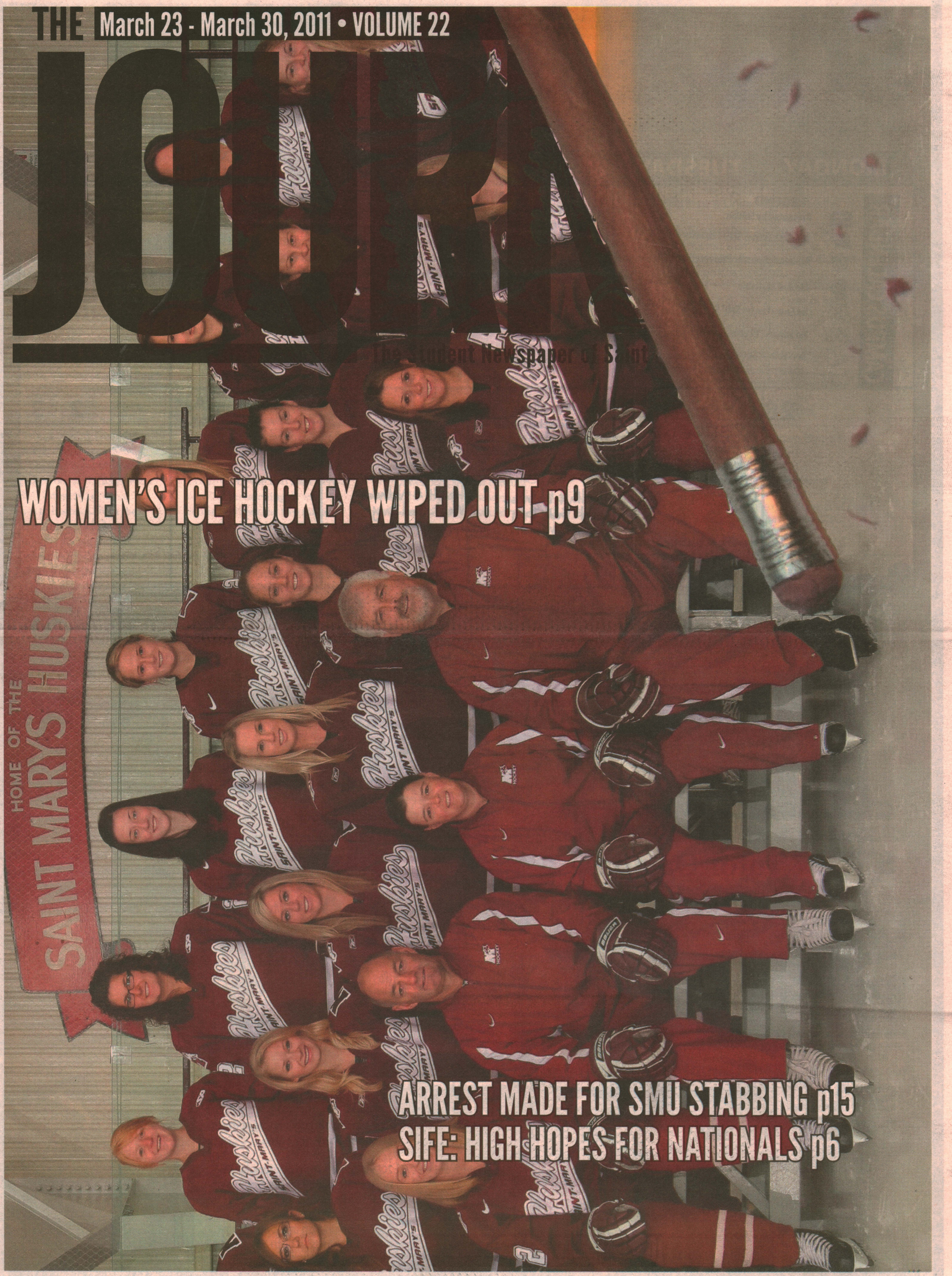


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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
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	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 10% Student Discount at Sobeys (Queen St.) Pub Trivia Night @ The Gorsebrook Lounge 7:00pm sa Health & Wellness Week: Mind Day Hosted by Women's Centre	<b>Open Mic Night</b> <b>30</b> @ The Gorsebrook Lounge 9:30pm sa Health & Wellness Week: Body Day Hosted by Women's Centre	<b>31</b>	<b>Apr 1</b>

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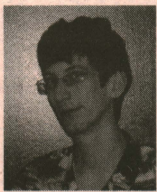
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# PERSPECTIVE

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

ADAM FABER • EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



...And here we go with the budget cuts. Citing a shortage of funding, blamed on the governments 4% reduction in the support given to Saint Mary's, a budget advisory committee has been preparing a report on how to save money. Later in the month it is being presented to the Board of Governors for approval. Anticipatory moves have already been made, the university has made the decision to phase out credit

cards as a method of tuition payment, and most recently the SMU Women's Ice Hockey team has been disbanded. Athletic director Steve Sarty was the one to let

actual recommendations were approved because if the cuts were to wait, Jordan would have already been signed on for another year. The rest of the cost cutting

the decision was made to phase out credit card payments), the measures will go to vote, but the results will not be released until the next meeting of the Board of Governors, when the minutes are approved. That means many students won't be around when the other decisions are announced. I recommend keeping an eye on our website (smujournal.ca), our twitter (@thesmujournal) and the SMUSA website to keep in the loop during the summer. At least then there won't be any ugly surprises when you get back.

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coach Lisa Jordan know that in a week or two, when her contract expires, it will not be renewed. This was likely done before the

measures are being presented in a few weeks. If these sorts of decisions go the same way they went Christmas time (back when

## SEXPO 2011

JEANA MACLEOD

Congratulations! You made a great choice (not Dal!!!) for a pivotal point in your life. The interactions you will have with peers and professors, the opportunities you will have to use and apply your skills, and the lessons you will learn both in and out of the classroom are sure to make your time—

and money—spent at SMU worthwhile and full of memories. BUT, what about life after SMU? Where will your lessons take you? How will you apply your energy and passions to your career? Where are you headed and how can you optimize your experiences and resources during your time at SMU to get you where you want to be? Are you really aware of all the places science and SMU can take you to begin with?...

In comes the SMU Science Expo (popularly abbreviated to the SEXPO), put on by the Science Society or SMUSS (\*cough\*JOIN\*cough\*). Whatever question you may have about science at SMU and beyond, this expo will be stacked with people to help you get answers! The Science Expo is happening on Wednesday, March 30th from 11:00am – 3:00pm (location t.b.a.). Email [smuscienceociety@gmail.com](mailto:smuscienceociety@gmail.com) or

check SMUSS out on facebook for as-they-happen updates! You can even let us know your questions ahead of time and we will try our best to ensure you get the answers you need. Whatever your level of interest in science, come on out and see what's available—at the very least you'll get some free snacks out of it, and you may even win a door prize. We all know the fundamental equation that Free Stuff + You = Awesome! See YOU at SEXPO 2011!

## A WEEK OF REGENERATION AND INNOVATION

SUVIR PURSANI

The past week at SMU, March 11 – March 17, was dedicated to everything green. Sustainability was a huge success and continues to be one of the most anticipated times of the year. Several students and faculty came together and have been working since the beginning of the year to make this week a success. Guest speakers from around the world were brought in and lots of events based around the idea of sustainability

were organized. Monday, March 14, SMU Sustainability presented Home, a documentary unveiling how all of Earth's manmade problems are interlinked. The movie featured breathtaking aerial views of several countries and their natural wonder or destructive habits. On Tuesday, SMU invited academy award winner, Michael Wadleigh. Wadleigh received an Oscar

for his documentary, 'Woodstalk'. He gave a lecture based around the work of his organization, the Homosapien Foundation. In his presentation, he outlines that humans have to lower the amount of products produced and implement population control in order for the human race to survive. Wednesday, an event entitled 'Good News on the Environment' took place in the Loyala

Conference Hall. Friday is when sustainability week rounded off at the Gorsebrook. The green theme conveniently fell right in place Saint Paddy's day too. Throughout the week, guest speakers were invited into classrooms too. Students were educated with some of the practices the university does in order to reduce our carbon footprint and to move forward to becoming

a more sustainable university. SMU is doing a lot of things in terms of sustainability: the use of tidal power to generate electricity in the Bay of Fundi, converting the fuel used in boiler rooms to natural gas, research being done on CO2 capturing fluids. Saint Mary's is not falling behind in the green race at all. Also, the SMU Sustainability program is always looking for more volunteers. If you're interested in becoming a part of this great cause, head on over to [www.smu.ca/sustainability](http://www.smu.ca/sustainability) for more information.

## SMU SOAPBOX

Friday, March 18th, 12:19PM

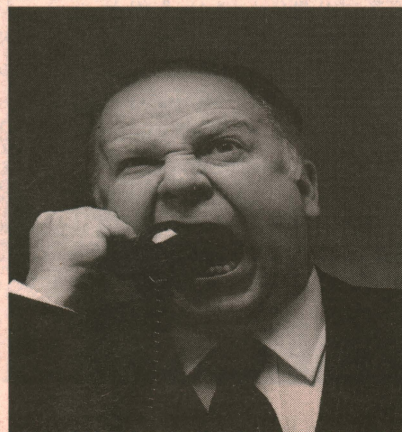
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The SMU WOMENS HOCKEY team has been CUT. No warning—they won a AUS banner last year. They say money reasons but SMU MENS hockey and God forbid Mens FOOTBALL would ever be touched.

SMU is approx 65% Female - women at SMU pay the high tuition and their money goes to all sports, why doesn't women's tuition only go to pay for women's sports, and let MEN's tuition pay for Men's sport teams.

With more Women than Men at SMU and at all universities

now there should be MORE Women's sports than Men's. SMU management only cares about Men's varsity sports. Why do the female students put up with this?



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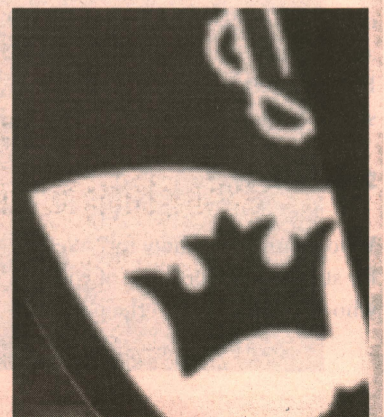
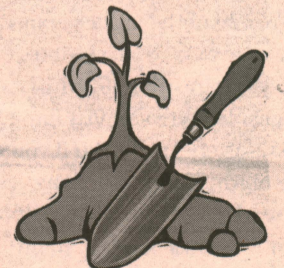
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## GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

EMMA POIRIER

Green Tip of the Week  
Now that spring has arrived, it is time to start planting. Plant your own garden this year to provide you with fresh local food.

Go to [www.smues.ca](http://www.smues.ca) or find us on Facebook to learn more about the SMU Environmental Society, upcoming events and volunteer opportunities!



# STUDENT LIFE

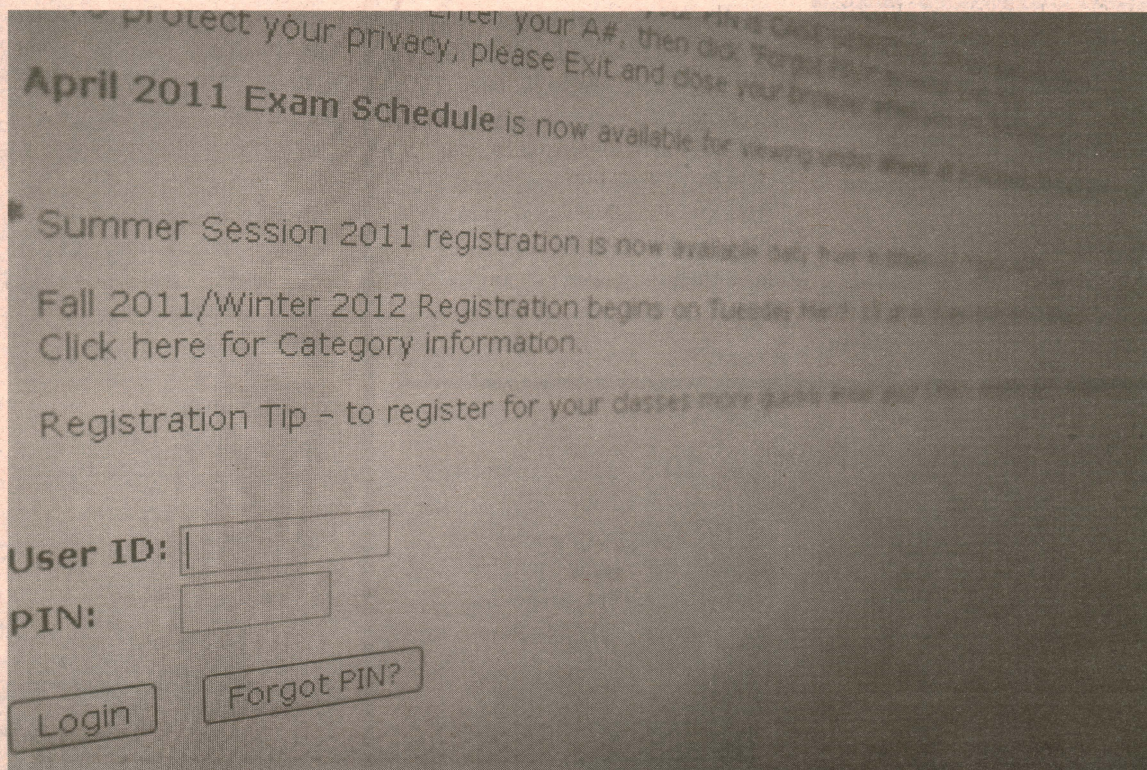
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## FINAL EXAMS AND REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER/NEXT YEAR

EXAM SCHEDULE IS OUT AND REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2011 AND NEXT YEAR COURSES ARE AVAILABLE.

SUVIR PURSNANI



As some of you may have noticed, the final exam schedule was released somewhere in the past few weeks. In addition to that, the summer schedule for the 2011 school year is also out. In addition to that, registration for next year, Fall 2011/Winter 2012, is also open for all current students. Now if you haven't noticed this, it's pretty important that you hop on banner and check it out.

### Final Exams

The dreaded final exams; some of us are looking at 4 or 5 bombs headed our way. Don't panic though, it only makes it worse. If you're one of the unlucky ones that have exams in a row, don't worry, you can still make this manageable. Let's see, last day of classes is on April 5. So if you do the math, you've got a long three weeks to prepare yourself. You know what's coming, so my best advice is take them down one at a time. Organize yourself and create a study schedule. Follow it religiously and you shouldn't have a problem.

### Summer School

Whose summer school for? Well for starters, it's for those of you who didn't too well in the past

two semesters. Stuff happens, and for whatever reason, you didn't do so well in one of your courses. And by not doing well, I mean you failed it. Never fear, there's always summer school. If this isn't the case for you, summer school is still a great idea if you want to get ahead. If you have no plans for the summer, it really is worth considering. Summer classes take place in two summer semesters; May to June and July to August. Some classes take place over the

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course of the whole two months of a semester, whereas some classes are compacted into three weeks. The latter is usually fast paced with classes every day. If you're not going to be inside the Halifax area, online classes are also an option. With the aid of technology, learning away from the university is possible. Online courses are a great way to learn material at your own pace from the comfort of your own home. Whatever your situation is, hop online to find more information on summer courses offered at SMU.

### Registration for Next Year

Registration for classes next year became available for all current students as of March 22 at 9:30PM. Registration did open for select students on March 15, but as the week progressed, registration became available to more and more students. The undergraduate calendar for the 2011/2012 year is also out. Make sure to grab your copy and follow your course program religiously. In addition to having your calendar by your side when registering for classes, you should also have ratemyprof.com popped open in another tab. Some people say the professor of a particular course should not be a factor when deciding what courses to take. But in my books, it does. A professor could be the difference between an A and an F in a course. Look through your classes and pick out the best rated professors. Heck, if you have the option for a hot professor, why not? You've got to get this done early too. You don't want to be the unfortunate student stuck with 8:30AM classes. If you're confused about which courses to take, there are plenty of counsellors in the school that will be able to help you out.

## A MESSAGE FROM AIESEC A GLOBAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENTS

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ences and global internships. The organization provides its members with an integrated development experience (The AIESEC Experience) comprised of leadership opportunities, international internships and participation in a global learning environment. The organization teaches its members based on six honourable norms: activating leadership, demonstrating integrity, living diversity, enjoying participation, striving for excellence, and acting sustainably. AIESEC will provide you with a dynamic environment in which you will be able to apply your leadership abilities on a truly global scale, improve your skills, and challenge your own perspectives about yourself and the world around you. AIESEC has a strong presence within the SMU community.

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has a strong presence in 28 universities. In partnership with business and higher education, AIESEC Canada has over 50 years of experience in developing high-potential students into globally-minded responsible leaders. AIESEC's innovative development process consists of unmatched leadership experi-

The organization has organized several events and continues to grow as an organization. If you're interested in joining, look out for the posters on the wall for events or drop by their office, located on the 5th floor of the Student Union Building. You can also join their global network through their online website, [www.aiesec.ca](http://www.aiesec.ca).



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# BUSINESS

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## AUTO INDUSTRY: QUAKE AFFECTS

KERRY J. O'ROURKE

In the wake of the quake and Tsunami that struck Japan, Toyota Motors and Subaru of America announced their intentions to curb production at their North American auto plants. The move comes as a result of uncertainty over the availability to obtain part shipments from Japan.

Going forward Subaru intends to halt all overtime of their workers in the U.S. Toyota has taken more drastic steps by cancel-

ling all overtime and Saturday production at all of their 10 North American plants. Other Japanese automakers such as Nissan Motor Co., Honda Motor Co. and Mitsubishi Motors and Mazda Motors Co. have all announced no change in plans to their production outputs. This may change if Japanese supply issues persist.

Domestically in Japan all automakers took swift action to immediately halt all produc-

tion in Japan all of last week.

Many parts used in the production of Japanese vehicles that are made available for sale in North America are made primarily with parts from domestic suppliers. However, the U.S. imported USD \$12 billion of auto parts last year. Parts include anything from spark plus to engines. It has been estimated that foreign automakers currently have part supplies on hand in the neigh-

bourhood of 3 to 4 weeks.

Automakers such as Mitsubishi have down well during the economic recovery and may adversely affected should supply issues not reach a resolution in a timely manner. By example, Mitsubishi of America's widely popular Outback Wagon currently maintains stock levels of a 30-day supply. A 60-day supply is typically considered ideal.

Toyota noted that production restrictions were being imposed in order to preserve Japanese made parts. The automotive giant uses

roughly three quarters of parts in the productions of their cars that are produced domestically. However, the other twenty-five percent are parts supplied from Japan.

Going forward investors will be vigilant in monitoring Japan's recovery. Should industrial issues fail to be resolved it is plausible investors may devalue some Japanese automakers market capitalizations. This would principally be in in-relation to decreased sales and profitability as a result of systemic supply problems.

## OUTRAGEOUS HEALTH CARE BILL

KERRY J. O'ROURKE

Should you find yourself in a state of distress outside of Nova Scotia in the Maritimes, this story might serve as an example of potentially unexpected high medical bills that could result should things go wrong out of province.

A tourist from Ontario visiting PEI was recently shocked when she received an exorbitant medical bill of CDN \$600. Kelly Morin, from a community near Ottawa visited PEI last summer to see the Green Gables House.

Unfortunately she couldn't afford such a trip on her own given her fixed income and decided

to take the journey with friends headed to PEI from Ontario.

On the Wood Island ferry (in PEI) Miss. Morin encountered a medical problem and blacked out just prior to arrival. "I passed out", Morin was quoted as saying. Morin suffers from hepatitis C and said this is known to happen when she gets excited.

Ferry officials immediately called an ambulance. Her friends had immediately instructed the crew that they could take her to the Charlottetown general hospital. However, they were not given a choice. They were told

the ambulance must take Miss Morin to the hospital in accordance with standard procedure.

All told a simple 60Km ambulance ride cost Miss Morin CDN \$600. The ride cost four times what a PEI resident would pay. The fact remains that undoubtedly the ride was not covered by her Ontario provincial health care.

All told this example, may serve as a lesson to learn by the next time you travel out of province solely on your provincial health care card without giving consideration to potential unknown costs such as



Miss Morin was faced with.

Happy travels!

## THIS (PAST) WEEK IN BUSINESS

KERRY J. O'ROURKE

**Japan:** Despite the horrific earthquake, Tsunami, and ensuing nuclear reactor problems felt by the Japanese people last week, their financial markets still reopened the following Monday. Undoubtedly, the measure stood as a testament to the resiliency of the Japanese people. On this theme the Bank of Japan took swift actions in order to prevent an economic meltdown or manipulations of their markets once they reopened. In order to do so the Bank infused a total of 15 trillion Yen into the markets. This gigantic cash infusion was followed by another large injection of 8 trillion yen (USD \$98bn) the following Tuesday.

**Lean Cuisine:** If you are a fan and/or buyer of the widely popular brand, Lean cuisine you may want to check the contents of your spaghetti and meatballs dish closely. Nestle announced the recall of more than 10,000 pounds of spaghetti and meatball dishes that may contain hard plastic. However, it has been reported that health hazards remain minimal.

**Microsoft Zune:** Microsoft announced they will stop introducing new versions of their digital music and video player the Zune. The move is seen as an opportunity for Microsoft to better focus on other electronic devices such as the Xbox 360. Microsoft announced they will focus on other initiatives such as integrating the Zune's music player onto mobile phones using their mobile platform.

**eBay:** The largest worlds largest e-commerce market place announced their intention last week to decrease seller fees. The move is seen as a way to attract more merchants to their site. The move is the second time in the last year the company has lowered seller fees. Going forward merchants will be able to list up to 50 free auction-style listings a month. Commissions are also scheduled to decrease in July for items that are successfully sold. The move is seen as a result of an exodus of buyers and sellers that have moved their activities to other sites such as amazon.com.



**G20:** The after shock affects of the highly controversial G20 summit security measures that took place last summer are now being heard in court. Several protestors are suing the Toronto Police Service for mistreatment during the summit last June. Issues range anywhere from wrongful detainment to unlawful searches and confiscation practices. None of the claims brought forth by plaintiffs have reached verdicts yet. The maximum amount that can be filed in a small claims court case in Ontario is CDN \$25,000.

**Canadian Home Prices:** Vancouver was

able to single handedly raise the price of an average house in Canada to \$365,000 in February. This stronger valuations is expected to decline once tighter mortgage regulations take affect which are intended to cool demand nationwide. The average sale price in Vancouver has skyrocketed a staggering 24.7% in the last year alone. The moving average rose on the back of several multi-million dollar home sales that took place in Vancouver in the last year. However, excluding Vancouver, where the average home price is CDN \$790,380 the year-over-year average actually declined 3.4 percent.

# FEATURES & OPINION

JAMES URQUHART • FEATURES EDITOR



## SIFE SMU PLACES WELL IN REGIONALS, HIGH HOPES FOR NATIONALS

ADAM FABER

Kaitlyn Touesnard is proud of her group's achievements. She is one of the 25 students involved in SMU Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE SMU). Having recently competed against 15 other universities in a regional business competition, she is excited about the results. "There are different categories that about fifteen Atlantic universities compete in," Touesnard explained, "SIFE SMU placed second in financial literacy and second in entrepreneurship." During the two-day competition post-secondary students competed for prestigious regional champion titles by showcasing their community outreach projects and business ventures to live judging panels composed of industry professionals. "An exciting part of what is going on with SIFE SMU is that the membership and popularity is on the rise. Everyone involved is excited about what we're doing and talking to all of their friends about it." A quick look at the number shows exactly that, from a four person team in 2009, up to fourteen in 2010, SIFE SMU now boasts twenty-five enthusiastic participants.

Kaitlyn and the rest aren't stopping there, "We're taking part in the national competition in May. We were ranked in the top ten last year, this year we're looking to break into the top five." The skills competition continues in Toronto where 55 universities



present their various outreach programs. Ones such as SIFE

with students grades 3-6 to teach them about the importance of

having them create new products out of hard-to-recycle materials, they generate revenue for their extracurricular activities. "I'm actually leaving in fifteen minutes to present at a school for that." Touesnard informs me. At the rate they're growing and achieving, don't be surprised

if you see more of their influence around Saint Mary's and the greater community. Kaitlyn credits SIFE SMU's success to their numbers and energy, "There are a lot of people this year, and they're all very enthusiastic."

**EVERYONE INVOLVED IS EXCITED ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING AND TALKING TO ALL OF THEIR FRIENDS ABOUT IT**

SMU's Ryan's Project, working

environmental sustainability. By

## THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK: WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER THE WHOLE ARGUMENT AND ITS IMPLICATIONS

JAMES URQUHART

There are many types of discourse that one might engage in on a day-to-day basis. One might enter into an inquisitive discourse where the objective is to find answers to questions that one had previously not known the answers to. One might enter into a more casual, colloquial discourse where the end goals are not as rigorously defined. In this article I would

like to discuss argumentative discourse and consider what obligations we have towards those we are arguing (in the proper sense of the word) with.

Many people think that argument refers to a situation where two people are very angry and one another and they proceed to scream and rant until they feel as though they have made their point (if they had one in the first

place). Many of us learned that this depiction of argumentation is very far from the truth thanks in large part to the hilarious "argument sketch" in Monty Python's Flying Circus. Argumentation is an intellectual exercise that involves at least two individuals who hold opposing views on an issue. Ideally, they will have evidence that will underpin what are known as propositions, which they will then use to support their conclusion, and hopefully show that they have the best argument to support their view on the issue in question.

Many of you might be asking why I am telling you this. Most readers, I am sure, are quite aware of what an argument is and how they are to be used. Well, my concern is that it has often been my experience that people often forget to consider everything that is being presented by the arguer before they respond. This is very troubling

for a number of reasons. First, arguments are meant to help us come to a better understanding of issues that we disagree about. For instance, if you think that all sheep are black and your friend think that you are mistaken, then you find yourselves in a state of disagreement. Perhaps you are both very committed to your views on sheep, and this is putting a considerable amount of strain on your friendship. What can you do? You can engage each other in argumentation, and hopefully you will be able to come to a consensus about the color of sheep. Argumentation, when practiced properly, because it forces us to focus on the truth of the premises that are supposed to support our conclusion, is very good for clearing up misunderstandings and false suppositions.

Another reason that we should be very careful before we jump to any conclusion about what the arguer is saying is that

often the arguer may be saying the same thing as we are, but because we did not listen carefully enough, we reject their position, which turns out to be our position. This is very dangerous because if it happens on a regular basis, then it can undermine your credibility. Everyone wants to have the opportunity to have his or her message heard, but if they lack credibility as an arguer, when they go to make their point, then it will be difficult for others to take them seriously.

Argument is your greatest weapon in the fight for truth and knowledge. However, like any other great weapon comes great responsibility. If you do not use this weapon properly, then it can also do a great deal of damage to you and serve exactly to opposite purpose that you had intended it serve.

## FORD EDGES COMPETITION WITH SYNC

KEIMEKO SCOTLAND

The automotive business is increasingly competitive these days with fuel prices on the rise and rival manufacturers turning out new models at an almost unbelievable rate. Car makers are understandably very keen to 'one-up' the competition...to get a competitive edge. Well it seems that Ford may have such an edge in the form of its new 'My Ford Touch with SYNC' system. Available on select models for 2011, the My Ford Touch systems take SYNC to a whole new level. While the basic SYNC system is not greatly changed over last year's version, My Ford Touch adds touch screen tactility and the very welcome option of voice command control of virtually all of the SYNC functions.

Our tester was a 2011 Ford Edge in SEL trim. The car itself was very nicely equipped with heated leather seats, panoramic dual-pane sunroof, keyless entry and push button start and remote power tailgate.

One of Ford's big goals with the My Touch is to keep driver's hands on the wheel. To that

end, the large centrally located speedometer is flanked by two 4.2-inch LCD colour display (one on either side) that make accessing important information easy and seamless for the driver. On the left is traditional vehicle info while the right side provides an interface with the infotainment/multimedia systems. Each display is controlled via two 5-button pads. The left screen provides access to info on fuel economy and allows for almost infinite vehicle setting adjustments; the right screens gives access to settings related to the vehicle's entertainment, phone, compass, navigation (an option which our test car did not have) and climate control systems. The phone option even lets you see your device's signal strength and battery life right on the display.

The My Ford Touch features an eight-inch full-colour LCD touchscreen which provides access to multimedia and climate control systems, and the Sony Audio System, which adds a Sony-designed electronic finish panel with touch-sensitive controls on the centre stack. It's also

very conveniently colour coded to match the two smaller instrument cluster LCD displays: yellow for phone, green for vehicle info, blue for the climate control system, red for radio and entertainment. The colour coding makes navigating the touch screen very easy; there's even a neat 'home' button that takes you back to command centre start-up screen.

The MyFord Touch systems builds upon SYNC 2.0 which lets users control audio, climate, navigation controls and even make phone calls and receive (and even read!) incoming text messages by using voice commands and a new (more intuitive) "flattened grammar" system. SYNC also allows you to be connected directly to a 911 operator after an accident in which an airbag deploys.

Available sources include AM/FM bands, HD radio, SIRIUS satellite radio, 6 discs in-dash CD changer, 2 USB slots, RCA jacks, SD card slot and Bluetooth, and the system also works as a mobile hotspot for on-the-go Internet.

All of My Ford Touch's func-

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The standard SYNC system is available on 2011 Fiesta, Focus, Fusion, Taurus, Escape, Expedition, F Series Trucks, and all 2011 Lincoln models. The more advance My Ford Touch with SYNC is available on Edge, Explorer, Lincoln MKX and the up-coming 2012 Focus. To learn more about the My Ford Touch with SYNC system pay a visit to Steele Ford and Lincoln on Windsor St. where sales consultant Mike Larocque will be more than happy to help you to discover all of Ford's new and exciting models.



## THE CRANKY PROFESSOR: REJUVENATING OUR ACADEMIC SENATE

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To be pro-choice is to be concerned that abortion become or remain legal, safe, pain-free, and easily available. Abortion is easily available when abortion services are local and, if not free, at least within the means of any woman seeking an abortion.

Pro-choicers tend to argue in support of their position in one or another of three ways. I think one of these ways is decisive, or at least as decisive as an argument about values (values as distinguished from facts) can be. Arguments in the other two modes have their problems. Because it is important not only to advocate that which is sound, but to advocate it for the right reasons, it is important that we be clear exactly why the pro-choice stance is sound.

The first pro-choice argument to consider is that unwanted pregnancy and unwanted children are a significant factor in women's political, social, or economic subordination to men. Abortion makes it possible for women to continue with their work and life projects rather than to remain pregnant and then to care for a child, if doing so would set them back in their careers or other areas of their lives.

Easily available abortion, then, is either necessary or useful to women in order that they can pursue their goals alongside men. The control it affords them allows women to organize their families and nurture their children within their overall plans for their lives.

All these points are true, of course. Easily available abortion is an important tool in women's quest for material equality. Yet, as an argument for legal abortion it fails, for it leaves out of consideration the status of the human fetus.

Were this first argument the only argument pro-choice advocates had, pro-choice advocates would be committed to the view that women's liberation, autonomy, and equality should be bought at any price.

The second argument is that women should have as much control over what happens in and to their bodies as people in general or, specifically, men do. To force a woman to remain pregnant and to give birth is unfair and repressive, given the standards that apply to men. It certainly can be unfair to force a woman to remain pregnant and to give birth, even if the human fetus has the same right to life

as adult humans do. To see this, imagine a situation in which someone will die unless a particular man devotes time, energy, resources, perhaps even a degree of his own well being to rescuing her. (Suppose that she will die unless he donates a kidney.) That the person in our example has a right to life does not imply that she has a right to the man's body. If people generally are not required to make sacrifices even to save others, then women should not be compelled to make comparable sacrifices in bringing fetuses to term. This argument, expressed forcefully in Judith Jarvis Thomson's classic paper "A Defense of Abortion" (1971), teaches us much about the obligations that other people's rights do and do not impose on us. Yet, as Thomson herself recognized, it is not an argument for easily available abortion on demand. It doesn't go much beyond cases of pregnancy by rape and pregnancies that put the woman's life or health at serious risk. In other cases, if fetuses are persons, abortion would be like walking away from a desperate person whose plight is one's fault, for one knew what might happen when one consented to sex.

The second argument assumes that human fetuses are persons just like you and me. It shows that even so, in a significant range of cases there's nothing wrong with abortion. But it doesn't show that in all cases there's nothing wrong with abortion. The third argument questions the assumption that fetuses are persons and rejects it. According to the third argument, though human fetuses (and human embryos, and human zygotes) are human beings, they are not subjects of moral concern. They have no value to themselves, not having the organs or experiences that self-awareness or awareness requires. Whatever value they have, then, resides in their relations to others. Since a human fetus lacks awareness of itself as an agent within an environment, it has no interest in living. Thus, killing it does not violate its interests. This third argument, developed most fully by Peter Singer in several chapters of the second edition of *Practical Ethics* (1993), shows human fetuses to have whatever moral status is possessed by non-human creatures of comparable levels of self-

awareness and awareness. If there's nothing morally amiss in killing an adult turtle to serve some person's interests, there's nothing morally amiss in killing a human fetus to serve the interests of the woman carrying it. This argument, if sound, establishes that ethically speaking, abortion is neither here nor there. A woman who has an abortion has done nothing ethically wrong in seeking to terminate her pregnancy. Her medical team has done nothing wrong in helping her. If there is anything ethically amiss in a particular woman's having a particular abortion, the wrong resides in a contextual responsibility she has to someone or something other than the fetus. We said that the first argument, having to do with the place of abortion in women's autonomy and equality, does not go very far on its own. But when we place it after the third argument, it takes on great significance. There's nothing ethically wrong with abortion, and easy access to safe abortion is an important tool in gaining equality for women and enabling them to control their lives. Those two points together imply that we should all work hard to see that abortion becomes or remains legal, safe, pain-free, and easily available.

## SPORTS



## WHEN YOU THINK HALIFAX WHAT DO YOU THINK? PART 3

JONATHAN KUSHNERYK

Halifax has many factors in its favour in respect to having an NHL team. There have been numerous exhibition NHL games in recent years including Long Island's training camp in Yarmouth in 2006. Former Islanders GM and current Hockey Night In Canada panel member Mike Milbury commented in 2006 that by coming here '(w)e get a chance to play a pre-season game ... in a great city, really one of my favourites.' The game between the Bruins and Long Island did draw over 10000 fans, impressive considering the Rolling Stones were playing on the same night across town. At the turn of the millennium, the Senators held 4 exhibition games here including training camp in 2002. Former coach Jacques Martin spoke glowingly of the stays while assistant GM Tim Murray stated that '(t)he number one thing was that it was Halifax. We always enjoy coming here. They do a first class job when it comes to events like

this and the world juniors. You know you're going to come in here, there aren't going to be any hitches and everything's going to be well prepared and well taken care of.' The professionalism of the Metro Centre certainly reflects well even at the NHL-level. Going back a further 15 or so years saw the NHL hold regular season games here. Each NHL team was required to play one 'home game' away from their home arena in 1992-93, with Halifax acting as hosts to a 5-2 Quebec win over the then-expansion Tampa Bay Lightning on February 19th, 1993 in from of 9584. The following season saw 2 Rangers games: a 4-1 win over New Jersey on Halloween (8200 fans) and a 7-5 triumph against the Capitals on March 9th (9200). 'It's a first class building and a very knowledgeable hockey crowd,' said then-NHL Senior VP and current Maple Leafs GM Brian Burke. 'They turned out in good numbers. They were enthusiastic. It was

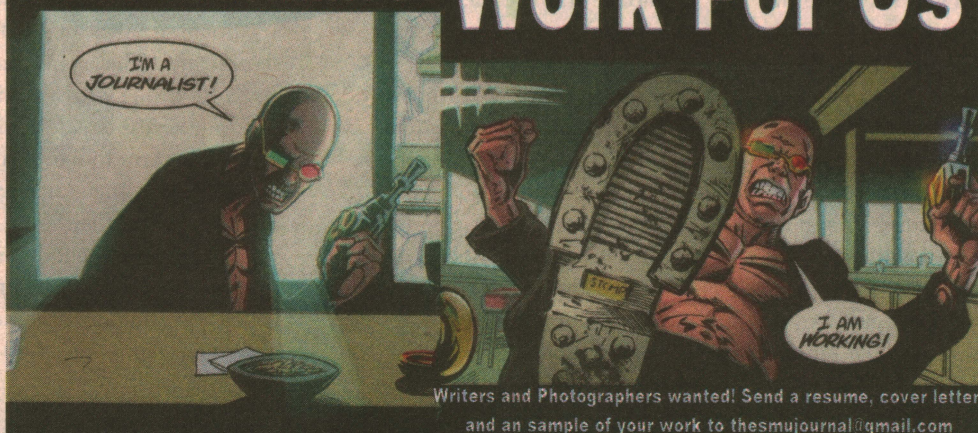
a great success.' None of these games involved match-ups of marquee teams yet they drew pretty well comparatively to other cities hosting neutral-site games considering there were no 2-for-1s or free ticket giveaways as there were in future NHL markets such as Phoenix, Miami and Dallas for other neutral-site match-ups. Ultimately, the key to a potential move is ownership and attractiveness to the other members of the NHL board of governors. As American franchises such as NHL-owned Phoenix (\$20.8 million loss in 2009-10), the New York Islanders (lost \$8 million) and Florida (lost \$9.6 million) continue to bleed millions of dollars in losses each season, all six Canadian clubs continue to show increased profits buoyed by a strengthened Canadian dollar and the salary cap. After all, with a floor (\$59.4 million US) and ceiling (\$43.4 million) to the cap allows for clubs with smaller seating capacities such as the Edmonton Oilers to compete on

both the ice and the bottom line. That bottom line is driven most for each individual club by the merchandising and tickets sold (and demand that increases the average price of the ticket). That is the reason why clubs such as the Canadiens (\$53.1 million profit in 2009-10), Maple Leafs (\$82.5) and Canucks (\$17.6) will always turn among the biggest profits even when the success on the ice isn't always there as of late. Canadiens tickets, for example, cost at least triple the price on ticket re-sale sites such as stubhub or eBay for even the least attractive match-ups. Leafs-Habs games go for astronomical prices (often \$500/pair for \$35 face value tickets). Comparatively, the Pittsburgh Penguins, with Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin as draw cards, lost \$1.6 million in operating income last season while the last place Oilers made \$8.2 million. Why don't teams make money? Among those that show a loss: Washington, Pittsburgh, San Jose, Los Angeles and Saint Louis to name a few. With the exception of the Sharks (who previously had the Golden Seals in the same region back in the late 60s early 70s), each of those cities has had an NHL team for roughly 40 years. The teams don't make money regardless of stars such as Ovechkin, Doughty, Heatley and Crosby because none of these markets are primarily NHL markets. Toronto. Even though they have a team in every single major pro

sport any sports report is led with Leafs, Leafs, and Leafs. Who is the fourth line center? is more of a headline than a playoff game in any other sport. The Leafs continue to struggle since the lockout, yet, they have sold out every single game. Why? Simply because they are the alpha-dog. ESPN columnist Bill Simmons originates the theory. On each NBA team, there is an alpha dog. Kobe. Garnett. Wade. Nash. Paul. Rose. When you think of their given teams, it's 'their' team. Who takes the last second shot? Who do you get the ball to in crunch time? That's an alpha dog; that's what the Leafs are. No matter how good the Raptors or Jays are, they can rise no higher than second fiddle. That's what makes a hockey town. The NHL shouldn't look at a prospective location based upon population; yes, that is a consideration, but a city that embraces and places the team on a pedestal will always succeed. With the salary cap there will be highs, lows and recycling processes for each franchise on the ice. Off the ice, strong market equals stability and only upswing when the franchise is contending for the playoffs or a title.



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## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY CUT OFF

ADAM FABER

Saint Mary's University has decided to cut funding to the Women's Ice Hockey team, citing a lack of available funds. In the announcement made Friday, March 18th Athletics and Recreation Director Steve Sarty mentioned the impact it would have on the players and staff involved. "I spoke today directly to Coach Lisa Jordan. The players have been notified. I know the news has saddened them and, no doubt, it is upsetting," said Sarty. Lisa Jordan has been coach of the women's ice hockey for fourteen years, and holds a gold medal for her involvement with the IIHF World Women's Under 18 Championship's winning team.

In their latest season the women's hockey Huskies won three straight games to capture the team's fourth AUS title and skated into the CIS Championships where they posted the first ever win at CIS Nationals by an AUS women's hockey team.

"This was a very difficult decision," Steve continued, "Along with all other university departments we are required in this coming fiscal year to reduce our spending. We are living in difficult financial times." Sarty said the athletics staff looked at reducing the budget of every sports team. However, with tight

budgets already in place, that option would put all teams at a competitive disadvantage.

Budgets across Saint Mary's are being looked at by an advisory committee, and this cut is a piece of a larger report not yet approved by the Board of Governors. "It is part of a package of recommendations that have come from the Budget Advisory Committee and will be presented to the Board of Governors for approval at the end of the month." Said University President Dr. Colin Dodds.

Councilor Sue Uteck expressed her displeasure at the decision to stop funding the team, "To me, this is a fundamentally wrong decision." Whereas the recommendations are not yet approved, she plans to pressure the Board to get the program reinstated. "My husband has a golf tournament in his honour, the Larry Uteck Golf Classic, and that raises money for student athletes at Saint Mary's," she said. "I'm not just alumnus. I give a huge amount of time and dollars to Saint Mary's in the form of fundraising. I will be removing his name from that tournament. That hockey team was his pride and joy."

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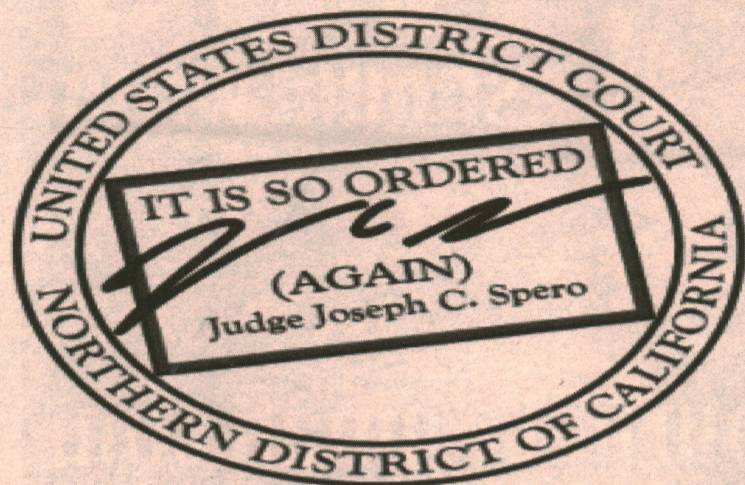
# TECHNOLOGY

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## SONY WINS RIGHTS TO ADDITIONAL SUBPOENA IN PS3 HACKING CASE

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After winning the right to subpoena the Internet provider of George Hotz (the now-infamous PS3 hacker), Sony has decided to go a step further. Unfortunately for Hotz, federal Magistrate Joseph Spero has granted Sony

the permission to subpoena YouTube, Google, Twitter, and now PayPal accounts belonging to and used by Hotz, who goes by the handle "GeoHot". This subpoena allows Sony to obtain "documents sufficient to

identify the source of funds in California that went into any PayPal account associated with geohot@hotmail.com for the period of January 1, 2009, to February 1, 2011." The purpose of this is to determine whether Hotz received donations for his PS3 hack from people in California, as Sony claims. The company is still trying to determine jurisdiction over Hotz's case and wants the trial to be in California, instead of Hotz's home state of New Jersey. One of the many troubles with this decision is the fact that many donations had nothing to do with the PS3 hack. For example, starting on January 12, 2011, GeoHot reached out to his fans and community for donations to help with the lawsuit and it's en-

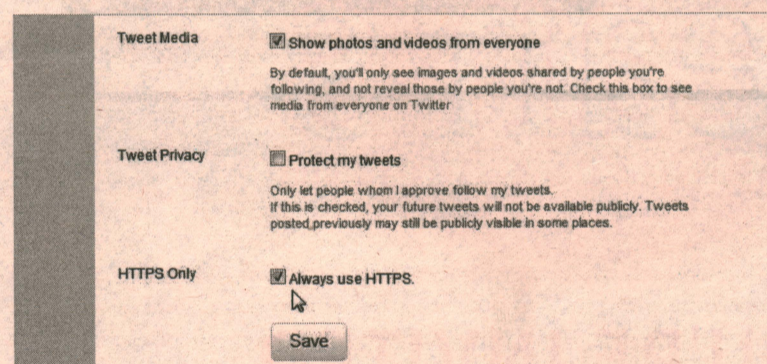
tirely possible that many of these donations came from California. Additionally, Hotz did not ask for any money in exchange for the hack; he did not include a link to his PayPal account(s) when he initially released the hack. Hotz (and much of the gamer community as a whole) believes that the lawsuit isn't as much about violating copyright laws as it is about the manufacturer being bitter that their copy protection was circumvented. In his initial post, he states what many people in the community realized: he is more than happy to use his "powers" for good, and help make the systems more secure so that this type of hack is less likely, or at least more difficult. He states: "if you want your

next console to be secure, get in touch with me. any of you 3." Hotz has since revamped the page where he initially posted the hack to include information about the legal defense effort, and has added the following: "What if SCEA tries to settle?"

Lets just say, I want the settlement terms to include OtherOS on all PS3s and an apology on the PlayStation blog for ever removing it. It'd be good PR for Sony too, lord knows they could use it. I'm also willing to accept a trade, a legit path to homebrew for knowledge of how to stop new firmwares from being decrypted."

## TWITTER ENABLES HTTPS SETTING

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Following in Facebook's footsteps in the war against social network hackers, Twitter has

added a new option to its service which allows users to enable HTTPS for their entire Twitter

session. This setting is optional, but helps prevent hackers from sniffing out passwords and accessing your account. This option is being made available after recent questions of Twitter's security. Just weeks ago, Ashton Kutcher's official twitter account (@aplusk) was hacked at the TED conference via Wi-Fi. The hacker posted that Kutcher had been "Punk'd", and claimed that the hack was "for those young protestors around the world who deserve not to

have their Facebook & Twitter accounts hacked like this." Additionally, Twitter has just settled with federal authorities over the fact that the company claims that accounts were strongly protected, but in comparison, the site has fairly weak security. This change will make a huge difference in the way people log into Twitter and in the amount of security that each user's account has, however. HTTPS, while more secure than the standard HTTP protocol, was once considered too slow to be deployed on websites that didn't absolutely need the extra security (such as banks), but Google proved this was not true when they used the protocol on

Gmail accounts. Since then, many sites are moving toward HTTP to avoid different types of "hacking" or hijacking of the accounts. If you are using a third-party client (such as TweetDeck or Peep) to update your Twitter account, you will not be able to use the HTTPS setting just yet, since the apps do not currently support this type of login. If you're updating from a mobile browser, make sure to use https://mobile.twitter.com to update your status, regardless of your account setting, to avoid opening your account up to any type of security breach.

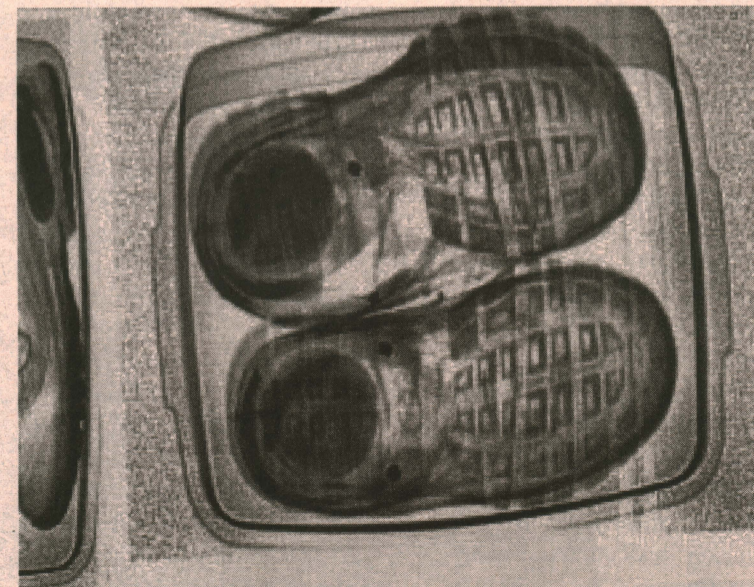
## TSA ADMITS CALCULATION ERROR IN RADIATION TESTS

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The TSA (Transportation Security Administration) has been a hot topic the last few months with their full-body scanners and tightened security measures at airports. Unfortunately, their latest announcement won't make peoples' opinions of the scanners any more favourable. At least 500 scanners have been deployed in more than 78 airports, and will continue to operate and the TSA claims that they all meet safety standards. However, there was a "calculation error" in their safety studies, showing that the scanners emit radiation levels 10 times higher than initially expected.

It seems that the field technicians employed by Rapsican of Los Angeles, the company that produces the scanners, test the radiation levels of the machines ten times in a row, and then divide by 10 to produce an average radiation measurement. Simple math, right? However, the testers seem to forget to divide by 10 often, producing outrageous numbers compared with the expected outcome of the tests. Sarah Horowitz, TSA spokesman, believes that the errors do not reflect the actual safety of the machines. "Certainly, the errors are not acceptable. It's not every

report. We believe the technology is safe. We've done extensive, independent testing. It doesn't raise alarms in terms of safety." The government is maintaining their stance that a thousand screenings equals the amount of radiation in one standard medical chest x-ray. To avoid future errors of this kind, Rapsican is redesigning the form used by its field service engineers when surveying the machines. "Oftentimes, the FSE will bypass the step of dividing by 10. While the resulting entry, at a pragmatic level, is understandable on its face and usable for monitoring purposes, the value, if read literally by persons unfamiliar with our system and the survey process, would imply energy outputs that are unachievable by the Secure 1000 Single Pose." Meanwhile, the TSA has announced that they are accepting proposals for a shoe scanner



device, allowing passengers to keep their shoes on while going through airport security. This idea was proposed many years ago by the Department of Homeland Security, where it failed to come to fruition. Security expert

Bruce Schneier calls the TSA's approach to security "security theatre" – implementing measures that simply look and feel safer, while providing marginally minimal improved safety.

# WETSUIT AUCTION ON EBAY ATTRACTS ATTENTION

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Many websites and online applications have started accepting donations for relief efforts in Japan after the natural disaster that they experienced last week. Many websites will tell you that “every little bit helps” and offer a place to donate any amount of money, no matter how small. However, eBay seller d\_h\_morgan in the UK has come up with a new creative way to donate money to these funds: selling a slightly used wetsuit on eBay and donating at least 90% of the proceeds. According to the seller, “as the value goes up, so does the percentage,” meaning that he only intends to keep as much as it costs to ship the item to the winning bidder. This auction has attracted attention for more than just its charitable nature, however. The auction’s listing includes a description of the item and information about the donation, as is normal with eBay auctions, but the author actually puts a bit of a story behind the wetsuit.

The listing includes such phrases as “I’ve included a picture of a bear using a urinal, this is how I normally use the toilet, notice that the animal is not wearing a wetsuit. Although I am not a bear, I, like a bear, do not p\*ss in wetsuits.” and “Why am I selling it? Well I’ve just bought a new one, as I’m a flash tw\*t like that, I tend to get a new suit every season, I just like the feel of fresh neoprene on my soft skin, and well to be honest I could do with some cash to pay for prostitutes. No, that was a joke, now you’re going to think the suit is riddled with disease but it’s not as I was joking I do NOT engage with ladies of the night.” The starting price for the auction on March 14th was £0.99, or about \$1.50 CAD. Since then, the bids have skyrocketed, with the latest being £2,100.00. Because of the amount of attention the listing has drawn, XCEL (the manufacturer of the wetsuit being sold) has offered a brand new

wetsuit to the winner of the auction, in addition to the original wetsuit, a donated towel from DryRap, and a year’s subscription to Carve Surfing Magazine. As of March 16th, the seller was contacted by eBay and informed that his listing was “unprofessional” and “contains profanity”, and that because of this the auction violates eBay’s rules. However, as of the 18th of March, the listing was still available on the site and bids were still being accepted. As the seller himself says, “I’m hoping they’ve reconsidered and recognised no good can come from the removal, not only will it make them look incredibly bad, but it will also mean a charity will miss out on a \$1,000+ donation.”

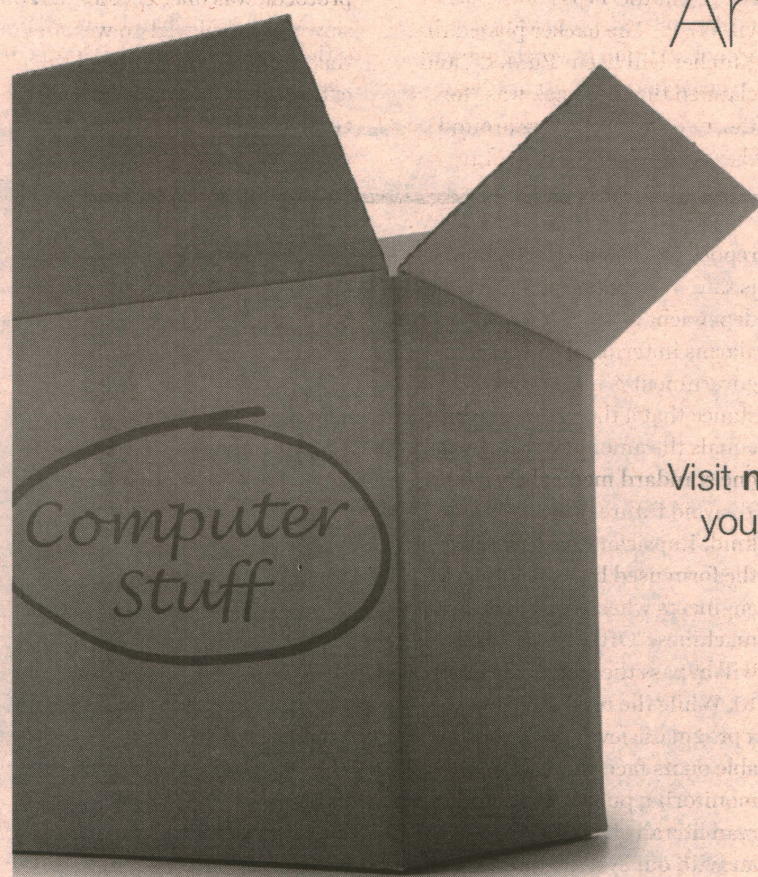


## VIDEO GAME RELEASES



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 03/22/11 - Lego Star Wars III: The Clone Wars (3DS / DS / Wii / PS3 / PC / Xbox 360 / PSP)  
 03/22/11 - Ridge Racer (3DS)  
 03/22/11 - Rayman (3DS)  
 03/22/11 - Assassin's Creed: Brotherhood (PC)  
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It's Wednesday night and the Seahorse is full of people waiting to hear the sounds of the four bands chosen to participate in

the second round of preliminaries for the DevCom competition. This is a night unlike the previous or following round in regards

to what type of music we'd be hearing; most bands in the 1st and 3rd rounds all had some elements of rock to them, though they are very much so unique in their talents. The bands participating in round 2, however, were completely different genres, which certainly would make for an interesting crowd and an interesting outcome in the end.

The first band to play was Halifax band Cas & The Novas. These guys definitely had the country element to them, especially with frontman Cas McCrea donning a cowboy hat, but they also brought some elements of rock as well. I'm personally not a fan of the country scene, yet I really enjoyed hearing these guys play. They did a great job in regards to presentation and they really tried to capture the audience's attention.

Next up on stage was Charlottetown band Low Lights. Before they even started playing you could tell these guys had a chemistry going with each other and were ready to show us their best. They did not disappoint, bringing bar patrons down to the dance floor to hear their music and having a good chunk of them dancing by the end of it. Fantastic pop rock sound with a very cool addition of synth, a great image and presentation, and

overall a huge treat to listen to.

Following Low Lights was another Halifax band SoHo Ghetto. You could definitely tell that this band had a great following already, with most of the dance floor taken over by fans before they even started playing. Their sound had a folk rock feel to it, and it was incredibly catchy; the sound basically caused involuntary foot tapping and head nodding to the beat. The band most certainly knew their craft and made sure that the audience knew it too. Wonderful job done by these folks.

Finally, Barrington metal band The Convicted took the stage. This group was very young in comparison to the other bands, I would say in their late teens. I half expected to hear something that I used to hear back when I was 14 and going to all-ages shows in Sydney: a lot of screaming, and complete chaos in regards to the sound with no real structure to the music. I was proven wrong. Lead singer Raven Nickerson pretty much blew me away with her vocals. One second she's singing in an Amy Lee-esque style and the next she's growling into the microphone in a way that I didn't think was possible to come out of her. The band as a whole was very put together, and I was a big fan of the guitar riffs they had going.

After all of the bands played and the judges deliberated, it was decided that the winner of DevCom

preliminary round 2 was SoHo Ghetto. They performed their new single as their encore song and everyone had a great time listening to it. Huge congrats to all of the bands that performed, a good night was had by all! Make sure to keep an eye out for all of these bands in the near future.

Round 3 of the preliminaries begins tonight, March 23rd at the Seahorse Tavern. Doors open at 9pm, cover is FREE. Come out and support the bands performing, who are Alice Stops Time (NS), We're Doomed (NS), Constantly Misjudged (NS), and Chunk Audio (NS)! See you there!

For more information on DevCom go to [www.devcombat.com](http://www.devcombat.com)!

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## ALBUM REVIEW: STEVEN PAGE – PAGE ONE (2010)

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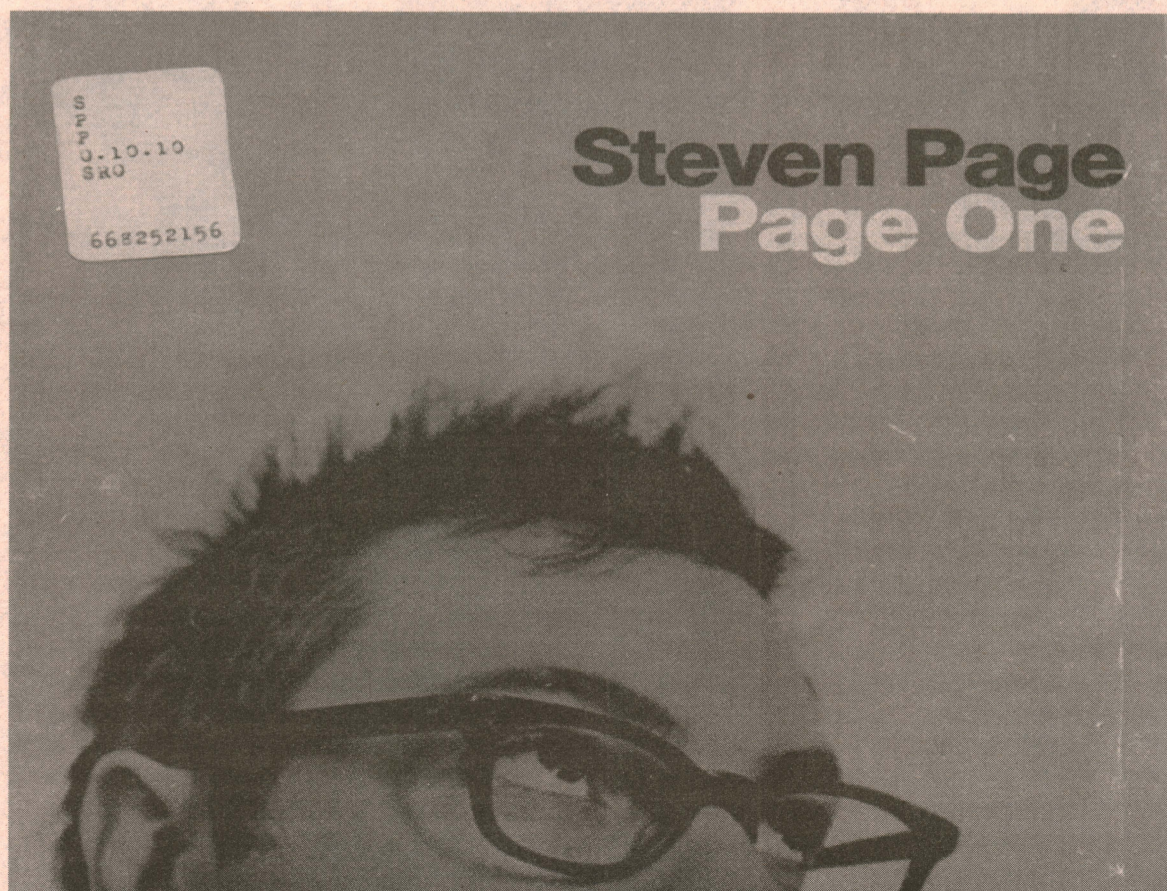
Back to the beginning: "that former Barenaked Ladies guy" has made a fresh start with his debut solo album. Fresh from his departure from the Canadian rock group, Page's album is aptly named, with album artwork resembling an old library book.

But nobody's paying that much attention to the album cover: it's the music contained within that matters. Can Steven Page pull off an album without the Barenaked Ladies? After listening to Page One, my vote is "yes".

Musically, Page One is a pop masterpiece. In some places, Page sticks to the Barenaked Ladies traditional sound, as in the open-

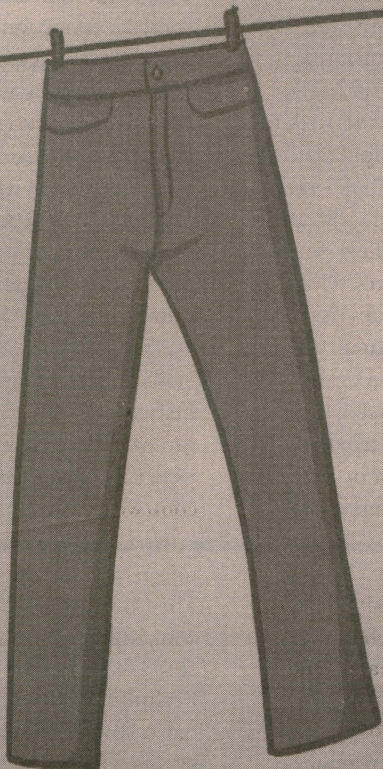
ing track "A New Shore" and the lead single "Indecision"; however, Page ventures into synthpop on "Entourage", "If You Love Me" and "Queen Of America". Page even wanders into big-band pop rock on "Leave Her Alone", inviting comparisons with fellow Canadian Michael Bublé.

Despite the variety of the songs and the challenging musical styles that defy comparisons to Barenaked Ladies, the album is very strong, with "Indecision" and the brilliant "If You Love Me" reinforcing the rest of the tracks. Page has proven he can make great music without the Barenaked Ladies.



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## ALBUM REVIEW: BRUCE COCKBURN - SMALL SOURCE OF COMFORT (2011)

KYLE L. TRIMPER

March 8 marked the release of *Small Source Of Comfort*, the latest release by Canadian musical icon Bruce Cockburn, and his first studio album of new tracks in five years. Despite the passage of time, *Small Source of Comfort* sounds pretty similar to his previous two studio albums, *You've Never Seen Everything* and *Life Short Call Now*.

*Small Source Of Comfort* is a collection of fourteen acoustic compositions by the renowned guitarist, with undertones harkening back to Cockburn's previous works *Dart To The Heart* and *Salt, Sun And Time*.

The first two tracks of the album, "Iris Of The World" and "Call Me Rose", form the extent

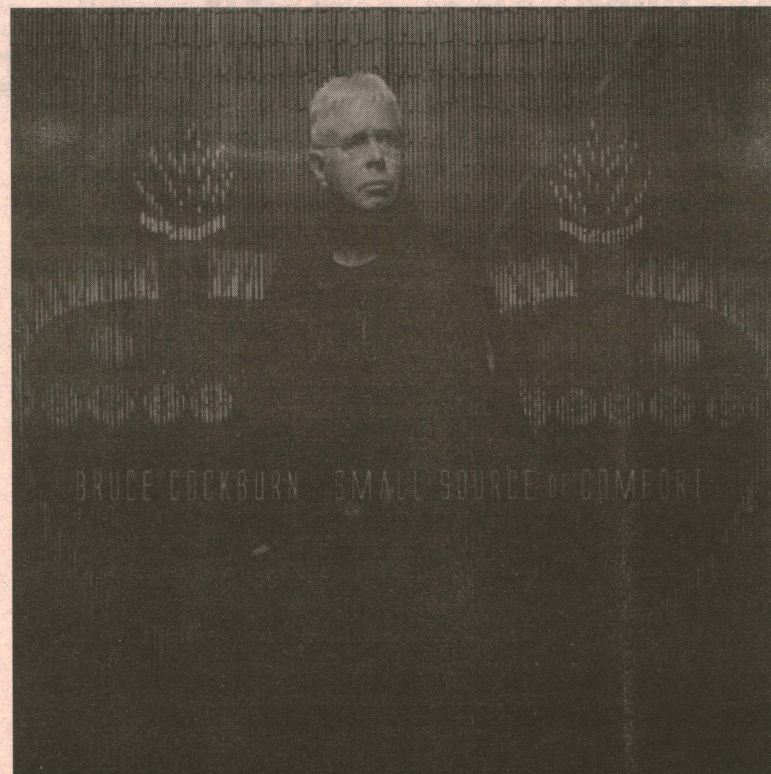
of the album's commercial appeal. In fact, containing no less than four instrumentals, *Small Source Of Comfort* is not a commercial album, with the songs comprising the album being acoustic, experimental tracks.

"Each One Lost", a touching tribute to casualties of the conflict in Afghanistan, may be the most important track on the album. The song serves as an anthem for the Canadian armed forces, and shows Cockburn at his most patriotic.

"Call Me Rose" is a satirical look at the idea of the reincarnation of Richard Nixon as a poverty-stricken mother named Rose. Lately, for the most part, Cockburn's lyrics and music haven't had the edge they once had; however, "Call Me

Rose" has still has a little bite in it.

Although Cockburn tends to be a little verbose in his lyrics, as in "Radiance", "Driving Away" and "Boundless", there is a joy in Cockburn more simple songs, such as "Called Me Back". *Small Source Of Comfort* is another strong entry into the Cockburn catalogue: although it may not be his best album, it definitely is not his worst.



## NEWS

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## U.S. LEADS COALITION ATTACK ON LIBYA

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France, the U.K. and U.S. and have attacked Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi's forces launching the broadest international military effort since the Iraq war in the first action to enforce a UN-mandated no-fly zone. The airstrikes represent a sharp escalation in the international effort to stop Gaddafi after weeks of pleading by the rebels who have seen early gains reversed as the regime unleashed the full force of its superior air power and weaponry. The U.S. military said 112 Tomahawk cruise missiles were fired from American and British ships and submarines at more than 20 coastal targets to clear the way for air patrols to ground Libya's air force. French fighter jets fired the first salvos, carrying out several strikes in the

rebel-held east, while British fighter jets also bombarded the North African nation. President Barack Obama said military action was not his first choice and reiterated that he would not send American ground troops to Libya. "This is not an outcome the U.S. or any of our partners sought," Obama said from Brazil, where he is starting a five-day visit to Latin America. "We cannot stand idly by when a tyrant tells his people there will be no mercy." Thousands of regime supporters, meanwhile, packed into the sprawling Bab al-Aziziya military camp in Tripoli where Gaddafi lives to protect against attacks.

The longtime Libyan leader vowed to defend his country from what he called "crusader aggres-

sion" and warned the involvement of international forces will subject the Mediterranean and North African region to danger and put civilians at risk.

Explosions continued to rock the coastal cities, including Tripoli, where anti-aircraft guns could be heard firing overnight in Tripoli. Libyan TV quoted the armed forces command as saying 48 people were killed and 150 wounded in the allied assault. It said most of the casualties were children but gave no more details. These reports have yet to be independently verified. The Libyan military, in a statement broadcast on state TV, said, "An enemy attacked the state on March 19th with rockets ... Those enemies killed 48 martyrs -- mostly women, children, and

religious clerics. They left more than 150 injured. The majority of these attacks were on public areas, hospitals and schools. They frightened the children and women near those areas that were subject to this aggression." Gadhafi, speaking early Sunday on Libyan state TV, said the U.N. charter provides for Libya's right to defend itself in a "war zone." Weapons depots will be opened, he said. "All you people of the Islamic nations and Africa, and Latin America and Asia, stand with the Libyan people in its fight against this aggression," Gadhafi said. Air attacks on several locations in Tripoli and Misrata have caused "real harm" to civilians, a Libyan government spokesman said. Meanwhile, the International Committee of the Red Cross said it was "deeply concerned" about civilians' safety and called on all sides "to abide strictly by the rules and principles of international

humanitarian law" by distinguishing between civilians and fighters and allowing safe access for humanitarian organizations. These attacks on Libya come at a time when the U.S. is already deeply committed to military actions in Afghanistan and Iraq. Many political observers have openly questioned the wisdom of Obama's decision to involve the U.S. in yet another international military operation. Speculation about the expected extent of U.S. military involvement in Libya has even prompted some to ask if Libya will become another military quagmire out of which there will be no escape for the Obama administration, potentially leading to a lengthy and expensive commitment of U.S. military resources. Obama has said that he envisions U.S. military involvement lasting only "days and not weeks", but his words have done little to ease war-weary pundits at home.

## U.S. AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO RESIGNS

ALEXANDRA OLSON

The U.S. ambassador to Mexico resigned Saturday amid furor over a leaked diplomatic cable in which he complained about inefficiency and infighting among Mexican security forces in the campaign against drug cartels. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, in Paris to meet with U.S. allies on Libya, said Carlos Pascual's decision to step down was "based upon his personal desire to ensure the strong relation-

ship between our two countries and to avert issues" raised by President Felipe Calderon. Clinton didn't say specifically what she was referring to, but a furious Calderon has publicly criticized Pascual's cable, which was divulged by the WikiLeaks website. Pascual's resignation - less than two weeks since President Barack Obama met with Calderon at the White House - appeared to be the biggest fallout yet from thou-



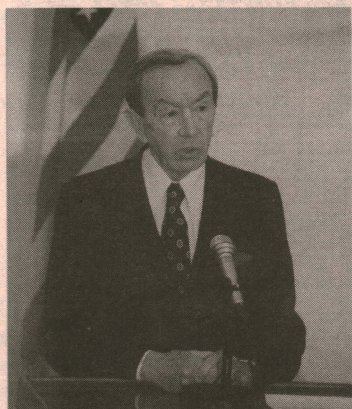
sands of sensitive U.S. diplomatic cables from around the world released by WikiLeaks. It was the first such public departure by a U.S. ambassador during the Obama administration. Clinton took the unusual step of announcing the departure of an

individual member of the diplomatic corps, and while she was on the road meeting with U.S. allies to discuss the commencement of military attacks on Moammar Gadhafi's Libyan government. She went to lengths to praise Pascual's work in Mexico and said the Obama administration never lost confidence in him. Clinton said Pascual's work with Mexico to build institutions capable of fighting drug traffickers "will serve both our nations for decades." She added that she was "particularly grateful to Carlos for his efforts to sustain the morale and security of American personnel

after tragic shootings in Mexico" that killed a U.S. employee and three other people tied to the consulate in the border city of Ciudad Juarez last year. "It is with great reluctance that President Obama and I have acceded to Carlos's request" to step down, Clinton said in a statement. The ambassador's resignation, however, laid bare how difficult relations between the U.S. Embassy and the Mexican government had become since the release of the cable in December

## FORMER US SECRETARY OF STATE WARREN CHRISTOPHER DIES

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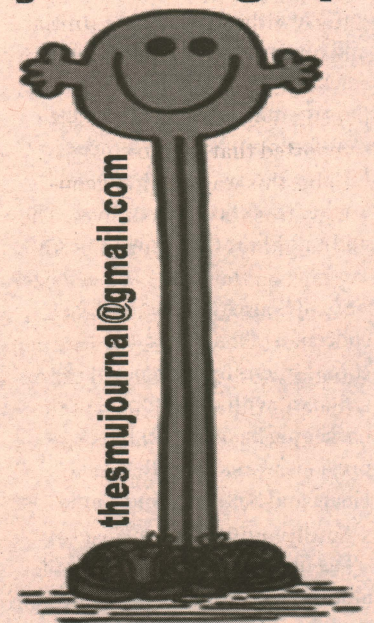
Former US Secretary of State Warren Christopher has died of cancer aged 85. Mr. Christopher will be remembered for helping bring peace to Bosnia in the 1990s and negotiating the

release of American hostages in Iran in 1981. His understated manner as top U.S. diplomat from 1993-97 led to his being called the "stealth" secretary of state. "Careful listening may be the secret weapon," he once said in a speech. "I observed some time ago that I was better at listening than at talking." Mr. Christopher passed away peacefully at home in California late on 18 March after complications from bladder and kidney cancer, his family were reported as saying. Born on 27 October 1925 in North Dakota, he rose from modest

circumstances to become a highly successful Los Angeles lawyer. Before his career in diplomacy Mr. Christopher served as a deputy attorney general under President Lyndon Johnson in the late 1960s. He made headlines as deputy secretary of state in the Carter administration by negotiating the release in 1981 of 52 American hostages in Iran. His efforts won him the US's highest civilian award, the Presidential Medal of Freedom. "The best public servant I ever knew," Jimmy Carter wrote in his memoirs. The following decade saw Mr. Christopher deeply involved in efforts to secure peace in the Middle East. He had more success in the former Yugoslavia, helping end war among Muslims, Serbs and Croats in Bosnia with the 1995 Dayton accords. The conflict claimed more than

100,000 lives, making it the most deadly in Europe since WWII. Mr. Christopher travelled tirelessly for work. He set a new record for the number of air miles clocked up by a secretary of state over a four-year period. By October 1996, now in his 70s, he had flown 704,487 miles and the crew on his air force plane presented him with a cake to mark the occasion. The following year he resigned, to be replaced by Madeleine Albright. President Bill Clinton said Mr. Christopher had "left the mark of his hand on history". He also joked that Mr. Christopher, who was always immaculately turned out, was "the only man ever to eat M&Ms on Air Force One with a fork". Warren Christopher is survived by his wife Marie and four children from his two marriages.

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## MURDER CHARGES AT ST. F.X.

ADAM FABER

Dr. Ottilia Chareka, an associate professor at St. Francis Xavier University was found dead after a 911 call Wednesday the 16th. Her husband, Patrick Chareka, once employed by St. F.X.'s math department, has been charged with first-degree murder. She is survived by five

children, aged 23, 18, 16 14 and 3. "Any case where there is a loss of life is a tragedy, this one is no exception." Said crown attorney Darlene Oko to the media. In a release from St. F.X., President Sean Riley extended condolences: "The StFX community mourns the sudden and tragic death of

Dr. Ottilia Chareka. We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to members of her family." Patrick Chareka is to appear in court March 30th, and currently remains in police custody.

## STABBING IN LOYOLA BASEMENT

SUVIR PURSNANI

At approximately 10PM on March 15, a group of males were loitering in the Loyola basement area, at the beginning of Hen hall. Around this time, shouts were heard coming from the scene. The verbal argument led to physical combat. A knife was pulled out and this is when one SMU student incurred injuries to his back from the suspect. Another student was also injured during the incident when he tried to grab the knife away from the suspect.

SMU security got to the scene as soon as possible, but the suspect had fled the scene by then. Local authorities were called in and the two injured men were taken to the Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre. It was reported that the injuries sustained by the two men were non-life threatening. It was confirmed that the two males injured during the incident were SMU students, but did not live on residence. It was also identified that the suspect neither lived

on campus nor attended SMU. The accused, a 22 year-old man, turned himself into police headquarters on the morning of the 16th. Since he is not a SMU student, the incident is believed to be isolated. The charges consist of; assault with a weapon, assault causing bodily harm and possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose.

## LARGE TURNOUT FOR EGYPT'S CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM

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Millions of Egyptians have voted in a referendum on constitutional reforms, a month after a popular uprising swept President Hosni Mubarak from power. If passed, it would allow Egypt to hold fresh elections within six months. Initial results are expected on Sunday.

A BBC correspondent in Cairo reported that for most Egyptians, this was the first genuinely free vote in their lives. The referendum was marred by an attack on the Nobel Peace Prize winner and opposition figure, Mohamed ElBaradei. A crowd of angry youths pushed and threw rocks at the former head of the International Atomic Energy Agency as he tried to vote in Cairo. "I went to vote with my family and I was attacked by organised thugs," Mr ElBaradei wrote on Twitter. "Top figures of Mubarak's regime still at large

and undermining the revolution." Mr ElBaradei was unable to vote at the polling station and eventually cast his ballot elsewhere, the Reuters news agency reported.

If approved, the constitutional changes would pave the way for Egypt to hold new presidential and parliamentary elections within six months. Among the key proposals are:

- Reducing presidential terms from six years to four years and limiting the president to two terms
- Obliging the president to choose a deputy within 30 days of election
- Installing new criteria for presidential candidates, including a rule that they must be over 40 years old and not married to a non-Egyptian

The country's two main political groups, Mr Mubarak's National Democratic Party and the Muslim Brotherhood, backed the proposals. But pro-democracy activists said the changes did not go far enough and wanted the plan

rejected. They said the constitution needed to be entirely rewritten before elections could be held. Mr ElBaradei, who emerged as an opposition figurehead during the uprising, said the referendum dealt only with "minutiae". "It doesn't talk about the imperial power of the president, it doesn't talk about the distortion of the parliament, it doesn't talk about the need to have an independent constituent assembly that represents everybody."

"So we are going to say no. Most of the people who triggered the revolution are going to say no." The scholars who drafted the changes did not radically overhaul presidential powers because they said the next parliament should rewrite entirely the constitution. Analysts say the NDP and Muslim Brotherhood stand to benefit from early elections because dozens of smaller parties set up following the uprising have yet to fully organise themselves.



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**Saturday, March 5, 2011 - 1pm & 8pm**  
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**Saturday, March 26, 2011 - 7pm**  
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12pm - 1pm	<b>Venus Envy on Pleasure and Sex Toys</b> Sobey RM 255	<b>*Life Coach: Being Authentic, uncover the gifts that come from discovering who you really are</b> with Janet Webber Loyola PDR	<b>**Lunch and Learn: Feeding the Soul</b> with Erica Savage & Heather Osmond Loyola PDR
1pm - 2pm	<b>Zumba Class</b> with Sonya Esber @ the Tower	<b>*Stress Management: Coping with life's challenges</b> with Bobbi Beuree Loyola PDR	<b>*1:30 - 2:15pm The Fire in You</b> - A Look at the Power of Heart Energy to Heal and How Acupuncture can be used in for Self Healing Traditional Chinese Medicine with Joe Starr Canadian College of Acupuncture & Traditional Chinese Medicine Loyola PDR
2pm - 3pm	<b>Belly Dancing</b> with Miss Holotov @ the Tower	<b>Electronic Communication and Conflict</b> with Bridget Brownlow Loyola PDR	<b>*2:15-3pm Naturopath Discussion: How Stress, Sugar, and Sleep are drastically affecting our long-term health</b> with Dr. Sherisse O'Leary
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