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Presidential search narrows to three

by Natasha Oakes

Since Saint Mary's University President, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon OC, announced his impending retirement last year, the Presidential Selection Committee has been diligently trying to find an appropriate successor. As of January 6, 2000, the search has gotten smaller.

After the dozens of applications, a 'short list' of possible candidates was compiled. "The committee had to look hard and carefully at those candidates," says Robert Belliveau, Chair of the Committee. The list has now been narrowed down to three potential applicants: Dr. Colin Dodds, B.A., B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D.; Dr. Frederick (Rick) Miner, B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D.; and Robert (Robbie) Shaw, B.A., LL.B.

Starting January 11th, these candidates will be on the SMU campus to speak with various faculties, departments, and groups about their intentions, should they be named President of Saint Mary's. The main focus of these discussions will be this university's role in the "New Millennium."

Dr. Dodds has been with Saint Mary's for over sixteen years now, and has been involved in various aspects of this university. His current position is that of Vice-President of Academic and Research, Secretary of the Board of Governors, and Professor of Finance. Dr. Dodds was the first to speak on campus about his aim, should he be chosen by the committee and the university. People attending the discussion remarked that Dr. Dodds spoke "remarkably well" and that he seemed committed to being the "keeper and protector of the values and the traditions" of this university.

Dr. Miner has held the high position of Vice-president of the University of New Brunswick at Saint John for the past six years, as well as being Professor in the Faculty of Business. Dr. Miner is well known

in the Saint Mary's community, as well, having been the Dean of Commerce, MBA Director, Chairperson of the Department of Business Administration and Professor. His first SMU public speaking since being named a candidate is January 17th.

The third and final candidate, Robbie Shaw, is very prominent in the business, government, and university fields. This former Vice-president of Finance and Administration at Dalhousie University was recently the Vice-president of Customer Service, Marketing and Sales with Nova Scotia Power Inc. Mr. Shaw will be speaking beginning January 13th.

The process of selecting these three candidates, as followed by the Selection Committee, are based on many factors. These include community involvement, leadership skills, enthusiasm and energy, academic priorities, international activities, fundraising history, academic leadership, and strong personal qualities such as strong communication, team building, respect for themselves and others. And perhaps the most important criteria is a strong student focus.

According to Belliveau, the Committee hopes to have a decision made soon. After the candidates on-campus talks, they will be receiving feedback from the university community to aid them in the selection. There have been several delays in beginning these sessions, such as final exams, Christmas vacation, and the dreaded Y2K. But Belliveau is confident that the Committee will have its recommendations in to the Board of Governors by the end of the month. As Dr. Ozmon's position will not be up until June, this still gives plenty of time, should any other delays arise. Further information can be found on the Saint Mary's web page: www.stmarys.ca and comments on the candidates can be forwarded to smu@robsur.com or faxed to (902) 425-1108.



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SMUSA rings in new year with appointed General Manager

by Tim Boudreau

Out with the old, in with the new was the announcement made in a memo distributed on Dec 23, 1999 by the Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA). Mr. Robert Finn, who has been with the Association in several different positions over the past twelve years and has served as Operations Manager since 1996 has been appointed the new General Manager.

According to SMUSA President, Liam Arbuckle, the decision to appoint Finn as General Manager was made towards the end of the fall semester and was also ratified by council at that time. The council decided that Mr. Finn was the best candidate for the position of General Manager.

"We felt that, considering Rob's service over the past 12 years, it would have been unfair to search outward to fill the position [of General Manager]," said Arbuckle. "Rather than going through

the motions and making the same decision anyway we made the appointment."

A search is currently ongoing to fill Finn's former position, Operations Manager, which is now vacant due to the appointment. The Operations Manager is responsible "Considering Rob's service over the past 12 years, it would have been unfair to search outward to fill the position."

Liam Arbuckle
SMUSA President

for running The Gorsebrook as well as various other functions on campus. Arbuckle assures that steps are being taken to fill the vacancy and hopes to find a replacement by February 7, 2000.

"We put two ads in the paper and we've also sent a memo around the university," says Arbuckle. "We've also circulated an email through AMICCUS-C in hopes of finding someone with experience." AMICCUS-C is a na-

tionwide list-serve which is distributed to Student Unions and Associations across Canada.

All details regarding Mr. Finn's appointment to General Manager are not available. As of September 1999, Norman Gallant was the General Manager of SMUSA. Mr. Arbuckle was unable to shed any light on the reason as to why Gallant, who has been the Association's General Manager for roughly 10 years, no longer holds the position.

"I cannot comment due to legal proceedings," was Arbuckle's reply. Arbuckle was also reluctant to give any details about the legal proceedings except to say that they were "regarding [Gallant's] dismissal."

The SMUSA President is enthusiastic about Finn's appointment as the association's General Manager, however. "Rob is amazing, the best General Manager in the nation," says Arbuckle "He is the glue that keeps this circus together."

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Presidential Search

The three final candidates for President of Saint Mary's University will be doing a tour of the University on the following days:

Dr. Colin Dodds- Wednesday January 12, 2000

Robbie Shaw- Friday January 14, 2000

Rick Miner- Tuesday January 18, 2000

They will be in the Gorsebrook Lounge on these days from noon until 1:30 pm. All are welcome to attend the open forum.

Itinerary for Presidential Candidates

	Day One	Day Two
Dr. Colin Dodds	Jan. 11 th	Jan. 12 th
Robbie Shaw	Jan. 13 th	Jan. 14 th
Dr. Rick Miner	Jan. 17 th	Jan. 18 th

Day One – January 11, 13, and 17, 2000

General Assembly, Town Hall	11:30 – 1:00
Sobey Theatre Auditorium	– SB201
Arts Faculty	1:30 – 3:00
4 th Floor, Sobey Building	– SB415
Science Faculty	3:30 – 5:00
4 th Floor, Sobey Building	– SB415

Day Two – January 12, 14, and 18, 2000

Alumni and Alumni Executive	8:30 – 10:00
Secunda Boardroom, Sobey Building	
Senior Administrative Team	10:00 – 11:30
Secunda Boardroom, Sobey Building	
Student Council and Students	12:00 – 1:30
Gorsebrook Lounge	
Commerce Faculty	2:00 – 3:30
Sobey Theatre Auditorium	– SB201

Scholarships for students

by *Natasha Oakes*

In 1998, the Canadian Government announced in its budget the infusion of the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation into the lives of the country's post-secondary students. As the calendar rolled over to 2000, over 75 000 awards were granted to aid those wishing to further their educations.

Over the next ten years, eligible undergraduate students will reap the benefits of the \$215-million set aside by the Foundation. Each November,

students who show the most financial need will receive between \$2 000 and \$4 000, with the average allotment being approximately \$3 000. Students can benefit from the Foundation annually, for up to thirty-two months of study. The maximum amount one can attain is \$15 000.

The first of these cheques are being sent out this month, though some students will have the amount of their scholarship placed against their outstanding balance at the end of the year. Alberta, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia, Yukon, British Columbia, the Northwest Territories, and Prince Edward Island all have agreements with the Foundation to receive funding. Many students at Saint Mary's University have already gotten notice of their awards, to mixed reviews.

"It will definitely help with this year's tuition," says recipient Sarah Bassett, a fourth year Commerce student. "But what about my last three years of school?"

Eligibility for a Millennium Scholarship General Award is gauged by financial need. When one applies for provincial or territorial student financial assistance, they are automatically considered by the Foundation, provided the student's pre-study report was filed by the first week of October 1999. These services then determine who needs help in accordance to the existing provincial and territorial programs. Names are then sent to the Foundation, which grants awards starting with the students most in need, beginning at the top of the list until the province or territory utilizes its share of scholarships. How many awards are granted to each province or territory depends on its percentage of the total Canadian population. There are also Exceptional Merit Awards being offered to those who have demonstrated exceptional merit according to the Foundation and are attending university for the first time. For complete eligibility requirements and further information, visit www.MillenniumScholarships.ca.

It will be some time before the full magnitude of the Millennium Scholarships can be measured. But says recipient and SMU student John McIver, "With the amount of my loan right now, this award is about a year's worth of payments. I feel pretty lucky."

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SMU in 1999: a year in review

by *Natasha Oakes*

Dr. Ozmon announces retirement

The President of Saint Mary's, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon OC, announced that this would be his last year as head of the university. Since 1979, Dr. Ozmon has brought Saint Mary's into the forefront of Canadian education. Our condolences to future SMU students who will not enjoy the privilege of having Dr. Ozmon as their fearless leader.

My kingdom for a bench!

The Saint Mary's Physical Plant finally heard the cries of students in need of a place to sit. Benches and picnic tables popped up all over campus for the beginning of the 1999/2000 session. Now, if only we didn't live in Atlantic Canada and could enjoy these outdoor bumrests for more than two months a school year.

Caught with his pants down

Back in January, SMU was privy to the hands on approach of one library lurker. The "Suspected Serial Stroker" was found outside the Patrick Power Library, pleasuring himself to the young women studying inside. It was some time ago that this happened, but we felt it was worth another mention.

The Big Show

The Saint Mary's Football Huskies made us proud by making it all the way to the Vanier Cup in Toronto. The mighty Huskies fell to the Laval Rouge et Or 14-10, but it was a valiant effort by our boys, and we're all quite proud. This year's Jewett Trophy was dedicated to former SMU football coach and CFL player, Larry Uteck.

SMU movin' on up in Macleans' ranking

Saint Mary's jumped up two spots this year in the Maclean's Universities Ninth Annual Ranking. We're now tenth in the Primarily Undergraduate category. Our reputation's still pretty good, too, we're the fifth best undergrad school in the country. OK, sure.

The Journal bids farewell to the Single Guy

Colin MacMillan, the glue that held this newspaper together for over a decade, headed off to bigger and better things this year. Venturing off to the "Land of the Free," Colin left behind many friends, admirers, and a journalistic legacy.

Y2K - Why indeed?

So the school didn't blow up, nor the world, for that matter, with the dawn of the new millennium. In fact, New Year's Eve 1999 was one of the most peaceful in history. There were no massive computer crashes, no nuclear warfare, and no biblical disasters. Those who expected some, or all, of this were left disappointed, and in possession of a whole lot of toilet paper and bottled water. Well, take heart, there's always the next millennium.

SMU's Loyola-Vanier renewal project

An exciting infrastructure renewal project that is kicking off the New Millennium

submitted by *External Affairs*

Saint Mary's is undertaking a major renewal of the Loyola Vanier residence, a \$25 million dollar investment in university infrastructure that will see new windows and cladding as well as a completely refurbished interior space. The renewal of Loyola-Vanier represents a significant upgrading of university property that will benefit not only students living in residence, but the entire community.

Saint Mary's University President, Dr. Kenneth L. Ozmon, OC, has spoken publicly about the deterioration of university infrastructure on campuses right across the country, calling for a well-funded national renewal program. Saint Mary's has chosen to proceed with infrastructure renewal without further delay.

The Loyola-Vanier residence is more than 30 years old. While the facility is sound, it is becoming increasingly dated. Ongoing repairs on a piecemeal basis are neither responsible, nor adequate. Our resources and energy must be invested in a significant upgrading which will put the facility in line with future standards. The new Sobey building has given Saint Mary's a state of the art learning environment that is among the finest and most beautifully designed in North America. The living environment of our students is equally important.

Saint Mary's has established a good track record in its management of earlier projects, such as the renovations to Rice Residence and the construction of the Sobey Building. We believe in the importance of handling projects of this nature respon-

sibly, considerately, and with a commitment to good communications. The Loyola-Vanier project will be carefully and thoughtfully managed from start to finish. Committees are busy planning for logistics, identifying alternate housing for students, ensuring there is a good flow of communications with students and with the neighbour-



DAVID RICKARD, ARCHITECT IN CHARGE OF THE RENOVATIONS, SHOWS THE "BEFORE AND AFTER" LOOK OF THE LOYOLA BUILDING.

hood, and dealing with any questions that might arise.

The Department of Facilities Management will direct the renewal project at Saint Mary's. A construction management firm has been hired to oversee all the contractors. The Department of External Affairs at Saint Mary's will respond to questions or concerns as they arise.

Work will begin in April 2000, after the students currently in residence have moved out for the summer. The work will continue for approximately 18 months, first at Loyola, and then Vanier. The project will be completed in the Fall of 2001.

During the current school year, nothing changes. At the end of April, Loyola will be closed for a year while work proceeds. In the summer of 2001, Vanier will be closed

while it undergoes renovations. In the Fall of 2001 the dazzling new facilities will be open for business.

Every effort is being made to minimize inconvenience for students. An Off-Campus Housing Office has been set up on the main floor of Rice Residence, with a full time coordinator, Seana Dunphy (Saint Mary's Arts '97). The office is scheduled to open on January 17 and can be reached at 491-8606. In addition, the former nurses' residence at Gerard Hall (on the Halifax Infirmary site) has been secured as a temporary residence for Saint Mary's students. When alterations are complete, Gerard Hall will provide centrally located residence facilities for approximately 300 students.

A mock-up of the new exterior cladding has been constructed on the west facade of Loyola residence - a preview of Loyola's "new look". Architect David Rickard (the designer of the Sobey Building) has chosen materials that will compliment the themes of existing campus buildings, as well as giving the residence a pleasing sense of colour, lightness and texture. Larger window areas will enhance interior light. New flooring and furnishings will be installed. Every room will be fully wired for computers, telephone and cable TV. The life-safety infrastructure will be upgraded to meet future standards.

Saint Mary's University External Affairs, 420-5518 will be handling media and public enquiries and directing them to the proper place. There will also be regular updates in the form of neighbourhood circulars and articles in campus publications such as the *Times*, the *Journal*, and *Maroon & White*.

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Auld Lang Syne

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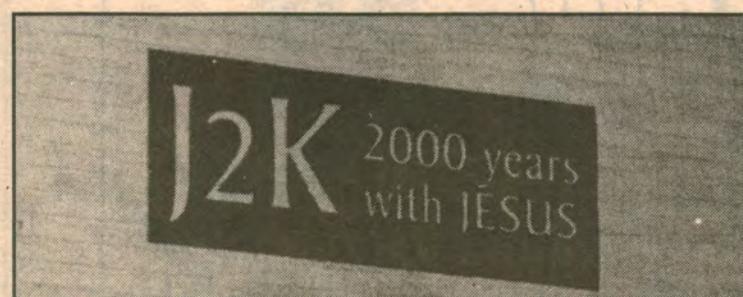
I feel somewhat ashamed, as being part of a profession that helped spread this wildfire. It is true, the media blew this way out of proportion, created mass panic, had expert after expert preaching about how the breakdown of social systems could occur. But, I will not be apologizing anytime soon. Not because I didn't help to spread any of this garbage, but because it is the public's responsibility to decide for themselves what is right and wrong.

After asking a few of my more computer-oriented friends what they thought was going to happen, they told me what did happen, nothing. In fact, if anyone just did a little bit of research on the internet, you probably could have found appropriate information regarding this issue that would have changed your mind about what was going to happen. So who can we point the finger at for this mess? Computer manufacturers, grocery store giants, media, stupid people? The list is too big, I'm afraid.

I'll admit that as the clock was winding down on December 31st, I was truly hoping that a catastrophe would occur, then it would have made all the time and money spent somewhat worth it. I don't know how much was spent trying to correct the Y2K bug, or all the fireworks that went into the celebrations, but I'm sure if I did know, it would disgust me.

Now what do we do? Well, wait for the millennium to come I guess. That's right, everyone who thinks we are well into the new millennium, I'm sorry, but you are mistaken. The new millennium will occur on January 1st, 2001. The coming of the year 2000 has brought about a cult following of those people obsessed with informing the world that they have been only celebrating a New Year, not a new millennium. To these people... don't waste your breath. The BIG party already happened, and nobody is going to foot the bill for another party like this one. If everyone, just for one moment, acknowledges that these people are right, maybe they will stop their ranting so we can get on with our lives.

T.M.



EVEN THE CHURCH COULDN'T HELP BUT CASH IN ON A LITTLE MILLENNIUM POPULARITY IN DOWNTOWN HALIFAX.



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COMIX

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THIS IS HIS FRIEND ROBYN, WHO DECIDED TO HELP HIM GET SOME. SHE IS SLEEPING WITH A BOUNCER NAMED PECS...



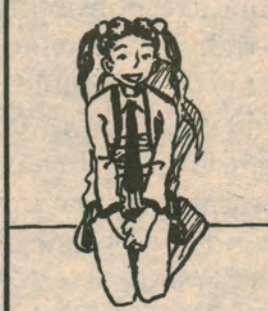
THIS IS ARISA. SHE IS ROBYN'S TUTOR AND ICON HAS FALLEN IN LOVE WITH HER. SADLY FOR ICON, SHE HAS A BOYFRIEND...



HIS NAME IS LUC. LUC PLAYS BASS IN A MONTREAL BASED METAL-RAP BAND, AND HAS NO VISIBLE MEANS OF INCOME..



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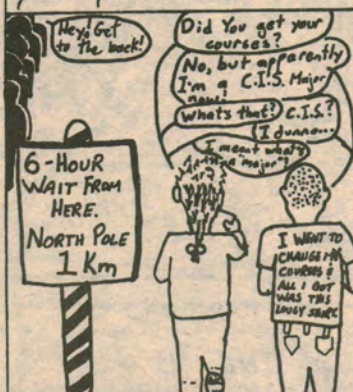


THE STROY LAIR

"YEAH, I KNOW I STILL CAN'T DRAW, BUT I MAKE A MEAN MR. NOODLES!"

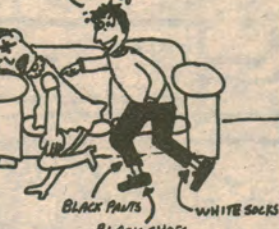
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FIRST, LET'S LOOK AT THE LINEUPS FOR CHANGING COURSES...



DON'T WORRY THOUGH... IT COULD BE WORSE (BUT NOT LIKELY)... YOU MIGHT'VE BEEN STUCK @ THE JOURNAL X-MAS PARTY w/ OUR OWN DEUCE BIGLOW...

Hey, baby! Can I get you another drink? No? Good! That's right, show me some toner!



HEY STUD! WHY DON'T YOU COOL DOWN A BIT! THERE'S PROLLY MORE CONSCIOUS GIRLS TO PICK UP HERE!

To Hell with the Pie! They've ditched us twice already! You'd better shaddup or I'm gonna draw Pain & Starch beating the eff! T with you, and then write stuff about SMUSA!

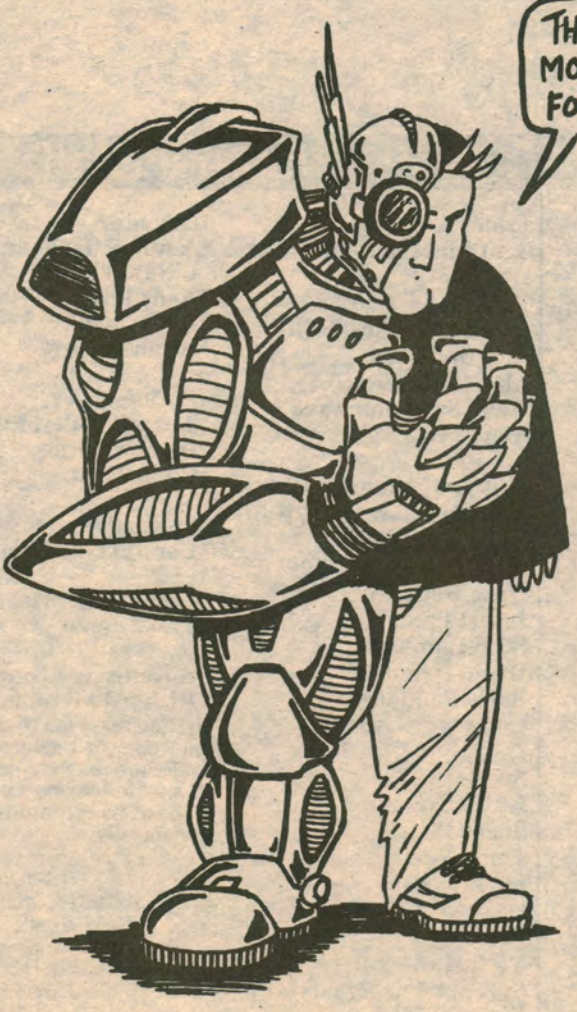


TUNE IN NEXT WEEK WHEN ARTISTS SUBMIT ON TIME!!

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WELL, I FORGOT TO MAKE THE COMIC Y2K COMPATIBLE, SO WE HAVE A FEW GLITCHES. EVERYTHING WILL RETURN TO NORMAL NEXT WEEK. I HOPE.



THAT'S IT, NO MORE DRINKING FOR ME EVER.

THIS IS NOT FUNNY! SOMEONE WILL PAY FOR THIS!



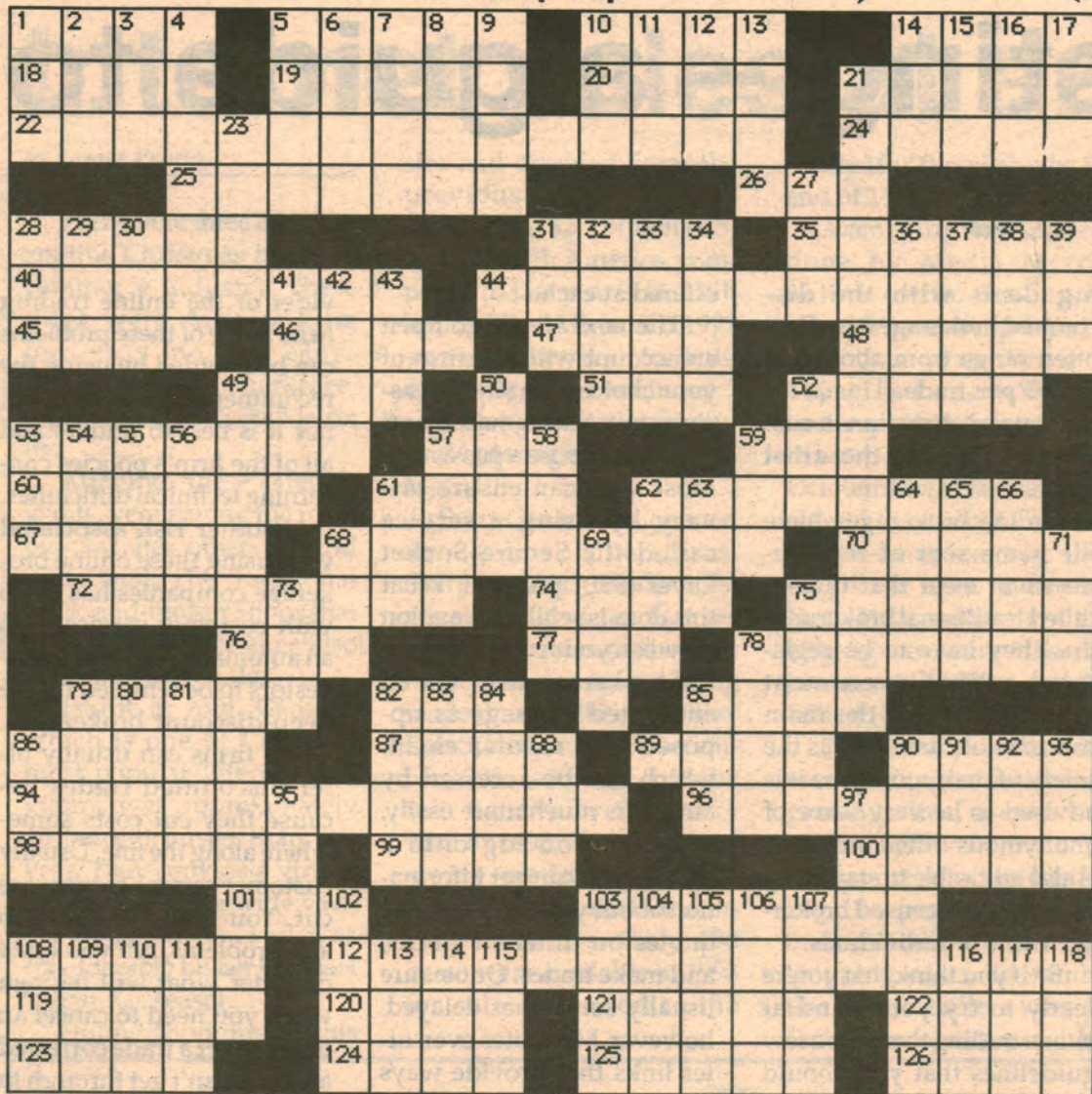
THOSE TWO LOSERS MAY BE FREAKS, BUT I LOVE THE NEW LOOK! SAY HELLO TO SAILOR NAT!

Adam Tupper
2000
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Shape Up



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- 80 Irritate
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Last Week's Answers

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Online investing – a guide to new investors

by James Pratley

The internet has made many things easier and more convenient, for example – everything. One of the latest online trends to be gaining momentum is online investing. Investing has grown into a North American pastime as of late. It is estimated that approximately 2 million households across North America will begin to trade online by the end of the year 2000. Most of these will be average folks – those that aren't among the wealthiest, and don't have the highest levels of education.

There are basically two things that draw these Internet users to trading online. The is convenience and the other is low price. Studies show that the majority of investors are those with existing brokerage relationships. These investors use the internet for some of their transaction, but still use more traditional methods for conducting a large percentage of their trades.

Analysts predict that although most of these investors are currently satisfied with the service they receive through the brokerage firms, the Internet will eventually lure them to make more trades using the online services provided by most brokerage firms.

There are several types of investors that typically trade online. One of the most prevalent types are the ag-

gressive investors. These investors usually have fairly large portfolios with a high average net worth. The other group that makes up a large percentage of Net investors are the young risk-takers. These investors usually have smaller portfolios with lower net worth.

As brokerage firms fight to attract and keep new customers, new products that are flexible and provide what the customer wants will be added all the time. These new services will attract new investors on a continual basis. "Investors will continue to flock to the Internet as they come to realize that managing their portfolio will be no more complex than managing a few bookmarks in their browser," said Kenneth Clemmer an analyst.

So what is it about these services that's turning even those who aren't typical investors into near fanatics? One of the main reasons is the ease of use. Anybody can log onto these online brokerage firms and make transactions with a mere click of the button. Besides being very convenient it is also much less intimidating for first time investors to find out the various ways to make their money grow. Beginners are free to go along at their own pace without the trouble of having to decipher the technical jargon of the industry.

Another major reason for the popularity of Net invest-

ing deals with the discounted brokerage fees. Fees often range from about \$10 to \$40 per trade. This is often a major attraction to customers, especially those that are modest investors.

Online brokerages have the same sort of requirements to meet that the so-called traditional brokerages do. They have to be registered with Government agencies. One of the main concerns of customers is the safety of their money, so it is advised to be very wary of anonymous offers online. It is also advisable to stay away from any unlicensed brokerage firms or individuals.

So if you think that you're ready to try your hand at online trading there are a few guidelines that you should follow.

First of all you have to decide on a brokerage firm. Because there are so many options for investors it is recommended that you check out your options before you decide. Don't just go to one site and instantly decide to open an account. Most web sites offer a demo. Try the features at several sites to compare the services that are

offered at each.

The next step is to open an account with the firm of your choice. The site will assign you a user name and then you choose a password. Most sites can ensure privacy by using a service called the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol. What this does is send information between your computer and the brokerage firm via an encrypted message as opposed to a regular email, which can be accessed by outsiders much more easily.

When you log onto a service you can get information about your account, get quotes on different stocks, and make trades. Quotes are usually somewhat delayed, however. Most sites even offer links that provide ways to research the companies that you plan to invest in.

There are a few limitations to such services that are worth mentioning. Because this is a technologically driven industry, there are of course possible technical problems. There is always the risk of systems crashing. Expect downtime due to "traffic jams" and any problems with your internet pro-

vider or the online trading firm. Some of these problems can be avoided by using the recommended web browser, but it is best to understand all of the firm's policies concerning technical difficulties.

Another risk associated with using these online brokerage companies has to do with customer service. It is an automatic response for investors to be tempted by the deep-discount brokerages. These firms can usually offer discounted trades because they cut costs somewhere along the line. Usually customer service corners are cut. You may not run into any problems, but you must consider what will happen when you need to cancel an order or get a trade corrected and you can't get through to the customer service department.

If you're thinking of trying to invest online, it is best to make sure that you are both confident and have a good understanding of what you're getting into – but that's true for making any investment.

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Internet sales at an all-time high

by James Pratley

There were three big players this Christmas in the e-commerce industry. These three were Amazon.com Inc., eBay Inc., and eToys Inc., according to market research done by Media Metrix Inc.

Although these Internet giants were among the most popular sites, others also did quite well. The traditional brick-and-mortar shops that offer e-commerce sites also had impressive sales.

Traffic at AOL Canada, which is one of Canada's most popular Internet providers, was approximately 40 percent busier than last year. They provide a virtual mall that offers a wide variety of products, and was considerably busier than last Christmas season.

Online shopping at this

site had doubled from the previous year. Shoppers spent about \$2.5 billion (US) across North America, compared to last year's \$1.2 billion (US). "All in all, 1999 was a banner year for holiday related e-commerce," said Doug McFarland, general manager of Media Metrix.

Sears Canada Inc. opened its online operations, Sears.ca which made huge advances this year. Sources report that sales of about \$1 million per week were being made through their web site. In fact, sales made in December 1999 were more than the sale figures for the entire year in 1998. Vast improvements made to the site helped contribute to the increase in sales. Only 400 items were available in 1998 for sale compared to the

nearly 10 000 available by the end of 1999.

According to research done by Media Metrix, online traffic was up by about 27 percent up from the previous year. Ernst & Young had originally forecast expected sales for the three month period from October to December to be about \$15 billion (US) across North America, but they may have been somewhat hasty. Figures now show that sale figures were closer to between \$10 billion and \$13 billion (US).

The most popular sites were toys, greeting cards, gaming sites, music, and electronics.

One of the factors hindering the profits made by online retailers is the high shipping costs. To combat this many retailers were offering promotions that

waived the shipping costs. This can have drastic effects on the bottom line of these companies.

In order to attract customers to their sites this is often a technique. "Free shipping is a costly promotion for snagging customers," said one research analyst.

It is estimated that shipping costs are a factor for more than 80 percent of online shoppers. When looking at the overall costs of a product the cost to getting it delivered is always taken into consideration. Even though the actual price of an item may be considerably cheaper than buying it from a mall, it may cost more in the long run if shipping costs are high. Executives at Chapters.ca look at offering free shipping coupons as a temporary investment in order to draw customers. Another issue that must be looked at by these retailers is reliability of shipping companies. Chapters.ca upgraded their delivery methods in the few weeks before Christmas to ensure that gifts would arrive on time. Building customer satisfaction remains important and building confidence is also a concern. After all, retailers want their customers to buy from them again, so the beefed-up delivery is merely an added expense necessary to conducting business over the Internet.

ToysRUs.com made a slight miscalculation when determining the proper cut-off-date for Christmas deliveries. When it announced that they could not fulfill many orders placed before the deadline, they had to hand out coupons to those customers. The coupons were hardly any consolation for those that were counting on those gifts. The damage was done.

As e-commerce starts to grow into a major force in the retail industry, companies must learn how to balance such factors like pricing and shipping more effectively.

When there is a profit to

be made it doesn't usually take long for companies to learn their mistakes. Chapters.ca were somewhat unprepared for the extremely high traffic to their site the week before Christmas, and everybody (even those from the office) were gift wrapping or helping get books ready for shipping. They were, however, able to get more out than they had originally anticipated or promised.

Future Shop Ltd. had online sales that were higher than anticipated. They weren't really sure what to expect because it was their first year to offer sales via the Internet. Despite the high volume they were able to keep up with the demand, and they were able to please almost everybody. Although the preparations were adequate for the holiday traffic, they weren't quite ready for the traffic on Boxing Day. Traffic on this day was so heavy that people weren't able to check on their purchases once they got onto the site. The company had to act fast or potentially lose any orders that became backlogged.

Next year retailers plan on making changes to the process at various levels. Some of the improvements that some retailers are considering are improvements to the shipping process by perhaps allowing for last minute deliveries. This is somewhat difficult because of uncertain weather conditions, but it is being looked into for next year. Other changes include adjustments to the returns policies of some stores to allow for easier exchanges. Some retailers are also planning on adding more products, some of which couldn't possibly be sold at brick-and-mortar stores.

As e-commerce emerges from its infancy it can only improve. Online shoppers are bound to see major improvements for next year's Christmas season.

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T.E.

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Still Existent World

Jeffy B,
Imagine that. A 1300 km leash. That's gotta hurt.
You know Who

Hey roomies!!
Welcome back! I hope we stick to the resolutions!!
RED

Erin,
I saw you sky diving naked last weekend with Steve W!
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Budweiser,
I haven't seen you in awhile. I hope your holidays were filled with happiness. Drop up sometime!

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Good to know that your roommates are responsible and trustworthy.
Yeah Right

Ferg,
Nice try buddy, but I've got the power!
Rich

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J

John, Lindsey, Amanda:
Get well soon!!
Love, Chele

Crankass,
Why would you sell your textbooks when you know how much fun they can be?
FooFreak

Stro,
I'm glad we could grow closer through our conversations. Maybe we could make it September all year round.
Ad Man

Princess,
Watch out for those damn dirty apes, they're eeeeeeeevil!
NoPants

PsychoB,
Quit your bull, you're not fooling anyone.
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Everyone,
Those sheeps were on fire when I got here, I swear!
Innocent

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Random A&E stuff of 1999 – the official list

The good, the bad and the ugly of '99 that just didn't make it into the paper last year for any number of reasons

Ani DiFranco to the teeth

by *Natasha Oakes*

Ani DiFranco is one of those rare, wonderful, indie gems that everyone should have the privilege of experiencing. This new album, *to the teeth*, just confirms what I've always known about Ani: she rules. It's just that simple.

to the teeth is her third disc this year, thirteenth this decade, and it's on her own label Righteous Babe Music (love that name).

Ani takes on gun control in the title track with wonderful lines like "if I hear one more time/ about a fool's right/ to his tools of rage/ I'm gonna take all my friends/ and I'm gonna move to Canada /and we're gonna die of old age." And I'm also quite partial to "the arrivals gate," a happy tune about the joy of seeing people reunite at the airport.

This album is a little experimental, playing with everything from horns to freestyle

rap. But that's the way Ani does things. And her unique brand of folk/funk music is catching more than a few ears; the Artist Formerly Known as Prince appears on the track "providence" doing backing vocals, no less. Well, I know I'm impressed, with the whole disc, actually. As I said, Ani rules.

World Wrestling Federation WWF The Music, Volume 4

by *Jon Bruhm*

I can smell what The Rock is cookin': 45 minutes of crap. It's hard to believe that I actually put this CD in my stereo. Even more baffling is that the WWF is laughing their way to the bank again with their fourth CD. It contains 14 theme songs of the WWF's 'superstars' - in other words, the 30 second clips that you hear accompanying the wrestlers to the ring on TV. Surprisingly, some of these tunes

aren't too terrible. "My Time," "Break Down the Wall" and "No Chance in Hell" (Triple H, Chris Jericho and The Corporation's themes) all slightly resemble a tag team effort between the Beastie Boys and Rage Against the Machine. The Big Show's "Big" is a moderately catchy blues riff, and Mark Henry's "Sexual Chocolate" sounds like it was ripped right out of a porn soundtrack.

Thirty seconds of each is more than enough, yet most of them last four minutes, repeating themselves over and over again. They're not too bad on TV, but putting them on CD is just another way for the WWF to capitalize on "the most electrifying business in sports entertainment." Can you give me an "Oh hell yeah"?

PS (A Toad Retrospective) Toad the Wet Sprocket

by *Jarrold Francis*

A worthwhile purchase for fans of the band who are maybe missing some songs from their collection. The album is a greatest hits package which includes some remixes and alternate versions of some of their songs. For those of you who like a few of their songs and think that you can't lose with a greatest hits collection you may want to keep a couple of things in mind.

The music is mostly catchy light rock tunes, some of which contain darker undertones lyrically such as the remix of "Hold Her Down." I can picture most of these songs on any teen television drama or movie, and there's really nothing wrong with that. The problem is that the songs tend to get repetitive; the songs seem to all blend together. There was nothing that stands out as really bad on the album but I didn't find that there was anything that stood out. In short, if you've heard a couple of songs by Toad that you liked you'll probably enjoy the rest of

them, but it's more likely you'll get tired of the repeating style.

Various Artists MuchDance 2000

by *Max Power*

MuchDance 2000 is almost impossible not to own. You know it's going to have at least one song on it you love, and probably a few you secretly like. Even if there are a couple of duds, that's why there's a skip button. This year the good folks at Muchmusic have placed a number of big name artists on their latest dance compilation. They include Eminem, Jay-Z, 702, Britney Spears, Jennifer Lopez, Lauryn Hill, Blackstreet, Puff Daddy, Whitney Houston, TLC, Len, Will Smith, Ricky Martin, The Vengaboys, Boomtang Boys, Joee and Prozzak. Okay, so that's all of them. Sue me. You should know what you're get-

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ting. All in all, this is a fine addition to the MuchDance library that has become more of a mainstream rap and pop CD than straight up dance. The entries by Jay-Z, Will Smith, Vengaboys, Len and the Boomtang Boys will get your body movin', while Spears, Lopez, TLC, Houston and 702 will keep it groovin'. However, Puff Daddy and Eminem are useless on a dance CD, and Prozzak and Joe are paltry Canadian entries at best. All in all though, this is a worthwhile soundtrack for any party.

Blondie No Exit

by *Dane Butler*

Blondie rules!! How's that for a review? This comeback album, as it is called, is a wonderful mix of music that shows all of what Blondie is. Blondie is hard rock; Blondie is pop; Blondie is rap...well sort of, really bad white chick rap, but the title track "No Exit," which is a great song, does feature some real rap artists. Blondie doesn't get away from the kind of music that made them great in the first place. Why would they change? You don't mess with a formula that works. Deborah Harry has managed to keep her voice in good shape through the years, and the band plays as well, if not better than they used to. If you like Blondie, you have to get this album, and if you don't like Blondie I suggest you go see a shrink, because there is something wrong with you.

Various Artists The World Is Not Enough soundtrack

by *Adam Tupper*

With the release of the 19th James Bond film, *The World Is Not Enough*, comes the accompanying soundtrack. This one has just two original songs, while the rest of the CD contains the score by David Arnold. The first of the songs is the theme to *The World Is Not Enough*, sung by Shirley Manson and accompanied by her band Garbage. It is a mesmerizing song of power, incorporating both the styles of the James Bond films and Garbage's own unique music. The other original song, "Only Myself To Blame" by Scott Walker, is straight up blues, however, it doesn't quite fit in with the techno-spy instrumentals that fill the rest of the CD. Arnold, who wrote all the music featured, conjures up images of speeding boats, men with machine guns and beautiful women as the

soundtrack progresses. For anyone who has seen the film, they will remember the music from key chase scenes and those tender moments when Bond shows us just why he's the best at what he does. The music is elegantly woven together, and the modernizing of the Bond theme is excellent. Truly this is music to get the super spy in you all revved up for a vodka martini, shaken, not stirred.

Bush The Science of Things

by *Ethan Jerzy*

Another CD chockfull of good music fronted by lyrics that make absolutely no sense whatsoever, no matter how hard you try to glean a scrap of meaning from a variety of cool sounding songs. Their third release of original music, Bush simply continues on their reign of Gavin Rossdale's constipation induced singing (well, that's what it sounds like, and you know it), and the ever-present electric guitars that seem to match his voice just right. The first single, "The Chemicals Between Us," is a perfect example of the music that has brought Bush to the fame they have achieved, and other songs, such as "Warm Machine" and "Prizefighter" will not disappoint the avid Bush man or woman. This album seems maybe a little softer and maybe more melodious as a result, but Bush will always be Bush, and their music will make it so. Not a stand-out album by any means, so don't be surprised if after the first single, you don't hear about it again.

The Corrs Unplugged

by *Marcin Modzynski*

This album is one of the best things The Corrs could have done. Having gone to their concert here in Halifax, back in '95, I have firsthand experience in seeing The Corrs live, and it remains to this day one of the best concerts I've ever been to. Adding to the 'live' recording feature is the unplugged aspect; only acoustic instruments allowed. On this album, The Corrs have an even mixture of songs from the first and second album with a couple of new releases to keep fans placated. One of these is the new single, "Radio", a good song that reflects more or less the typical fare offered on a Corrs CD. The other original song, at least for The Corrs, is "Everybody Hurts", which most people know as done by R.E.M. This sounds surprisingly good done by the group, with Andrea Corrs' vocals doing

justice to Michael Stipe. The Corrs are a good band for softer music, which is why this and their first CD are two of the best I own. This CD is perfect for anyone who has heard anything by The Corrs and would like to hear more; it's got a little bit of everything that makes them one of my favorite bands.

The Charlatans UK Us and Us Only

by *Rachelle Meuse*

Having never heard of this UK band before, I was happily surprised to find not yet another Oasis-Verve cover band. The Charlatans UK have put together an album that resonates with their own style of mellow but playful tones.

The songs deal with the obvious themes of friendship and love but are not written as sappy eulogies for lost loves. The quick beat keeps you humming along to the variety of songs they put together. And to top things off, you even get a hint of that sweet English accent from the lead singer, Tim Burgess. If you find yourself usually listening to other Brit bands, grab this one as well. The album is full of catchy songs that you'll find yourself singing, and they're even pretty cute too!

Foo Fighters There is Nothing Left to Lose

by *Jon Bruhm*

The Foo Fighters are well known for their alternative-rock persona, which stems from frontman Dave Grohl's drumming days with Nirvana. Why mess with a winning formula? Naturally, a band has the right to experiment with their sound. However, a near 180-degree shift seems to have transformed the group from 'rockers' into something of a 'shiny, happy pop band'.

As one of the band's biggest fans, I am quite disappointed with their new sound. I've been a devoted listener since first hearing "This is a Call" in 1995. What captivated me was their ability to write both melodious ballads like "February Stars", as well as thrashing guitar/screaming vocal songs, such as "Good Grief". *There is Nothing Left to Lose* does offer some great tunes, ("Stacked Actors", "Generator" and "Breakout"), however this record offers little along the lines of heavy songs which the band used to write so well. There is plenty left to lose. The Foo Fighters are still alive and well - "Learn to Fly" is skyrocketing up the charts. Still, I feel that the band was capable of much more on this album.

Mel C Northern Star

by *Marcin Modzynski*

There's no way good enough to introduce the debut solo album of a Spice Girl. So many jokes, so little space. However, in all fairness to the Spice Girl who can arguably actually sing in her own high-pitched, nasal way, she gave it a shot. Mel C (aka Sporty Spice) has covered a more extensive range of music than most compilation CD's, from classic Spice ditties, to soft, slow songs that really don't go well with her voice, to techno-backed tunes that are surprisingly listenable. Apparently, doing worse than Geri (Ginger Spice) Halliwell's solo debut as far as sales and popularity, Northern Star isn't much of a success and almost definitely won't be in the future. As much as Mel C might have been the most promising of the Spice Girls, former and otherwise, for a solo career, she still has only that; the possibility of potential. The album isn't very good and has only glimmers of potential quality music, but chances are Mel C will never reach that rather lofty goal from the sounds of it, so it's back to the spice rack for her.

The winners of the Big Shiny Wordseek are Jeremy Hart and Karinne Lantz. The winners can come up to The Journal to claim their Big Shiny Tunes 4 CDs, and thanks for everyone who participated in the contest.



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To Boldly Go...

by Adam Tupper

As someone who is familiar with the Star Trek universe, I went to see the film *Galaxy Quest* with the understanding



that I would be seeing an hour and a half of jokes aimed at Gene Roddenberry's creation. I was not disappointed. *Galaxy Quest* stars Tim Allen as Jason Nesmith, an actor who portrayed the captain of a spaceship on the TV serial "Galaxy Quest" for four years in the early eighties. The show has long been canceled, yet Jason and his intrepid crew (Sigourney Weaver, Alan Rickman, Tony Shalhoub and Daryl Mitchell) still manage to tour the country doing sci-fi conventions and dealing with dorky fans. However, things take a bizarre turn when real aliens show up and kidnap the crew. They think the actors are real space heroes and enlist their help to defeat an evil space pirate. This is a film that

doesn't take itself seriously at all, and this is what makes *Galaxy Quest* fly.

Everyone is hilarious, especially Sigourney Weaver and Sam Rockwell, who plays a guy just hoping not to get killed. The plot is simple and

thankfully so. The visuals are top notch, especially the main villain Sirrus. However, Sirrus is all but useless as a villain. The paper-thin plot also begins to show through near the end, but you really don't care by then. As long as you don't take it too seriously, and you've seen at least one Star Trek episode, you'll enjoy this film.

Carrey delivers Oscar performance

by Tim MacPherson

The legacy of Andy Kaufman has been perfectly captured in *Man on the Moon*. This is a biography type film, which shows Andy's rise and falls on his trip into entertain-

ment history. Kaufman in played by one of the highest paid comedian's in history, Jim Carrey, and his manager is played by real life friend and co-worker of Kaufman, Danny Devito. Being a fan of Andy Kaufman before seeing the movie, I was totally impressed to see him so accurately portrayed in this movie. During his life, Kaufman played many stunts that appeared to be real but were in fact staged, which lead many people to suspect that he faked his own death. Even if you had never heard the name Andy Kaufman before seeing this movie, I am sure you will be entertained, as Andy's life was basically one big performance. The name of the movie is taken from the R.E.M song "Man On the Moon" written about Kaufman many years ago. Thumbs way up from me, and I look forward to seeing Carrey walk away with an Oscar for this portrayal.



The Not-So-Talented Mr. Damon

by Ethan Jerzy

It seems that everyone has been crapping on *The Talented Mr. Ripley*, and not just a little, they've really been nailing that sucker. Apparently there



are people out there who liked it, but if so, I haven't met any yet. Come on, who isn't up for a homo-erotic psycho gay romp through some of the most beautiful scenery in Italy? On a more serious note, there's the scene where Matt Damon goes to the beach dressed in a super-tight yellow Speedo-like bathing suit...um, never mind. After watching trailers that made very little sense, watching the movie was easy, as the plot was nowhere near as convoluted as the trailers made it out to be, except near the end. Then there is the fact that Matt Damon keeps getting these roles that he has done really nothing to warrant. Sure, he says his lines right, and looks pretty when he has to, but so many other actors might be able to give roles like this that extra something to really make the movie. Come to think of it, the female side of

the coin is well balanced in this film, with Gwyneth Paltrow getting role after role where you don't get the feeling your watching different characters, you're just always watching Gwyneth, except sometimes she has an accent. A very unimpressive film when it come right down to it, with enough annoying subtleties surrounding the movie that it's just not worth it.

Some toys you never outgrow

by Marcin Modzynski

Sometimes Disney deserves all the praise it gets. Disney and Pixar have achieved with *Toy Story 2* what literally hundreds of sequels have tried and claimed; to be better than the original. This was one of the best movies of the year, containing comedy, action and the best computer animation I've ever seen. This time around Woody (voiced by Tom Hanks) has been stolen by a collector who has been offered a lot of money for a complete set of 'Woody's Roundup Gang' toys. And so, like true friends, Buzz Lightyear (voiced by Tim Allen) and the other toys launch a rescue to get back their lost pal. As may be expected, hilarity ensues in numerous situations, seemingly scene after scene being filled with clever jokes, great sight gags, and pure entertainment. Those going to see it awhile after its release got treated to a set of bloopers at the end of the film, something so funny that I haven't laughed that hard in a long time. If there was ever an opportunity to rediscover your inner child, this is it, even if it is only for an hour and a half.

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SMU holds their own at Aquafina tournament

by Shane Paris

Every year at Saint Mary's the Women's basketball team holds their annual Aquafina basketball tournament, and this year was no different. The tournament ran from January 3rd to January 5th, and this year saw mostly AUSA teams (SMU, DAL, SFX, UPEI, ACA and the one team from Ontario, YORK University) Day one of the tournament saw Saint Mary's play UPEI, Saint Mary's did not play a good game they were outscored in the first half, 32-20. While Saint Mary's played a better second half, they could not overcome the 12 point deficit and they were defeated 58-50. In other action SFX defeated York University 60-59, and Dalhousie defeated Acadia with brutal 66-39 win. During day two of the tournament Saint Mary's saw York

York was leading when Kari Scott came off of the bench to hit two key three pointers to put Saint Mary's in the lead where they stayed to defeat York 70-62. Also on the second day of the tournament UPEI beat Acadia 58-57 and SFX defeated Dalhousie 63-60. During the final day of the tournament, Acadia defeated York 59-46 and Saint Mary's defeated SFX in double overtime 84-78. It was a round robin tournament and because four teams were 2-1 it had to come down to a points for and against and since Dalhousie had the 25 point win over Acadia, they won the tournament. Although Saint Mary's did not win the tournament, they did show that they can play with the best teams in the AUSA. The womens next home game is on Saturday January 15th against UNB at 7:00.

AUSA all-star team named

by Shane Paris

This past week the Tim Hortons AUSA All-Star team was announced. The team will play two games against Team Canada on January 15th and 16th at Acadia in Wolfville. The starting goalie is Mike Weatherbie from Saint Mary's University. Weatherbie is has played over 890 minutes and is averaging only 2.56 goals allowed per game. Backing him up is Dave Mitchell from the University of PEI. On Defence the starters are Chris Peyton from Acadia University and Bob MacIsac from Saint Mary's University, following them are Daryl Rivers from the University of New Brunswick, Steve Gallace from SMU, Dan Preston from St. Thomas University and Dominique Auger from St. Francis Xavier University. The starting Forwards for the all star team are Jason Sands from St. Thomas University, Jim Midgley from St.

Mary's University and Dustin Virag from St. Thomas University. Following the starting Forwards are Yanick Evola from St. Francis Xavier University, Paul Andrea from St. Francis Xavier University, Paul Andrea from Saint Francis Xavier University, Daniel Tudin from Dalhousie University, Darryl Moxam and Josh St. Louis from Acadia University. Other Forwards who were named to the team were Colin Beardsmore and Peter MacKellar from the University of New Brunswick as well as Carl Prudhomme and Deny Gaudet from the Universite de Moncton. For the Alternatives for the team were Jeff Dewar and Scott Hay from St. Thomas University as well as Rob Guinn from Saint Mary's. Congratulations to Weatherbie, MacIssaac, Gallace, Midgley, and Guinn. Show them what your made of boys!

Wonder where they have been? 1st half of the season.

by Enrique Mendoza

Well to all of you basketball fans out there I first have to apologize for the lack of Basketball articles in last semesters Journal. But I promise that this won't happen again (well, till the next time it does).

The Huskies started off the same way they ended the season last year with a total domination win over the UCCB Capers 93-75. This was the first game for Gabe Goree a rookie from Queen Elizabeth High School, Gabe scored 8 points in 18 minutes of play showing us that he is able to play in the AUSA. The Huskies continued their winning streak against the Saint Francis Xavier with a 80-76 win with Patrick Toulouse leading the Huskies in scoring with 16 points and 10 rebounds. The following two games were held at Memorial University in Newfoundland, where the Huskies found their first loss of the season. They defeated MUN in the first game of the weekend 72-60, however lost the second game of the weekend by a mere 3 points 86-83. The final game

of the first half of the season brought Saint Mary's against cross town rivals Dalhousie, this game was played at the Metro Center where the 1999 CIAU National Championship banner was raised and the Huskies received their championship rings for their win last season. Their rings gave them the boost that they needed to bounce back from their loss against MUN. The Huskies defeated the Tigers 80-55. This brought them to a 4-1 record and first place in the AUSA, it also has put them in fifth place in the CIAU top ten. The Huskies continue their regular season this Saturday and Sunday against UNB and UPEI. On the Women's side of the ball they began the season against the UCCB Capers, the Huskies brought home their first win of the year as

well with a 47-38 win. The Women's next game pitted them against Saint Francis Xavier at Saint FX. The women faced a challenge, that they were not able to overcome with a 61-48 loss. The following two games were at Memorial University. They followed the men's lead splitting the series, they lost the first game 61-50 but came back to win the second game 69-62. This brought them to their final game of the first half of the season. This was against Dalhousie University. This game did not turn out well for SMU. They lost in a 71-48 routing. If the Aquafina tournament is any indication of how the women are going to play this semester they could come back and win a lot of games, and who knows how far they could go.

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Hockey Huskies continue successful run

by Shyla Walsh

I hope everyone had a happy and restful holiday and now that we're all back to the daily grind so were the hockey huskies. The team had two exhibition games to work off all the turkey and to get back on the successful run they were on before Christmas. They won both exhibition games over the UPEI Panthers and the St. F. X. X-Men. They weren't as successful for their first regular season game though. The University of Moncton Blue Eagles were at the Alumni Arena on January 5. Each team is nationally ranked with SMU holding steady at number 4 and U de M at 10. SMU's Ryan Davis opened the scoring at 11:59 of the first period and then followed up with his ninth of the season to give SMU a 2-0 lead. But the Blue Eagles didn't give up after Luc Cormier scored six minutes into the second period to cut SMU's lead to 2-1. Only 46 seconds later Sylvain Rodier scored to tie the game. The second period was not a good one for the Huskies because U de M would go into the second intermission with a 3-2 lead after a goal from Carl Prudhomme. The Huskies fought back in the third with Jeff Tetzlaff scoring to tie the game at 3. The teams played hard and both goalies were at their best because regulation time had both teams still at three and we were heading for overtime. The OT period did not solve anything so it was time for a shootout. Up first was one of the top scorers in

the league, Jim Midgley. Unfortunately the U de M goalie got lucky and stopped the shot. It was Moncton's turn and Carl Prudhomme was lucky enough to beat Mike Weatherbie. Travis Kennedy and Chad Murray were the other Husky shooters but they were stopped. The other two Moncton shooters were also stopped but U de M got the 4-3 win.

On Saturday, January 8, the Huskies traveled down to Acadia to take on the Axemen. Justin Steinbach, Jim Midgley, Steve Gallace and Ryan Davis scored for SMU who doubled the Axemen 4-2.

On Sunday, January 9, the hockey Huskies entertained the team they love to hate the St. F. X. X-Men. Less than two minutes into the first Jim Midgley scored to put SMU on the board. A minute later Billy Manley scored to give SMU a two-goal cushion. The Huskies went into the first intermission with a commanding 3-0 lead after Ryan Davis scored his first of the game. The X-Men did not give up as Dominique Auger scored on the powerplay to put the X-Men on the board. But the Huskies replied with a goal from Clark Udle. Ten minutes later it was Udle again scoring to put the Huskies ahead 5-1. The X-Men did not give up and on another powerplay Yanick Evola scored his first of the game. Ryan Davis then scored his second of the game for the Huskies only minutes later. Guy Loranger then scored short handed for the X-Men forty seconds later. The score was now 6-3. The teams

then played their usual physical hockey with scrums in every corner. Yanick Evola then scored his second of the game to pull the X-Men to within two. The Huskies would not stop their attack though with Marty LeBlanc scoring late in the third. With less than a minute left in the

game Travis Kennedy scored his eighth goal of the year. The line of Jim Midgley, Ryan Davis and Travis Kennedy combined for 12 points in this game. All three are on the list of scoring leaders in the AUSA.

Congratulations to Jim Midgley, Bob MacIsaac and

Mike Weatherbie for making the starting line up for the all-star game this coming weekend. The all-star game will be held at the Acadia Arena on Saturday and Sunday. The Huskies next home game is on Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m. when they take on the Acadia Axemen.

Intramural Winter 2000 Sports Deadline

Monday, January 17th

- > Men's Basketball (competitive & recreational)
- > Co-ed Indoor Soccer
- > Co-ed Basketball
- > Co-ed Broomball Tournament (Fri., Jan 27 Midnight)

Wednesday, January 18th

- > Co-ed Volleyball

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