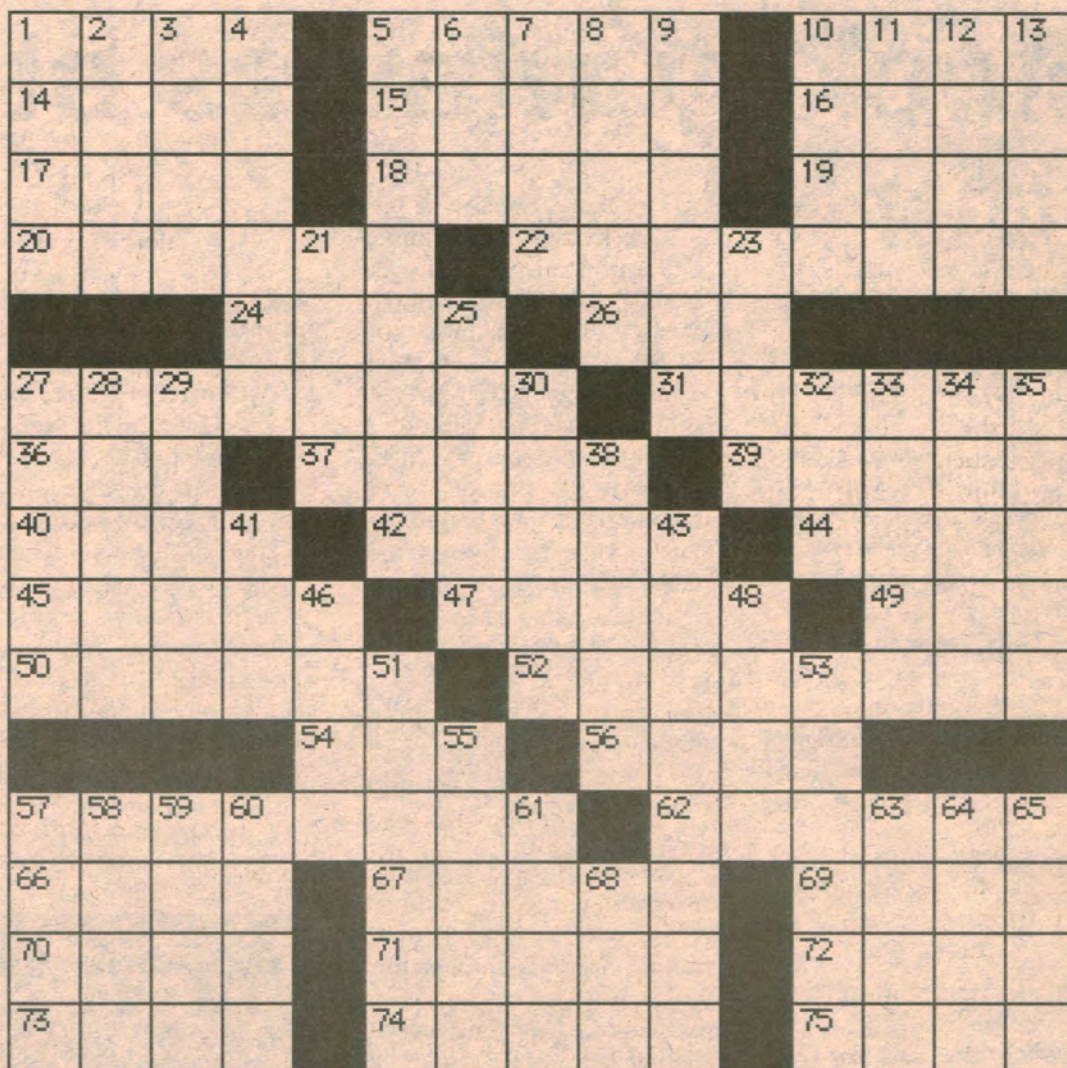
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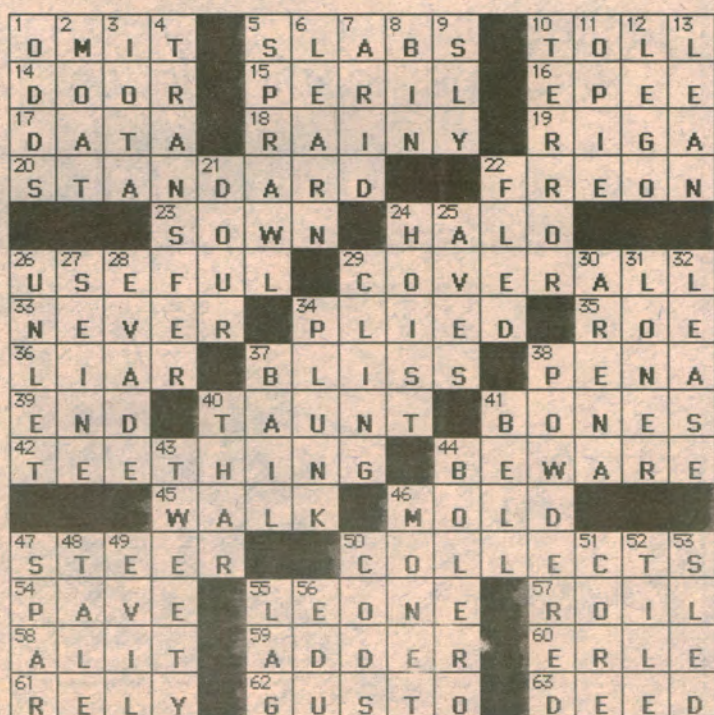
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Hockey winless streak grows to four

Kelly Division rivals steal two from SMU

by Daniel Bonner

Surviving. That may just be the best word for the Saint Mary's Hockey Huskies right now. SMU is currently operating on a skeleton crew, with many key players down with various injuries. Heading into this past week of action the Huskies sat in the middle of a tight Conference race. Their first game pit them up against the 8th nationally ranked team of Dalhousie, while their other game was against the always defensively tight Acadia Axemen.

Tuesday night the cross-town rivalry of SMU and DAL was rekindled when the Huskies traveled the eight blocks to Tiger country. Saint Mary's hushed the roughly 1,000 partisan fans just three minutes into the game when the Huskies leading point man Jim Midgley added to his total by scoring shorthanded to give SMU the 1-0 early lead. The Tigers responded five minutes later courtesy of their captain Marty Johnston to tie the game at one after twenty minutes. The second period opened uneventfully as it took nearly fifteen more minutes for the red light to shine, this time behind the SMU net as Dalhousie pulled ahead at a count of 2-1. Just 35 seconds

from the second intermission, Husky veteran defenseman Steve Gallace brought SMU even, adding a goal to the assist he attained on Midgley's goal, make the score after forty 2-2. SMU's hopes for taking the game from the nationally ranked Tigers faded near the halfway point of the Third period as DAL scored to take a one-goal lead. In the final minute with the Husky netminder on the bench, Johnston potted his second of the game into the yawning cage to make the final a 4-2 Tiger victory.

Friday night the Acadia Axemen came to Alumni Arena with victory on their minds. Acadia's problem this season has been scoring goals, as their total of 24 goals for put them last in the conference in that category, more than fifteen goals less than the Huskies. Acadia's problem this year has definitely not been defense, as their total of 30 goals against is good enough for best in the conference. The net result was Acadia's 4-5-2 record they brought with them to Saint Mary's. SMU obviously not fazed by the stats continued their trend of scoring first, this time by Brett Gibson, just 3 minutes after the drop of the puck. The Husky lead would not last

long though as Acadia responded less than half a minute later to tie the game at 1. SMU forward Billy Manley pocketed his 3rd of the year, the Huskies second on the night, to give SMU the 2-1 intermission lead. In the second period the Husky fans in Alumni Arena saw a site they've seen frequently this year, a SMU lead evaporate, as the Axemen scored twice early to take the lead at 3-2. Husky forward Brian Barker then answered the call six minutes from the end of the second period to draw the Huskies level as they

went to the dressing rooms. The third period saw no goals but still plenty of action as SMU goalie Brent Zelenewich was kept busy by 18 Acadia shots as opposed to SMU's 10. Overtime was a different story as within the first minute the Huskies would register two shots on goal, only to have Acadia spoil the party, scoring on their first shot of the period to make the final 4-3 Axemen in OT.

The Huskies watched two more close games slip away this week, which meant the Huskies winless streak has

grown to four games, their last win coming more than two weeks ago. The game against Acadia marked the Huskies halfway point in the season and the new standings show that the Huskies have slipped into a tie for 5th place in the conference with those aforementioned Axemen who have played two fewer games. This coming week has the Huskies standing in at home twice more, first on Friday night against UNB; then UPEI comes to town on Saturday, both games at 7pm.

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Bad gnus, Huskies lose

Regina rams way to Vanier Cup berth in 3rd consecutive upset

by J. Andrew Barbour

This is truly one story I don't want to write. Ever. Unfortunately, no one else will do it. This past weekend, the Saint Mary's Huskies met the University of Regina Rams in what was supposed to be a simple throttling. The Rams, 0-8 last year and just 4-4 this year, seemed to be little more than an empty threat to the Huskies' stellar performance this season, according to the stats. The dogs weren't too smug to underestimate the Rams, and came in full force to the game - they play football to win, and have been able

to step up and meet the challenges up to this point.

The game began with Regina's possession, which appeared futile against the juggernauts on Huskie defense. After punting the ball away quickly, the Huskies were able to capitalize on a three-play, 78-yard drive, starting with a long bomb, and ending with a Perez rush of 5 yards into the endzone. At this point, many of the fans heaved a sigh of relief, the Huskies had everything in control. This too was very premature. On the ensuing plays, the Rams made good on a touchdown, and then another.

Deep into the second quarter, SMU started to mount the comeback, with another Luis Perez run for the TD, only to be followed by a Regina field goal. The score was 24-14 as the teams headed into the locker rooms for halftime.

In the third quarter, the Huskies seemed back to their naturally athletic selves and made another long drive, this time ending in a Dean Jones 5 yard TD run. The Huskies defense were able to stop the Rams from making much headway, and the Huskies got the ball back. This time the drive ended with a Chris Breckenridge field goal attempt going wide and super-deep, giving the Huskies a single-point rouge. The score at the end of the third showed the Huskies on a comeback, 24-22.

The first half of the fourth quarter was nothing short of dynamic for the Maroon and White. Quite possibly the sweetest play I've ever witnessed at Huskies' Stadium happened when on a Regina punt, Kyl Morrison jumped to the heavens to knock that ball down, only to scoop it up and return it for a touchdown. I wasn't able to see TSN Sportsdesk (nor did I really want to hear what I already



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knew repeated), but I bet that probably made it on the air, and maybe even as a candidate for Highlight of the night. Finally the Huskies were leading, soon to have a cushion, following yet another Luis Perez run on third and goal, on an 9 play, 88 yard possession. Things were looking good. The following kickoff was returned by Regina's Neil Hughes 89 yards for the touchdown, giving SMU just a 5-point lead. Sadly, the offensive Huskies were unable to move the ball much, but thankfully, the defensive dogs held the Rams off for a while. With two minutes left, the Huskies conceded a safety to the Rams, hoping to hold them off as they had been, for just a few seconds more. Miraculously, on the following kickoff, the ball ended up in

the hands of Neil Hughes, this time running back 60-odd yards. One play later, the Rams scored the knife-twister, setting them up 40-36. On the Huskies' possessions, the Rams stepped up and held off any offensive movement, regaining possession, and all but running the clock down to its final seconds before handing the ball back to SMU. On a Hail Mary pass, the ball couldn't make it much further than mid-field, ending the game. Had the Huskies had just one more minute, I'm sure it would've been a whole different story. Unfortunately, it wasn't so. The Rams won their third straight post-season game as underdogs and will be meeting the Ottawa Gee Gee's in the Vanier Cup, on TSN Dec.2 @ 5pm.



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