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Merge Issue Worries Faculty

by Paul Fitzgerald

Close to 200 faculty members, staff and administration, both confused and concerned, met last Friday for a special workshop to discuss the issue of universities merging.

Last October a report was released by the Nova Scotia Council On Higher Education (NSCHE), Critical Choices: The Nova Scotia University System At A Crossroads, where a proposal to merge metro universities in order to save the province money had been recommended. In addition, the NSCHE has also made another proposal of which would consist of "integrating all universities in the province into a single entity."

Whether it be, "The University of Halifax," or, "The University of Nova Scotia," the awareness is increasing on campus regarding the possible merge.

With Chair for the NSCHE Janet Halliwell speaking at Saint Mary's this Friday, the faculty union was informed that suggestions are needed "quickly" in order to avoid a merge.

Saint Mary's President, Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, Saint Mary's University Faculty Union President, Jack Ginsburg, and Nova Scotia Confederation of University Faculty Association President, John D'Orsay, were the panel members who outlined mainly the cons of university

amalgamation.

"I must say I don't know anymore than you do," said Ginsburg when he referred to the merge issue. He added however that "the picture created is unsettling and a plan that like this can reduce the size of the faculty."

D'Orsay said that amalgamations "don't usually work." He pointed out that four years ago there was "serious discussion that Dalhousie and the

Technical University of Nova Scotia (T.U.N.S) would merge... but it never happened."

He added that amalgamation "caters to graduate students and tends to clump undergraduates together." He then said with studies, such as women's issues presently offered at Mount St. Vincent University, "would be affected as you can not offer such a program of study in a bigger institution, and merging means

having a big institution."

For Dr. Ozmon it seems to be "an ABD approach... What that stands for is Anything But Dalhousie."

He then added that the merge plan has been both proposed by Dalhousie and is being "strongly pushed by them."

Dr. Ozmon pointed out that Dalhousie has to protect what it has. "This merge issue is not only financially driven but also power driven," he said.



PAUL FITZGERALD/JOURNAL

WHY ARE THESE PEOPLE MILING - WITH THE PROPOSED CUTS TO POST SECONDARY FUNDING, THESE AND MANY OTHER STUDENTS DON'T HAVE A REASON TO SMILE. BUT THEN AGAIN MAYBE THEY ARE SMILING BECAUSE TODAY THEY GET TO LET THE GOVERNMENT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THEY THINK OF THESE CUTS.

Security Conduct Questioned

by David Ryan

Four Rice residents are relieved at being pardoned of noise complaint fines yesterday, but are still unhappy with the way they were treated by residence security. The students came forward last week with complaints that they had been fined for disruptive behavior they didn't commit. Earlier this month, ninth floor residents Brad Cairns, Scott Carroll, Rob O'Blenes, and Sean Korqum were fined \$50 for three incidents in which they allegedly made noise during the "24 hour quiet hours" period which preceded the recent winter exams. Not only do they say that that they were innocent all along, but they claim that other students on their floor who had made noise were not fined, for the reason that one of them is a security employee. In addition,

they claim that the hearing they attended last Friday regarding their fines was conducted in a biased manner, even though they received a verdict of innocence. In regards to their innocence, Rob O'Blenes says that on two of the three occasions that they were accused of being disruptive (Nov. 27, 29), absolutely no noise was made in their apartment. "On the 27th, no one was even home, and on the 29th, the only people there were Scott and his girlfriend, and they were just spending a quite night together. We have a witness that testified to this." O'Blenes then admits that on the third occasion, there was some noise, but he says that the report is inaccurate in stating that it occurred past 1:00 in the morning. "First of all, we were in bed by midnight. Someone from security did knock on our

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Phone-In Voting At SMU

by Andrea Wrin

Saint Mary's is boldly stepping into the future by using new MT&T tele-voting technologies to elect Alumni representatives to our Board of Governors.

Tele-voting is a new service, provided by MT&T Technologies, that will allow Alumni members to phone in their votes for upcoming elections. With over twenty thousand Alumni members worldwide, this new technology will eliminate major geographical barriers. By making voting as easy as dialing home, more Alumni members will be able to participate in this year's elections.

According to Alumni Director, Anne Mussett, Saint Mary's is "working closely with MT&T Technologies to set the system up." The Alumni Association is hoping

to hold the vote this spring, and are working hard to ensure proper installations are made.

Saint Mary's will proudly be the first university in Canada to incorporate the high tech tele-voting into their Alumni elections. The election will take place by telephone through a completely anonymous process. Each Alumni member will be given a PIN (Personal Identification Number), which is generated at random.

Voters will simply dial a pre-determined number, enter their PIN and cast their vote. The PIN is destroyed after the vote is cast, allowing each member to vote only once. The calls will be processed at MT&T in Halifax, and the procedure is completely anonymous.

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The Hunt To Find Voters

by Mary Ruth Morris

The Saint Mary's University Students' Association (SMUSA) will be busy over the next few weeks trying to find ways which will increase votes for their Executive Elections.

Last year's election brought only 13.5% of the university population to vote. SMUSA's Vice President of Administration, Bob Pearson, is very concerned about last year's low turnout and wants to remedy this problem. Possible solutions have been suggested but as of yet none have been implemented. A possible "portable polling station" which would go throughout the residence collecting votes was an idea brought forward to Pearson and has already been intro-

duced to other Executive members.

Incentive voting has also been suggested. Pearson says that one example may be that the first 200 people to vote get a can of pop or maybe a chocolate bar. Another suggestion was to set up a 5th polling station, based on cost effectiveness. Increasing voting hours was another option that would allow for students with later classes to vote. However, because vote counting usually takes place until 2 a.m., increasing the hours is chancy because if votes are left overnight they run the risk of being tampered with.

Students agree that their voting depends on whether or not they know someone running, or if they had the time to

stop and vote. Many listened to the campaign, but all of the off-



•BOB PEARSON

campus students agreed that they heard much more about the elections while living in residence. This scares Pearson because there are over 5500 off-

campus students many of whom do not even know when the executive elections are held. Pearson hopes for new "innovative ways" to get across the importance of elections making it more "feasible" for off-campus students to vote.

Nominations open January 23rd, and anybody can come in and begin the nomination process. A list of nominees will be updated regularly until February 4th, when the nominations close. This is when the nominations begin, so ask questions, exercise your right, and get out there and vote either February 14th or 15th.

SMUSA Mature Full - Time and Part - Time Representative, Annie Grosvold, has already submitted a letter to Pearson in regards to increasing the per-

centage of voters. Grosvold's letter states, "By opening the polls on Monday night of election week (at 5:00pm) you would provide a valuable opportunity for a large number of constituents to have a say as to who represents them the following year. Ideally, the polls should be open until 8:00pm on Tuesday and Wednesday night."

He letter also indicates, "I realize that the cost of holding an election has increased, but equal voting opportunity to both traditional students and Mature - Part - Time Students must be a right not a privilege. We represent one third of the student population and the majority of attend classes during the evening hours or on Saturday's."

International Development Week At SMU

by Carolee Buckler

International Development Week is held each year during the first week of February. It provides Canadians with an excellent opportunity to increase their awareness of the developing world through local initiatives. The World University Service of Canada's (WUSC) local committee is just one of the organizations that is committed to helping to educate people about International Development issues.

In February, student-led WUSC local committees across Canada will be participating in

the 6th International Development Symposium Series. This year's theme is "Education For All: From Rights to Reality." By focusing on this theme, it is hoped that it will stimulate discussion and action by Canadians, especially students and youth, to promote a more equitable and sustainable world.

Two international speakers have been selected to speak across Canada at this event. Fatima Freire Dowbor is a Latin American Education Specialist who believes in providing the necessary tools to students to empower themselves to work for change and create a sustain-

able world. She will talk about her experiences. John Hardbatt works with indigenous populations in Botswana and he will be speaking on access to culturally defined education for indigenous peoples. There will also be a local speaker, Bob Sargent, Associate Dean of Education at Saint Mary's University. His focus will be on access to education in the Canadian context.

This event will take place on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Theatre Auditorium of the McNally Building.

Many other events will be taking place throughout Hali-

fax and Nova Scotia. Some of these events include: a brown bag lunch at the IEC on the Empowerment of Women and Popular Organizations in Chile's Democratic Transition on February 7, at 1:30 at the IEC; displays by the Nova Scotia Cuba Association and the WUSC local committee in the Loyola Building Colonnade on Tuesday February 7; the WUSC local committee at Dalhousie will be presenting a discussion on popular education techniques on Wednesday, February 8 at 2:00 pm in the Student Union Building; and the One World Campaign will put on a Global Village Dinner Theatre at the Church. Doors open at 6

pm, supper is at 6:30 and the cost of the ticket is \$4.00 per person. For more information call Kristen Anderson at 494-2038.

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than the mail-in ballot system which has been used in previous years. This technology will allow the results of the vote to be available within minutes after the last vote.

Being the first university in Canada to use this new technology is not the main reason for implementing this system. According to Anne Mussett, her main reason for doing this "is to increase Alumni participation". As well, Barry Gallant, the Alumni Officer, feels that Saint Mary's needs to "reach out to Alumni"; this new technology will make that all possible.

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University Amalgamation Causes Anxiety

by Paul Fitzgerald

The issue of having one university for all of Halifax is creating a big stir. The question of having "The University of Halifax" has even caused the Technical University of Nova Scotia President, Ted Rhodes, to hang up the phone when the *Journal* asked for his view on a possible merge. "I'm not saying anything until after February 9," he bluntly says, before replacing the receiver.

Saint Mary's President, Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, has gone so far as to call the amalgamation proposal, sponsored by Dalhousie, a plan similar to dictatorship. Dr. Ozmon points out that Dalhousie wants universities amalgamating for reasons of finance and power. He compared Dalhousie's actions to Hitler and Mussolini.

He adds that the merge plan is one which will assist paying Dalhousie's \$22-million debt. "By having all universities merge together, we will all have to help with the credit bill that we never created," he says.

However, aside from Dalhousie, most post-secondary institutions in Halifax are persistent in remaining a single entity.

In a report, *Critical Choices: The Nova Scotia University System At A Crossroads*, which was released last October by the Nova Scotia Council On Higher Education (NSCHE), two proposals have undergone serious discussion. First, the report suggests "a metro university integration of all metro-based universities for maximum economies of scale." Second, the paper also calls for "a University of Nova Scotia regardless of physical distribution; integration of all universities in the provinces into a single entity."

According to the report, the reason for university rationalization is financial problems the province has encountered. It says that these financial problems, have an "adverse effect on the environment for learning." Also, the report indicates that the fiscal situation is "the driving force for change... the fiscal problem is severe. The challenges to universities and to the university system go well beyond the financial."

Also, the report emphasizes the impact from Federal Human Resource Minister Lloyd Axworthy's proposal to cut \$9-billion in social security programs. From that figure, the report indicates that a total of \$2.6-billion in cash transfers to the provinces for post-secondary education could possibly be abolished. For Nova Scotia, the

loss would be \$94-million, resulting in a tuition increase of 200%.

Mount St. Vincent President, Dr. Elizabeth Parr-Johnston, is in charge of one of Canada's few universities whose mandate includes a special emphasis on educating women.

Parr-Johnston says that she has a number of questions to ask when commenting on the merge. She also says that "while we have no actual position on the issue, I think it's fair to say that there is an element of smoke and mirrors in all this."

One question she has if a merge occurs is "how will decisions on programs be made. We have talked about the savings on the administrative side and that is difficult enough. But there is no way that the money on the administrative side is going to address the programs side."

She says that "93% of students that come to Nova Scotia, not for graduate studies but for undergraduate studies." Parr-Johnston feels that a larger institution would take priority to research and the graduate programs at the expense of the undergraduates. She says "the undergraduates could be viewed as cashed out in order to subsidize the graduate program."

Parr-Johnston says that like Saint Mary's, they have no financial debt. She says that since Dalhousie has a large debt "it would have to be shared in a merger that would have to be covered... sharing their assets are fine, but if their endowment is tied then they're not available."

For the most part, Parr-Johnston hopes "that a merge will not happen." She adds "mergers create huge bureaucracies, and they create institutions that are far more cumbersome. Most of all, a merge takes years to work through.. they can also be very expensive."

Dr. Ed Aitken is president of one of the city's least known schools, but one whose autonomy is paramount, The Atlantic School of Theology.

"We have proposed that we

wish to remain a free standing institution and are fully prepared to co-operate in any manner possible with other institutions in achieving what need to be achieved," says Aitken. He adds: "Our practice has been since we opened in 1971 that we recognize other institutions' courses, and have shared faculty back and forth... so I think we have a good track record of co-operation."

He then says "part of our difficulty is to be perceived by the public that we are a Post-Graduate school. Very often we are compared with Liberal Arts programs and that is unfair."

Aitken says that the driving force behind the merge issue is "the economy." He too points out that his institution is debt free, and is still unsure of how Dalhousie's debt looms in the discussion of amalgamation. He says however that there is a concern on the part of the government to reduce the amount of money that is being given to education. "I remain to be convinced that a total amalgamation is the best solution to all this," he says.

He says that morale at his school "has not been that great. People are concerned and we are tightening our belts at every turn. We did not replace a faculty member that left two years ago." As he points out in regards to cuts to staff positions, "we cannot continue to do that any longer without affecting the quality of life and learning at our school."

NSCHE Chair, Janet Halliwell, defends the provinces' position on rationalization to lend official support to the merge issue.

"The objective is to strengthen the university system within what are really tight budget constraints. We don't know right know what is going to happen with Lloyd Axworthy's announcement and his recommendation would amount to a withdrawal

of about 40% of the federal funds," says Halliwell.

She says "what we are trying to do is look for cost efficiency and cost avoidance while preserving central features about Nova Scotia and that is the university sytem... we have to mainly get more for our dollar."

In terms of Dalhousie pushing for local universities merging, she says "we are still in the process of finding out where each university stands. The council has until this June to make a decision and present it to the government. But I can assure you that the deck is wide open."



CHAIR FOR THE NOVA SCOTIA COUNCIL ON HIGHER EDUCATION, JANET HALLIWELL DISCUSSES THE MERGE PROPOSAL. HALLIWELL WILL BE AT SAINT MARY'S THIS FRIDAY, IN THE THEATRE AUDITORIUM FROM 3-5 P.M. SHE WILL BE TAKING PROPOSALS FROM FACULTY AND STUDENTS ON THE ISSUE OF THE PROPOSED MERGE.

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Lloyd's View On Cuts To Education

The Editor:

There has been a great deal of debate over the last few months on the subject of the federal government's proposals for change in post-secondary education funding.

We have entered an era in which knowledge, skills, and education are the keys to security and prosperity

While post-secondary education is more important than ever, the costs of getting an education have been rising for the past decade. Tuition fees, which it must be noted, are controlled solely by the provincial governments and the institutions, have outpaced inflation for the past decade.

The challenge then is clear: how can the federal government help provide long-term sustainable funding to colleges and universities and make post secondary education more accessible? The discussion paper "Improving Social Security in Canada" outlines the option to create an expanded and more flexible program of student aid. It would include the following features:

- it would provide \$2 billion in loans each year to students, in addition to the \$1 billion aid under the existing Canada Student Loans Program;

- Students would also continue to be able to claim ap-

proximately 25 per cent of their tuition as a credit against federal and provincial income tax, or to transfer the credit to other family members;

- it would increase flexibility, as it would be available to all post-secondary students in recognized courses, not just limited to students passing a needs test;

- it would include a better system of grants for low-income students and those with specific needs (the federal government is currently working with the provinces to implement grants for persons with disabilities and for women in certain Ph.D. programs);

- loan repayment would be based upon earning after graduation. This income contingent repayment (ICR) principle would guarantee that students wouldn't be burdened with loan payments they couldn't afford. Those who didn't get a job right away, could wait to repay the loan. Those with jobs, would have payments geared to their income.

Some have said this proposal would mean more borrowing by students. Yet 70% of university students graduate without any debt, or owing less than \$5000. Consider the pay back for this investment:

- the average wage in

Canada is \$23,700, yet for university graduates it is \$34,900, a difference of \$11,200 more per year, or about half a million dollars more in lifetime earnings;

Putting more money in the hands of students gives them a buying power to insist on a wider variety of courses tied closer to the job market.

It isn't true that this proposal would result in less money for post-secondary education - on the contrary. What is true is that this proposal re-

quires changing the way the federal government supports post-secondary education. Let me explain:

- the federal government provides \$6 billion in tax and cash transfers to provincial governments under the Established Programs Financing (EPF) arrangements;

- the value of the tax transfers will continue to grow with the economy, from nearly \$4 billion in 1996-97 to a projected \$6 billion by 2006; under the present federal/provincial

agreement, the cash portion will decline correspondingly.

\$2 billion per year in loans and grants to help students pay their portion of their education costs. The combination of growing federal tax transfers and this new loans program would mean \$10 billion more in resources available for post-secondary education in Canada over the ten year period starting in 1996-97.

Sincerely,
Lloyd Axworthy

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door, but that was at around eleven, and we weren't making enough noise to justify a fine, or even an official complaint. We were just laughing with security about it, because it was so insignificant. On top of all that, we made a deal with every room on our floor that we would just knock on someone's door if we felt they were being noisy. Security shouldn't intervene." Residence Director Clay Fowler would not comment on the incidents in question, as he says that evidence from the hearing should remain confidential. But he did comment on the disciplinary system itself. "Fines are given out only when there is a large number of com-

plaints. And the defendants in question have had a history of disruptive behavior. It is the job of security to use discretion as to whether too much noise is being made when they patrol the halls. Overall, I think the disciplinary system is fair and effective." When asked if he had heard of any security employees living on residence who had escaped fines because of their positions, Fowler said that he hadn't, but Brad Cairns claims that that is just what's going on. "One room on our floor has someone from security living there. Twice, other security personnel came to their door because there was noise coming from the apartment, but they were not fined. That shows a huge inconsistency with the system." The security person in question is Paula Bolt. She says that there were two complaints, but that one of them was false. She then emphasized Fowler's point that fines are only enforced when a number of complaints have been logged, and that her apart-

ment had only received that one official complaint. "As far as other security residents are concerned, if they make enough noise, they'll be fined like anyone else." She concluded. Cairns says that in Friday's hearing, Joe Varner only mentioned one case in which a security employee living on campus had been fined for noise. All four residents felt that the hearing was one-sided. Scott Carroll points out that security acts as both prosecution and judge during the meetings, which are chaired by Clay Fowler. "How can that possibly be fair? They had a witness who was allowed to attend the whole hearing, but ours was only allowed in for one question. The other main problem is that they seemed to focus on our past history of behavior, judging the case on that, rather than on the incidents at hand." In response to these allegations, Clay Fowler said that he has nothing to do with the cases until they are presented to him at the hearings. "I try to judge them as objectively as possible. Also we will be working on making amendments to the system. We would like to see an outside body judge these hearings."

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Finally, the ball is in the air and most of us are making attempts to catch it. The ball, which holds valuable significance, I use in the context that relates to the proposed changes to education for Saint Mary's. All we need now is an interception, and with the way the process is going, we can still win. Students and staff on campus are waking up and noticing that if we don't get that ball back then it could mean one thing - we lose the game. Since last week, there have been meetings consisting of intense discussion regarding the proposed changes. The game has been going on for some time now and we have some tough competition - the government. This is the play-offs and is also the time that consists of bad anxiety and heavy tension. After this week, I must say that students and faculty at this university are joining to find solutions. It's like we're all in a huddle, and I will emphasize the example of "the ball" because, in a way, we are all caught in a situation of win or lose. If we lose then it could mean the end of Saint Mary's and include a drastic increase in tuition. However, from what I've seen, people at SMU are now going head to head with the proposed changes that our opponents have introduced. I can almost hear the voice of a familiar broadcaster giving the details of the play by saying, "The government has the ball, and Saint Mary's really needs an interception... It's the last quarter of the game and folks it looks like SMU is pulling up their socks."

Following Sunday's SMUSA council meeting, ideas and some well thought out comments were made in order to organize for today's National Day of Action. Everything from "We can't allow tuition to double" and to "We need co-operation from all sides." SMUSA has come together like a team and they've managed to get recruitments for today's demonstration - students, and lots of 'em. SMUSA Executive and Representatives have been busy for months organizing ways that will make a difference and hopefully will "intercept the ball" and get the game going our way. As SMUSA President, Boris Mirtchev, says: "we are the people, we are the ones that are going to have to pay if tuition increases by 200%." SMUSA is also making plans to prepare for the Chair of the Nova Scotia Council On Higher Education (NSCHE), Janet Halliwell's arrival to discuss the proposed university merge issue this Friday. And yes, I agree with Mirtchev, who along with countless other members have been up night and day analyzing the proposed changes, and attending countless meetings in order to gain some understanding of what actually is going on. I feel good when I see our student council doing all they can so that students and faculty can get the ball back where it belongs - in our hands.

The faculty are also planning their strategy to battle our enemies. That's right, just about every professor from this institution crammed into the Theatre Auditorium trying to find out what the hell the other team is trying to do. Like Saint Mary's President Dr. Kenneth Ozmon put it, "We don't have much time left. We have to act quickly and find solutions in order for us to avoid a merge."

Even though many faculty members seemed surprised about the merge proposal - much like students - it's not their fault. The only time Halliwell comes to Saint Mary's, or any other university on the merge issue, is when there are only weeks left to make a decision. I anticipate that Halliwell will be confronted with a strong defensive line constructed by both the faculty and student body. I know many people at this institution will do what they can so that the name and reputation of Saint Mary's will not be taken away. After all, isn't it our responsibility? The clock is ticking, get out and show your support to save Saint Mary's.

P.F.

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Donald Derrick
President of Saint Mary's
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Safe Sex

Dear Editor,

I'm happy to read that someone, such as Libby Biason has taken the responsibility on her own shoulders. Why is this such a controversial topic with the residences in SMU? Student health and protection should come clearly ahead of the politics in the matter. Meantime, competing University's such as Dalhousie, have surpassed Saint Mary's on the condom machine issue. Would they have to wait until a high percentage of residence students contracted specific S.T.D.'s? University's can not avoid sexual activity which sometimes occurs after excessive drinking. A resident student should be able to have a machine within a close distance, instead of deciding whether to go to the corner store. We have to stop being afraid of controversial topics and address them head on. Biason should not have to worry about bothering the ad-

ministration, but of making sure they address the issue until something permanent is decided.

Michael Davis

Diploma Change

Dear Editor

Regarding the article "Grad Wants Diploma Change" in the November 9th issue of the Journal it sparked my interest. I too was a little surprised to discover there is no indication of scholastic distinctions on the diplomas issued by SMU.

I had resigned to assuming that not including the distinctions on the diplomas was standard procedure for universities in general, but when I later found that many other institutions do include distinctions on their degrees and diplomas I must admit I was disappointed.

I can understand the difficulty of coordinating all the degree printing in a very limited time, but I personally would not mind receiving some sort of substitute at graduation while printing is completed, or arranging some other way of having distinctions included on the diploma. I would go as far as paying for whatever costs are necessary to have the distinction placed on my diploma.

Eric Miller

A Truce From Within

by Fady Anjoul

It is a fact that everyone at some point in life experiences personal crisis. For some people, life universally may appear to be an extended crisis. Others strive to find the beauty in existence. I believe the difference between these two groups all boils down to perspective.

During my undergraduate years, a particular lecture I attended in introductory psychology revolutionized my understanding of why happenings acquire different meanings. My comprehension of the problem is that things in general, alone, do not have meaning. They become meaningful exclusively in the presence of an observer who is capable of projecting meaning onto them. Furthermore, that is to say that things are essentially what you, the aware entity, make them out to be. Let us use the armchair philosopher's favourite conundrum "If a tree falls in the forest does it make any noise if no one's around to hear it fall" to illustrate the above point.

First of all, when a tree does fall in the forest, one of the results is the compression of nearby air molecules. This compression then travels in the open medium and when it is encountered by a human, the displacement of air molecules is interpreted as "noise". As pertaining to this "noise", without our homo sapien friend, there only remains the movement of air. Now let us suppose that this "noise" is "heard" by two different people. The first of which is an ignorant neanderthal who has never experienced a sylvan environment. Our other subject is an accomplished woodsperson. The question is will these people react the same; will they project the same meaning onto the noise? Of course not, because they have a radically differing understanding of the situation. Their perspectives are not the same. The noise may be interpreted as a sign

from the god's by the neanderthal and the woodsperson will probably recognise it as a tree falling. The point is however, not that there is a single correct way of interpreting various events experienced in a lifetime, but there are several ways to perceive a particular event in question. Moreover a particular perspective may reverberate with discontentment while another may carry contentful overtones in the eyes of the observer. And I believe that our lives would become wonderfully liberated, if we could only learn to always take advantage of our ability to modify our perspective, especially during times when sensitive turning points are encountered.

You may ask if I am preaching? No. You may ask if I am counselling? No. Am I writing to pass the time? Hell no. I am simply reflecting about the courage and determination of my friend Paul, a former SMU student, who was recently paralysed nevertheless has resolved he shall "adapt and overcome". My hats of to ya bro'. A poem I wrote follows:

Crickets chirping
leaves rustling
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The Real Side Of Looking Back

by Samantha A. Clattenburg

Since the holiday break! I think we all have had ample time to reflect upon this past year of nineteen hundred and ninety-four. Nothing, however, bothers me more than the highlights of an awful year and belonging to this so called Generation "X".

Sometimes I'm ashamed to be part of this generation who is more tormented by the "loss" of a musician who blew his head off with a shotgun because he couldn't handle what most people only dream of fame than we are with a country under attack by militant leaders who continue to slaughter innocent lives.

We are a generation of selfish crack and prosaic heads who are more interested in fulfilling our own shallow needs and chasing our own unrealistic dreams than the world as a whole. We, in the 90's are a group of greedy, lazy, fur and leather wearing, ego-maniac/nympho-maniac degenerates consumed by alcohol, money, money and conceit. What have we to offer the world? Generations before us offered us hope, freedom and a closer look at inner beauty and love. Inner beauty to us is purging after a meal that was way too big in hopes of being beautiful and noticed. The only thing we seemed to have picked up is the "free love" clause from the sixties- unfortunately, that's the wrong choice. The sexual revolution is booming once again and it couldn't have occurred at a worse time. With the dark ugly cloud of AIDS hanging over our heads- a possible new age plague with the capacity to wipe out the entire world doesn't seem dangerous enough to deter people from this type of preventative self-

destruction. Contrary to popular belief, we are by no means invincible but rather easily disposable.

What happened to the dream of Martin Luther King Jr. The one that we push back in to the shelves of our minds so we can clearly focus on our own personal hatreds of blacks, Whites, Jews, handicapped people, and gays. "Come on people now, shine on your brother, everybody get together try to love one another right now." ~ song from the far away past. ~y little brother said to me that racism is under much more control than it was in the earlier days. That's how naive people are. The problem hasn't depleted- it's just spread out. The prejudicial spectrum has only broadened creating more hatred and violence than any other generation has witnessed. The gangs, the clubs the crime rate and suicide rate has jumped dramatically since the times of our parents.

Do I want my future chil-

dren to know that their mother was part of the depression movement? Everyone and their dog has this "disease" which leaves me with the question, "Is depression an actual illness or is it just an excuse to justify our laziness and pathetic behavior?" This is a big decade for psychiatrists and psychologists. They are to us as the hula-hoop was to the baby boomers.

It's quite easy to predict what awaits in the near future as a group of people worshipping false heroes, watching "Natural Born Killers" and loving every minute of it and listening to 'grunge' lyrics, we get lazier and lazier, more depressed and more violent not only to other people but to ourselves. All I know is that previous generations left behind a legacy of good.

What do we leave? Nirvana, empty pill bottles, Jeffrey Dahmer clippings, unused condoms and crack pipes. We are slowly and painfully burning out in a burnt out world.

NATIONAL STRIKE DAY

Students from eighty campuses in nineteen cities across Canada will strike today to oppose cuts to education. Saint Mary's Students will meet at the Student Centre at 2:30 today for a march on Province House.

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RANTING & RAVING

by Andrew Bowers

I'm not one to ramble on... well maybe just a tad. But I recently had this erotic dream and I just have to share it with my faithful readers (all 2 of you.). I know this may sound like the opening to a Penthouse Forum letter, but you're all wrong! It's better. There I am, sitting in the middle of a Wal-Mart, wearing nothing but a doughnut (you may imagine where it was). Before you can say discount, this ominous voice bellows over the loudspeaker "Boston Cream on sale now in aisle thirteen." So I look up, and... ta-da, I'm in \$#@ aisle thirteen. So here come eighty salivating senior citizens, two crazed Bagel Work employees and that Skoke chick from Parliament Hill. I haul me and my pastries into the pet department. They've got the air conditioning on, so I slap on two Basset Hounds and a hamster to keep those unmentionables toasty. I casually saunter out the front door, looking as inconspicuous as you can with animals velcroed all over your being. Unfortunately, I'm blind-sided by a loaf of French bread and then beaten repeatedly by a really big stick of zucchini which is being wielded by that queen of penis lobotomies, Lorainna Bobbitt. She pulls out a dull butter knife, whispers something about Timbit amputation and I think after that I either faint or have sex or have sex and then faint... there's always such a fine line. I'm not sure what it means, but one of My psychic friends, Dionne Warwick believes that subconsciously I'm really suffering from Apple Fritter envy. Not too sure about that one either...

Deviled Eggs: How so? It's not like I need to give the sacrifice of a soul to enjoy these enigmatic offerings at picnics everywhere. They might be called this, because if exposed to direct sunlight for about, oh, let's say 5 seconds, they are demonically transformed into cholesterol laden, salmonella choked wedges of gastronomic doom. After ingesting just one of these vomit-inducing poultry products, one could enjoy hours of delusions, fever and frequent visits to the porcelain hen! The devil, must sit down there and laugh his ass off every time one of our mothers, thinks 'it would be keen to bring these things to an outside eating gathering'. Normally, people wouldn't go near a deviled egg, I mean it's eggs and Miracle Whip! Some people have been known to have heart attacks just thinking about Deviled eggs. If it wasn't for paprika, that reddish powder they dash on top, nobody would go near them... Paprika, by the way, when translated from the natives of Rapa-Nui means... you guessed it... SATAN. Coincidence? I think not my friends.

Gelatin Jingle: "There's always room for J-E-L-L-O!!!" ... in my underwear.

Cereal Killers: Just how sick our today's current breakfast cereal spokesmen? Well, in a recent survey, I've found some disturbing facts regarding these beloved cartoons and it's not pretty. First, how about Sonny, that loopy bird who can't seem to get enough of those Cocoa Puffs! He's been known to go Cuckoo for Cocoa Puffs. That's because Sonny, is an escaped mental patient from a local asylum. The Puffs, in fact, are just the latest wave of street drugs, peddled by pint size dealers, passing themselves off as well behaved children! When my little cousin eats these things, they don't really turn the milk chocolaty... it's messing with his mind! What about the Trix Bunny. For years he's been driven mad by the fruit flavors of Trix, and those kids who won't let him have a bowl. How long will it be, before this agitated rabbit walks into a local Sobey's and opens fire with a 12 gauge carrot? He's a time bomb! Then there's Snap, Crackle and Pop, the diminutive spokes-elves for Rice Krispies. It's been revealed that they have deep seeded resentment towards mothers everywhere. Just because their mother couldn't come up with better names. Through a top secret experiment with those pesky DAL students... Each time your kid consumes these seemingly innocent rice krisps, the familiar sound of Snap, Crackle and Pop, is actually that of your kid's brain cells being destroyed.. worse than glue, soon North America will be filled with really dumb kids, and in the near future Snap, Crackle and Pop will rule the world... and provide the eight essential vitamins needed for a complete breakfast.

Speaking of Glue: I've come to the conclusion that I must disprove the fact that sniffing glue can cause damage to the brain. In the recent days I've been snorting mass quantities of Elmer's Glue (the one with the pig on the label). I've concluded that in no way does the inhalation of glue effect the mind or the memory, and in no way does it effect your memory, did I mention it has no effect on your mind. So, please have a bottle of glue, and think of me.

'Legends' Was The Pitts

by Pete Mitton

I was disappointed by *Legends of the Fall*. It didn't live up to my expectations. Was a grand, powerful epic too much to ask for? Apparently, because what crossed the screen was an unconvincing, failed, legend of the west.

The film follows three brothers raised in Montana and their relationships with the demure Susannah (Julia Ormond). Set during the beginning of World War 1, we find the three brothers are sent overseas, after enlisting in the Canadian Army. Tristan (Brad Pitt) serves only to protect his younger brother (Henry Thomas), a

promise he made to Susannah. Unfortunately he fails and the guilt for his brother's death haunts him. Ooh, how original.

Returning home, the brothers decide to keep her affections in the family and thus ensues a quarrel over Susannah. Alfred (Aiden Quinn), the oldest brother spends the most time with her only to have his plans destroyed by Tristan. Susannah loves Tristan but he's hardly receptive. He wanders in and out of her life.

Combined with this are the scenic views of Montana in all its beauty and its large landscapes. The omnipres-

ence of inspiring, orchestral music serve to magnify the romantic aspects of the story.

The narrator builds on the romance of Pitt's reputation, we continually hear that he is great. Noble and brave maybe, but the film ends by portraying him as an average guy bent on revenge. There is no grandeur here.

All of the characters exist within this legendary setting but none of them are legends. I was totally disappointed. However, if you ignore this flaw or reduce your expectations, you'll find the emotional aspects of the movie are quite compelling. The film takes you on a roller coaster ride, making you laugh and then (some people), to cry.

CD's To Fit Your Fancy

by T. Paul Woodford

Sinead O'Connor
Universal Mother
EMI

Universal Mother is, at the same time, very similar to and remarkably different from anything O'Connor has done in the past. Most of the songs on the disc are litling folk numbers-stripped down musically and lyrically. The harrowing screams so prominent on her debut *The Lion and the Cobra* are noticeably (and refreshingly) absent. *Universal Mother* is similar to past efforts as O'Connor's political perspective and personal strife continue to dominate the lyrical content.

O'Connor's political slant is most evident in *Famine*, an unusual rap song about the potato blight which devastated Ireland during the 1840s. The first release, *Fire On Babylon* is an unnerving account of O'Connor's troubled relation-

ship with her mother while growing up. Her version of Nirvana's *All Apologies* is totally devoid of will and hope. The song is nothing short of haunting, especially when one considers O'Connor failed to do what Cobain succeeded at. While the song is totally lacking in hope, the rest of the disc is not. *Thank You For Hearing Me* is a post-suicide attempt song which marvels at life's little wonders. *My Darling Child* is an enchanting and mesmerizing lullaby O'Connor wrote for her son.

Lyle Lovett
I Love Everybody
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Tasty Food Is Umm Umm Good

by S. Rae Harrison

Just like most people, I love to eat. No really, I love it! Good food and good company will keep me happy for the rest of my life.

Friday evening I went to pick up my very special friend, Stew, and disperse on an eating adventure. Unfortunately, my friend, just like me, is never ready on time and as I didn't eat all day, I was hungry. Really, really hungry! Finally, after getting the car, crossing the grand metropolis of Dartmouth, going over the bridge (and to grandma's house? No wrong story!) we eventually arrived at our destination.

Fortunately, we found a parking place on Morris Street, just outside the Tasty Food restaurant.

We strolled in and sat down. Our waitress brought us menus and at that moment it happened... we saw the hours of operation. Monday to Friday 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM and it was already 7:50. We couldn't eat now, it would make them stay open longer and I know how I hate to stay at work when my store is closed. *But I was so hungry.*

So, I politely asked the waitress if it was too late to order and with a beautiful smile she replied nay. She was both an angel and a Godsend, because at that point I was going to eat the table if I had to.

And so we ordered. I ordered meat loaf and mashed potatoes and Stew ordered a hamburger and fries, and of course two cokes.

It was at this point I took a look around the little diner. It

had an abundance of character that I have never seen nor experienced in a Halifax eatery before. It had a counter and stools and booths for a more intimate, comfortable visit. Even though the slant in the floor was very noticeable, it didn't take away from the Mel's Dinner appeal.

Looking up at the spider plants, I felt like I had entered - at that moment - the sitcom of my dreams. I thought I'd bring myself back to reality by splashing some water on my face. I asked where the bathroom was and, once again, the waitress made me happy by responding with a smile. It was to my left and down the stairs. I instantly saw a large sign that

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body. Simple acoustic guitar and heavy bass dominate the disc with a bit of violin and cello thrown in for texture. The 18 tracks are so serene and mellow that operating heavy machinery while listening to them would probably be a bad idea.

The simple arrangements allow Lovett's remarkable storytelling ability and killer voice to shine through. The songs are like 18 vignettes, with only two tracks exceeding four minutes in length. Lovett proves that you can say a lot without using a lot of words. *I Love Everybody* is sometimes amusing, sometimes touching, always captivating - a solid disc.

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read, "Watch your head" and the moment I began my descent down the staircase, a voice from the kitchen yelled "Watch you head!!!" The cook's voice, I assumed, and that is so nice because I happen to be just a little bit clumsy. However, I got up and down the stairs with out even coming close to hitting my head.

It was only a few moments later when our food arrived and it was very good. Not just because I was really hungry either. The gravy on my potatoes was definitely some of the best I've ever tasted and the meat loaf with its tomato sauce filled me to the rim. But I wasn't too full to share a piece of homemade apple pie with

cheese and a cup of tea.

I chatted with the waitress in a inquisitive way. To see if I could gather a little information. Sneaky eh! She told me that a new owner had just taken over and we had arrived on the first day of their new menus. She had been employed at Tasty Food since mid-December and really enjoys her job. You know something, there is something very nice about being served by someone who enjoys their job. Anyway, all these thoughts about good meals are making me hungry so, I'll just say for good value and great food check out Tasty Food on the corner of Morris street and Birmingham. You won't be disappointed.

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by Suzanne Hobin

SMU 85 ST.FX. 65 Winning's not everything, eh? Try telling that to the SMU women's basketball team. With four players scoring in double digits, a team shooting 60% from the field, 55% from the 3-point line, add one player shooting 100%, and wouldn't you expect a team to enjoy winning?

From the starting seconds, this game was close. St.FX. used a full court press during a majority of the first half, trying to run some time off SMU's offence. Forward Marianne Berry laughs in the face of defence. In

the opening minutes of the game she made her presence known sinking two 3-pointers. Berry, a Truro native in her first year, is just one of many outstanding guards on this Saint Mary's team, according to her teammates and Coach Jill Healy. "She has the potential to be one of the best players in this conference because she has such a good sense of the game" compliments Healy. "We have lots of confidence in her, and tonight she showed confidence in herself."

Player of the Game Shawna Wright had 8 points, 9 assists who did a great job of containing star forward Theresa MacCuish of X. "We wanted to contain X's momentum. We moved the ball well on offence...[and] we were intense" said Wright. SMU picked up their momentum in the last four minutes of the first half, going on a 18-6 run. St.FX. trailed SMU 36-43 at half.

St.FX. came out of the locker room with vengeance, bringing the game within 1 point. Scoring leaders for St.FX were Theresa MacCuish with 23 points and Abigail Tramble with 19. A mix of running the floor well, a shooting spree and great hustle put SMU up by 10 and the game out of X's reach.

Leading the scoring was Messer with 22 points, followed by MacIntyre with 20, Crnogorac with 16 and Berry with 12. On defence MacIntyre brought down 15 rebounds.

SMU 54 ACA 53 The Axettes and Huskies played an exciting game as part of a quadruple header at the Metro Centre this past Saturday.

With intense defense on both ends, the score was kept low as SMU played to perfection, committing only three fouls in the first half allowing Acadia zero free-throws.

Down by as much as seven points, SMU regrouped with 3-pointers from Crnogorac and Wright to trail 25-24 at the half. 12 of Acadia's first-half points coming from rookie post Lynn Robertson.

Again in the second half, SMU started slow and trailed by eight with twelve minutes left in the game. SMU was never out of the game as they slowly climbed back up to tie it at 51 with 1:25 to play. With 47 seconds left, MacIntyre put SMU up by two, 53-51 and added another from the free-throw line to ice the victory. Ironically, SMU trailed Acadia the entire game and pulled out the win in the dying seconds.

Acadia drops to 2-7 as the young and inexperienced team find themselves outmatched and at an extreme height disadvantage anywhere they play. "We were happy despite the loss...we're young and inexperienced but are getting better as the season goes on and will be in years to come" expressed Acadia post Lynn Robertson.

SMU will travel to UPEI this Saturday.

Rice Wins Residence Challenge

by Imran Adhami

Basketball season is here again, and you know what this means; it's time for the heated rivalry between Loyola and Rice. The two went head to head in a basketball game Friday at the Tower. The women's team played the first 25 minute half, while the men played the 2nd half carrying on the women's score.

The Loyola women's team was very eager for their first win in the game's history. Trash-talking between both parties has already begun before the game. Loyola's power forward Angie Neville lead her team with 10 pts., however fouling out late in the 1st.

As for the opposition 3rd year veteran guard Renay Fraser contended with 10 points of her own. Strong on the boards and leading scorer, however, was Lisa Ward who paced Rice with 18pts.

On the men's side, the Loyola men's squad wants to keep their 3 game winning streak in tact. With a one point differential at the half, the men's stage was set. Chris Lawrence's Rice team won a close battle as Loyola chipped away at thier lead. But when all was said and done Rice grabbed the victory 79-78.

Brian Herbert played a great game beating Loyola on the penetration dribble racking up 22 pts. Curt MacKenzie scored

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Huskies Gamble Pays Dividends

by Lawrence "Liver" Livesay and Derek "Beaker" Voycey

Any athlete will tell you that smart coaching can make the difference between winning and losing. Saturday night's game was a fine example of the kind of gamble that SMU coach Paul Boutilier is willing to take in order to get the most out of his young players.

Boutilier sat out four veteran players, captains Paul Douglas, Steve Kluczkowski, John Steenbakkers, and Andy Conrad. This move proved to be an incentive for the rookies to come through, and come through they did. Four 1st year players combined to provide the offence that was one goal better than the X-Men. Jeff Smith led the attack with one goal and two assists. The other goal scorers were, Brody Cof-

fin, Tony McCabe, and Steve Brookings. Another rookie, goalie Rob Dykeman, stopped the X-Men 27 times to contribute to the Huskies win.

Saint Mary's played to a pair of inspired wins this past weekend. The first against the St.F.X. X-Men that ended with the Huskies winning 4-3 and the second, a hard fought 4-1 victory over UCCB. The two wins were good enough to keep the Huskies playoff hopes alive. In total SMU has 15 points while the X-Men have accumulated just 14 points in the same number of games this year.

Sunday afternoon the Huskies went to Cape Breton to do battle with the hometown Capers. This proved to be a disappointing game for the cellar dwelling Capers as the Huskies dominated the game at both ends of the rink.

The 4-1 score was indicative of how the game was played out. SMU played a hard-hitting defensive game that was coupled with strong goaltending from the reliable Rob Dykeman. The victory was key in SMU's plans for a playoff spot as St.F.X. had beaten UCCB 5-1 Wednesday night to climb one point ahead of the Huskies. SMU's victory landed them temporarily in third place in the Kelly division.

The Huskies next action will see Acadia come to town. SMU will have their hands full on Thursday night against the first place Axemen. Acadia enjoys a 3 point lead over the second place Dalhousie Tigers. As well as being the first place team in the AUAA, Acadia is currently the number one team in the country.



ROOKIE GOALIE ROB DYKEMAN OF THE HUSKIES WAS A KEY FACTOR IN SMU'S WINS AS HE HAS BEEN ALL SEASON. SMU BEAT ST.F.X. 4-3 AND UCCB 4-1 THIS PAST WEEK TO JUMP INTO 3RD PLACE IN THE KELLY DIVISION.

SMU Finishing Strong

by Imran Adhami

The women's hockey Huskies are finishing the season with one thing in mind... the post season! The club is on a roll winning three of their last four games with one regular season game left on the schedule. The club now boasts a 7-4 record to sit comfortably in 3rd place behind Acadia and Halifax.

SMU 3 Flyers 1 With two goals from Terryn Boulton and one from Carla Bower, Saint Mary's recorded their second win over the Dartmouth club this year. SMU's superior skill level was simply the factor in this road win.

"It wasn't a strong game on our part but we were the stronger team" offered SMU coach John Turnbull, he added "we have a little trouble letting

down our guard and not playing as hard against the weaker teams".

SMU 3 E.Hants 0 With another strong performance in nets by goaltender Crystal Jones, she tallied her fourth shut out of the season. Scoring for Saint Mary's were Melissa Cummings, Terryn Boulton, and Ann Henderson.

Coach Turnbull was happy with the team's performance which followed through on their game plan, "This was a better game, we concentrated on our defensive strategy more and received good goaltending again".

Saint Mary's will play their last game of the regular season on Saturday against Dalhousie at Memorial Arena where "defensive strategy, intensity, and first team to the puck" will be

Saint Mary's motto.

SMU has not played Dal since their first meeting on November 5th where SMU won 4-0 but "Dal has improved, just like the other teams and we can not take them lightly" added Turnbull. Gametime is 6pm.

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They Said It

With the Loyola-Rice Residences basketball game taking place last week, the battle began with a little trash talking before the game. Plus Varsity coaches speak out.

"I know Chris Lawrence (Rice coach) will have a good hard working team. I'll just have to out smart him. Trust me, that won't be too difficult."

Micah Bourdeau - Loyola coach

"Rice should take a look at our past record and think twice about stepping onto the floor. They only know one thing...C-H-O-K-E!" (footnote-Loyola lost in the final seconds 79-78)

Mark Ball - Loyola player

"If Micah coaches the way he's been playing lately, we shouldn't have much of a problem."

Chris Lawrence - Rice coach

"I'm really disappointed that the hockey strike is over. We got really good press. And you can print that."

Jill Healy - SMU women's basketball coach

To a referee after a questionable travel call:

"If you watched their feet rather than their butts, maybe you'd make a good call once in a while"

Laura Saunders - Acadia women's basketball coach

Wide World Of Sports Trivia

1. What was the last year an AFC team won the Superbowl (what team was it)?
2. How many Superbowls have ever gone to overtime?
3. Which NFL active coach has carried teams to the Grey Cup as well as the Superbowl?
4. Who won the 1993 Hurley championships and where were they held?
5. Who is the only player in the CIAU to win the Hec Creighton Trophy 3 times?

*Answers will be printed next week.

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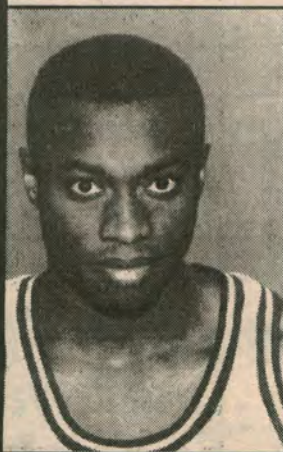
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ATHLETE OF
The Week



Jason Medford

of the B-ball Huskies is leading the team in scoring and is 7th overall in the AUAA in scoring and 9th in rebounding. He has consistently put up the #'s and is a leader on the court. Recognizing his abilities, he earns this week's athlete of the week.

Basketball Huskies Win

by Sean Francois

The Saint Mary's men's Basketball team had something to prove and they made no mis-

good passes from their guards to free up the inside shot.

However, SMU's Jason Medford was able to hit shots under pressure as he fought off



WHERE'S THE MISSING HUSKIE?? IF YOU IDENTIFIED JASON MEDFORD (THE BACK OF HIS HEAD) BETWEEN MICAH BOURDEAU(21) AND BRIAN LUISTRA(FAR LEFT), YOU ANSWERED CORRECTLY. SMU BEAT ACADIA 75-71 SATURDAY.

take about it on Saturday night as they faced the Acadia Axemen at the Metro Centre. Coming into this game the Huskies had a record of 1-7. Much to the shagrin of the players, Acadia visited with a winning record of 5-2.

In the first half the Axemen came out flying as they were virtually unstoppable in the key and received consistently

the double team. Micah Bourdeau lead the team's offence with ten straight points and ended up with 15 by the half. Turnovers were the only problem the Huskies had, committing four early in the game. But Saint Mary's kept it close and played strong defence as the score at the half read 45-37 for the Axemen.

The 2nd half was all Husk-

ies. Jeff Piers had an amazing half by converting his free throws down the stretch and making dazzling inside passes to get those easy points off the boards. SMU lead 57-53 after Jeff Piers converted three foul shots after being fouled on the arc. With 3:26 left the Huskies maintained their lead with a five point advantage 70-65. Acadia started missing shots they were making in the first half which enabled SMU to take the lead.

As the 1:17 mark rolled around some costly fouls and turnovers by the Huskies allowed Acadia to tie it up 71-71. The Axemen were forced to shoot with the clock winding down but they couldn't hit. As Medford was fouled on the rebound, he hit two free-throws regaining the Huskie lead 73-71. With nine ticks left Jeff Piers was fouled and converted on his free throws, putting the game out of reach as Saint Mary's celebrated a 75-71 victory. One much deserved and earned after dropping earlier contests in the final minutes of the game.

After the game Jeff Piers commented "we got off to a slow start in the first half and knew we had to come on strong

for second" (Which they did.). He also mentioned we had the chance to win every game but the last five minutes we had the most trouble. Not this time though as the Huskies added a W to the win column.

It wasn't, however, a happy ending for the Huskies as the St.F.X. X-men visited last Wednesday. After jumping out to an early lead, the Huskies stumbled as veteran X-man Brian Lee lead his team with two treys to a 17-3 run. At the half X lead by 10 points, 39-29.

In the 2nd half X maintained its lead with a little help from its big man. 6'7", 215lbs. Andrew Tyler scored 14 points in a row to spark the X-men. SMU post Jason Medford replied in the 2nd half with 20 points of his own. With seven minutes remaining, Huskie Micah Bourdeau fouled out with 16 pts and a 17 point X lead. X went on to win 95-70.

Bourdeau took a leading role as a rookie on the court and occasionally in scoring. "I expected to start if I worked hard enough but not lead...I learned a lot from Jeff Baltzer the short time he was here".

The Huskies begin a road trip visiting Dal on Tuesday and UPEI on Saturday.

Intramural Corner

MEN'S BASKETBALL (COMPETITIVE)- January 17th - The first game of the night saw the Minute Men even out their record to 1-1 by defeating the Ruff "E" Nuff squad 48 - 41. The Big Man Pat Lahey netted 31 for the winners, while Joel Rayne and Jim Moriah had 15 a piece for the losers. The powerful More and More Money team brought their record to 2-0 by manhandling the Mustangs 57 - 51. Wade Doucette had 18 (5 - 3 pointers), Matt Fraser 17, and Adrian Gladwin had 10 for the winners. The Unknowns, an explosive team, trounced the Ruff "E" Nuff squad 73 - 47. Hickey led his squad to victory by netting 20, while Joel Rayne had 19 in a losing cause. January 19th - The Blues managed to extend their record to 2-0 by beating the Mustangs 52 - 45. Matt Finley had 13, and Joey Fitzgerald had 10 in a winning effort. Lloyd Thomas had 17 points for the Mustangs.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL- Updating Women's Volleyball: The Wanderers had a double victory over B-House Bombers 2-1 and Where's the Beef? 2-1 while the Gimps beat Big Dog 2-0 while Big Dog beat Where's the Beef? 2-0.

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