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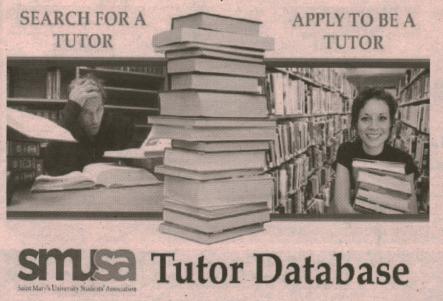


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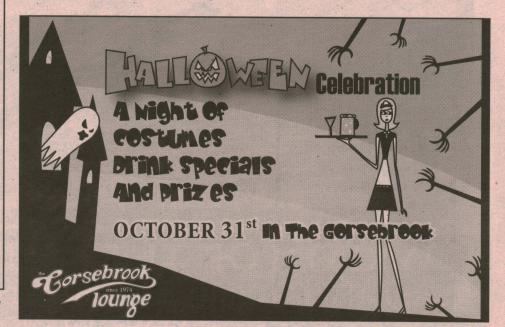
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Non-mainstream **Doesn't Mean Better**

JEFF CUSACK Editor-In-Chief

Lately, I've noticed that quite a lot of people are judging others about pretty stupid things. This article is a commentary on that phenomenon.

Throughout the decades, a consistent way to be cool for folks of a certain age has been to be "nonmainstream." At university especially it is extremely popular to have certain traits that mark someone as a member of the "cultured." These are people who embrace or forsake certain traits to show how cool and smart they are. For instance, people will brag that they never watch television, or that they hate whatever music makes the Top 40. It's also really cool to claim to be a geek now, as long as you aren't too geeky. There are far too many women who are really hot and have never read a comic book in their life calling themselves geeks these days (don't worry hot women, I still like you despite your fraudulent claims to geekdom). It's also really cool these days to be politically liberal and an atheist.

Conversely, watching lots of TV, especially certain kinds of TV, is not cool among the cultured. Do you like Britney Spears? Keep that to yourself. It may be cool to claim to be a geek, but don't break out the Dungeons and Dragons any time soon. Conservatism is never cool unless you have the bluster to be amusing to those listening to you, and God... need not apply.

It's important not to let these trends interfere with what you enjoy. I have some of these trendy traits and I lack others. On the trendy side, my mp3 player is stocked up with dubstep, indie, and psytrance, with no Top 40 in sight. I'm also politically liberal and on the outside I have just enough geekiness to have it work for me. On the other hand, I love television, I watch a lot of television, and own two different t-shirts belonging to tv shows. I'm also a huge geek-way

past the cool point—and have experimented with Dungeons and Dragons, World of Warcraft, and Magic: The Gathering in my past (certain fundamentalist types would not like me).

I wouldn't change my non-cool preferences for anything. I love the TV that I watch, and I love playing geeky video games. In university there's a lot of social crap that we have to put up with; people can be pretty judgemental, but we shouldn't let that change our beliefs. This doesn't mean that one needs to be thick headed; there is always the possibility that everything you like sucks, but if you aren't convinced by their reasons, social pressure coming from an Asshole of the Week isn't a good reason to change how you operate.

To the previously mentioned assholes of the week, stop it. I don't listen to the Top 40 either, but liking Britney Spears is not a good enough reason to give someone a hard time. Atheist? Good for you, but that doesn't mean you're automatically smarter than the Jesus-freak next door. Only watching Mad Men does not mean that you are culturally superior to the person who watches Family Guy. You and I may not understand the dude who constantly talks about playing Warcraft, but don't disrespect that guy, because there are probably a lot of people who think that he's awesome because of all of his endgame gear.

Of course, religion, conservatism, Warcraft, Family Guy, and Britney Spears aren't anything to hold over people's heads either. Just because you've accepted your differences doesn't mean people need to hear about them. Besides, university is a great opportunity to expand your horizons. Just because you really like something doesn't mean that there isn't something out there that you'll like even more. Being a fan of Britney doesn't mean you should close your mind to Caspa, Riton, and Pri-

In conclusion...Well, now I don't really have anything else to say.

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A Professor's Career

Professors at Saint Mary's undergo three or four major evaluations during their careers, in addition to the one that got them hired in the first place. Professors are evaluated when they come up for renewal, when they apply for tenure, when they apply for promotion to the rank of associate professor, and when they apply for promotion to the rank of (full) professor. As well, professors each year undergo a minor evaluation. Professors each year file an annual report, on which their department colleagues and their Dean may comment.

I'm speaking only of those professors who are permanent members of faculty. Professors who teach part time, or on sessional contracts, or otherwise haven't stepped onto the tenure track, are evaluated at different times, in somewhat different ways.

When a person is hired for a permanent faculty position at a university, he or she is said to be on the tenure track. After three years, if all goes well, his or her contract is renewed. In his or her fourth year, he or she applies for tenure. If the application is denied, then his or her fifth year at the university is his or her last. If the application is successful, he or she begins his or her sixth year as a tenured professor.

Tenure as an institution is closely con nected to academic freedom. Tenure makes it difficult for administrators to discipline or fire a professor of whose views or methods they disapprove.

Professors on the tenure track almost always are at the rank of assistant professor. At the time they apply for tenure, or soon after they receive tenure, they apply for promotion to the rank of associate professor. A professor must hold the rank of associate professor for at least eight years before he or she can be promoted to the rank of professor (called "full professor"). During or after his or her seventh year at Saint Mary's, then, an associate professor compiles a dossier and applies for promotion to full professor.

The criteria by which committees and officers of the university evaluate professors who apply for tenure or promotion are quality of research, quality of teaching, and quality of service. The candidate attempts in his or her dossier to make a case that he or she meets at least minimal standards in all three areas, and that he or she really shines in at least one of the first two.

The candidate is evaluated first by his or her department. Members of the department examine the candidate's

dossier, they meet to decide whether to recommend tenure or promotion, whichever they are considering, and they write a report explaining and justifying their decision.

The candidate's dossier and the department's report go to the Dean, to a university committee, and to the Vice-President Academic. If any group or officer recommends against tenure or promotion, the thing comes to a halt, though there are appeal procedures to which the candidate can turn. Should all go well, the recommendation in favour of the candidate goes to the president. The president has final say, and may reject the application.

Let's put all this together. Sally, let's say, was hired by Saint Mary's just this past July for a permanent position. Sally is thirty-four. She received her doctorate in 2006 and has taught on ten-month and oneyear contracts for the last three years. Now she is a new tenure-track professor. At the end of each of her first two years, she files a report. She will hear from her department and the Dean whether her work in each of the three areas is strong or weak, and receive advice how to improve where she is weak. During her third year, she compiles a small dossier to be used in determining whether her probationary contract is to be renewed. Let us imagine that Sally does well and that her contract is renewed.

During her fourth year, Sally compiles a substantial dossier for her tenure application. Let's suppose her application is successful. That means that Sally begins her sixth year a tenured professor. She updates her dossier and submits it with her application for promotion to associate professor. Let us suppose Sally's application for promotion is also successful.

Sally begins her seventh year at Saint Mary's as an associate professor. It is now the school year 2015-2016. Sally is eligible to apply for promotion to full professor in 2023-2024, but she holds off a couple of years, and applies in 2025. (Sally was worried that her record of research was a bit thin. She waited until receiving word that her book would be published.) She begins the year 2026-2027 a full professor.

In 2040, at the age of 65, Sally retires from Saint Mary's, having enjoyed a fine career. (Although retired, Sally continues to conduct research and to publish, and she is in demand at conferences and as a guest lecturer.) Her department recommends that she be honoured with the title Professor Emeritus, and Saint Mary's agrees.

Though ours is a community of both professors and students (and others besides), I find that students often don't know much about professors—about what professors do or about the shape of a professor's career. I hope that this column is of at least a little use to students curious about those strange people always carrying on in front of the whiteboards.

Welcome to the Tower

ALEX CLARKE Features Editor

This is for the benefit of all Saint Mary's University students. Even though the past few weeks have been a tad chaotic due to recent midterms mixed with unflattering weather, students can't forget that our basic health and fitness is an important part of our everyday lives as well as our education. Even with exams around the corner and bad weather looming, going to the sports facilities acts not only as a stress reliever but helps increase ones energy and alertness as well.

I took a few minutes last week to speak with the new Sports Director for Saint Mary's University, Mr. Steve Sarty about the Tower and all the facilities that are offered there. Usually the role of the sports director is being the overseer of all the teams along with managing the relationships between the school and the many sports that it supports. Being a former SMU Husky wide receiver in 91-95 and also the wide receiver coach of the Husky football team, I think he is quite qualified to handle the job.

He informed me that Saint Mary's University has an estimated 300 student athletes (with the focus being mainly on student) and nationally known for being very strong in football and basketball, resulting in championships for both sports. Our discussion ranged from the many extracurricular activities that students and public can join at the Tower along with new renovations planned for the Saint Mary's University Ice rink.

Mr. Sarty's goal as director is to help bring more appreciation for the sports here so that students take advantage of the opportunities offered by SMU. He is aware, for example, that not many students really understand the fundamentals of football, may they be international or local. Knowledge of the game not only increases one's interest but also increases the student support and game turn-out. This ap-

plies to other SMU related sports such as hockey, rugby, soccer, etc. and shouldn't be just limited to SMU football. Many students don't even realize that access to ALL sports facilities and games is entirely free. Just so that you have an open mind, how about checking out a hockey game this month, since the men's and women's hockey season started this week.

The Tower provides high quality customer service and programs with well maintained equipment within a clean and safe facility for the Saint Mary's University community and the general public. As students here at Saint Mary's University we are privileged with receiving a complimentary membership for all these basic services. Simply presenting a valid I.D card allows access to the gym and all recreational activities.

The Facilities

Cardio Room ¬ includes cardio machines, light weights, Spinning bikes and classes, stretching area, individual strength circuit machines and multi-unit cable machines.

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Talking Dirty

ALEX CLARKE
Features Editor

So I realized that my article last week on hand hygiene and the guidelines to flu prevention set in with a few people. Hopefully now people are a little bit more aware of where they put their hands, the amount of times they wash them and also covering their mouths so as to not spread infections. However, on a side note, there is another issue that a reader brought to my attention. What does the greater percentage of our population use that is considered as filthy as a toilet seat? It is none other than our trusty cell phones. From our everyday use our cell phones collect germs and bacteria and it is highly possible that they are living and mutating in our phones. Experts say that cell phone cleaning is JUST as important as hand hygiene and one should be more careful as to where your cell phone ends up. If

you've never done it before or actually thought about it and never got around to doing it, you might want to reconsider when you find out that an average cell phone carries more germs than a door handle, bottom of a shoe or even a toilet seat! Think about a person who is too busy talking on their cell phone to wash their hands after they use the restroom. That cell phone would be infested with all the germs that they bring out with them, but guess what, they are nice enough to let you borrow it for a quick call! Since we are just getting into flu season, when taking measures to prevent H1N1 or other infections you may want to consider cleaning your cell phone as well. In fact doctors recommend regular cleaning of cell phones just as frequent as hands. Studies have found bacteria such as Staphylococcus Aureus, Meningitis, E-coli, and MRSA on a majority of cell phones swabbed for bacteria. Also, cell phones that are used constantly attract hair products and dirt that hold bacteria that then can cause skin rash and breakouts along the side of the face that tend to be red, itchy and scaly.

It is obvious to see that young people are among the heaviest users and the general public needs to be aware of these findings. As cell phone usage continues to rise, we nuzzle up to them everyday increasing the germ accumulation making the health risk even larger than before. Now is the time to introduce cell phone hygiene practices in hospitals, schools, businesses, and in our daily lives. You can take away your phones germs by using simple rubbing alcohol or a disinfectant wipe. The cleaning helps remove and prevent bacterial and viral microorganisms that build-up on cell phones from daily use. Cell phones are evidently the breeding ground for germs and we take them just about everywhere. So let's all make sure to keep your phones clean, even if your conversations sometimes aren't.



Feministory: Woman Warrior at Wounded Knee

HEATHER MACLEAN
Women's Center

October is not just Women's History Month. In Nova Scotia, it's also Mi'kmaq History Month. I decided to focus on the life of activist Anna Mae Pictou-Aquash.

Anna Mae Pictou was born in 1945 in Indian Brook, and grew up on the Pictou Landing reservation. She lived without plumbing or electricity; needless to say she knew poverty, and racism, well. She moved to Boston at seventeen to work on the General Motors assembly line. She also joined the Boston Indian Council, where she helped urban First Nations youth develop self-esteem. She moved to Bar Harbour, Maine, to work in the Teaching and Research in Bicultural Education School Project (TRIBES). She taught traditional subjects as well as First Nations history and values to foster pride in her students. Pictou-Aquash then enrolled in Wheelock College and taught at a day care center. She excelled in the program and in her work, and was eventually offered a scholarship to attend Brandeis University. Pictou-Aquash declined the offer, preferring to continue her activist work.

In April, 1973, a group of 200 Indians, led by the American Indian Movement (AIM), congregated at Wounded Knee near the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, a site where 300 First Nations people were massacred by the U.S. army in 1890. AIM was protesting against the living conditions on the reservation. Anna Mae was captivated. She would later tell friends she had to get involved in something that might lead to a better future for her two daughters. Pictou-Aquash and her partner, fellow activist Nogeeshik Aquash, drove to Wounded Knee and joined the protestors. She quickly became known for her intelligence and her organizing skills. The stand-off ended after 71 days. Two native men were killed by government gunfire.

After the stand-off Anna Mae returned to Boston to continue her work in the movement, and was on her way to becoming a national AIM leader.

In 1975 she went back to Wounded Knee with AIM security chief Leonard Peltier to organize security for the Pine Ridge Reservation. At this time two FBI agents were shot. Peltier was arrested, charged, and convicted of murdering the two agents. Anna Mae went underground and in February, 1976, her body was found in the badlands of South Dakota, she had been shot. In 2004, Arlo Looking Cloud was sentenced to life in prison for her murder. Anna Mae fought for First Nations rights and against the ways First Nations people had been portrayed in history. In 1975, she

"These white people think this country belongs to them. They don't realize that they are only in charge right now because there's more of them than there are of us. The whole country changed with only a handful of raggedy-ass pilgrims that came over here in the 1500s. And it can take a handful of raggedy-ass Indians to do the same, and I intend to be one of those raggedy-ass Indians."

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Halifax Pop Explosion this week!

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Halifax's 17th annual indie rock showcase is being held this week, from the 20th to the 24th. For those unfamiliar, Halifax Pop Explosion has been an annual event (except 2000) since 1993. The original HPX was started as a private platform to showcase emerging Haligonian acts during the days of grunge. Big names this year include the wildly popular mashup DJ Girl Talk, Polaris-prize winning violinist Final Fantasy, and electronic powerhouse MSTRKRFT. This year, the five-day music festival features over 100 acts at 14 venues across the city. This year also marks the inaugural year for the Halifax Film Explosion, taking place Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24 at the Park Lane Empire, featuring musically-inspired indie films. Also on the 23rd and the 24th, HPX is presenting the 2009 Music Matters Conference, featuring workshops, panels and speakers discussing aspects of the music community. Also be sure to check out the Zine Fair, again being held at St. David's Church Hall (1537 Brunswick) free of charge, where you can pick up all sorts of do-it-yourself projects straight from the creators.

TLC sues Jon Gosselin

The Learning Channel (TLC) is suing Jon & Kate Plus 8 star Jon Gosselin for his alledged breach of contract. The lawsuit, filed by TLC on Friday, claims that co-star Jon Gosselin has not fulfilled his obligations stated in his contract. As you may have heard, the show's namesake, Jon and Kate, filed for divorce early this year, and Jon has since been more or less avoiding the media, filming short, separate segments for the show. Along with a small number of scandals involving money (of which Jon is taking from Kate and the kids), TLC has apparently had enough of his actions and is calling him out. TLC has also recently announced that the show will oficially be renamed to Kate Plus Eight.

Monty Python's 40th anniversary



The legendary comedy troupe Monty Python is celebrating 40 years of their show, Monty Python's Flying Circus this week. The event is marked

by a six-hour documentary on IFC called Monty Python: Almost the Truth (The Lawyer's Cut), in which the surviving members, Eric Idle, John Cleese, Terry Gilliam, Terry Jones and Michael Chapman (Graham Chapman passed away in 1989 from throat cancer) got together to discuss the past 40 years of Monty Python. Flying Circus spawned several films, including the popular Monty Python and the Holy Grail and The Life of Brian, which itself has caused four of the original members to reunite for a new show called "Not the Messiah (He's a Very Naughty Boy)," announced this past summer.

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Review: Brütal Legend

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Arts & Entertainment

Brütal Legend is an interesting game to write about for a number of reasons. First and foremost, the game seems to be a mash-up of several different gameplay mechanics: it is equal parts sandbox action/adventure and real-time strategy, with a small amount of RPG elements mixed in for good measure. What this turns out to be is a menagerie of a game; jack of all trades, master of none.

The story is solid, if not very video game-y (and there's nothing wrong with that). Players control Eddie Riggs (voiced by Jack Black), the best roadie in the business who's killed in an accident on stage. Our hero wakes up in a heavy metal-themed fantasy world populated by several warring factions. After finding an axe, he finds that he's suddenly an expert at wielding it. In addition, Eddie discovers his guitar can suddenly "set dudes on fire", resulting in the magic casting in this game to be executed by guitar solos, including one that literally melts the faces of his enemies. Another solo results in summoning The Deuce, his hot rod and transportation around the roughly 64 km2 area of terrain that makes up the world of Brütal Legend.

At first glance it looks like an action adventure game. While exploring the overworld between missions, Eddie can run around, explore the world, and take on various side quests. Un-

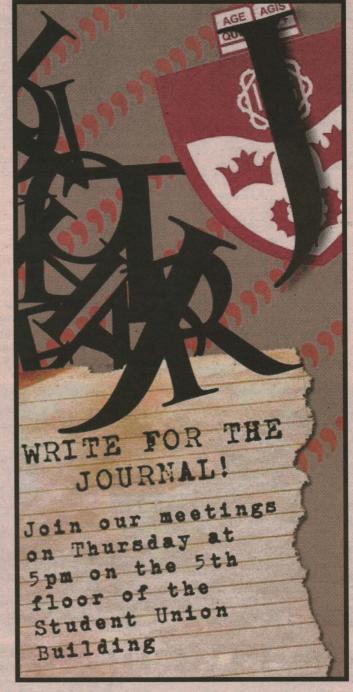
fortunately the side quests offer little variety, repeating the same three or four mission types over and over again in different locations, with the same dialogue repeated every time. Performing quests, side quests, and exploring the map for various artifacts and car jumps reward you with the game's currency, "Fire Tributes" (upon receiving a fire tribute, a number of hands appear form off-screen holding up lighters. Get it?), which you use to upgrade your equipment. Again, seems like standard action/ adventure gameplay, until you reach the main story missions, where the game suddenly and unexpectedly turns into a real-time strategy, involving gathering resources to make units, upgrading said units, and using certain units for certain tasks. All the while you're expected to join the fight yourself, either beating on foes with your axe or teaming up with one of your units. Each of your units has a special, unique team-up attack they can perform with you that are more powerful than their own attacks. Outside of the single-player, there is a multiplayer mode where players fight these battles against each other. The game started out as an RTS, but still presents itself as an action/adventure. The end result is a mash-up of the two that doesn't quite master either genre, but still offers a thoroughly enjoyable gameplay experience.

The voice acting in this game is top notch on all accounts. I only wish there was more of it. The repetition of a number of phrases becomes quite irritating after a while, especially when they're not exactly clever

or funny in the first place. That isn't to say it's all bad; there's definitely some great lines in there, but it doesn't quite measure up to some of Tim Schafer's other games, like Psychonauts or Grim Fandango. What the game lacks in the amount of voice work done (which is still a respectable amount), it makes up for in quality of the voice actors. Featuring the voices of Jack Black, Ozzy Osbourne, Tim Curry, Lemmy Kilmister (bassist and founding member of Motörhead), Rob Halford (lead vocalist for Judas Priest), Lita Ford (lead guitarist for The Runaways), and Kyle Gass (the other half of Tenacious D) among others, the game certainly features an all-star cast with some exemplary voice work on all accounts. Coupled with the over 100 heavy metal songs hand-picked by Tim Schafer the game has an outstanding soundtrack.

The game definitely has its problems. Some may complain that the story is a little short. The main story is short, but I think there's so much else to do that it's excused. Completing the game, every side mission, and exploring quite a lot of the world and its artifacts took me about 10-12 hours, resulting in 90% completion, so there's still more to find. However, offering a fully fleshed-out story and heavy metal world, likeable characters and toptier voice talent, Brütal Legend is a great game that I would recommend.

Brütal Legend is available on the PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360.



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Who Needs Sleep When You Have Art?

On a sleepless night, there are a variety of options one can choose to keep up with into the wee hours. World of Warcraft, or a new girlfriend or boyfriend, usually, but on October 17th was an evening with art. Underneath a canopy of night Halifax thrived as a massive series of public shows hit the streets, entertaining and free as part of the second annual Nocturne: Art at

Based on the idea of Nuit Blanche ("up all night" or "sleepless night"), an all-night art show which has been featured in larger cities such as Paris and Toronto, Halifax has been put on the map with Nocturne, a similar idea that doesn't run as late. This art show lit up the night with videos projected onto the walls and windows of Barrington, circus buskers performing with fire, and all sorts of indoor exhibits free to the public.

Most selections that were part of the event this year held an in-

up to Halloween later this month. At Zwicker's gallery on Doyle Street, Californian artist John Malmstrom was showing his paintings while performing jazz music in the oldest commercial gallery in Halifax. All of his paintings done with oil featured scenes depicting childhood toys under realistic lighting, leaving the viewer with an uncomfortable darkness at the scene. In Did She Fall or was She Pushed?, a wooden carved monkey sat on a shelf above a fallen porcelain doll, the shadows deep and the subjects straight out of a horror

Separation by Bonita Hatcher was set up in the front display windows of Park Lane mall, one figure on each side of the main doorway. Light was set behind a man on one side and woman on the other, the two figures posed restlessly, the distance between them widening their discomfort. A particular favourite of mine was Tide's Comin' In by Scott Saunders, Nikolai Gauer, and Wes Johnson. Supported by Starfish Properties, the windows of several emp-

teresting eerie theme, perfect leading ty business spaces portrayed the rush of the tide on either side of you as you walked down Barrington. The roar of the tides filled the streets with sound over the voices of curious Haligonian all-nighters. Also, the Circus Circle performed a circus extravaganza in order to raise interest in what they are turning into an actual circus school.

> The advantage of being in Halifax is the stunning amount of culture we have all around us. This small city manages to be big enough to host Nocturne, the type of feature usually kept to larger cities. The one disadvantage is the same complaint I had last year - why only until midnight? Why not do like the larger cities, and literally have a sleepless night of artwork? No set time is long enough to see and enjoy it all.



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NSCC Strike Averted

KIMBERLEY DARES News Editor

NEWS

This issue was set to go to print without knowing the resolution between Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC) teachers and professional support workers and the NDP Government. A last minute agreement was reached early Monday morning ensuring NSCC students did not have a mid-semester vacation. Employees of NSCC across the province, represented by the Nova Scotia Teacher's Union were set to walk off the job Tuesday October 20th if an agreement was not reached. The employees were requesting a 2.9 percent wage increase and insurance benefits. The same deal was extended to 10,000 employees of the Public School Board last year by the Conservative Government. NSCC employs 930 people across the province with thirteen schools located in Dartmouth, Halifax, Yarmouth, Springhill, Truro and many other communities. The strike vote ballot attracted 91% turnout from teaching staff and 96% turnout from support staff. The employ-

ees voted 93% in favour of a strike if their requests were not accepted. The decision to strike would have impacted 25,000 students province wide. Students prepared for the strike vote by creating student groups on Facebook to keep in contact with classmates in the event classes were cancelled. This would also have enabled students to help each other keep up with assignments and readings without the classroom instruction. Question and answer sessions were held to allow students to learn more about the impact of the potential strike on their programs.

Negotiations have been underway for over a year, and the NDP Minister of Education decided the Party would not support binding arbitration with the employees on the matter unless the Union accepted the "parameters that respect the fiscal realities of the province of Nova Scotia." The recently elected NDP Government is trying to hold back on spending due to a \$592 million dollar deficit. As of Monday morning the NDP had only agreed to a one percent increase and offered to attend binding arbitration only under suggested conditions. By noon on Monday a tentative agreement had been reached and the Nova Scotia Teachers Union recommended Union members vote in favour of the agreement. The conditions of the tentative agreement were not known at the time this issue went to print. This was the first real test of the NDP Government and many experts believe it would have been the right move to allow the strike if an agreement had not been reached otherwise the Party would face an onslaught of demands from interest groups over the next few months. It could also make members of labour groups feel alienated by the Party which they have in the past supported. The NDP may also be trying to prevent a similar situation in the coming months as 22,000 members of the Nova Scotia Government and General Employees Union will be seeking similar negotiations. Acadia University Faculty went on strike in the fall of 2007 resulting in weeks of missed classes for students. Students received a \$275 (\$375 for International Students) credit for the Winter Semester for the 15-days of missed classes. In the fall of 2006 Saint Mary's Faculty voted 92% in favour of a strike. Luckily a tentative agreement was reached and a strike was prevented at SMU.

Harper Government Criticized for Tax Spending



On June 11th, 2009 the Harper Government held a one-hour town hall on its Economic Action Plan in Cambridge, Ontario that cost \$108,000. Critics are questioning why the town hall would not have been held in Parliament at a much cheaper cost. The bill was footed by Canadian taxpayers and is only one of four similar decisions by the Conservatives

Image Credit: Conservatives (Harper): The Canadian Press

in recent months. The Conservatives have spoken out about the criticism saying it is the Prime Ministers duty to travel around the country and such costs are incurred.

Mysterious Death in Dartmouth

Saturday morning Halifax Regional Police found 49 year old Roxanne Page dead in an east-end Dartmouth apartment. There was also a man found at the scene with self-inflicted injuries. An autopsy was performed Sunday but more tests are needed before the cause of death can be determined. The unidentified injured man found at the scene was taken into police custody Saturday morning and released Sunday. Police confirmed the two knew each other.

Swine Flu Vaccine to be Approved this Week



CBC News reported Monday morning that the Canadian Federal Government is expected to approve the vaccine for the Swine Flu this week. The vaccine has reportedly already been shipped to all the provinces and territories to provide immediate access once it has been approved. The early batches of the vaccine will be used for the vaccination of pregnant women, children and healthcare professionals. The vaccine was originally going to be released in early November but after a recent second wave of outbreaks in BC work was done to make it. available earlier and prevent similar situations across the country.

Dalhousie Med School on Probation



The Medical School of Dalhousie University has been placed on two year probation by a United States accreditation body. It will not affect the ability of students to become certified as Doctors or complete residency training. The School is going to overhaul its curriculum in the next two years under the watchful eye of new Dean Tom Marrie who came into office following the ruling by the accreditation body. DAL failed to meet 17 out of 132 measures required by the accreditation body. The school will be reviewed again sometime in the next 18 months. This does not make the DAL program less respected as recently a DAL Medical School Professor completed the world's first simulation based brain sur-

The Balloon Boy: Exploiting Children for Fame and Fortune

KIMBERLEY DARES News Editor

Late last week people watched in horror as a Mylar balloon floated high through the sky above Colorado suspected to have a six year old boy alone inside. When the balloon touched down and there was no child inside the worst was assumed as the child could not survive a fall from such heights. The balloon was part of a family's "meteorological" project and an older brother claimed he released it while his brother was still inside. The boys' father Richard Heene fancies himself a meteorologist although he has no formal training. Richard and his wife have taken their family on several storm and tornado chasing adventures in the past. After great media attention and a large search and rescue effort the young boy was found by his parents hiding in the attic of his house. That night the Heene family appeared on CNN's Larry King Live with their lost and found son Falcon to talk about the event. When his parents asked him why he hid and didn't respond to their calls he replied "You guys said we did this for the show." That comment sparked controversy over the already questionable event. There was debate over whether the six year old was confused as to what was meant by the question or how the older brothers, aged eight and ten, would be able to fabricate the story so easily. Law enforcement officials in Colorado spoke publically on Friday claiming they did believe the family's story. This was actually a ploy by officials to keep them talking about the event as the more they talked the more the story and its details changed. The parents took lie detector tests under the pretext it would help quell the media circus surrounding the incident. Sunday afternoon it was announced by the Sheriff handling the case that it was in fact a hoax staged by the family to gain attention in the media and hopefully a reality show. parents met in acting school and appeared on a March 2009 episode of ABC's Wife Swap. They had been trying to find a network to pick up a reality show about their exploits. Charges have not yet been laid against the parents but authorities plan to recommend felony charges including contributing to the delinquency of a minor, attempting to influence a public servant, and conspiracy. Also the couple is expected to face the misdemeanor charge of filing a false police report. In light of the Jon and Kate Plus 8 divorce drama and the clear exploitation of the children in this balloon incident it seems the reality world has gone too far. There are rules and standards for child actors, for example under a certain age twins are supposed to be hired to play the part of one baby. Perhaps similar guidelines should exist for the reality television world. Exploiting children through labour is deemed inappropriate by society; that is why there are age restrictions and labour laws regarding how young is too young to work. How is exploiting them for the parent's benefit and entertainment of the masses different in the case of reality television? Why do the same restrictions not apply to the reality TV world? Is it time for the likes of Jon and Kate Plus 8 and the fame crazed parents of the "balloon boy" to lose their spot on television for the sake of their children?

Act Now if Local TV Matters to You

KIMBERLEY DARES News Editor

Many people watch local television every night as they eat dinner or tune in for the weather forecast early in the morning. Few people consider how great a service local television provides or how much it would be missed if it were to go off the air. What are local channels in Halifax? CTV, 'A', CBC and Global are all channels in Halifax that are at risk of disappearing in the next few years due to financial instability. Being as cable is a paid service it may make no sense that people are paying for something that is somehow financially unstable but that is the case of local television. People pay the cable companies to have local channels but local stations are not allowed to charge the cable companies for their product. Advertising revenue for local stations has decreased over the past decade and the previous method of providing local stations at no cost to viewers has become unsustainable in a competitive market. Local stations have not however, seen a decline in viewership over the past decade, which illustrates how important a service local stations are considering the increase in specialty

Speaking of specialty channels brings up more questions with regard to funding as many speciality channels including Much Music, Bravo, TSN, are often linked to nventional channels such as CTV or Glo bal. Yet, funding cannot be taken from the profits of these speciality channels as they are often owned by more than one party so there is no justification for broadcasters to take more than their share of the profits. Local television companies have joined together to campaign the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) to change the way cable companies handle local television. They have launched a media campaign with several commercials running that illustrate the ludicrousness of the situation. There is also a website where individuals can lend their name to the cause to help encourage the CRTC to make a change when the case is reviewed later this fall. Local channels are not seeking to increase the cable bills of Canadians but to decrease the profits of cable companies. The CRTC will be holding a hearing November 16th to determine the future of conventional television and the funding it should receive. The hope is to reach an agreement between the cable companies and the local television stations that

and satellite channels over the past year.

will allow local broadcasting to continue with funding to make it sustainable. For more information or to lend support to the cause visit www.localtvmatters.ca.

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Closing Up Shop

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Bell Aliant is expected to close eleven call centres in Atlantic Canada by next April. The remainder of the employees will be transferred to large call centres throughout the Maritimes. Bell Aliant is not getting into the details of how many employees will be laid off, but they mentioned that sixteen of its call centres employ a total amount of 1,400 individuals.

Some employees were transferred already and are currently working at large call centres in Halifax, Charlottetown, Moncton, Saint John, and Mount Pearl in eastern Newfoundland. Call centres with less than fifty employees will be closed. In New Brunswick: Shippagan, Bathurst, and Fredericton. In Nova Scotia: Truro, Amherst, Bridgewater, New Glasgow, and Sydney. The company is not certain as to what percentage of employees will remain employed. Summerside, P.E.I., and centres in St. John's and Gander, N.L. will also be affected. All of the full-time employees who belong to unions will be transferred to the large call centres. Bell Aliant wanted to focus more on efficient and effective training. Having a large number of call centres did not contribute to the training needs of the company. Management always has the best interests of

its customers in mind and a leaner approach in this case is beneficial.

Bell Aliant is aware that its competitors are operating under a similar platform of going lean, which allows for the company to focus on its customers. Some small towns will be negatively affected and citizens, who will be losing their jobs, are scrambling to find employment elsewhere. This is not an easy feat as some individuals are not as fortunate as others in relocating to a new city to gain employment. What about those taking care of their elderly fa-

mily members or parents with children? Nevertheless, the adjustment will have to take place whether it is welcomed or not. The cost-benefit analysis of the closure is not quantifiable at the time. However, they will be available at a conference-call with investment analysts on November 11. Bell Aliant is definitely keeping the big picture in mind by continuing to boost revenues and keeping costs low. Fifteen percent of management jobs were cut earlier in the year.



Watching the Progress Bar in Frustration

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I always wonder why the Internet connection here on campus is a bit slower every year. Videos are taking a longer time to load than usual. According to a study by Harvard University, Canada, for a well-developed country has very poor performance in the broadband category. Network capacity, national broadband, price, and network capacity was taken into

account. It seems that Canada does not measure up to its peer countries.

The survey conducted by Harvard's Berkman Center for Internet and Society ranked Canada 22 out of 30. Canada is ranked 16th on national broadband adoption, 20th on speed and capacity, and 25th on price. Japan, Sweden, and South Korea are at the top of the rankings. The United States placed 13th overall.

The purpose of the study was to give the Federal Communications Commission a platform to enhance a next-generation broadband plan.

The study highlighted that broadband enables economic growth which is essential to a country's well-being. It can also "benefit services such as telemedicine in rural areas, allow better management of transportation and energy systems, and reduce infrastructure costs for businesses." Canada is impartial to open access where a company can lease lines from the network and provide its own Internet service to customers. No one is sure how long we will be sitting and watching the progress bar, but I'm guessing that it will continue into the future.

Enrollment on the Rise

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Atlantic universities have reported

that enrollment for 2009-10 has increased. The Association of Atlantic universities have issued a preliminary survey that the universities have had a 1.5 percent increase in student enrollment. There was a decline in student enrollment the previous year which prompted universities to up the marketing antics. I must say that the marketing tactics of SMU have

definitely paid off. Everywhere I look I see our "One University. One world. Yours" slogan. It's on local transit buses, billboards and television commercials. The t-shirts are also gaining in popularity. Phrases like "I want to sit next to Margaret Atwood on a bookshelf" would definitely urge a high school senior to think about attending our university.

Full-time graduate students are increasing by 5.4% and international enrollment is up 16.5%! This is remarkable, considering the economic times. The University of Prince Ed-

ward Island is known for attracting

international students: enrollment in-

creased by 28% since last year. UPEI

has 452 international students from

52 countries. UPEI's President Wade

MacLauchlan, credits word of mouth

from current international students.

Our president, Dr. Colin Dodds is the

chairman of the Association of Atlan-

tic Universities. He credits the marke-

ting done by universities as a whole. SMU is definitely doing its job in attracting potential students. I have seen the increase of students over time: the line at Tim Horton's and Pita Pit has

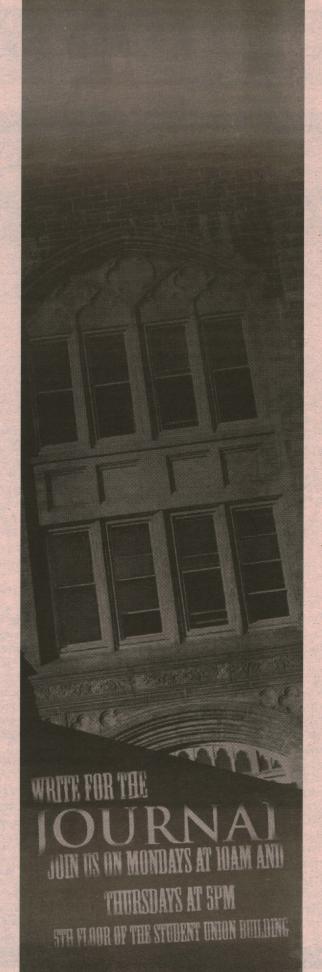
an estimated waiting time of 10 minutes. If you're running late to class and craving caffeine, keep this in mind. Sometimes when you do arrive late to class there are no seats because some students reserve seats for friends or make sure their backpacks are sitting comfortably in a seat that you're paying tuition for! The fifteen minutes between are definitely not enough

to brave the Tim's line and secure a seat. I noticed that students are showing up earlier to classes. In previous times, classes were empty until five minutes prior. Classrooms are almost filled ten to twelve minutes prior to class. I'm hoping for the tuition to decrease now that revenues are up. Keep up the good work SMU! Your marketing approach is admirable.

2012 is Upon Us!

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In southern Ontario, a meteorite fragment hit a SUV. The fragment, the size of a golf ball, was recovered by astronomers from the University of Western Ontario. The firecracker from space is forty-six grams in size and a fragment from an "ordinary chondrite" meteorite. The photographs obtained show the meteorite lighting up the sky upon its entry into the Earth's atmosphere. Scientists have estimated that the rock is 4.6 billion years old. Other researchers are asking the public for assistance in locating the other fragments. A few onlookers had described the ball of fire as "100 times brighter than the moon." The first sighting of the meteorite was captured by network cameras at the University of Western Ontario over Guelph. It was then tracked to a land mass between Hamilton and St. Catharine's. Scientists are using the data of the fragment to predict future occurrences of meteorite flight patterns. This data will also help to map the initial birthplace of the meteorite. Going at an estimated 75 km/h, this meteorite is definitely something to make note of. There is an increasing amount of motion pictures being made that are depicting the end of the world. Armageddon, Deep Impact, The Day After Tomorrow, and soon to be released in theatres is 2012. We have been threatened by the loom and gloom of global warming and other catastrophic events that are described as an end to human existence. With the ice caps continuing to melt and seasons have disintegrated before our eyes, i.e. the Halifax Summer, we can't help but wonder if the events of 2012 foreshadow an end to our home, Earth. We are bombarded with biblical and scientific evidence of the Earth's final conflict that forces us to build an underground bunker filled with energy drinks and YouTube videos.



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NOVA SCOTIA BASED MEDIA PITCH FOR SMALL BUSINESS WEEK (OCTOBER 19 - 24, 2009):

LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER CREDITS UNIVERSITY STUDENT TEAM WITH PROVIDING INVALUABLE GUIDANCE BEFORE GROWING HER NOW THRIVING BUSINESS.

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April MacKinnon, owner of Nurtured Products located on Robie Street in Halifax, wasn't always the business savvy "mom-trepreneur" she has now become. Back in June 2008, April met with the Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) team from St. Francis Xavier University, who offer consulting services on a volunteer basis through their ongoing project "Empowering Entrepreneurs". The team conducted buying research and financial statement review for Nurtured Product and presented April with three options for the future of her business. April chose the financially viable option of opening a store front in Halifax and hiring staff to help operate her business,

while she also juggles motherhood.

In 2008, April was awarded "Atlantic Canada's Mom Entrepreneur of the Year". The SIFE STFX team continues to work with April and Nurtured Products to ensure the businesses continued success. Nurtured Products is a company that sells environmentally friendly parenting products.

Additional Information sources: SIFE St.FX team president - to speak on the team's experience working with April MacKinnon, owner of Nurtured Products.

April MacKinnon, owner of Nurtured Products - to speak about her experience working with the SIFE St.FX team on expanding her business operations.

ABOUT TD SIFE ENTREPRE-NEURSHIP CHALLENGE:

This provincial initiative operated by the SIFE STFX team is part of the national TD SIFE Entrepreneurship Challenge, sponsored by TD Bank Financial Group and operated by ACE. Student teams work directly with aspiring entrepreneurs and local businesses to help improve their operations, profitability, creation of jobs, and on a whole build a stronger Canadian economy. During the 2008/2009 school year this national initiative has impacted 8,565 aspiring and current entrepreneurs and SIFE teams have logged 126,882 volunteer hours operating and implementing these projects.

Rescue of the law

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The sad faces on the live lobsters at grocery stores dictate the declining industry of lobster fishing. The situation continued to digress, which resulted in a Lobster Council of Canada being formed. The news of this council was unveiled in Mill River, P.E.I. Members of the council include fishermen, processors, and individuals who purchase lobsters on a regular basis here in Eastern Canada.

Ed Frenette, executive director of

the P.E.I. Fishermen's Association, is convinced that the valuable advice offered from the members of the council will be beneficial to the struggling lobster industry. Two of the goals of the council are to develop the international interest in the Atlantic Canadian lobster and improve the prices. The council was offered \$370,000 from NS, NB, PEI, NL, the government of Quebec, and the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans to improve operations over a two year period. An office will be opened here in Halifax. In the future, the group will be funded by fishermen, processors and buyers in Atlantic Canada.



Cirque du Soleil: The Dark Side

Oleksandr Zhurov, a Ukrainian born performer of the world renowned circus, Cirque du Soleil has died during a training session in Montreal. Zhurov fell of a trampoline while practicing for an upcoming show. He sustained extreme head injuries and medical personnel were not able to revive him.

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Galilean Nights 21 - 24 October 2009

2009 is the International Year of Astronomy (IYA), celebrating the 400th anniversary of great telescopic discoveries made by Galileo Galilei. All over the world, professional and amateur astronomers have joined together to celebrate IYA.

Astronomy Nova Scotia is a collective of local astronomers who have been successful in bringing the Universe down to Earth. They have counted more than 9000 "Galileo Moments" at which individual Nova Scotians have made a personal discovery about astronomy. For many, the Galileo Moment was their first view through a telescope. IYA2009 continues until the end of the year, but the last BIG event of the year is coming up: Galilean Nights: 21-24 October 2009. Here is the schedule of events:

Wed Oct 21 | Café Scientifique

"Ripples from the Big Bang"

with hosts Prof. Rob Thacker & Prof. Marcin Sawicki (SMU Astronomy & Physics) 7 p.m. Uncommon Grounds, 1030 South Park Street

This Cafe Scientifique will begin with a brief presentation on cosmology by Profs. Thacker and Sawicki, who will then moderate an informal discussion and field questions.

Thu Oct 22 | CBC Radio Noon Phone-in

"All About Astronomy" with guests Dave Lane and Doug Pitcairn

12:20 - 1:00 p.m. CBC Radio One 90.5 FM

Dave and Doug will answer questions from callers, including advice on how to choose a

Thu Oct 22 | Galileo Night at the Halifax Planetarium

with special guest Galileo Galilei

7:15 p.m. Room 118, Sir James Dunn Bldg., Dalhousie University

In this show, there will be a particular emphasis on Galileo's contibutions to Astronomy. It is hoped that the great man himself will be able take some time from his busy schedule to visit us at the Halifax Planetarium that night. Let's have a good turnout to greet him!

Minimum age 8 yrs. (The presentation is directed towards adults). Admission is charged: \$5 per adult; reductions for families with children (8 to 15 years) Seating is limited. If you plan to attend please reserve seats by e-mailing planetarium@dal.ca with the number of adults and accompanied children. (Directions to the planetarium and full fee information will be sent to you before the show.) Please do not be late; unlike the cinema, you won't get in once the lights are down.

ATV Breakfast Television

(Thu or Fri, TBD)

"How to Choose a Telescope" with guest Dave Chapman Dave will provide tips on choosing a telescope for yourself or as a gift.

Fri Oct 23 | Galileo Lecture Series: Prof. Christine Wilson (McMaster University Dept. of Physics & Astronomy)

"Beyond the Visible Universe"

7:30 p.m. Guptill Theatre, Sir James Dunn Bldg., Dalhousie University

The astronomical research of the next decade will focus on understanding the origins of planets, stars, galaxies, and even the universe itself. Millimetre-Wave radio astronomy is a novel and crucial tool in this quest for origins, because it allows us to probe into the

cold, dark regions of space where many of these formation processes occur. This talk will illustrate the promise and potential of these techniques by examining spectacular galaxy collisions that have triggered intense bursts of star formation, as well as new results which shed light on the more quiescent star formation which is the norm in galaxies like our own Milky Way. In addition, the talk will describe how new facilities currently under construction, such as the Atacama Large Millimetre Array (ALMA), promise a revolution in our understanding of the origin of structure in the universe.

Dr. Christine Wilson is a Professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Mc-Master University and the Canadian Project Scientist for the Atacama Large Millimetre Array. The discoverer of Comet Wilson while still a graduate student, she is best known. internationally for her work on star formation in nearby galaxies. She received her Ph.D. from Caltech in 1990, a Women's Faculty Award from the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council in 1992, and a Premier's Research Excellence Award from the Ontario government in 1999. She recently spent a sabbatical year based in Hilo, Hawaii, at the Smithsonian Observatory, where she led a major research project on the fuel for star formation in galaxies undergoing intense bursts of star formation. While in Hawaii, she, her husband, and two children enjoyed swimming, snorkelling, and exploring the

Weather permitting, there will be public observing through telescopes after the lecture.

Sat Oct 24 | Astronomy Cafe and Observing

"Conversations with Backyard Astronomers"

with host Chris Young, local amateur astronomer 7:30 p.m. at Cafe Ristretto, Bishops Landing

Chris will speak briefly about how amateur astronomers during IYA2009 have introduced the wonders of the night sky to the general public, and he will moderate an informal discussion of this and related topics. Weather permitting, there will be public observing through telescopes just outside.

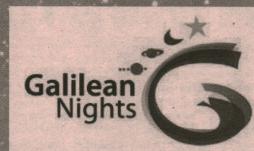
All Weekend | Public Sky Viewing with Telescopes

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SPORTS

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Field Hockey team take UNB by storm.

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The Saint Mary's Huskies Women's Field Hockey Team continued their undefeated streak last weekend, finishing first overall in the league with a record of 7-3-0. Scoring for SMU was Leigh Giffen (2), Kaitlin Whitehouse (2), Mandy Avery and Erin Rowe; shutouts by Karen Beals. With only one goal scored against them all season, the Huskies still have a challenging playoff weekend ahead. They looked to renew their AUS Champions title at UPEI this Saturday and Sunday. If they succeeded, the team will still have to qualify for CIS (U Vic, Nov. 5th-8th) through OUAs being hosted at the University of Western Oct. 29-Nov.1st. Wish us luck! (At the time of this article's writing and submission the results of the AUS tournament at UPEI were unavailable)

Soccer Teams Record Tie and Loss in Home Action This Weekend

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Both the Huskies men's and women's soccer teams were at home this weekend, taking on the #2 ranked Dalhousie Tigers on Saturday and the #4/5 ranked X-men on Sunday.

The game against the Tigers was a scoreless tie for both the men and the women; this marked the second tie for both the Huskies teams.

Sunday's games against X were the teams last home games before the November 1st playoff push against UPEI. The men and women unfortunately lost their first of two meetings against St. FX; Sunday saw the men dropping their game 3-2 and the women 2-1.

The Huskies are both still in good standing to make the AUS play-offs however must win their next three games to securely cement their place in the standings. Come out to see the Huskies last home game on November 1st as they take on the UPEI Panthers at 1 and 315.

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Men's Hockey Start Season Hot

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It would appear to the casual observer that the men's hockey team have forgotten all about their defeat to the Western Mustangs in last year's CIS semi-final game and are focused on the here and now.

The Huskies opened their regular season action this weekend with an over-time win against long-time city rivals the Dalhousie Tigers. Playing before a crowd of 750 at Dal's Memorial Arena the men looked optimistic to continue their pre-season success. Cody Thornton threw a power-play goal into the net in the closing minutes of the first period. It took the Tigers almost an entire period to answer back

with an even strength goal by Patrick Sweeney halfway through the second.

The Huskies and Tigers traded goals and blows throughout the remainder of the game. The play got extremely rough. At one point, Ronald Kelly was given a five minute major penalty and a ten minute game misconduct for a check from behind that he threw half-way into the 2nd period. Because of Kelly's actions the penalties were a little lopsided for Dalhousie: eight penalties for 27 minutes compared to the Huskies three for six minutes. Though the score was close the shots and face-off statistics are decidedly in SMU's favour; the Huskies peppered Bobby Nadeau with 46 shots and won 48 of the 92 faceoffs in the game. Pridham and Fergus had win percentages

of 68% and 63% respectively.

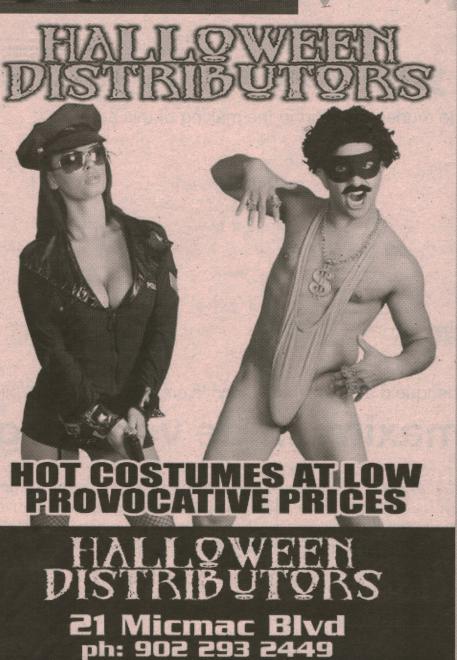
Fergus tallied the game winning goal as well; 1:24 into a high-sticking penalty Fergus managed to sneak the puck past Nadeau, helping his team to their first win in the 2009-2010 season. Brandon Verge has also returned to the Huskies. In his 4th year as a Husky, Verge continues to play well and is always relied upon to keep SMU in the game and help them secure their wins.

In related news, Trevor Steinburg has signed on for another five years as Huskies' head coach. SMU is currently 178-117-27 in the first 12 years of Steinburg's leadership and in the next five years can be expected to continue the improvements they have been making, and hopefully win their first University Cup CIS hockey championship.

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SPORTS in a minute

Men's Basketball; The team split a pair of preseason exhibition road games this weekend, the first of nine such exhibition games the men will be playing. They faced off against the 2008-2009 lowest ranked AUS team, UNB winning 93-60 on Friday. Saturday Night the men then took on the #1 ranked X-Men, who tied for 5th in the CIS last season and are 12 time AUS championship winners. Although the Huskies weren't able to beat the X-Men it was a close game. Hopefully the men are prepared to come out fighting and better their 4th place finish from last season.

Women's Basketball; Last weekend marked the start of the women's pre-season games and they came out strong, defeating both Laurentian and Carleton Universities at home. Exhibition games are good indicators of the season to come and with some great coaching staff the women are sure to thrill at this weekend's exhibition tournament at Laval University.

Cross Country; The cross country team were away again this weekend for the last exhibition tournament before the AUS championships here at SMU. The team has shown promise in their first two meets of the season with strong finishes from Ashley Ryer (1st in the women's 5k at Dalhousie) and Joel Bergman (11th in the men's 8k at St. FX). Results from the UNB exhibition meet will be printed when they become available. Come out and cheer on the cross-country runners on October 31st as they race five and 10 kms for the women and men respectively. Races start at 12 noon for the women and 1245 for the men.

Football; The Saint Mary's Huskies played their 3rd and final regular season road game this weekend, travelling to McGill University in Montreal and showing them why we're 8th in the CIS and rising in their own stadium. The Huskies powered through the Redmen, posting 39 points and 286 offensive yards. SMU Kicker Justin Palardy also broke the AUS kicking record this weekend, he now has a total of 59 field goals and is 11 completed field goals away from the all-time CIS record of 70.

This weekend marked the 2nd AUS / FQSE Interlock game, other score from the interlock include Mount Allison's crushing 73-7 defeat at the hands of Laval University and Concordia's 39-5 win over Acadia.

Women's Hockey; The women's hockey team started their season off with a road trip and have proven that even on the road they are fiercely competitive. The women seem to have hit their stride early this year winning their games. Friday in Charlottetown the Huskies handed the UPEI Panthers a 6-1 loss. Melissa Young topped the leaderboard with 3 points (2 goals and an assist), Kyla Thurston followed with 2 goals, and Lauren McCusker and Sarah Maynard each posted a goal. Assists went to Laura Price, Megan Bradbury, Leah MacLennan, Kayla Oakley and Rebecca Mosher. Not only were the Panthers out scored by the Huskies they were also out-shot 33-18, though the Panthers had more power-plays they were unable to make any of their shots count. Back in nets for the Huskies is Jillian MacIssac, starting her 4th season with the Huskies, hopefully this one will be successful

Women's Rugby; The women's rugby team were once more victorious against Acadia University. The women won 10-5 cementing their 2nd place finish and the right to host the AUS semi-final game on October 24th. The semi-final game will have the Huskies once again taking on the Acadia Axe-women. Should the Huskies win this game they will face the St. FX X-Women on October 31st in Antigonish. Be on the look-out around campus for reminders about the semi-final game and come out and cheer on the Huskies, these women deserve your pride and would love to have a crowd out cheering for them.



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To the ass who parked his SUV so close to the driver side of my car that I couldn't get in and had to crawl across the passenger side just to get in: You sir are a dick. Learn to park properly, as you look dumber than a dump truck bumper.

To all those people who take a computer in the lab just to check their Facebook or read some stupid tabloid website. I know that it's really important that you can see what drunk pictures you were tagged in or check the latest news about Jon and Kate but really, when I need a computer and I see you looking at Facebook or Perez Hilton I really am forced to suppress the urge to smack you around and then proceed with my assignment or the research that I need to do.

To the jerk that stole my cab last Sunday: thanks for leaving me standing out in the rain as the cabbie drove away. I love being wet on my way to work. I hope that you had somewhere really important to be, douche-wad.





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