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SMUSA Page

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A message from your Vice President Academic, SMUSA

How would you like the above notation as the last entry on your transcript from Saint Mary's University? Unfortunately, for some, it is an all too familiar reality. This open-ended statement points to a serious issue found at all levels of the education system including right here on our own campus. The issue I'm referring to is plagiarism.

Saint Mary's Academic Regulation 19 (b) defines plagiarism as “the presentation of words, ideas, or techniques of another as one's own” (p.26, 2001/02 Academic Calendar). Whether this is failing to offer proper citations or references in a term-paper, handing in another student's assignment as your own work, downloading text from the Internet or cheating during a test by copying from your neighbor, all constitute forms of plagiarism and all have serious implications for those involved.

This article is the first in a three-part series examining how plagiarism is identified, how cases are dealt with, and how we, as a university (administration, faculty, and students), can prevent it.

So, first of all, how does it happen? Why would anyone pay for a university education,

and then make the choice and take the risks associated with plagiarizing? As you can imagine, there are many factors involved. Some students simply do not realize they're committing an offense. Many people are ignorant of the rules and the ethical issues involved with academics.



Whether because of inadequate instruction (current or previous), or having always done it and never been corrected, some people do not realize it is wrong to use another person's ideas as their own, or they don't know how to give credit in the appropriate fashion.

For some, it is a matter of time and stress – too little of

one, too much of the other. Taking a full course-load often means having several assignments, projects, papers, or tests due all at once, and with tight deadlines and high stress, the temptation to take advantage of a short-cut may be too great to ignore or the student honestly believes there is no other option. Not surprisingly, many students take this risk because they really don't believe they will ever get caught. It is not uncommon to hear students say “Professors don't really read through the whole paper” or “there's no way a professor could know every study ever done on this topic”. But those students would be surprised at just how many ways are available for professors to identify various forms of plagiarism.

There are some obvious clues a professor will pick up on right away. Improper references or unusual formatting are big ones. Some students will copy and paste information from encyclopedias or web-sites directly into their documents, yet fail to edit out internal references or citations already included. When the text is

inconsistent with the reference section (or lack of), it is obvious something is wrong. Professors can also easily identify the difference between the writing of an undergraduate student and that of a famous historian or a Ph.D. quality thesis. As well, professors do teach classes in their professional discipline and chances are they will be familiar with a lot of the studies and work done in that subject area, especially with regard to what's available for their students to reference.

To give you an example, one actual incident occurred when a professor noticed that one of his students (whom we'll call Arthur) had submitted a paper identical to a document posted on the Internet. This was from a web-site designed for people to download other people's papers and assignments and turn them in as their own. The case became even more complicated after Arthur admitted that, yes, his paper did come from the web, but, he claimed, it was his paper all along and that he was the one who posted the work on the web. He claimed he simply used the paper in this class as well, and, he stated, he had every right to do so. This was a difficult case for the University to settle, but, in the end, the ruling went against the student. And, just as two

parties involved in copying homework are both judged to be guilty, Arthur added to his guilt by submitting his work to the web for others to copy.

Obviously the Internet has brought new and increased opportunities to cheat but it has also given professors new ways to detect plagiarism. Professors are becoming increasingly aware of ways students use the Internet to cheat, and, in fact, a number of universities are now using the Internet and commercially provided computer programs to detect cases of cheating and plagiarism.

Regardless of the nature of the attempt, professors, markers, and anyone involved in the education system are prepared to identify both obvious and subtle forms of plagiarism, which will stimulate an investigation. Many educators view the quality of students' learning as a high priority, and feel it is necessary that academic honesty and integrity be upheld.

In next week's article, the focus will move to a more crucial stage in the process, and we'll look at what happens when a student is charged with plagiarism.

If you have any questions on this or any other academic issue, please contact me anytime at 496-8710, or vpacademic.smusa@stmary.ca.

Universities unite

by Jeremy Strong

Brent Jewers has been working for months to plan a concert fundraiser involving all three metro universities. Jewers is a student at Saint Mary's University, as well as the director of a volunteer group of students. His fundraiser is called “Fusion”, and will take place on January 18th, 2002.

The efforts of Mr. Jewers are apparent; one only has to visit the Fusion website, www.HalifaxFusion.com, to see for themselves the work that has gone into this benefit function. The site allows it's

visitors to vote online about the time the event should begin, whether a bus service to and from the venue is desired, and most importantly, which charity will receive the entire take from the event.

The list of organizations, from which one will be selected, will receive an estimated ten to twenty thousand dollars. The list includes; Aids Coalition of Nova Scotia, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Wee Care Developmental Center, Adsum House, Children's Wish Foundation, Canadian Red Cross, The Salvation

Army, Metro SPCA, Phoenix House, Canadian Cancer Society, Metro Food Bank, Kids Help Phone, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and the Parkinsons Foundation.

As of print time, the Aids coalition of Nova Scotia was leading in the polls with roughly thirty one per cent of the votes. You can still vote for the charity of your choice if you log on to the website. If an accurate per centage cannot be obtained over the Internet, then there will be a cheer-o-meter at the event to decide.

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When brainstorming for the event, Mr. Jewers and his associates at all three metro universities did not forget about incentives. There will be some excellent prizes given out at Fusion or through their website, including a Microsoft Xbox, \$500 at footlocker, a trip to Toronto, a day at the Spa, an acoustic guitar package, pizzas and some cool door prizes for the first couple of hundred people through the doors.

The people behind Fusion also know how to have a good time, and are proving it by the lineup of excellent entertainers set to perform. So far the list includes; Steve Poltz (the co-writer who helped launch the career of singer/songwriter Jewel), The Guthries, Human, Swifter, Carlo Spinazzola, Amelia Curran, Dale Letcher and Rock Ranger.

There will be two stages at the show, which takes place at the Electropolis Motion Picture Studio. One stage will be for the Rock bands and the other will be for the singer-songwriters.

The most exciting aspect of Fusion is that it combines an awesome party, with a humanitarian goal. That goal is to use the unifying power of the three universities to raise a large amount of money for charity. Even more astounding is the fact that Mr. Jewers plans to make Fusion an annual event, so that every year the popularity will grow, in the hopes that each year the charity of choice will receive greater and greater support.

It would not be possible to pull off an event of this magnitude without support, and support is something that the event co-coordinators have certainly managed to arouse in the community. The list of supporting and contributing companies is certainly impressive, including some local agencies. The list includes but is not limited to; The Halifax Daily News, Sobeys, Atmosphere Entertainment, Q104, Music Stop, Electropolis, The Coast, Molson Canadian, Smirnoff, Travel Cuts, HMV, Dasani, Aramark, and Xbox (Microsoft).

That list contains familiar names, ones that many

students can relate to. The hope is that after this year's event is a raging success, more and more sponsors will jump on board in the years to come, and soon Fusion will be a dynasty of donation, a landmark of goodwill, All started by students.

In an interview on Monday afternoon, Mr. Jewers, a well-spoken and energetic individual, told this reporter that he has now collected almost 2300 prizes, more than enough for everyone who walks through the door at Fusion to get a little something.

"I wanted everybody to have a chance at winning the big prizes, and everyone else to get something anyway," said Jewers, who did almost all of the prize canvassing himself, "It's not hard. I just go around to all the businesses and explain what I'm doing, then ask them to help. Most of them are really great about it. You get some who don't donate, but on the whole we live in a fantastic community, and I have had no trouble getting local businesses to help out."

Jewers designed the web site for Fusion entirely on his own, and he encourages people to log on and sign up for their favorite charities, as well as for their favorite prizes.

When asked what motivates him to raise money for charity, Jewers explained; "A lot of people think they can do something to help, but not everyone does do something. It's easy. You just have to do it. If you want to build a basketball court tomorrow, talk to some people today and it will be done."

Jewers also explained more about how Fusion came

about, and where he sees it going in the future; "It (Fusion) first started out as me wanting to do something in the wake of the terrorist attacks. I wanted to mobilize the students to help out, to send our support. Then there was a lot of controversy surrounding where the money from certain agencies was going, and if it was being spent properly, and I started thinking, hmm, what could we do to help out here at home, in our community, in Halifax."

When asked if Fusion would become an annual event, Jewers was quick to respond; "Of course. But I just want to jump start it. I want it to be taken over by the universities next year, and have it become a tradition." Jewers wants this year's Fusion concert to be a model upon which the following years organizers can build and build.

When asked if he felt that fundraising was his calling, Jewers said that; "No. Not at all. Anyone can do this, if they just put their mind to it. But I do feel like I'm running a business right now, that's how much work I'm putting in." Jewers maintains that he is not a professional fundraiser, but that the job simply requires persistence and determination.

During the interview, Mr. Jewers also further explained the importance of the fact that the students choose the charity; "The students choosing which charity they want their money to go to is key. This is an event organized by the students and promoted as a tri-university event, but everyone is invited.

Anyone can buy a ticket. I'm just giving the students first dibs; by giving them fair warning. Get your tickets fast, because there are only 1500 available."

Finally, Jewers also wants to remind concert goers of a couple of things; "Bring cash. I'm having trouble getting a bank machine for the event, so get your cash in advance. Also remember there will be a free shuttle service for your convenience, so you can get to and from the universities no problem."

Look in next week's issue for a follow up article as we get closer and closer to this huge event. Remember Fusion, Friday January 18th, 7:00pm, \$10.00 advance tickets, \$12.00 at the door. Go to www.HalifaxFusion.com for further details.

Husky spirit spreads

by Jeremy Strong

In November of 2001, Rob Finn, the General Manager of the SMUSA student's council at Saint Mary's University, received a letter from the students and also a letter from the Vice-Principal regarding their school in Cape Breton, called Cape Breton Highlands Academy.

CBHA is a newly formed school, which consists of students from the former Margaree Forks District High, and from NDA High School in Cheticamp. The new school at first experienced problems with integration, the students feeling as though they had lost their school identities. Many felt troubled at being placed in a new school with students from schools other than their own. Then the students from the two different schools discovered that they had similar interests, including an interest in sports. A friendship developed between students of both schools that quickly gave CBHA it's own unique identity.

Honoring Saint Mary's University in a way that perhaps will never be duplicated, the students of the

newly formed high school chose the name of Huskies to represent their sports teams. In one of the letters that Mr. Finn received, the students described their selection as a desire to represent strength, loyalty and ferociousness. The same students went on to say that after the first official year of CBHA, more students chose to go on to Saint Mary's University than to all other universities combined.

At CBHA, Hockey quickly became the leading sport, as it is a large component of the community. Although admitting that their players were competing at a lower level than the surrounding schools, the letter describes the enthusiasm and support given to the team by the students.

In fact, so noted was the school spirit of CBHA, that an article was written for an Inverness newspaper, in which the writer, Bill Dunphy, expresses his amazement at the tide of support. In his article, Dunphy writes that [They cheered every hit, every pass, every save and, with deafening vigor, every goal.

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Huskies Varsity Lineup

Saturday, January 12th

Volleyball vs PEI - 2 p.m.

Hockey vs Acadia - 7 p.m.

Sunday, January 13th

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Neighbours by choice?

Welcome back. The holidays were, as always, too short, but I hope everyone had as relaxing and entertaining a time as I had. I find it hard to believe that yet another year has come and gone. I find it fitting to say that time passes (or at least seems to) more quickly as you get. Most of my friends are in the final stretch heading toward the inevitable end, graduation. Since this is the final leg of the journey, it is only appropriate for it to be filled with much enjoyment. This year is setting up to be a good one with Winter Carnival on the horizon, and a long winter filled, hopefully, with many a good ski weekend. Of course, what Saint Mary's University student could forget the 16 pub nights that lie ahead, in this list of fun activities, the first of which is this coming (Thursday) January 10th. Most people are held, weeklong, in eager anticipation of these jam-packed nights. Yet, there are also those who dread pub night.

It was recently brought to my attention that the late-night adventures, while seemingly in harmless fun, ended up causing quite a disturbance to Saint Mary's University neighbours and those inhabitants whose homes lie along the commonly-taken route to the downtown bars. It has been reported to Dr. Dodds that a few students have, after closing time at The Gorsebrook Lounge, been seen urinating and vomiting on others property, been quite boisterous in using profane and vulgar language, had shopping cart races, tipped mailboxes over, among various other adventures. These early morning adventures make for Friday mornings filled with concern from our neighbours.

Almost all students on the trek to downtown fun are very considerate of the surroundings, as there is a certain expected noise level that results on a daily basis. While I know it is never the same few people who lapse into a slightly silly and possibly inebriated state (leading to a lapse in better judgment), these incidents could result in dire consequences. The predicament we now face is one in which our university officials are seeking solutions to stop the above stated incidents from happening anymore. What solutions could be taken to avert these problems? Aside from the obvious one of ensuring that all students respect the residents by acting in a polite manner, one possibility is to close the pub earlier. Another would potentially be to (gasp) end pub nights. This tragic result could mean the end of a tradition here at Saint Mary's University. Mind you this is only one of many possibilities that anyone would think of to curb these problems.

The reason I am informing the entire student body in this manner is because I, like a majority of those in attendance at Saint Mary's University, thoroughly enjoy pub nights. Friends come together in a social atmosphere to catch up and enjoy themselves, of course there is always the inevitable consequence that those who come to the pub often end up consuming some sort of beverage, and I am sure that at one point in time we are all guilty of at least one of the above incidents. Serious repercussions are potentially looming if we do not take matters into our own hands and begin remembering those around us. How do you think these situations could best be resolved? Please, I implore you, send me your comments, either by dropping them off on the fifth floor of the Student Centre or by email at smueditor@hotmail.com. We have to keep our traditions alive.

Speaking of comments, over the break I received four. The first, which also happens to pertain to the above passage.

Dear Editor:

It has come to my attention as the President of the Students' Association that residents of the area near our campus are concerned about a number of reoccurring events that have taken place off campus, particularly on Thursday nights. The events of concern include loud noise while passing by houses, profanity, litter and urination in public.

Our neighbours have not made specific accusations to Saint Mary's students, but have voiced concern about the events that have taken place on Thursday and Friday nights after closing hours of the Gorsebrook Lounge and Grawood Pub at Dalhousie.

With all due respect to the South End residents, I would like to ask everyone leaving the campus on any night of the week to pay respect to our neighbours to which we share our campus by acting in a respectable fashion.

Thank you and have a great semester,

Samantha Anderson

The second letter aims more at school spirit.

Husk me

I am a hypocritical menace of intellectual intentions; brave enough to succumb to thoughtless distant echoings of anti-SMU rhetoric worthy of existential decay and painful bowel projection. What? I mean, Go SMU.

For years I blessed Dalhousie for its diverse blend of Upper



Canadian blonds bent on fashion perfection and countless stomach crunches. But like body fat percentages, times have changed. The once glowing campus of Dalhousie has decrepit into a second English chatter pit, granola-littered hallways, and non-alcohol fraternities, all lead by a wiener vendor. F*\$k you Dal, with 20,000 students the best you can do is assemble a dungeons and dragons club and a half-pint Ultimate Frisbee squad. Hello? Is that you Tim Horton? No, it's me, Robyn's Donuts. Back to Ontario with you, we have no need for Private School bitches who need an excuse to drink cheap for four years and play ridiculously bad acoustic chants to their friends. This is what it sounds like, when doves die.

Transfer my credits Jesus; I'm going to SMU. Time to return to the normalcy of jock rock; cowering nerds dare not speak or reveal uncool sexual intentions. Turf bunny congregations anywhere near the scent of sweat, semen, or beer. The miracle of commitment to non-change and daily Winstrol injection make for an elitist breed of athletic prowess worthy of Vanier cups and drunken pigskin monkeys.

I love you Saint Mary's, stuck in the unrelenting pursuit of complacency in the 80s without the good blow. Co-ed steam with treadmill dolls? Yes, SMU, yes I will.

Hospital pants will never die on your campus, and neither will I.

Husky,
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Differential fees

by Zahra Airall

As international students it is understood that we must pay a mandatory differential fee. Like you, I've also wondered why. And if many of you have read your December issue of The Vista, you would have realized that we were given an answer, not that it helped settle our questions and oppositions to the fee. For paying the differential fees, what benefits do we get that Canadian students do not get? We get no preference in academics or

bank loans, fees are estimated to be within a certain amount, and if differential percentage keeps on increasing, most international student loans will not be able to cover our education cost. What will happen to those that can't afford to pay the difference on the loan?

In The Vista, fees from different universities were listed, making a comparison with Saint Mary's. Now, I don't know about you, but that information was somewhat irrelevant. Sure, it listed the tuition fees, but

hundred eighty six dollars per course; and University of Pennsylvania pays forty five hundred. These are just a few examples of American tuition fees for international students.

In the province of Nova Scotia, Saint Mary's University currently has the highest differential fee.

It is understood that the tuition and other fees are increased yearly by five per cent. O.K., give and take, that's reasonable (hey, they could have said one hundred per cent). What about the differential fee? Will next

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DAL	73%

social arenas. What do we really get as international students?

Of course it is understood that because we are in a foreign country, there may be fees that we have to pay. But just because we have to pay differential fees, does that mean we have to pay an arm and a leg? Does this mean that our differential fee percentage has to increase with tuition? In fact, Saint Mary's differential fee percentage has increased significantly over the last five years. We're now paying a differential fee percentage of one hundred per cent. Eight hundred and eighty-eight

what we're concerned about is the differential fee percentage, particularly in Nova Scotia. The University of New Brunswick, for example, is paying a differential fee of approximately seventy four per cent. Remember that Saint Mary's is at one hundred per cent. All the universities listed in The Vista are conveniently outside of Nova Scotia, outside of Canada and a few of them are Ivy league universities. Now, I love Saint Mary's University, I rate its academic program highly, if nothing else, and yes, it has a prestigious reputation, but we all know that Saint Mary's

year's fee be one hundred and five per cent, or following the pattern of the last five years, will it be one hundred and ten per cent?

Anyone notice that quantum leap between 97/98 and 98/99? And at one point the differential fee was frozen. How nice, for the years 95/96 through to 97/98. Now we're not asking to return there, having the differential fee frozen at a certain monetary value, although that would be excellent; but we are asking that they lower the percentage and freeze that percentage. The differential percentage for the academic year 97/98

would be ideal (50.9 per cent), but we'll settle for anywhere between 60 to 75 per cent. With the yearly 5 per cent increase, even if the

differential percentage were 50 per cent, there would still be a monetary increase.

I am appealing to all international, and Canadian students as well, to assist in the venture to lower and freeze the Differential Fee Percentage.

Sincerely yours,
Zahra A.
SMUSA International Representative

dollars per half credit course. Canadian students are paying four hundred and forty-four dollars per half credit course. Also, don't forget to convert this amount into your home currency. For example, in the Eastern Carribean the Canadian Dollar is worth approximately two dollars. In east Africa it ranges from fifty dollars up to five hundred. Don't forget that most international students are on

University is not an Ivy league school, so why bother to place those universities in for comparison? As for going out of province and country, how come NYU was the only university that could be made to compare? At Alabama State University, international students pay two thousand nine hundred and four dollars per year; Alaska Pacific is seven thousand two hundred; Arkansas University pays two

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Huskie

They even cheered every Rebels' goal with cries of, 'Huskies! Huskies! Huskies!']

In a telephone interview, Mr. Dunphy said, "If anything, that school has got spirit. They just lost a game recently 22-04. But they have got spirit all right."

With the students of the new school demonstrating a great dedication to their new sports name and teams, the school officials and the students soon realized that they would need a mascot.

The Vice-Principal of CBHA, Neil A. MacDonald, placed a call to Larry Utek, the director of Athletics and Recreation at Saint Mary's, who in turn directed Mr. MacDonald's inquiries to Mr. Rob Finn.

Originally, Mr. MacDonald was only seeking advice from Mr. Finn about how and where to obtain a Husky suit, and was disappointed to learn that the suits are quite expensive, beyond the budget of a brand new school.

Upon receiving the two letters from the students and Vice-Principal, Mr. Finn and the SMUSA executive decided to give two of Saint Mary's old Husky suits to the school. On Thursday, November 29th, the suits were delivered, free of charge, by Acadian Lines to the overjoyed school.

The following is an excerpt from a telephone interview with Mr. MacDonald on Monday afternoon before press time. Mr. MacDonald had the following to say about the Husky mascot suits:

Mr. MacDonald: We first

officially introduced the Husky Mascot on December 20th, the last day before Christmas vacation.

Journal: How would you describe the reaction of the students?

MacDonald: Ecstatic. They're just overjoyed. We're tickled pink out here. The Principal of the school lived up to his promise and wore the suit at our first hockey game on Friday the fourth.

Journal: So, the school spirit at CBHA has been outstanding?

MacDonald: Oh yes. We're working with the student council now to organize a mascot club. We will probably be signing up about fifteen regular students to take turns wearing the suits at all of our sports events.

Journal: It sounds like the suits are going to fantastic use there.

MacDonald: Oh yes, we can't even begin to thank Saint Mary's enough. It's been great. Originally, I called to see about where to buy a suit, and then Larry Utek directed me to Rob Finn and things just went from there. It's been fantastic; we can't thank them enough for what they've done.

It's fantastic that a school with such determination now proudly carries the Husky name. Perhaps students of that school will someday climb on board the Saint Mary's Sports program, and perhaps help carry our University to another victory (like last semesters Vanier Cup Championship), perhaps not. But win or lose, we know they will be cheering us on.

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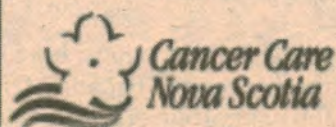
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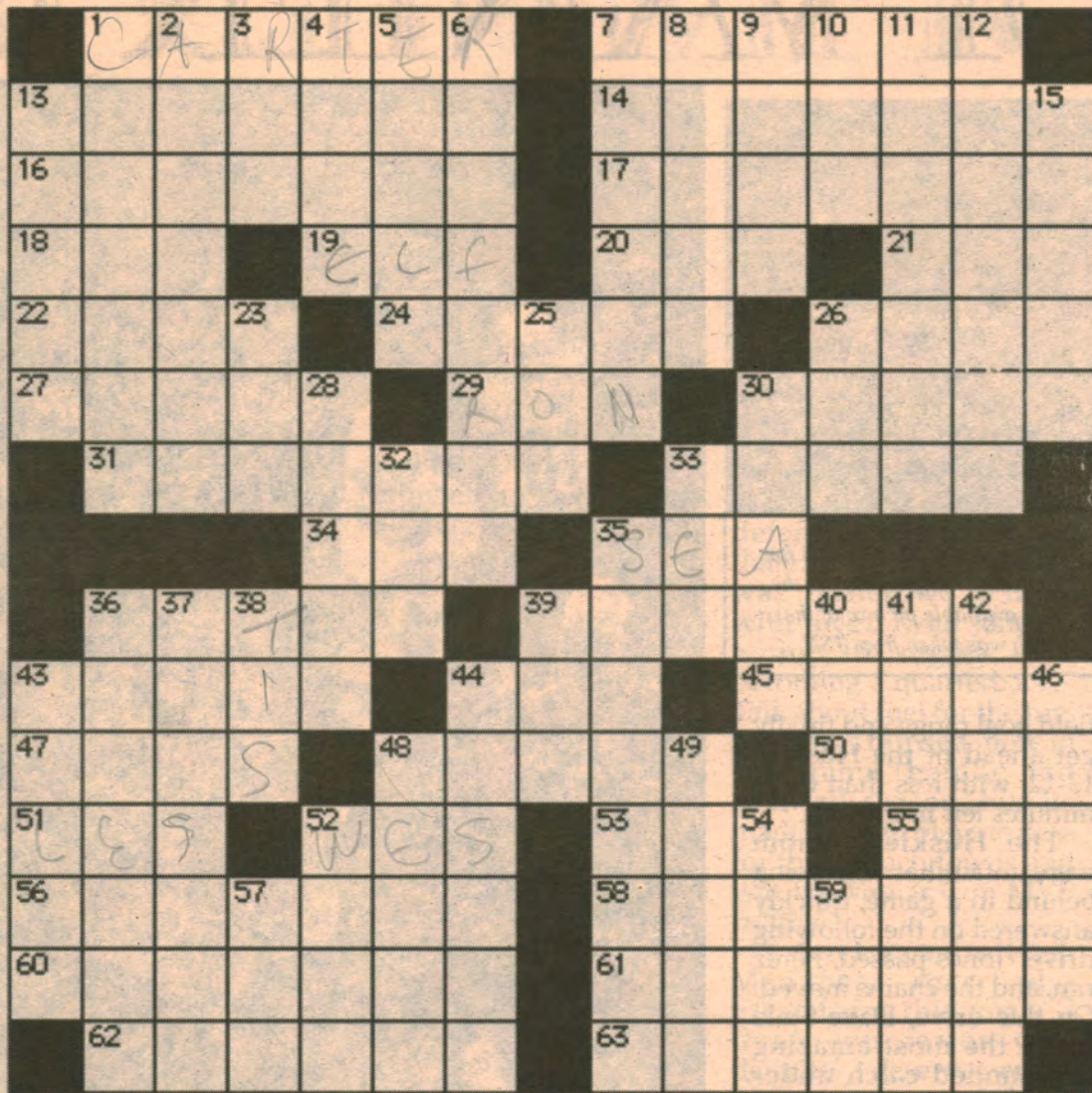
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- 47 Elevator man
- 48 The 38th parallel divides it
- 50 Take the bait
- 51 _ Miserables
- 52 Director Craven
- 53 Street for 52 across
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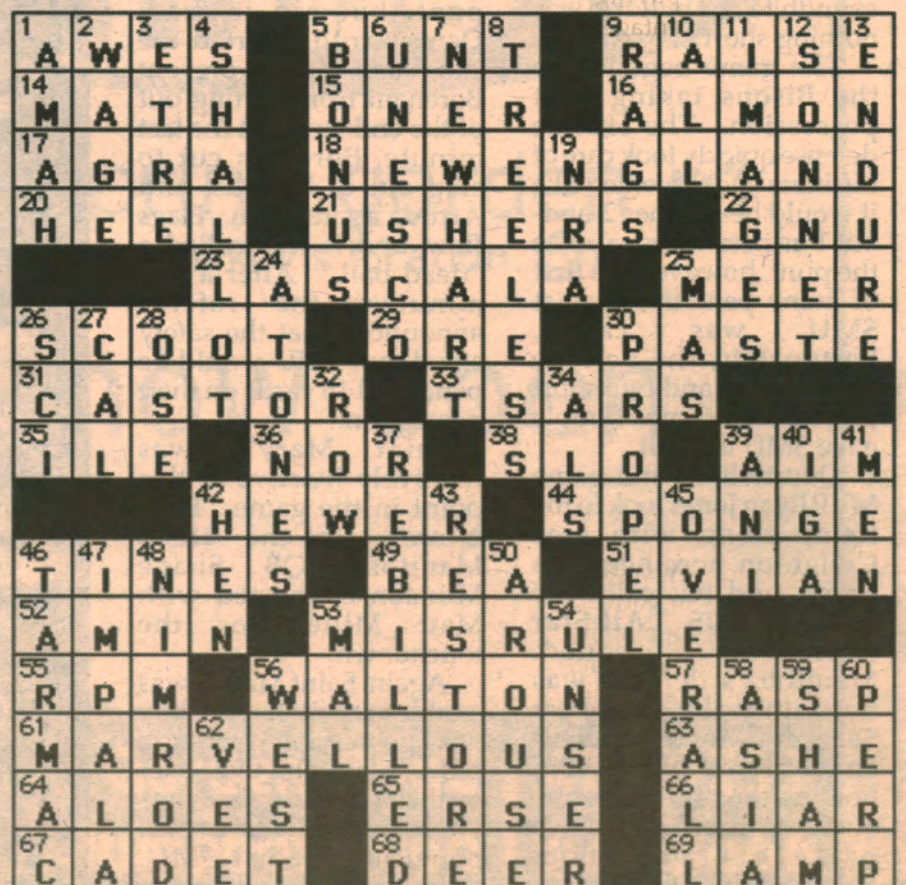
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SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY 2001 VANIER CUP



Andrew Barbour/THE JOURNAL

Vanier Cup MVP Ryan Jones releases a pass just before being tackled by Manitoba's Warren Doepker. Jones was hurried for many plays of the game.

Game Highlights

by Andrew Barbour

On December 1st, the Saint Mary's Huskies football team faced their stiffest and final competition of the year for the national championship. Their opponents, the Manitoba Bisons, a team whose stats nearly paralleled SMU's in every aspect. Good run game, good pass game, and awesome defense.

The pre-game anxiety was thick in the air in Toronto. The Manitoba squad was the only team in the nation to place more members on the CIS All-Canadian teams; critics in the area still touted Saint Mary's as being a decent team in a weak conference; and Keith's was eight dollars a pint.

Leading to the game, media reported almost hourly on new interviews and whatnot, and other than one outstanding soundbite, the buildup was nothing short of exciting.

The game began with the Bisons taking first possession. The Huskie defense quickly took care of business and it seemed like it would be another 2-and-out business as usual. On the punt, however, the first of many penalties against SMU was called. Fortunately, the defense didn't let up and two short plays later, a forced fumble gave SMU the ball.

Quarterback and game MVP Ryan Jones took to the field, along with Hec Creighton nominee Luis Perez, and basically the entire AUS All-Star offensive squad. Manitoba's defense was definitely the strongest Saint Mary's had encountered all season, holding the running game, and even offering effective pass protection. Fortunately, the Huskies

were up to the challenge, and managed to move the ball before Dominico Bartolacci kicked his first field goal at 4:12 into the game. Three minutes later, SMU marched down the field again and Ryan Jones got a quick 19-yard pass to Patrick Thibeault, followed by the one point conversion.

A few possessions later, Manitoba managed to get on the board with a 21-yard field goal courtesy of Jamie Boreham. SMU is still ahead by seven.

Minutes later, Manitoba has possession of the ball dangerously close to their own goal line and were unable to move the ball. They brought out the punt team and were ready to concede a safety, but SMU got a penalty for being offside. Five yards later, they ran the same play. Boreham took the snap to punt, but ran instead. Denis Arruda started the chase and tried to prevent Boreham from getting out of the endzone. At the last minute, Boreham cut to step out of bounds, and Arruda assisted him. Flags flew, and it was called a "dead ball." After a few minutes, the referee announced that the safety stood, but SMU would be penalized 15 yards on their possession.

Saint Mary's was relatively inactive at this point in the game. Four minutes after the safety, Manitoba QB Shane Munson connected with Matt Miller for the touchdown.

Again, Saint Mary's was unable to capitalize on their next possession, forcing a punt. Manitoba took over on their own four yard line. With the aid of several penalties against SMU, they were able to get within



Stala's stellar circus catch for big yards. Unfortunately, the only available picture of the catch was taken from TSN.

field goal range and finally get ahead of the Huskies 13-12, with less than three minutes left in the half.

The Huskies, whom were unfamiliar with being behind in a game, quickly answered on the following drive. Jones passed, Perez ran, and the chains moved. On this drive, Dave Stala made the most amazing one-handed catch under double-coverage, perhaps the best highlight of the game. Nearing the end zone, Ryan Jones connected



with Jay Currie for a 12-

yard touchdown. SMU opted to try for a 2-point convert, to put them a full touchdown ahead, were unable to make the play, and headed to the locker room at halftime with an 18-13 lead.

The second half was completely dominated by Saint Mary's, with Perez opening the scoring halfway through the third quarter with a ten yard run for the major. Manitoba was able to answer with a field goal, to which Dominico Bartolacci was only too happy to match.

Into the fourth quarter, Bison QB Shane Munson, who had been beaten up by the Huskie defense for most of the day, attempted a quick screen pass, which was first deflected, then intercepted and returned for a touchdown by Kyl Morrison, probably the highest scoring defensive player in the CIS. For this play and many rushes and tackles, Morrison was awarded the defensive MVP of the game.

With full momentum now, Ryan Jones completed the final touchdown pass of his career to Travis Tyler on a five yard toss with just less than six minutes remaining in the game.

This was definitely the most exciting game of the year, beginning in uncertainty and then panning out to be an undisputed victory. Although Perez was held on many rush attempts, he was able to get a first down for the Huskies on several dangerous third-and-one occasions.

GAME STATS

	Saint Mary's	Manitoba
First Downs	22	15
Rushing Yards (net)	38	99
Passing Yards (net)	290	180
Team Losses	10	21
Net Offense Yards	205	151
Interceptions	2-49	1-17
Fumbles Lost	0	4
Penalties-Yards	23-203	9-97

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Saint Mary's	12	6	7	17	42
Manitoba	3	10	3	0	16

SMU 42- MANITOBA 16

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SMU 37	SFX 7
SMU 45	ACA 14

US Playoff SMU 38 ACA 7
Atlantic Bowl SMU 48 LAVAL 8

2001 Vanier Cup
SMU 42 MANITOBA 16

Champions

The Last Word

by Andrew Barbour

On Monday following the Vanier Cup, Coach Nill and Ryan Jones 10's Harv's Sportsland. One thing in particular coach Nill had commented on was the discipline of the Huskies over the Bisons. Well, SMU had a record number of penalties for a Vanier Cup game—ten more than the previous record; but the coach was right. I'm not sure what the players heard or said on the field, but I got to stand on both sides of the field during the game. What I heard from the Manitoba side was unstructured animalism. The Bisons came in ready to play a very emotional game. Coach Dobie even said that many of the players are "free spirits," and that's their style. In comparison, the Huskies were much more focused and yes,

disciplined. Yes, they made mistakes, but this wasn't a personal vendetta, as the Bisons made it seem.

One of the Manitoba Players made comments to the Toronto Star, released on Game Day. He was on the Defensive Line; supposed to be the biggest threat to Saint Mary's offense. The Bisons won more All-Canadian defensive line positions than SMU. His comment was "When we're done with them, Ryan Jones is going to regret ever becoming a quarterback." Talk about fuel for the fire. Jones was hurried more in that game then he had been all season, but he made enough plays to pass for three touchdowns and win the Vanier Cup MVP trophy.

I don't mean to trash Manitoba. They had a great team this year. I think one person who definitely deserves credit and respect is coach Brian Dobie. Prior to the game I knew little of the man, other than the fact that he stole the Coach of the Year award from Blake Nill. Yes, I was peeved. The real class act appeared right after the game, when coach Dobie was the first person in line to shake hands. He met John Salmas first, and it sounded like he said



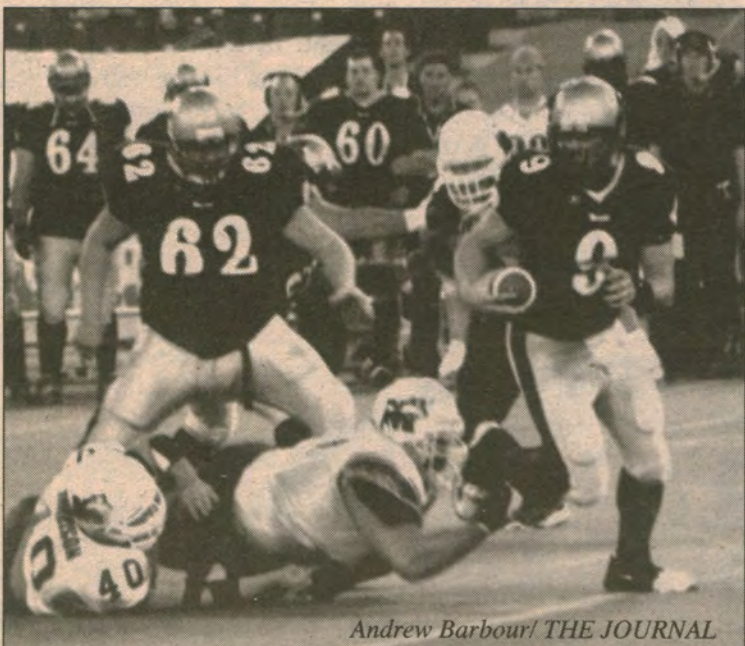
Hec Creighton nominee, Luis Perez, with assistance from offensive linesman John Salmas, breaks through the Manitoba defense.

something along the lines of "You really are the greatest team in the nation. You guys played an amazing game, and you really deserve the Cup this year," followed by a hug. And he continued the sentiment down much of the line.

Ok, enough about the teams, let's talk officiating: Yes, the Huskies were given a record number of penalties during the game (23). But looking at the game you'll see the horrible calls made throughout the game. To be fair, both sides got bum calls. An example:

Manitoba #20, Kenneth Vermette, running the ball inside the SMU 20 got tackled by two defenders and fumbled the ball, to be recovered by SMU. The ref was about five feet away staring directly at the play and called it down before the fumble. The replay showed it all. We have the best teams in the country playing, but the second worst refs officiating.

Given the choice, as a fan, I'd rather see goods calls on both sides of that ball over bad, any day. I think the teams would agree too.



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Manitoba Bisons quarterback Shane Munson is tied up briefly by the Huskies' defensive front, including the game's defensive MVP Kyl Morrison (40).



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After the game kind and respectful words between CIS Coach of the Year Brian Dobie and Huskies' head coach Blake Nill were exchanged.

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New Year resolutions

by Juliette Gonsalves

Another new year has arrived, and I'm sure that all of you participated in some discussion or thought, either on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day, about resolutions to make and keep for 2002. From conversations with friends I have heard a variety of resolutions including, exercising more, having more

patience, being (more) organized, and quitting smoking. The question, and the real test, is whether these resolutions will be kept. Personally, I gave up on making resolutions because I never seem to have the will power or resolve to keep them. With the approach of 2002, I became curious about the origin of New Year's Day, the making of New Year

resolutions and how to keep them. So, I did some research, and thought I'd share my findings with you.

The celebration of New Year's Day started over four thousand years ago, during the time of the Babylonians. However, their celebration of the New Year occurred in March to coincide with the planting of spring crops, in contrast to our celebration in January. The Babylonians believed that a person's deeds on the first day of the New Year would influence the rest of the year. In our celebration of each New Year we tend to reflect on the past, and think about making changes in the New Year. We often feel the need to make resolutions with the sense of renewal and rebirth that the New Year brings. We may also feel the need to make resolutions regarding weight, as part of the guilt resulting from the consumption of all that turkey, ham, and chocolates over the holidays. And so what if the resolutions you made last year didn't last long? This year will be different.

When making New Year resolutions it is best to make ones that are reasonable and realistic. For instance don't overdo it by resolving that, after three days of strenuous workouts at the gym, and

barely eating, you'll lose fifty pounds. Not only is that unrealistic, it's also very unhealthy, and part of the reason why many resolutions don't last beyond the first week of January. If you set goals that are too high, then of course they will never be achieved. Now don't go to the other extreme and make resolutions that are so easy to keep, you stop keeping them simply out of boredom. Make resolutions that do present some challenge. What are some of the resolutions that can be made? Here are some examples:

- To run a marathon
- To improve vocabulary (if you are learning a language)
- To get more sleep
- To learn to cook
- To read more
- To date more
- To laugh more
- To learn to play an instrument
- To benchpress 150 lbs
- To improve time management skills
- To save money
- To quit smoking

When making New Year resolutions don't make resolutions for everything you want to change in your life. This is impossible, unless you only have one or two things that you want to change, in which case go for it. Assess

your life and decide upon one or two important areas which merit change.

After making a resolution, the key to being successful is to develop a plan that will help you keep it. For example, if your goal is to exercise more, develop a schedule to go to the gym every two days, or on days when you're not very busy. Don't try to cram too many things into one day. If your goal is to sleep more, evaluate the activities that may be causing the lack of sleep, and eliminate some of them.

Find ways of reminding yourself about your resolutions. For example write them down in places where you look frequently, i.e. a planner or a calendar. Or if you're following a particular schedule, make several copies and post them in obvious spots such as the fridge, mirror, etc.

You may find that after a certain time period you have accomplished your goal, and have incorporated it into your lifestyle. In that case you may choose to start working on another resolution that was thought of at the beginning of the year. It's never too late to make a resolution.

Good luck with all your resolutions, and don't quit. Happy New Year.

CKDU annual funding drive

by Juliette Gonsalves

The CKDU-FM annual, on-air funding drive is scheduled to begin on January 25th, 2002 and last until February 3rd, 2002. The community broadcasting station from Dalhousie University, at 97.5 on the FM dial, is the only Halifax based radio station featuring rap music and also hosts several shows focused on local, as well as, international rap and hip hop music. This diverse radio station gives support to musicians in Halifax, especially underground artists. Sixty percent of the music that is featured is Canadian. It is known for informing and educating its listeners on a wide range of issues such as racism and poverty. As well as featuring ethnic and educational programs, including an Arabic program, it also features the unique program "All Day, All Gay", the only radio program for Nova Scotian lesbians, gays, and bisexuals.

The station functions with the help of more than two hundred volunteers, and some paid staff, and is on the air twenty-four hours for each day of the year. Fiona York, the coordinator of the station, refers to listening to CKDU as taking a vacation: "For many communities, listening to shows on CKDU is like taking a vacation - going on vacation without leaving home. They're either getting a break from a culture foreign to their own - as with international students - or they are getting away from a culture where they rarely see themselves as they really are".

CKDU has also won many awards. In 1999 and 2001 it received the Community Involvement Award; it won the Local Talent Development Award in 1998 and the 1995

Programming and National Initiatives award; and it received the Campus Station of the Year award from the Canadian Music Industry in 1997 and 1998.

The theme for this year's drive is "For Radio Lovers", so named because "CKDU is for people with a passion for radio", according to Ms. York. In the past the funding drive has consisted of interviews with prominent individuals in Halifax, prizes donated by local as well as national businesses, influencing people to pledge money, and live music dates throughout the city. The drive, one of the major sources of revenue for CKDU, aims to raise \$50,000, in order to maintain its unique programming. Last year's drive was successful in raising over \$52,000.

Kasla Morrison, former CKDU staff, says "Funding Drive is an exciting time at CKDU. The station is always involved in the community, but we're really a presence at this time of year. Funding Drive is an opportunity for us to showcase on a stage the local talents that we're usually playing on CKDU, and much of the talent recognized by award shows such as the ECMAs".

Former CKDU Funding Drive coordinator, Sabrina Samson says: "I hope the year 2002 will be a record-breaking year with lots of volunteers, events, and most of all pledges". The prizes donated by businesses include a ten percent discount off products and services purchased by 'Friends of CKDU', those who pledge an amount of \$25 and more. Many CDs and T-shirts will be given away from CKDU's Small Room of Big Prizes, according to their press release. Collector's edition mugs will also be available. Those who pledge \$25 or more

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The Kidney Foundation of Canada

Annual public service campaign

by Juliette Gonsalves

The Kidney Foundation of Canada, established in 1964, is a national volunteer association focused on the improvement of the health and lifestyles of those suffering from kidney disease. Since its establishment, treatment for people who have chronic renal insufficiency from any number of causes have improved greatly, according to the foundation's public service announcement letter. According to its brochure, the foundation focuses on:

- funding research and related clinical education
- providing services for the special needs of individuals living with kidney disease
- advocating for access to high quality healthcare
- promoting awareness of and commitment to organ donation

Over two million Canadians suffer from kidney failure or diseases connected with kidney problems such as diabetes, high blood pressure, kidney stones, and urinary tract infections. Kidney failure results in the accumulation of toxic wastes and fluids in the body. This is a fatal condition. To remedy such a situation dialysis treatments to artificially clean the blood, or kidney transplants, are needed. Presently, there are approximately 2,800 Canadians on the waiting list for a kidney transplant. The acute shortage of organs available for such an operation will result in the death of some of

these patients. Kidney donation from one donor can help approximately one dozen people, including two kidney patients, since each person to receive a kidney transplant receives only one new kidney. One healthy kidney is sufficient for the body to operate properly.

The Kidney Foundation of Canada has played a key role in the promotion and funding of kidney related research in Canada. Without such research, treatments such as dialysis, kidney transplants, and anti-rejection medications would not have been created. The research funded by the foundation has resulted in:

- major advances in dialysis treatment, which have dramatically improved the life expectancy and quality of life of kidney patients
- more effective procedures for kidney and other organ transplants
- non-surgical methods of treatment for specific kidney stone problems
- increased knowledge of the effects of kidney disease on the human body

improved understanding of the emotional impact of living with kidney disease

This according the Kidney Foundation of Canada brochure.

In 1979 March was declared the official Kidney Month in Canada. Since that time, the Kidney Foundation has created the March Drive, its largest annual fundraising campaign.

Tens of thousands of volunteers go to homes in their respective neighbourhoods to raise money for the funding of research and patient education programs, as well as the promotion of more public awareness and comprehension of organ donation. Their public service campaign, "Affected", shows the impact of kidney disease on the lives of those suffering from it. The foundation believes that it is only through the availability of information and the understanding of this information that people will be able to appreciate its work and how important and valuable it is to make kidney donations. Since the foundation receives no government funding, it relies entirely on monetary donations from the public. This year, the goal is to raise \$5.6 million.

If you wish to get more information on the Kidney Foundation's programs or services, or if you are interested in helping in its cause, contact the Kidney Foundation of Canada office in your area, or visit www.kidney.ca.

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CKDU

will receive prizes from the Small Room of Big Prizes, as well as having their names entered in the Grand Prize draw.

If you wish to find out more about CKDU-FM, arrange interviews, make donations, or volunteer for this event, please contact Nadine Jackson at (902) 429-6479.

Upcoming Blood Donor clinics

<p>Wednesday, January 9th, 2002: <u>Windsor</u>, War Memorial Community Centre, 78 Thomas St. 1:00 - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p><u>St. Peter's School</u>, Gym, 5 Crichton Avenue, Dartmouth 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Thursday, January 10: <u>Kingston / Greenwood</u>, Royal Canadian Legion Hall Union St 1472 Union Street 12:00 - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p><u>Sunnyside Mall</u>, 2nd floor boardroom, Bedford 12:00 - 3:00 pm</p> <p>Friday, January 11: <u>City Centre Mall</u>, Lower Lobby, 5523 Spring Garden Rd. Halifax 9:30 - 12:00 noon</p> <p>Monday, January 14: <u>Digby</u>, Fire Hall, First Street 5:00 - 7:30 pm</p> <p><u>St. Ignatius Catholic Church</u>, Loyola Hall, 5 Bedford St. Bedford, N.S. 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Tuesday, January 15: <u>Yarmouth</u>, NSCC Burrdige Campus Gym 12:00 - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p><u>NS Institute of Technology</u>, Room C313, 5685 Leeds St. Halifax 12:00 - 3:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, January 16: <u>Clare</u>, Royal Canadian Legion Br. 52, Saulnierville, NS 2:00 - 4:00 pm 6:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p><u>St. Peter's School</u>, Gymnasium, 5 Crichton Avenue, Dartmouth 5:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Thursday, January 17: <u>Barrington Passage</u>, <table border="0" style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>Lions Club Hall, Main Highway 2:00 - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> <td><u>Eastern Passage</u>, Lions Club Hall, 65 Hornes Road 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday, January 21: <u>Truro</u>, Royal Canadian Legion, 42 Brunswick Street 2:00 noon - 3:00 pm 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm</td> <td>Tuesday, January 22: <u>Truro</u>, Royal Canadian Legion, 42 Brunswick Street 10:00 am - 12:00 noon 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday, January 23: <u>Summerside</u>, Miscouche Centennial Rec. Centre, High School Street 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> <td><u>St. Peter's School</u>, Gymnasium, 5 Crichton Avenue 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday, January 24: <u>Summerside</u>, Miscouche Centennial Rec. Centre, High School Street 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> <td><u>Cole Harbour Place</u>, Harbour ... Forest Rooms 5:00 - 8:00 pm</td> </tr> </table> </p>	Lions Club Hall, Main Highway 2:00 - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<u>Eastern Passage</u> , Lions Club Hall, 65 Hornes Road 5:00 - 8:00 pm	Monday, January 21: <u>Truro</u> , Royal Canadian Legion, 42 Brunswick Street 2:00 noon - 3:00 pm 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Tuesday, January 22: <u>Truro</u> , Royal Canadian Legion, 42 Brunswick Street 10:00 am - 12:00 noon 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Wednesday, January 23: <u>Summerside</u> , Miscouche Centennial Rec. Centre, High School Street 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<u>St. Peter's School</u> , Gymnasium, 5 Crichton Avenue 5:00 - 8:00 pm	Thursday, January 24: <u>Summerside</u> , Miscouche Centennial Rec. Centre, High School Street 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm 5:00 - 8:00 pm	<u>Cole Harbour Place</u> , Harbour ... Forest Rooms 5:00 - 8:00 pm
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Puddin,
MacDonald's pleez!
Thanx for showing up New Year's Eve

Adrienne, Teri, Jules + Kathleen,
Thanks for my birthday adventure. Soon you'll be this old too.
The old, watchful eye

SMUSA,
Thanks for,
1)
www.crosswordsite.com
2) The wonderful weather in "JANURARY"
3) And Janson Elseworth???

Pep,
All we need is some Mexican mushrooms, a sensory-deprivation tank, and I'm pretty sure we'll be able to access the eighth dimension. Gotta love science.
Ched

Bonner,
Thanks for neglecting me over the break. You slut chicken.
Lianne

Snaps
Glad you're back!
Puddin

Cecilia,
Hope you had a great birthday kidnapping J
The girls

Dannie-boy,
Can I help throw it off the bridge?! Please!!
Smiley

Adrienne + Kathleen,
Aweeeeeeee, awee bum bum baway.
The Lion King

Stro,
Awesome job. Thank you so much.
Photochick

Ad girl,
There's gonna be might competition for time upstairs.
'Journal' roomie

A girl from "Goose"
I missed you so much.
Keeper of pets

Kathleen,
Happy belated birthday.
Juliette

Craig Mac,
It's gym time, let's go pump some iron.
T-L

Whiskey Sour chick 2,
I miss our cutie drink waiter.
Whiskey Sour chick 1

Missy,
Happy Birthday girlie!
Your "part-time" roommate

Adrienne,
Next year on New Year's, no passing out at 1:30 am, kay?
Terri

ZP Boys
This year will be very interesting.
Duncan

Campbell,
Lasagna?!
Waiting

Kathleen,
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
Don't worry, your present will come soon enough.



S.S.,
Sorry about the phone bill; I'm glad you're back.
Terri

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Buckwheat
Colby-crew,
Thanks for the fun parties + gifts.
St. Margaret's girl

Juliette
Sorry about McD's thanks for showing me your underoos though.
Puddin

Spaz,
Back to the good times.
Kaz

Tiffa
Hoho's, Dome? Sat?
Chrissy-baby

Speedbag,
I thought you said that the hair dye would make my hair go red.
Pink

Cheerleaders,
Thanx for coming out to Vanier, Oh wait you didn't.
Adoring Fan

Everybody,
Happy New Year!
Spaz

Kaz,
Long live Vin Diesle
Marmy

Folks at 5552,
Thanks for the couch...again.
Sleepy Sprite

Thor,
Time to work out that ankle. Racquetball anyone?
Racquetball King

SMU,
You are all invited to my Wedding.

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Kaz
Jeffy D
Did Santa bring you a new Britney Spears poster?
Cheeks

1380 boyz,
Stop letting people hurt me!!
The house

Everybody
House warming, my place, as soon as I know my address.
Sprite

Marmy,
I'm going to need that shoulder real soon.
Kaz

Heather,
Enjoy the pic? I do!
Christine

Angela,
We're even..for now.
Terri

Andie Macdo,
Missin/ you darlin'. Good luck.

Cee,
Thanx for the loan Saturday night. Happy B-day.
Jules

Cee,
We're evenb for the drunk late night calls
Ex hallway friend

Kaz,
Bachelor party on Thursday@ the PUB!!
Spaz

Llamadude,
I touched a llama!!!
Llmalover

Kat,
A keeper is he? Even just on the side?
Christine

Mr. McKenzie
Are there any openings in th G'Brooke for staff?
Be looking for a year

Sprite,
Get a haircut... and a real job...He he!!
Spaz

Mauler
If you don't want people phoning you, why give out your cards at the palace?
Mauled@Palace

Mosher.
Thanx for the wight out. We appreciated it tremewdously
Shane, Spaz, Matt

Frosh Leaders,
Pub on Thursday, ... Bachelor Party
Kaz

Boobs,
I promise you will get your shirt and headthng back soon, really!
No Boobs

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Christmas holiday movie reviews

by Pep & Ched

As usual we've nothing better to do over the break than sit on our asses and



watch the silver screen. Yet, it was an odd break seeing as both Pep and I were in different provinces and not in the same theatre. We did however end up seeing most of the movies that were released over the break. So what follows are how two video junkies feel about what Hollywood decided to give us for Christmas.

Ali

Ched - I thought this was the worst movie I saw over the break. First off it was way too long and the movie seemed to drag into torturing proportions. The only exciting parts of the movie were when the fights actually took place. The rest of the film was spent focusing on the people that came in and out of his life and boy was that



boring. I did enjoy Will Smith's acting and to my surprise actually liked Jamie Foxx in a movie. The one positive thing I can say about this flick is that John Voight made the movie with his role.

Pep - I didn't see this one, though before the movie was released I thought it looked interesting. After reading Ched's review, I'm not so sure anymore.

Majestic

Ched - Another movie that made me cry for my soul this Christmas. Not only was it unoriginal and boring but it also took a great actor and misused his skills. Jim Carrey

is a great actor when given a good role, but in this he took a role that could have really been played by anyone with thought capacity. It had a cool premise but never went anywhere with it. Usually I'd be dying for a movie about the communist blacklisting in Hollywood during WWII, yet they took a

cool idea and made it a sappy feel good bring-a-town-back-to-life crap piece.

Pep - Another one I didn't see, but I'd have to agree with Ched that it seems Carrey's talents have been misused in this film, though movies about movies, or movie-related subjects, always pique my interest.

Not Another Teen Movie

Ched - Usually I'd have to be paid to go see a spoof movie like this but it just seemed I was in the mood and had two hours to kill before work. To my surprise I actually laughed and left the theatre not wanting to poke my own eyes out. Don't expect anything original from this movie though. While it'll make you laugh a few times and also cringe to those really gross parts, I'd say this is more of a renter than a theatre flick.

Pep - Didn't see this one either, but for good reason; it looks like utter and complete monkey tripe. Apparently, this film was bearable, but this is something I'd have to see to believe, though I wouldn't wish the viewing of this film on my worst enemy, so I'm at something of a crossroads.

Vanilla Sky

Ched - The idea was cool, the actors did a great job, it's



a remake of a Spanish film, but I didn't really like this movie at all. I almost walked out once or twice even. I found that Vanilla Sky just got to jumbled and confusing for me to enjoy the film. It seemed to just throw things out every once in a while and expect the audience to just sit there and be passive about their confusion. In my humble opinion, if you want to watch a movie about messed up reality watch Waking Life or Possible Worlds, both great movies that blow Vanilla Sky out of the water.

Pep - Although I didn't see this movie (bear with me everyone who is wondering why I'm writing movie reviews when it seems I haven't seen anything), I saw the original it is based on, called Open Your Eyes. This Spanish movie, which stars Penelope Cruz in the same role as Vanilla Sky, was mind grabbing and didn't let go. Though slightly unclear at points, by the end of the movie, everything had been explained enough to be satisfying, but not everything, so the viewer still needs to make their own conclusions. If you like movies where nothing is as it seems, and reality is only a thin veil disguising the shocking truth, rent Open Your Eyes (Spanish title "Abre Los Ojos")

Waking Life

Ched - One of the best movies I saw in 2001. It was original, funny, thought provoking, and all around fantastic. While it may not be for everyone, you'll have to think a lot and expect to be confused at times, it is a film that is just so unique it has to be adored. If I had to compare it to anything, I wouldn't be able to. All I know is that if you want to flip your lid rent this movie when it comes out, or Memento (it's the only other movie that made me want to make people see it).

Pep - I absolutely loved this movie. Not only was the film incredibly thought-provoking, but thought-common as well, where sentiments, ponderings and bits of ideas that have flown through my mind before were exposed in the film, in a similar jumble, but with those ideas worked out and logically presented. Finally, a movie that feels like the audience has to put just as

much effort into the film as did the makers.

Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius

Ched - I always see kids movies in theaters. Why you ask, well it's because you never hear kids complain in the theater unlike stupid biased adults with no concept of fun in their lives. All I can say about Jimmy Neutron is that he rocked. I haven't laughed so much



since Shrek or Emperors New Groove. For those of you who actually check this movie out you can see catch a glimpse as an animated kid in this movie as the overly excited Sheen.

Pep - This was a cool movie. This makes me wonder, for if at 22 I think this is cool, as a child, it probably would have made my little head pop off. Let me see if I can clarify the finer points of the film: Jimmy Neutron (boy genius) = cool, Sheen (best friend) = Ultracool, Goddard (Jimmy's mechanical pet dog) = the shit (I would give anything for a dog like Goddard), King of the Yokians (villain voiced by Patrick Stewart) = obviously, the fact that Patrick Stewart contributed his talents to this character is reason enough to rush to the theatres this very second. And if you're thinking that you're above and beyond a kid's movie, I feel really sorry for you.

Ocean's 11

Ched - I really enjoyed this movie. It was fast paced, had witty dialogue and a great cast. It's a remake of an old Rat Pack movie that is being



re-released soon, so make sure to check both of them out, not just the new version. I will say that a scene or two at the end of the movie threw me for a loop. I had no idea what was coming, a change for me seeing as I can usually call the end before it even happens.

Pep - I very much enjoyed Ocean's 11. It was a fun movie, something without a lot of substance, but with enough style, action and great actors to make it worth watching.

Behind Enemy Lines

Ched - For a cheesy action "wa-hoo America" flick, I have to say that I enjoyed this movie. BEL had just enough humor and action to keep the flow alive and the movie moving. I will say that I do enjoy Owen Wilson and his unique brand of surfer acting. There was also one of the most stressful scenes I've ever seen in this movie. Let's just say that a plane can have a close call with a missile a whole lotta times before it finally gets blown out of the sky.

Pep - This movie wasn't bad; it was fairly entertaining, but by the end of the film, it had that touch of non-realism that disappointed me. It's amazing how everybody except the Americans are piss-



poor shots. Let's put this in perspective; Owen Wilson managed to evade missiles, mortars, grenades, bullets of varying kinds, armed jeeps, tanks, and a most of an army. Owen Wilson gets nicked once by a bullet. On the other hand, we had the main antagonist, a kind of Eastern European guerilla hitman, who only had to avoid one round from a handgun by the end of the movie. So how many hit home? All of them. Biased much?

The G-Spot:

What a Very Merry Christmas I Had

by Kara Gammell
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Another Christmas Break has come and gone, and with it came some deep thoughts on my part. Naturally, after spending several days in small town Pictou County, having many long hours to contemplate life in general, I came to these conclusions. *Deep Thought #1* – Only in the Gammell family would someone get sex education books for Christmas. Apparently, Santa was poking around Chapters for a few hours too many, bumped into the Sexuality Section and had a hay day. *Deep Thought #2* – This little column has turned out to be the best form of birth control I have ever practiced. What young university male wants to seriously date the girl who writes the sex column in his school newspaper? My point precisely. Finally, *Deep Thought #3* – After checking my marks, I might as well just use this column to try and pimp myself anyway, because I am never getting into grad school - never, ever.

As for any holiday action – nope, none of that either. I thought I had bought a big-assed branch of mistletoe to hang in my apartment, but after having hung out in the same doorway at every social gathering we held, I eventually realized it was only holly, and a big fat waste of time and money.

Speaking of wasting money, this brings me back to some stocking stuffers my roommates received. Again, Santa dropped by the bookstore and bought a copy of *"The Rules – The Secrets to Capturing the Heart of Mr. Right"* as well as *"How to be a Cougar – A Guide for Older Women"*. *The Rules* made me ponder which is sadder, the fact that someone actually wrote this book in the first place on how to snag a man or that I actually took the time to read a few chapters. I got as far as "If you have a big nose, get plastic surgery" and it just went downhill from there. What Santa forgot to bring little ole me this Christmas, was some form of musical talent, because after several months of playing the guitar, I still can't strum a recognizable

tune.

The highlight of my Christmas Break would have to be without a doubt, just after New Years. I had the enjoyable opportunity of watching my very own condom supply expire over night. But not to worry lads, we here on McLean Street put those babies to good use. Now most people would just toss them in the garbage, but no not us ladies. By the end of the night and several cocktails, we had an entire latex zoo. After a bit of wallowing in self-pity and the irony of this event, I realized that it is possible for your condoms to become fallen soldiers and never actually see a battle. So go home to your stash, check the edge of the wrapper and make sure they are still in the draft.

The final thing that didn't come during the holidays were any questions. So, I have dug down to the bottom of the barrel and pulled out the last three. So pitter-patter, let's get at 'er and send me some damn questions.

Q: My girlfriend is very paranoid of being naked. She doesn't want me to look at her when she climbs out of bed to get dressed. What's up with this? I have touched her naked body, why won't she let me look at it?

A: It seems to me, that this is a common problem in several relationships. It is one of those things that comes with time, but if you have been in this relationship for a while already, it could come down to her own perceived body image. Why don't you ask her about it? Ask her gently, while explaining to her that you enjoy her body just the way it is. There are so many unhealthy body images held by females these days that your reassurance will only help her let these hang ups loose. People can have all sorts of misconceptions about themselves, and more often than not they will seem trivial to you, but keep in mind that to your partner, they are not. When in doubt, fall back on this tidbit of advice – flattery will get you everywhere.

Q: My boyfriend says that I get a bright red flush

on my breasts and chest when I am nearing orgasm, sometimes it will extend to my neck and face and I can feel myself getting hot. Is this normal?

A: Hell yes. This is actually quite common. It can be referred to as a "sex flush". Take pride in the fact that your sexual responses work so well. Take a look at your boyfriend during sex, you might find that he is a little flushed too.

Q: I am worried that my penis is too big. What is the average length of an erect penis?

A: Well, that is quite the worry, I guess they don't call you a horse because you can run fast eh? Out of 1,200 penis measurements, taken from men aged 16-77, and recorded by sexologist Kenneth S. Green (man, I am going to love my job) the mean average was 6.14 inches (15.6 cm). According to Alfred Kinsey, 6.3 in (16 cm) were reportedly the average lengths from a sample of 4,000 men. However, according to one gentleman who wrote into me, he claimed his penis was in fact only three inches from the ground! Clever, isn't he? Regardless, many men (and women for that matter) get hung up on penis size, believing that bigger is better. Just keep in mind the most sensitive part of a woman's vagina is the lower third – an area that even the smallest penis is able to penetrate. And let's face it, a *big penis* is better than *no penis*, - so don't sweat it. I know I wouldn't be.

Oh, if only I had a nickel for every time I got a penis size question.

Blissful Noise

by Jon Bruhm

Thrush Hermit; The Superfriendz; Sloan - While these homegrown legends and many of their compatriots have all but disappeared from the local scene, other groups have risen from beneath the cloud of dust, breathing new life into a Halifax which had been dubbed 'The New Seattle' nearly a decade ago. Two of the region's finest, Rock Ranger and The Burdocks, united on Friday, January 4th at The Marquee Club to prove that Indie Rock is alive and well on the East Coast.

The Burdocks are not your typical 'Verse-Chorus-Verse' band. Their songs are musically complex and most are a little rough around the edges - however, this is part of their charm. While vocalist Seth Smith tuned his guitar, bassist Christian Simmons could be heard saying that "It doesn't matter if it's in tune, just play it loud". This method does not work for some bands, but whereas The Burdocks do not concentrate on a flawless, refined sound, their jagged, raw rock edge displayed on-stage creates nothing short of blissful noise.

Having been relatively absent from the stage in recent months, The Burdocks were out in full force to promote the new Out Of Touch Records compilation, "Volume 1", on which they appear alongside Rock Ranger, The Rudy Huxtable Project and The Confidence Band. According to Simmons, the seven inch record is intended to "put out good music that will not only be cheap and easy for bands to produce [and] for people to buy as well. Vinyl is and will always be the most endearing medium ever; songs just sound right that way."

The Burdocks are in the process of preparing their forthcoming album, and are currently in a state of 'winter hibernation'. However, "by

summertime, we should be back in some sort of action." said Simmons.

Rock Ranger is one of Nova Scotia's most talented rock groups. The two year-old power trio from Sydney's House Of Rock always presents a feisty and entertaining live show, complete with their Phishy 'jam band' mentality and their catchy rock epics.

The solid rhythm section of drummer Mike Morrison and bassist Dan Baldwin presents an ample opportunity for guitarist Jay Smith to shine. Not only does he look like the poster boy for Nova Scotian Indie Rock, but he skillfully plays his guitar with ease, barely breaking a sweat. Smith rarely misses a note and wows even learned guitarists with his lightning-quick hands and smooth musical progression.

The riff-driven group relies primarily on their instrumental skills, adding vocals only when absolutely necessary. Vocals clutter up their music - Smith's guitar sings for him, most of the time. In a live setting, the band is about 80% instrumental which is key due to 99% of their power being derived from their tight musical ability.

While some of their songs clock in at over six minutes in length, creating a marathon jam session for both the band and the audience, Rock Ranger has the stamina to play virtually non-stop throughout their entire set. Every second of their show is pure gold, and crowds are constantly left craving more - which is perfect reasoning to pick up their self-titled album, or to clear your schedule for the next time that the band comes to town. Be sure to catch Rock Ranger when they bring down the house at Halifax Fusion on Friday, January 18th at Electropolis.

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Speedbag on the street

Christmas has come and gone and now we're all back here walking around the campus that we missed so much. Hopefully you all had an enjoyable Christmas break and now you're ready to jump back into action with classes and all the perks that come with being a SMU student, I know I am. So it's back to grind stone with me, that's asking the tough questions that no one else bothers with.

This week the questions are, in numerical order

- 1) Did you get everything you wanted for Christmas? If so what was it and if not what did you want?
- 2) What is your New Years resolution?
- 3) Do you like my new llama sweater that my mom gave me?

Rachel Sparling

- 1) Yes, I got money.
- 2) I didn't make any resolutions because I never

- keep them anyways.
- 3) Yes.



Kathleen Cosgrove



- 1) Yeah pretty much. I got a great new pair of boots.
- 2) I'm going to go to the gym.
- 3) Yes, very much, it's awesome.

Neil Cody



- 1) I did. I got a Jason Sehorn jersey.
- 2) I'm going to try not to beat up my little brother.
- 3) I wouldn't wear it.

Laura MacMillan



- 1) Yep, I got a digital camera.
- 2) Can't tell yah.
- 3) I love it.

Kelly Sigut



- 1) Yup, I got a brand new computer.
- 2) It's a secret so I can't tell you.
- 3) It's beautiful.

Sprite



- 1) Yes. I had a mini-shopping spree at MEC.
- 2) Find a job.
- 3) I think that it looks more like a gerbil sweater.

March



- 1) Yes, only because I knew I wasn't going to get the pony that I asked for.
- 2) I didn't make one.
- 3) I love it.

Luke Fiander



- 1) No. I didn't get any money.
- 2) I'm going to quit smoking.
- 3) Sexy...like my mother.

Sean Higgins



- 1) Hells No, I didn't get laid.
- 2) Find something other to do than university.
- 3) It's looks alright.

Juliette Gonsalves



- 1) Yeah...basically. Everything about that day was special.
- 2) Don't have any.
- 3) I love it. It keeps me warm too.



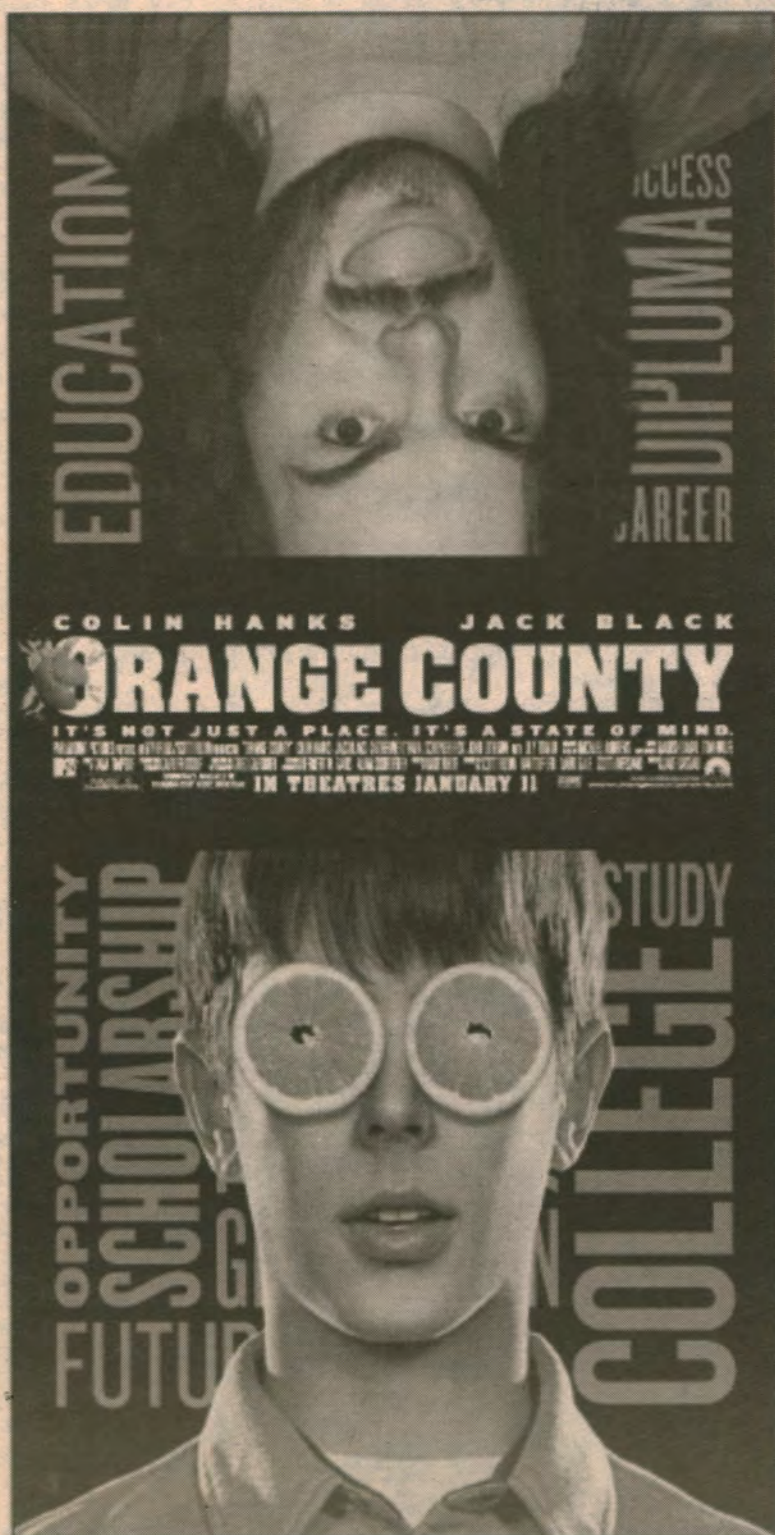
Puddin

- 1) No, because my girl from Goose wasn't here.
- 2) To hang out with the boys more.
- 3) It's a good sweater for me to poop on.



Me

- 1) Yes. I got a George Foreman Grill that now cooks all my meals.
- 2) To kick it old school.
- 3) It's the best thing my mom has ever given me.



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