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Answering the tough questions

Q: What happened to the Book Exchange and Tutor Database online at www.SMUSA.ca?

One of our major projects between May 1 and September 1 was to redevelop, redesign, and launch a new SMUSA.ca website. There were several reasons for this, but the main reason was that we were unable to access all pages to provide updates on the old site. This left incorrect or out of date information displayed.

After reviewing our budget and historical experience, we decided to handle this task inhouse. Over the summer, one of our managers and a hired student employee set about re-doing the website using an opensource Content Management System (CMS). When the time came to refresh three major tools on our previous site, the Book Exchange, the Tutor Database, the and Online Professor Review, we ran into a snag. Our previous

website developer made those tools for us and did not provide us the source code. This is a common practice in software (and web) development. This reduces cost for the customer (SMUSA) and increases repeat business with the vendor, as they will charge incrementally for updates and fixes. On top of that, we switched to a different (and incompatible) platform in our redesign. Long story short: we could have had the old applications working on our site, but it would require development skills that we didn't have at-hand as well as a second host/platform for the applications' content.

At one point, we had a SMU student interested in the work, but that fell through. We ended up hiring a former colleague on contract to rebuild the applications so they

would be native to our CMS, but this only happened in the last week of August. We are proud to announce that the Book Exchange is online now and the Tutor Database should be online in the coming weeks. In the meantime, we have a temporary tutor database being controlled and moderated by our Vice President Academic, Cait Dix. We know it's been an inconvenience and appreciate your understanding. If you have any suggestions for website content or more community sections you would like to see on our website, please send an email to andrew.barbour@smu.

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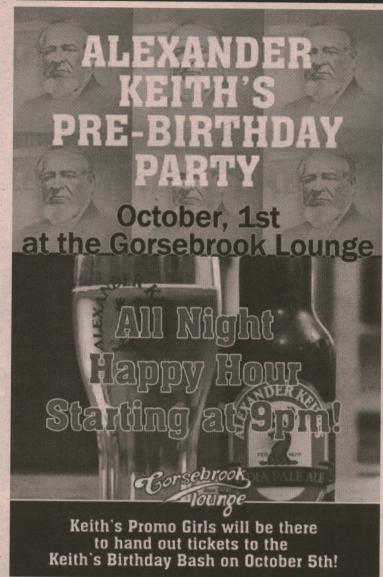
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The Huskies Deserve a **Bigger Audience**

JEFF CUSACK Editor-In-Chief

Last Sunday, I went up to The Journal office (on the 5th floor of the SUB) to do some writing, but I did not get nearly as much done as I expected because I had trouble concentrating. You see, my office has big windows and directly overlooks Huskies Stadium, and below me a girl's rugby game was going on. I don't know much about rugby, I understand the word "scrum" is involved somewhere and that's about it, but I do know that what I saw was fantastic. The game was action packed and both teams put in a lot of effort. Although I couldn't see the scoreboard, I still enjoyed watching the game. There was, however, a problem: the crowd was not nearly as big as it should have been. At the beginning of the year I urged you all to become part of the Saint Mary's community by getting involved with an activity on campus. There is another great way to get involved in our community and that's by attending Huskies games. It doesn't matter which sport you watch. All games are entertaining, particularly live, a great way to have fun, meet new people, and help drive our teams to victory. Even if you are not a sports fan, the energetic atmosphere at our sporting events will at least make you a huskies fan. These sporting events are a great way to socialize too, like in a movie theatre, you have the distraction of something happening in front of you (no awkward silences), but unlike in a movie theatre, you can still take if you want to.

I'll admit that for many years I never attended a huskies game, but after attending some games this year and at the end of last year I am now a belie-

ver. There is no excuse not to attend a game, because SMU students can attend all home games for free. Don't know when Huskies games are? Flip to the end of the paper that you're holding in your hands; the Sports section always has a list of upcoming home games, just look for the box titled Huskies At Home. You can also add 'Huskie Fan' to Facebook and receive weekly messages of the varsity sport line-up of home games.

There's a difference between being a Saint Mary's student and feeling like a Saint Mary's student. Cheering on the SMU banner with a bunch of other students will help one to really understand the sense of community that exists at this university.

An Analysis of Sunday's Girl's Rugby Game by Someone Who knows

nothing about Rugby: Everyone starts out hugging in a circle. Eventually a puffy ball falls out of the circle and one of the players grabs it. This player is now "It." The "It" player's goal is to get to the end zone so that all the members of her own team can hug them. Only after the ball gets into the end zone are players on the same team allowed to hug. If a team gets the ball over the goal posts they can still hug, but with less intensity (the intensity of a hug affects how much it matters). The team without the ball tries to stop the "It" team by catching the "It" player and hugging them to the ground. Players can pass the ball between each other in order to change who is "It." If a player loses control of the ball then both teams form a gigantic hugging pile on top of the ball in order to try and gain possession of it. At the end of the game, the team which had the most hugs wins.

As I said, I may not understand rugby, but that didn't stop me from enjoying

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Campus Food: Worth the Wait?

DANIEL EHMAN Contributer

Trying to eat anywhere on campus has become the bane of my existence. Getting anything substantial to eat will take a big bite out of any break between classes and you can keep dreaming if you only have fifteen minute break. I live in Dartmouth so going home is not really an option, and packed lunches are good in theory, but rare in practice (for me anyway). Instead of just whining I have taken out my trusty maroon clip board and started taking notes, to provide you with my findings. So, which places are the fastest, best tasting, and most economical on and around campus?

To start off I chose my favorite place, not to mention the one I have by far the most experience with. Not only is Extreme Pita my on-campus go-to for food, but I spent many-a-day behind the counter at Extreme Pita Mic Mac Mall in high school. So any criticisms are not only meant to be constructive, but they are also informed, at least for

I began my quest for nourishment after finishing up a 12:45 class, from my observations usually a rather busy time anywhere on campus. During my Spanish class I had worked up a hearty appetite and I was hoping to grab a quick bite and hit the library between classes to catch up on some reading. I entered the cafeteria at 12:52 and took stock of the people milling around.

By my counts there were: eleven people in front of me in line at Extreme Pita (or Hasna's) and four staff behind the counter (one for Hasna's, and three for Extreme Pita). From my experience this did not bode well for my chances of getting fed anytime

About six minutes later the first and shortly after the second person in line left with pitas in hand. Two minutes later at 1:00 the line moved another two people ahead, however this time it was not someone leaving with a pita; two confused customers had just realized that they were in the Extreme Pita line, but Hasna's which had no line was where they wanted to be. They were able to get some food long before I did. Having some clear divide between the two could save a lot of confusion, no one wants to look like they are "cutting" the line so they end up waiting. While Hasna's and Extreme Pita share the same space there is no reason they should share the same line.

The employees seemed to be trying to effectively get through the

seemingly stagnant line up of people however they did not seem to have received the proper methods to do this. The most efficient way to serve people is to create a mini production line. Where the first person in the line takes the order, sets out the bread for the next person and shouts out the order to the person on the grill, who then puts the meat (and veggies) on the grill. The next person takes the pita bread and asks the customer what other veggies and sauce they want. The grill person would then put the meat (and/or veggies) on the pita, wrap it up and hand it to the happy customer. Modifications can be made as needed, depending on staff and customer levels, but with three workers you can move things along

During my visit between 1:01 and 1:10 the six people in front of me received their pita. It was 1:12 by the time I sat down to eat, twenty minutes from arrival to food in front of me. Things had picked up but there were many periods where due to confusion of roles, people ended up doing nothing or rotating from one position to another. Better training from Aramark, who control all the food on campus, could help the employees at Extreme Pita live up to the "fast" portion of the Extreme Pita mantra. The hours at the S.U.B. cafeteria are also sparse to say the best, as they are no longer open for breakfast, and you are out of luck if you get out of class hungry at 3:45.

My feast (a small grilled chicken pita) and a Vitamin Water, cost me \$9.66 (this included the \$ 0.50 gouging that Aramark has added on to any debit transaction). The pita itself was very good, the ingredients were fresh, and the sauces and veggies were put in and wrapped up well. I finished eating at 1:22, so if you are willing to commit thirty minutes to a "quick" meal that is a little on the pricey side, this is the place for you.

Just for arguments sake I decided I would find the closest comparison (distance, and food) and see how they fared. I went for a stroll down to Subway on Fenwick Street. The quality of Subway and the prices are well known, but when all was said and done, I paid two dollars less for a six inch turkey sub, a Coke, and have two cookies to snack on throughout the day. The shocking part, I was able to walk down to Fenwick from the S.U.B. get a sub and walk back in UNDER thirty minutes.

This comparison was based on one trip to each establishment, but I would say that these experiences were the rules and not the exceptions. I will continue to hold out hope that there are faster places to eat around here, and keep you posted if I can find

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Alumni Weekend

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With every semester students grow closer to the big day, Convocation. When students make the jump from student to Saint Mary's Alumni. For some this transition may be weeks away, months away or years away but it's coming whether you're ready or not. Luckily if your time as a Saint Mary's Student is coming to a close, you can still be involved with SMU as part of the Alumni Association. One of the biggest Alumni events happens on campus every September when the Saint Mary's Campus welcomes back Alumni for Homecoming weekend. This

year celebrated the class of 1959's return to SMU with a Golden Grad luncheon with University President Colin Dodds. There was also a Wine & Cheese Reception held for Alumni as a chance for them to re-unite with old classmates and also hear about what exciting changes are happening on campus. Of course Athletics were also a large part of the celebrations with the honouring of New Inductees into the SMU Sports Hall of Fame. Inductees of 2009 include the 1979 Men's Basketball team, Former Huskies Football Player (as well as a player in the WFL, NFL and CFL), Ken Clark, and Former Football and Basketball coach at Saint Mary's, Doug Wright. The major event of Alumni Weekend was

of course the Football Home Opener Saturday afternoon against the Sherbrooke Vert et Or (for full coverage see the Sports Section). The Pre-game party at the Tower drew a good crowd and the Courtside Lounge Alumni seating area was packed to capacity with Alumni excited to watch the game. The weekend was wrapped up with a early Sunday morning 5k Fun Run from the Tower through Point Pleasant Park. A small, but determined group of runners, joggers and walkers assembled at 9am ready to go. Colin Dodds started the race with a standard 1,2,3 go! And after a loop around the track participants headed to the Park, the race finished with fruit and water. Everyone had a great time.

Are You Being Watched? Stay Safe In Halifax

KIMBERLEY DARES
News Editor

In the past year there have been fifteen reported incidents of the night watcher, a man in his early 20's who is entering the homes or apartments of University students, particularly females, in the South End and watching them sleep. The assailant usually flees when his victims wake up. So far he has not harmed any of the women and has not been apprehended by Halifax Regional Police. The Journal spoke with the Head of Saint Mary's University Security Bill Promaine about these and other safety issues facing students recently and he highlighted that in all fifteen cases the intruder did not have to break into the homes of these women as the doors were unlocked. In one case where the door was locked, the key was in the mailbox, making entry to the home unobtrusive. Even after weeks of news reports and a sketch being released people are not locking the door to their homes. Mr. Promaine expressed concern that the message to lock their doors is not getting across to students. It is easy to feel safe, especially if you live in a secure apartment complex but to prevent unwanted visitors just lock the door when you close it behind you. It will take two seconds and could help keep you from become the next target of the night watcher. The other major safety faux pas students' commit fairly regularly is walking alone at night. This is not a problem affecting

one gender or only the intoxicated, but the student population as a whole. Students are choosing to walk home alone regardless of the hour and putting themselves at risk for robbery or assault both of which could easily be avoided by making use of Husky Patrol or calling a taxi. How does Husky Patrol work exactly? There are two vans that provide students, faculty and staff free and safe transportation home (within a certain area of the South End peninsula). The service is offered Sunday to Friday nights from 6:30 to midnight. The service can be signed up for at the SMUSA Info Desk or from off campus by calling 496-8755. It is only provided for individuals with a SMU ID so students from other schools are not eligible for rides. Another little known fact for those who take Metro Transit home late at night, you can request the bus to stop closer to your house. This is good for those who have a long or poorly lit walk from the bus stop to the front door. Just be sure to make your request when you get on and not just when you want them to stop the bus. Mr. Promaine also spoke of other services provided by SMU Security to help keep students, faculty and staff safe on campus. These measures include "Safe Walks" anywhere on campus, equipping all phones on campus with emergency buttons that put callers directly in touch with the Security desk, all buildings are now access controlled so after a certain hour at night access is restricted in non essential buildings on campus. SMU Security also monitors all on-campus

events where alcohol is served to help ensure the safety of students in attendance. There is an agreement between Bell Aliant as well so that every 911 call that goes out of SMU also goes to the Security desk so that SMU Security Officers are dispatched immediately and can help with the situation before Emergency Responders arrive. Another beneficial service is the Lone Worker program in which students or faculty working alone late at night can call Dispatch and let them know their location and Security will-provide more frequent checks of that area to ensure the workers security. When asked about the emergency text messaging systems in place at other Universities, including Dalhousie, it was decided the system was not the best option for SMU as many students have their phones shut off during class. Instead the University implemented a mass communication system which includes fire alarms and an across campus indoor/outdoor PA system that will allow security to address the whole campus. These warnings will continue sounding until shut off by authorities. Mr. Promaine did not want to alarm students as the Saint Mary's Campus is quite safe but simply to alert students that danger does exist even in "safe areas." Next time you want to go for a walk at night, call a friend or two. When you get home, lock the door behind you and remind your roommates to do the same. Try and always let someone know where you are going so they'll know if something is wrong, and most importantly be aware of your surroundings.

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A Bad Weekend to Party at Acadia and Queen's



Two different universities, located provinces away both dealt with the affects of excessive partying this weekend. Parties, in both Kingston and Wolfville the homes of Queen's and Acadia University respectively, got out of hand this weekend. Police arrested over 80 people at parties in Kingston, and six partygoers in Wolfville were attended to by paramedics at a party gone too far. Originally an ambulance was called for a female that passed out but backup was required as several others were in rough shape.

USA Security Plans for 2010 Olympics



Although the 2010 Winter Olympics are going to be held in Vancouver the United States will play a large role in security for the event. The U.S. Federal Government has taken over a warehouse near the Canada US border to plan security down to the last detail for the 2010 games. Canada is also taking its own security precautions of course, with spending for security nearing \$900 million.

Liberals Plan to Vote Against Government



After weeks of speculation Stephen Ignatieff's Liberals plan to table a non-confidence motion against Stephen Harper's Conservative Government. The motion was brought into the House of Commons on Monday and will be voted on Thursday. The Bloc Party has come out in support of the motion but the NDP has not committed to a decision one way or the other yet.



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On September 23rd students of the Faculty of Arts were honoured for their High Academic Achievement during the 2008-2009 year. The late afternoon ceremony was attended by Professors from the Faculty of Arts including Dr. Anthony O'Malley the IDS co-ordinator as well as several professors from the French and Religious Studies departments. Roughly one hundred students received recognition of their hard work at the event and although several could not attend due to academic or work commitments. The number of students on the Dean's List in the Faculty of Arts is small compared with the 3,000 students currently enrolled in Arts at SMU. SMUSA VP Academic Affairs Cait Dix was in attendance to honour students, as was VP University Affairs Mike Mercer who is on the Dean's List. After a brief speech

Blake Patterson

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from Dr. Esther Enns students were presented with key shaped awards. Hand-made in Nova Scotia the pewter keys symbolize knowledge. Dr. Enns said in her speech that with the key "you can open doors that lead you to ever unfolding futures." Engraved on the front of the key is the University logo and Faculty of Arts and on the back the year and the words Dean's List. The key serves as a lasting reminder to students what a little hard work and determination can accomplish. The Dean's List is a way of recognizing students of all faculties with a GPA of 3.67 or higher with no F's in any class. Students graduate with Distinction if they are on the Dean's List at the time of Convocation. Several students in attendance at the presentation were graduates of Spring 2009 for whom it was their first time returning to campus since. The Faculty of Science will be holding a similar event this week to honour the achievements of students in sciences.



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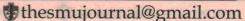
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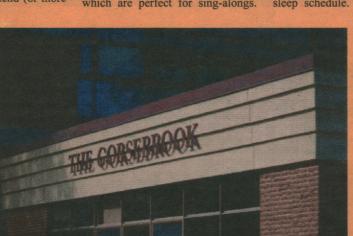
Good Times at Open Mic Night

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Writer

Wednesdays are a lot of things. They are Hump Day, and the half-way mark to the weekend (or more

than halfway at SMU). What else happens on this great day, you may be wondering?! Open Mic Night at The Gorse-Lounge, which is certainly one of the best nights of the week. If you haven't quite reached the glorious age of nineteen, this article may just be a big tease, but fear not, youngun's, your time is

coming! If you are lucky enough to be of legal age, what are you waiting for? Get your but to the Gorsebrook next Wednesday for cheap drinks and live entertainment. There is no cover for Saint Mary's students, and drink specials will help you conserve your cash. The entertainment is great with a lot of regulars performing every week, as well as some fresh faces from time to time. Some play original songs, while others entertain with classics like "Wonderwall" and "I'm Yours," which are perfect for sing-alongs.



If you don't like to stand all night I suggest arriving early to snag a table, as it becomes standing room only pretty quick. The atmosphere is incredibly friendly, and it's a great chance to see friends from class or catch up with previous classmates. Even if

you don't know anyone there, it is a great chance to meet new people. If partying during the school week isn't your scene, there is traditionally a 'Best of Open Mic' night at the end of the semester that you could check out without wrecking havoc on your sleep schedule. Although it may

> excuse to get loaded on a Wednesday night, there is always the option of going and just having a beer or even a can of pop instead. you still get to enjoy the atmosphere of the G'brook, but don't have to feel like absolute crap during Thursday your morning class. If you like mu-

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and a great night out, I strongly recommend you make a visit to Open Mic Night, every Wednesday at the Gorsebrook! The action starts around 9pm, don't forget.

War and Peace: It's Worth the Challenge

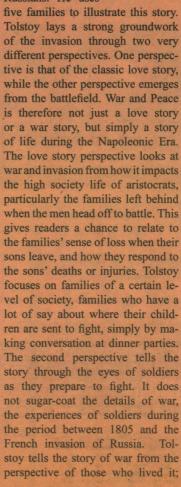
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Leo Tolstoy's War and Peace is one of the longest novels in existence. Originally written in Russian, the book has been translated into most major languages. Published in 1869, the book has been included on most of the "must read" lists of all time.

At 1350 pages, it is a novel one really has to commit to early on. Luckily, it is broken into four books, which makes it easier to tackle the individual sections. The novel tells the story of Napoleon's invasion of Russia, and the events that occur prior to the invasion. It also looks at how the Napoleonic Era impacted the daily lives of Russians. He uses



his characters are experiencing the same situations that real soldiers do. Tolstoy's novel can be categorized in different ways, the most common being historical fiction. Before beginning War and Peace, he read all the French and Russian historical documents available, spoke with survivors of the French invasion of Russia, and combed over letters, journals, and all other accessible

resources to ensure his novel was as accurate as possible. By including both romantic and military perspectives, Tolstoy created a novel that gives a balanced overview of the period. Had he not incorporated the relationship woes of Prince Andrey and his pregnant wife Lise, or the personal struggles of Pierre as he tries to find his place in society, the story would

have been incomplete. At the same time, without the descriptions of Andrey's experiences on the battlefield, readers would not have gotten an accurate portrait of his character. In the third book, Tolstoy presents Napoleon as a central character, shedding light on Napoleon's personality and mannerisms. Tolstoy allows parts of the story to be told through Napoleon's own perspective. The novel presents the French invasion of Russia in a manner that makes it exciting and easy to understand. By creating such a weighty book (in more ways than one), it is obvious that Tolstoy didn't skip on background information or explanations. Many editions also come with maps and detailed character lists to help readers make sense of the novel's plot. I wouldn't suggest picking up this particular novel for light reading during midterms, but it does provide an absorbing escape from the stresses of real life. Even if you don't have time to read it right now, I strongly suggest you put Tolstoy's War and Peace at the top of your own "must read" list.





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Webcomics

Chances are, as a tech-savvy university student familiar with the internet, you've stumbled upon at least one webcomic through your travels on the world-wide web. Given that there's currently over 15,000 webcomics online (thanks, Wikipedia!) covering a gamut of topics, there's likely at least a few you may be interested in.

Webcomics are a lot like traditional comic strips you'd find in a newspaper (except webcomics are on a viable, sustainable medium) in that most update semi-regularly and are usually several panels long. Unlike traditional print comic strips, though, most are not financially self-sustaining, often relying on donations or print sales. Generally speaking webcomics are made by regular folk who just enjoy writing and drawing comics in their spare time. Some are even autobiographical, recounting their day or events in their life, for example, Allan (http://www.allancomic.com).

There are those that are, indeed, quite successful and profitable, however. Take the gaming and gameculture webcomic Penny Arcade (http://www.penny-arcade.com) for example. Not only has the comic been around for a over ten years now (quite a feat in the webcomic business), but since then has spawned not one but, as of this coming March, two immensely successful conventions (PAX and PAX East) and its own charity, Child's Play, which to date has raised slightly under five MILLION dollars toward "improving the lives children with toys and games in our network of over 60 hospitals worldwide", including our own IWK Children's Health Centre.

Webcomics take on various forms. Some update as three-panel gag-aday comics similar to print comic strips mentioned above while others regularly update with full-sized, fully-coloured graphic novel pages involving intricate plots and characters. The webcomic culture grows every year, gaining popularity and acceptance into the mainstream.

In recent years, webcomics have shown a strong presence in various conventions and many comic awards have since added categories for webcomics. Major print comic publishers like Image and Dark Horse also regularly print web comic collections of the past month. For example, Image publishes monthly issues of the webcomic Player vs. Player (http://www.pvponline.com).

Webcomics grow more culturallyrelevant every year, some making the leap to newspapers. Richard Stevens III, creator of the popular indie-centric webcomic Diesel Sweeties (http://www.dieselsweeties.com) briefly made print versions of his comic for print in a number of newspapers back in 2007 and 2008. Ryan North offers his comic, Dinosaur Comics (http:// www.qwantz.com) freely to print in campus newspapers (including, starting this week, The Journal!).

Browse the internet for yourself. You'll probably find some webcomics you'd be interested in. Hell, if you're so inclined, look into what it takes to make your own.

Spin-off Gets its Own Spin-off

Back in 1995, Don Bellisario created a show called JAG, a law/crime procedural centered around naval lawyers working cases under the Judge Advocate General. His brain child ran for nine seasons on CBS, and was one of the most successful lawdrama shows in the CBS line-up.

After eight seasons of success with JAG, Bellisario pitched a JAG spinoff show to CBS, which they picked up for the 2003 season. The spin-off was the soon-to-become wildly successful Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS).

NCIS focuses on a team of four NCIS special agents who are tasked with investigating major crimes that affect sailors and marines in the Washington D.C., Virginia, Maryland, and West Virginia areas. The team is led by Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs played by Mark Harmon (Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas). Gibbs is an ex-marine who lost his entire family in a single day and sought revenge on their killer. The other team members are Special Agent Anthony DiNozzo, played by Michael Weatherly (Charlie Valentine); Timothy McGee, played by Sean Murray (The Random Years); and Mossad Liaison Officer Ziva David, played by Cote de Pablo (The Last Rights of Ransom Pride).

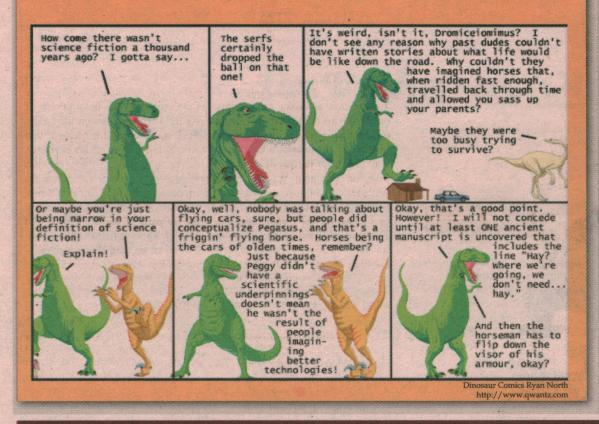
NCIS experienced huge success in its first six seasons, though Bellisario stepped down in 2007. Starting in September, 2009, a new spin-off titled NCIS: Los Angeles introduced a new team of agents, working at the Office of Special Projects (OSP) The show stars Chris O'Donnell (Batman and Robin), as Special Agent Callen; and LL Cool J (The Man), as Special Agent Sam Hanna.

Though still under the purview of the Navy, the NCIS: LA team deals less with crime forensics and more with high-tech surveillance and antiterrorism. The actors successfully represent a team that has worked together for years, and are thus both cooperative and well-connected. As a police procedural drama, NCIS: LA is fresh in its approach. The show caters to a large pre-established fan base looking for a new cast to become attached to, and to follow each week as the characters work to bring criminals and terrorists to justice.

If you are new to the NCIS family, tune in to watch NCIS every Tuesday night at 9:00 on Global. NCIS: Los Angeles follows at 10:00.



LL Cool J and Chris O'Donnell are pictured in a scene from Credit: http://images.hitfix.com/photos/105018/ncis-la_2_gallery_primary.jpg







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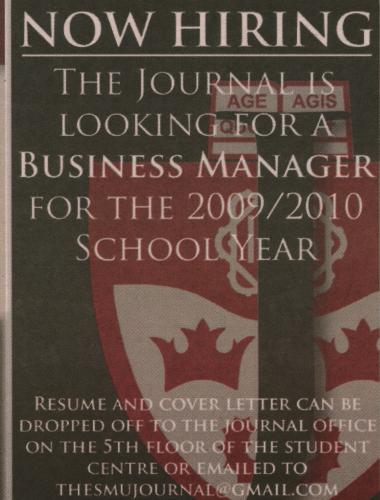
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A university hospitable to the faithful

Saint Mary's University should sever its remaining ties with organized religion. Or so I have proposed.

The question whether it should sever its ties to organized religion comes down the question what would Saint Mary's lose and what would it gain were it no longer to have those ties. A good argument for severing them would show that gains outweigh losses, while a good argument for retaining them would show the opposite.

I want to discuss here an interesting argument for retaining official ties to organized religion. It is that severing our ties would change the character of campus life for the worse. Let us begin, though, with the argument in favour of severing them.

Everyone accepts that the ties Saint Mary's presently has to organized religion are few and minor. The Archbishop of Halifax has an official role as advisor and counselor to the president of the university. The Archbishop and the Vicar-General sit on the Board of Governors, along with four other members appointed by Roman Catholic organizations. Six members, then, of the 33-person board that oversees our university—but only six members—are seated at the pleasure of institutions of organized religion. As well, one of the objects of Saint Mary's, given in the Saint Mary's University Act (1970), is "to give special emphasis to the Christian tradition and values in higher education." The Board of Governors has, by the Act, the "powers necessary or convenient to ... achieve the objects of the university." Moreover, the Collective Agreement between faculty and the university requires that those evaluating a candidate for tenure must consider whether she or he "will promote its [Saint Mary's] objectives as set out in the Saint Mary's University Act, 1970" (11.1.22).

To sever our ties would amount, then, to no more than refiguring the Board of Governors and removing the object to emphasize the Christian tradition.

Why we should sever our ties is plain. Because in fact we don't at Saint Mary's give emphasis to the Christian tradition, severing our ties would bring our charter into line with our reality. It would ensure that our board's outlook is secular and it would relieve the union and the university of their official responsibility to the Christian tradition. It would help administrators to overcome their

deference to religious sensibilities. Finally, prospective students would neither favour nor reject Saint Mary's on the misapprehension that in fact there's a religious aspect to our character.

The interesting objection to severing our ties is that it's not a bad thing that students at Saint Mary's feel the presence of religion on their campus. That organized religion currently has a sinecure at our university makes Saint Mary's a hospitable place for the faithful to study and to play.

At entirely secular universities, the objection notes, religious people often find themselves called on, in both classroom and cafeteria, to justify their beliefs and attitudes. Occasionally they are mocked or taunted. Most of their colleagues and classmates are atheists, some of whom are stridently opposed to religion, and the atmosphere that that creates is oppressive to people of faith.

At Saint Mary's, on the other hand, official ties to organized religion serve to make being religious natural, unexceptional, even respectable. Were Saint Mary's to sever its ties to organized religion, likely enough, before long, the faithful on campus would be as put upon and uncomfortable as the faithful are at other universities.

I heard this objection a couple years ago from a student in my Plato course, herself a practicing Catholic who had come to Saint Mary's from an entirely secular university. At Saint Mary's, she said, she can be a Catholic openly without having to be prepared to make a case for her beliefs. Muslims can be Muslims, Buddhists Buddhists. The comfort and security with which one can be a devoted practitioner of a religion on this campus, she said, is something important that would be lost were Saint Mary's to become an entirely secular institution.

I continue to think that much more would be gained than lost were Saint Mary's to sever its ties to organized religion. What this objection comes to, I think, is a challenge to our university community. We want, as intellectuals, to investigate beliefs and ways of life critically, without being punished or rewarded for what we conclude. Controversy and the challenges it poses to thinking are never to be shunned. But we want also, as a community of intellectuals, to discuss and debate respectfully, and to live together pleasantly, even with those with whom we disagree.

The point doesn't apply only to quarrels between the faithful and the faithless. It applies to any division within any controversy.

Making Saint Mary's an entirely secular institution is an important project for us to undertake, as I've explained above. Also important, though, is the project of training ourselves to be dispassionate inquirers and discussants. For such an inquirer, her fellows are not her enemies even as she speaks critically about their views and practices.

The Loneliness of the Intersex Runner

HEATHER MACLEAN Writer

I'm sure you've all heard about Caster Semenya, the 18-year-old South African middle distance runner who won gold for the women's 800 meters race at the World Championships in August. But she is most known for undergoing gender testing after the IAAF (International Association of Athletics Federations) and the media questioned if she was 'really' a woman. The results of the testing revealed that she is intersex. In Caster's case 'intersex' means she has internal testes, but no uterus or ovaries. The latest revelation is that South Africa's top track official knew that she was intersex, but let her compete anyway because he wanted his country to win. It's not clear if Caster knew about this, but the fact that she is in hiding, and reportedly receiving counselling suggests that she was kept in the dark about the status of her own body. Her situation reminded me that despite all the progress women have made, the way we look is still policed. If Caster had made more of an effort to appear more stereotypically feminine, would I be writing this right now? Probably not.

Female athletes, more than average women, are supposed to be sexy, or at least feminine to compensate for being athletic, a traditionally masculine pursuit. Hence, we get beach volleyball players in bikinis (why do male players get to wear baggy t-shirts and shorts?). In a sexist society, we have to announce our gender. Whether you're a man or a woman (for some people there is no room for neither/both/other), we need to know your exact coordinates. If you don't conform, or if you say you are one thing but look like another, you will face the consequences. Caster found that out the hard way.

Some have called Caster a freak, but as sports writer David Zirin points out, many elite athletes are freaks of nature- that's what makes them elite. Who doesn't remember journalists

rhapsodizing over Michael Phelps unique body that was made for swimming? Being outside the limits of 'normal' is actually normal for top athletes. But Caster's gender 'freakiness' (actually not as rare as you might think) is cause for concern because of the strict gender binaries that the IAAF are determined to uphold. Some good news is that being intersex is not grounds for disqualification. Other female athletes have been found to have a Y chromosome, and many were allowed to compete. I doubt this news will make Caster feel any better. This is a girl who comes from a village with 80 percent unemployment, where they only recently got electricity. She must have seen running as a way to escape poverty. Now with her intersex status so cruelly revealed, what will she do? If, despite being intersex, she is still allowed to compete, why release the results at all? It was done to satisfy our desire to know, to categorize, and thus maintain the binaries between male and female.

Know your Prof.

ALEX CLARKE

Features Editor

This week the Journal has decided to take a look at elective studies here at Saint Mary's University. As students here, we all have mandatory courses that have to be completed each year. However, we also have to debate what free electives you're going to take to fill up those credit hours. Well this week the Features portion of the Journal sat down with Dr. Richard Field

with Dr. Richard Field of the Arts Department about his courses and his future research within Atlantic Canada Studies.

Dr. Field was presented earlier this year the Faculty of Arts Teaching Excellence Award by the members of the SMUSA Association at the Color-

ter Day Awards of 2009. This award is given to faculty members who have been deemed to embody qualities and characteristics of an excellent educator. When describing an educator we must identify their credentials, for this is what they are mostly judged on. Dr. Fields holds a B.A. from Eastern College, a Masters from University of Toronto in Anthropology and a PhD from Dalhousie University in Material / Cultural History. Along with being a professor, Dr. Field has also been a museum director for 3 years at the University of Pennsylvania and in Dartmouth. Presently he is in his seventh year teaching at Saint Mary's University and despite being semiretired he still teaches, mainly for the love of getting back into the university.

His background also includes a wide range of traveling, ranging from archeological digs in Belize, lectures in Europe and even speeches in the Caribbean. His most recent travels were to the small islands of the Portuguese Azores where he presented Intangible Exchanges of Traditional Botanical Knowledge, which was later published as an article in Sharing Cultures in 2009.

The conference was organized by the Green Lines Institute based on tangible and intangible cultural heritage. His presentation was focusing on being able to begin to record and save traditions in third-

DR FIELD, THE WINNER OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD BY SMUSA FOR 2009

> world countries, particularly conflict zones such as Darfur and Somalia.

> If you are a person who is interested in the history and culture of Atlantic Canada, his courses are focused to make students in the program able to study the Atlantic Canada region from a variety of perspectives - socio-scientific, ecological, and cultural-historical. Undergraduate students are given a broad background in the field, and are encouraged to pursue their own areas of interest through specialized courses.

Probably one of his most popular classes that generates a high level of student interest is an English course named Gothic Film: The Alchemy of Terror (ENGL 3828.2) that allowed students to both think inside the box but be adaptable enough to bring outside ideas. Unfortunately this course isn't being offered this year but will be introduced again next year. Pre-

sently, Dr. Field teaches Making Sense of Atlantic Canada (ACST 1000.1) and the Culture of Atlantic Canada I (ACST 2311.1), also called Inheriting Atlantic Canada for the first term. He then continues the second semester with Nova Scotia Architecture and Culture (ACST 6623.2) and The Culture of Atlantic Canada II, otherwise known as Living and Working in Atlantic Canada.

Most students take his courses due to the fact that there is some le-

vel of interest in the region.
Dr. Field guides his lectures
as a community so that ideas
are developed and shared.
He is an expert at opening
up the dialogue between
the students and the professor, so that students become
comfortable enough to talk.

His recommendation before entering his courses is to keep in mind that his courses are

filled very quickly and to make sure you are a student who wants to be involved in constant class discussion. His goal is to make sure his students don't go to sleep but are pushed intellectually so as to nurture the development of their mental growth, thus making the classroom an entire learning experience. If any students are more interested in learning how to preserve the Atlantic Canadian culture or simply discussing a possible elective that you will be interested and can appreciate, his courses are more than enough. His lectures can help you to be a better-rounded individual by allowing you to open up and he encourages all to write to him at his email (richard.field@smu.ca.) Alternatively, you can visit his office located on the basement floor of the Gorsebrook Research Institute Building.

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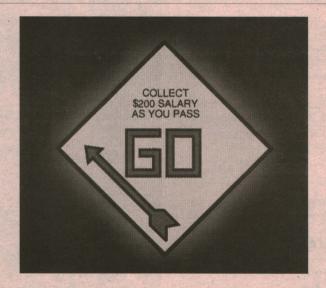
Step On, Step Off, Step Building points to On, Step Off Again...



Yes, we are on the soon to be moving sidewalks at the Halifax Stanfield Airport. It was announced last Wednesday that they're moving on up to the East side to a deluxe apartment in the sky... we'll maybe not that high, but it will be great to have moving sidewalks. The sidewalks will extend

from the P2 level to the new parkade to the second level of the terminal. This is very revolutionary, and I just may take a trip on those sidewalks. For those Nova Scotians who had their first escalator ride at the airport, keep an eye out for these new developments.

Pornographic industry: proceed to 'GO' and collect \$200.



Adult film stars are feeling the recession just like everyone else. Work has been reduced, and actresses like 50-year old Nina Hartley have fewer shifts. Usually she would have one scene a week and now it's down to one scene a month. Hartley, however, has not changed her asking price. She is still charging \$1200 for a straight boy-girl sexual encounter.

Prices and production have decreased and the San Fernando Valley community of sex celebrities is staring the recession in the eyeballs. This comes as a shock to the community and I'm sure others are surprised as well.

The pornographic industry had US\$6 billion in 2007. This mostly derived from DVD sales, rentals, and Internet subscriptions. This is not including the privatized small companies who are not regulated to publicize their earnings. Some revenues have been down as low as 80%!

Males are affected more that females. A straight boy-girl sexual encounter for a female was \$1,000, now it's \$800. For a male it was \$500 now it's \$300. With Internet piracy at its highest peak the pocket book burn is getting hotter and San Fernando Valley is up for sale.

Saturn: Now A Rare Entity In Canada

General Motors of Canada is discontinuing the Saturn car across Canada in efforts to save the Saturn brand. This will take effect on December 31. Pat Forbes, Forbes Group president, controls Saturn of Dartmouth and Saturn Saab of Halifax

The Forbes Group will continue to sell previously owned vehicles. The Halifax branch will move to Baker

Drive, Dartmouth. As the operations for Saturn wind down, local GM dealers will handle the warranty work of the vehicles. Future employment is still undecided, but Forbes is working on a business plan. The fate of the Halifax store may lie with a deal between GM and Koenigsegg Group AB, a Swedish company. I think we'll know more on January 1st, 2010.

fight recession



In recent months retailers have seen a reduction in the spending here in Nova Scotia. This is due to the fact that Optimum and Air Miles rewards programs are becoming increasingly popular. Shoppers Drug Mart's Optimum Programs has pulled in up to \$9.7 million in the last two year. Sixty-five of the transactions in the store use the Optimum. I must say that I was so tired of the cashiers asking if I had one, I finally filled out the form just to make them happy and to stop the continuous questions. The customer service at the Spring Garden branch is superb. I love the renovations. Apart from the customers who pay for their products with coins, you're in and out in a jiffy.

With the un-employment rate staggering and competition gaining some retail stores are forced to lower prices. I must say, I walked into Shopper's last week and the prices were amazing for the products I needed; I was surprised at the affordability. I think to a certain extent, the recession is over. In some cases it never started. If you're walking around in a Lulu sweater, pants, head band, gym bag and a tank top that's worth about \$450, I think you're doing quite well. Unless you received all those items as gifts or have super awesome friends who buy you gifts, the recession does not apply to you. To the Wal-Mart and Salvation Army shoppers, have no fear: as long as you look like a million bucks that's all that matters.

Provincial debt: Act I, Scene I, Take II



The provincial budget for the 2009-10 year was released and it seems like eyebrows weren't the only things that were raised. The patch job of no spending cuts or tax increases performed this year offers a short-term minuscule sigh, but lets hope for a large tooth fairy payout for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Start saving your teeth! The patch job puts the province in a \$592.1 million deficit, not including the capital spending and other debts. The hole is now \$13.5 billion deep. I don't think Samarah from The Ring can climb out of this well.

We now have a problem, so we need someone or something to blame. Start the drum roll please, and the winner is: low revenue sources and high expenses. I'm sure an arts student starting an intro accounting course could

have figured that out. Here's where the plot thickens: the deficit will climb due to university spending of \$340 million. Now even though I'm not getting any of that money, it looks like the fingers have been pointed: the pinky, ring, middle and pointing one. Don't get too excited though these expenses will be cut, as the government will be cutting spending by \$570.

Spend while you can this year, as money will be scarce next year like a one-hit-wonder. The NDP government will balance things out next year. Maybe this will result in less construction in South End. Does anyone know why the construction was halted on South Park Street?

I've heard everything from a river that sprung up, to it being used as a mechanism to frustrate Metro Transit drivers and passengers. I'm convinced the latter is true.

Finance Minister, Graham Steele, would rather not slash and burn costs while in the middle of the fiscal year, but is uncertain of the direction the cuts will take next year when the true NDP budget is unveiled. There is definitely room for promises though: \$34 million worth of them. Provincial tax will be removed from heating and electricity in the home. More bright side escapades include an increase in land acquisition. The province is protecting 12% until 2015, so it's time to settle down, buy a house, but your university education is not promised.



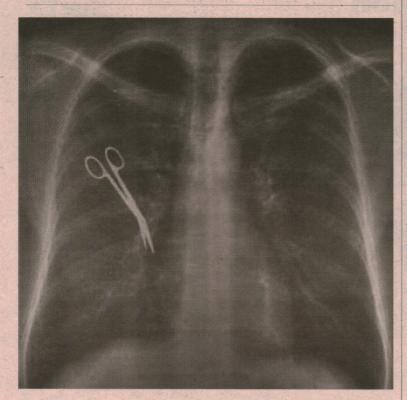
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I'm sorry, but I have to apologize.



The Apology Act takes effect on October 1st. Surgeons will be allowed to say I'm sorry and not be sued. Does this sound like the real world to you? This removes the need to have a lawyer present. Doctors can talk and attempt to comfort patients without hesitation. What if a doctor decides to drug a patient and go into the next room to make a phone call? Nope. This is perfectly fine here in Nova Scotia. This inspires me to start a dialogue.

Doctor: Ok. So you are all set for your left lung removal, the surgery should take no more than 4 hours.

Patient: I'm so nervous. What if something goes wrong?

Doctor: You should not worry. You are in the hands of talented doctors who have your best interest at heart

Patient: Ok. I'm still a bit anxious. Doctor: You shouldn't be. Trust us.

The surgery was a success, but Lilly the intern noticed that the wrong patient was operated on.

Doctor: I'm sorry, but we removed your heart instead of your left lung. Patient: What! I am going to sue this hospital!

Doctor: M'am please calm down. I did say I was sorry.

Patient: I want my lawyer!

Doctor: Please accept my deepest apologies, we can book you for another surgery in three months. During that time you can eat all the hospital jell-o and oatmeal you want. After all, the taxpayers are paying it.

Patient: I want my lawyer!

Chronicles of a Metro Transit passenger



Disgruntled children who yell at their parents for taking the better seat and their parents who try to discipline them by threatening to pull the cord and make them walk or start the time out clock at 20 seconds instead of

Conversations that involve rendezvous of the previous night...we really don't need to hear who or how many people you slept with.

Questions like: Do you know if the #14 is behind you, or when is the #52 coming? Folks, there's something called a Metro transit schedule and map, you should acquire a free one from your local university.

The sleepy passengers who fall asleep on the shoulders of strangers.

Last Wednesday two Dalhousie students boarded the bus with Second Cup beverages.

Ladies, I hope that \$5 beverage was not your only daily intake of nutrition. Were you expecting the driver to let you on the bus with your mocha, latte, cappuccino when the sign clearly states that no beverages are allowed on the bus? Man, they were pissed!

Individuals who move via Metro Transit with two duffle bags and a storage bin

To the young lady who boarded the #10 bus to Westphal last Sunday in the nightclub attire and high heels, it appeared that you spent the night in Halifax. If the person you slept with cannot call you a cab and pay for it, I think it's time to rearrange your policies of acquiring intoxicated "friends" at bars here in Haliwood.

The passengers who ask the bus driver if he or she can break a \$50 for a \$2.25 bus fare! Enough said...

Multiple delays due to construction Multiple delays due to construction Multiple delays due to construction! UUUGH!

Clear Blue Skies, then a lightning bolt?



A perfect afternoon in Brampton, ON was interrupted by a bolt of lightning. Two young boys and a woman were on the soccer field during this powerful act of nature. One of the boys died in a nearby hospital. Witnesses described the weather as being partly cloudy with no chance of rain. According to Geoff Coulson, Environmental Canada meteorologist, there was a weak storm in the area, but none that would have produced such powerful lightning.

The Blackberry, The Crackberry, working thumbs and all!



Research In Motion's Blackberry is expected to have ironclad revenues in their second quarter. Since the holiday season is approaching forecasts are looking up. Shareholders are cheering and clicking their Dorothy heels and embracing Kansas. From smart phones to iPhones, the Blackberry has seen the competition rise and falter. The closing bell at the end of the second quarter will be the fat lady singing to the future revenue tune of US\$3.45 billion to \$3.7 billion. Now that's what I call the right note.

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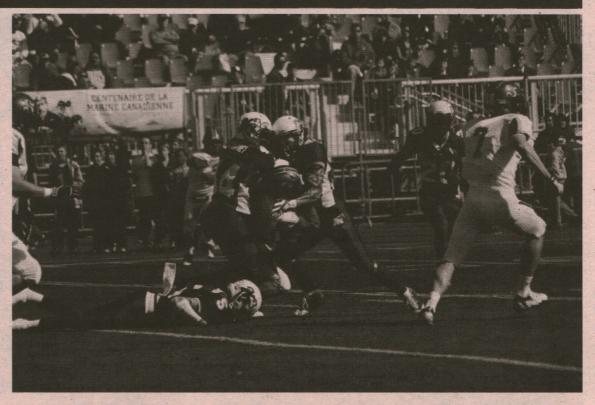


Huskies Fight to the Finish

KIMBERLEY DARES
Football Enthusiast

The Huskies Football home opener was a hard game for the fans at Huskies Stadium to watch. The first half of play was dominated by Sherbrooke Vert et Or but the Huskies came out to win Saturday afternoon. Scoring was opened by the Vert et Or in the first quarter with a 2pt safety from Saint Mary's and then the Vert et Or's Pascal Fils scored the first touchdown of the game. In the second quarter SMU struggled to complete plays and the Vert et Or scored a second touchdown at the 12:04 mark. Saint Mary's finally got on the board with 43 seconds left in the 2nd quarter and Justin Paladary kicked a field goal good from 19 yards. The score at half-time was 16-3 for Sherbrooke. The Huskies came back strong in the second half. Sherbrooke had a failed field goal attempt in the third quarter which SMU answered with their first touchdown of the game, Devon Jones with a 1 yd run. The score was 16-10 for Sherbrooke at the end of the third quarter. With 8 minutes to go in the fourth quarter SMU quarterback Jack Creighton completed a 3 yd pass to Joe Doherty that landed the Huskies in the lead by one point with their 2nd touchdown. With 5 minutes to go SMU's Leroy Fontaine sacked the Vert et Or QB. Sherbrooke then conceded their first safety bumping the score to 19-16 for Saint Mary's. With only 1:44 left in the game Sherbrooke scored their 3rd touchdown

following an un-necessary roughness penalty on Saint Mary's which garnered a loud chorus of "BULL-SHIT!" from the frenzied crowd. It looked as if the game had been lost for Saint Mary's, but with less than a minute left on the clock Sherbrooke got a pass interference penalty which gained the Huskies 15 yards, and then, with only 8.4 seconds on the clock it was the Huskies' 1st down and they had 1 yard to go to win the game. The crowd was on their feet and heaved a collective sigh of relief when Jack Creighton scored a touchdown with seconds left on the board. Creighton executed six plays, for sixty-eight yards in under a minute. The final score was 26-23 SMU much to the delight of the over 3,000 paid attendees, not counting the numerous students attending for free with their student ID's. A small but strong 'Pit Crew' led the crowd in cheers, including a rousing "SCOREBOARD" when the points gained by a SMU touchdown were incorrectly given to Sherbrooke. It was quickly changed to the sound of cheers from the crowd. The Huskies' 3rd game of the season has seen improvement in most aspects of their game, though they have had fewer offensive yards and Creighton is completing a higher percentage of his passes. The Saint Mary's Huskies take on Mount Allison Friday October 2nd under the lights. Kickoff is at 7pm, bring a sweater (or a 'Pit Crew' suit) and your enthusiasm; it should be a good game!





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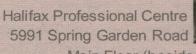
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Asshole of the Week!

Well kids, it looks like we have a lot of miffed readers out there in the Journal world so this week I bring you four assholes.

To the dumb cheerleaders and jocks that come to class and talk while you're actually trying to learn. Either shut up or stay home. I don't care how many shots you did, or how many yards you ran. Gimmie an A-S-S-H-O-L-E!

To the DAL student on Spring Garden road who told me to pay \$4000 more for a real degree and not a second "High School Diploma". I understand the school rivalry, but it made you and your friends look like idiots. I'm going to university just like you, Dal is not better then SMU and just because your daddy paid for you to get into this "prestigious" school doesn't mean the employers who go to hire you and see you as a stupid immature 12 year-old boy will give you the job JUST BECAUSE you went to Dal. I'm not surprised they don't teach you that at Dal; you must have been taking "The History of Fashion 3000" instead of HELPFUL courses. Glad you paid extra for that gem.

Oh and by the way, with the \$4000 a year we save from going to a SWEET ASS school, we can all save that money to do what we want and most likely in 4 years time, YOU will be serving US at some fast food chain, and I bet you'll wish you had that extra \$4000; welfare can only cover so much.

Whoever decided that the first week of classes was a good time to start construction on all of the pathways surrounding Burke and the SUB; what the hell is wrong with you? Perhaps you should have taken the FOUR MONTHS where there are few students here to undertake such a project, instead of starting when the university is at its busiest? Asshole(s).

To the guy wearing the football jersey and waving the big Saint Mary's flag throughout the entire football game, are you so oblivious that you can't notice when you are blocking the play from an entire section of the crowd. What are you doing with yourself man? Stop being an asshole.

Asshole of the week submissions can be sent to sports.smu@gmail.com and do not have to be sports related. Assholes can be found anywhere.

Other Huskies Sports

JASON MACDONALD Sports Editor

Though the big story this weekend was the football home opener against the Sherbrooke Vert et Or there were four other SMU teams in action this weekend.

Friday night saw the Men's and Women's soccer teams take on the the Acadia Axemen under the lights at Huskies Stadium, the women took to the field first and tied the Axe-Women 0-0 in their first of two meetings this season. The men's game kicked off at 7:15 pm and the men were victorious, 2-0 in their first match against Acadia.

Saturday night under the lights saw the men's field lacrosse team also take on the Acadia Axemen, the Huskies doubled Acadia 13-7 with Terry Sutherland leading both the scoring with 5 goals and the penalties with 4 minutes.

Sunday was another chance for SMU teams to manhandle Acadia, the women's rugby team defeated the Axewomen 32-7 in an afternoon game, the women played well and took advantage of breakdowns in the Acadia backs to punch through into the try-zone. The soccer teams were back in action on Sunday as well, facing the Dalhousie Tigers in a game at Wickwire field. Both the men's and women's teams lost to Dal but they played well against the Tigers.

Other Huskies Sports

SPORTS



Friday October 2nd

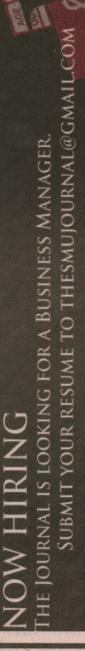
Husky Cup Volleyball Tournament Football MTA @ SMU 7pm

Saturday October 3rd

Women's Rugby PEI @ SMU 1pm Women's Soccer MUN @ SMU 3pm Men's Soccer MUN @ SMU 5:15pm Men's Hockey UdeM @ SMU 7pm (HFX Forum)

Sunday October 4th

Women's Soccer MTA @ SMU 1pm Men's Soccer MTA @ SMU 3:15pm Men's Field Lacrosse DAL @ SMU 7pm Men's Hockey SMU @ DAL 7pm (Dal Memorial Arena)



SMU Field Hockey Back

Laura MacNeil Writer

The Saint Mary's University Women's Field Hockey team emerged as the frontrunner in the league after a 5-0 record in New Brunswick this past weekend. With an astonishing eleven rookies, the girls defeated the Dalhousie Tigers, Acadian Axemen, St. FX X-Men, UPEI Panthers, and the UNB

Varsity Reds, allowing only one goal against the entire tournament.

The team hopes to continue their winning streak on Thanksgiving weekend, (Oct. 10th-11th), where they play host to the same opponents at Huskies Stadium. Come out and support the girls in their quest to defend their AUS title.

Note: The Women's Field Hockey Team is the only SMU women's varsity team to win a medal at the CIS level, (They won a bronze in 2003).

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