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## Price of an education

by Merewyn Wagner

There are a lot of costs that come along with being privileged enough to attend an institution of higher learning. However, the question being asked by students around this time of year is about some of the less obvious cost of their education - namely books.

A lot of the students that attend university fight to find the money to attend. They find it by receiving a student loan, or by working excessively all year round. Many students say they are caught in a catch twenty-two, whereby they have to work so hard to get the money to pay for their education that the education they are paying for suffers because they are working too much.

Some of the prices of books found on the shelves of Saint Mary's bookstore were shocking. It seems that commerce and science students are asked to fork out the most for single books. A commerce book called *Essentials of Management Information Systems 3rd Edition* cost \$154.95. For one half-credit English class the books totaled \$114.20.

When students were asked what they thought about the prices of books, most had similar complaints. Katherine Doucette, a sociology student at SMU, has yet to buy her books,

which she says will come close to \$400.00. Trent Waterhouse, a fourth year arts student said, "I would like to know why I had to pay \$104.00 for an economics book that I only used five chapters out of the 22 chapter book."

Some students said that this semester isn't as bad as some others they've had in the past, but still feel they are being gyped. Robert Claus, a third year student said, "I only had to buy one new book this term, but last semester my books totaled \$600.00."

Don Harper, the manager of the Saint Mary's bookstore, gave some answers to why the prices of books are so high. He said that the reason why the textbook prices are so high is because, when buying from the publishers they are given a certain percentage discount. For textbooks the college discount is 20 per cent, where as 'trade' books, these are books that you would buy at places like Coles, are given a 40 per cent discount. That is why when you are buying a copy of *Wuthering Heights* it will only cost you about \$6.00, because it is considered a 'trade' book and not a textbook.

When asked about the buy back policy Harper stated that the "SMU bookstore is one of the biggest promoters of used books," and wishes that he could give a bigger percentage

back to the students, but there are a lot of factors that come into play.

"People don't realize how much work is involved in buying back used books. It is very labor intensive. We have to hire on extra staff to clean the books up for resale, and we run the risk of these books getting cancelled. We can't send back the used ones to the publishers like we can the new ones, so if they get cancelled we have to be able to cover our losses. We can not pay half price on a book if we don't get confirmation that it will be used the following year."

When asked about why it is that students always have to purchase new edition books, he said that he agrees that, "editions revision cycles are too short," pointing out that for commerce books the revisions are usually every three years. He also said that these new editions are used for selling a product to the professors giving them the idea that their book is the best for their course, because the publishing companies are in competition with each other. So in order to sell their book they must have flashy covers and the most up to date information. He states further that it is unfortunate students get caught up in this and understands their dismay.

## Student loan situation makes university president uneasy

by Julie Clow

Despite the fact that Royal Banks in Nova Scotia have promised to keep the prov-

ince's students in cash for at least another semester, there is still some skepticism about the future of the student loan program among members of the

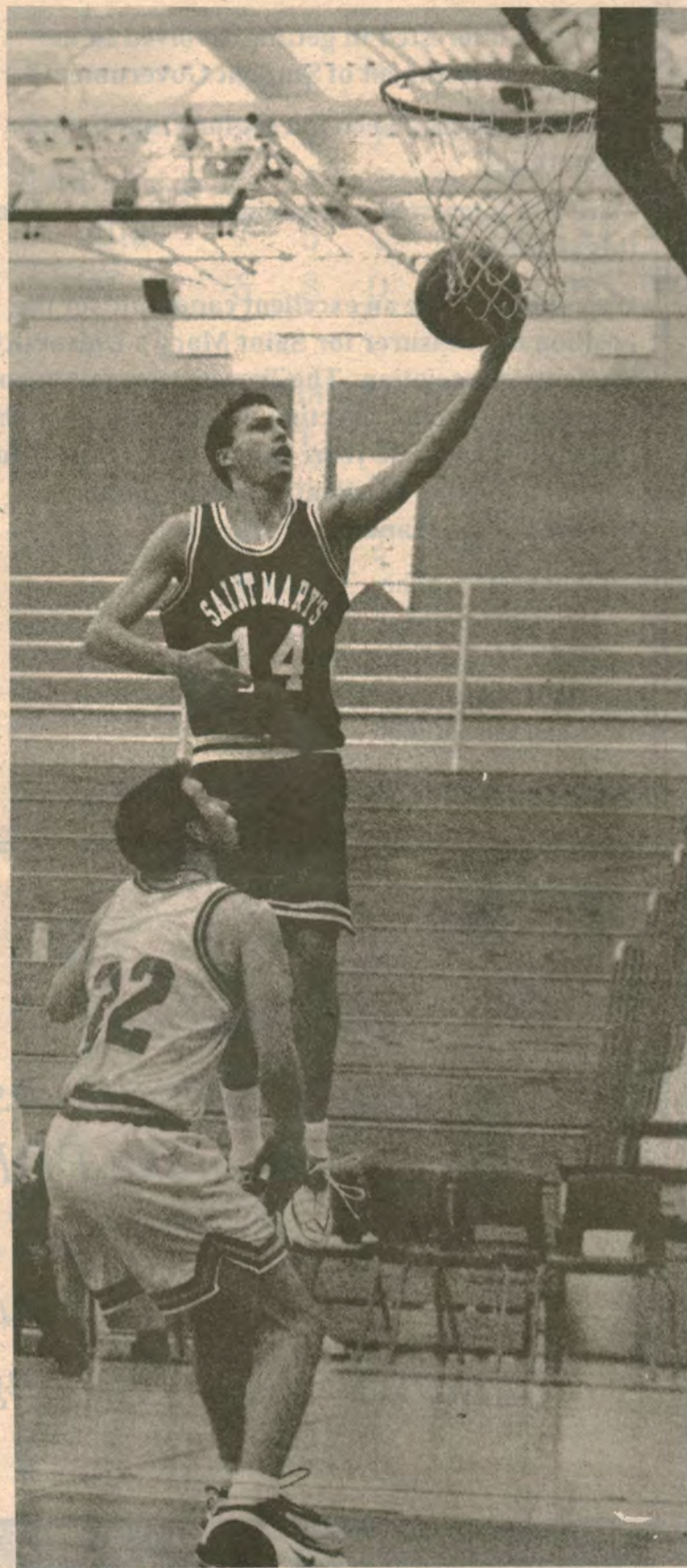
university administration.

President of Saint Mary's University, Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, O.C., said that he feels "uneasy" about the situation at present.

"I can understand that businesses are in business to make money," said Ozmon. "I don't have a problem with that and I don't think the businesses should be subjected to any risk. But, I can't help but think that the roots of this problem go back to the time when the government decided to give more loan and less bursary. In a sense, as a consequence, it has forced students to assume more debt than they should. That bothers me."

In addition to the basic problems associated with student loans, Ozmon is also

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SAINT MARY'S GUARD, JONAH TAUSSIG, LAYS THE BALL IN FOR 2 POINTS AGAINST MEMORIAL. SMU WON BOTH GAMES THIS WEEKEND TO MOVE INTO FIRST PLACE OF THE WEST DIVISION. SEE STORY PAGE 13.

## Getting paid at SMU

by Anne Swiatoniowska

Anne Swiatoniowska's *Getting paid at SMU* is a three part series that will continue next week with information on student wages. Much financial and employment information about university staff and administration is classified as confidential.

Saint Mary's University is, in addition to being a place for students and professors, a place of employment for university staff.

The staff currently under

wage review are those that are covered under the Nova Scotia Government Employees Union, NSGEU, local 79 at Saint Mary's; those under the International Union of Operating Engineers local 968 which is the central heating plant; and the senior administrative staff identified as the Administrative Professional Confidential Staff, APC Staff, which includes people who deal with administrative and with confidential,

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JOAN McNEIL'S BRICKWORKS NOW ON DISPLAY IN THE SAINT MARY'S ART GALLERY. SEE STORY PAGE 10.

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# SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION



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## ATTENTION Commerce Students!

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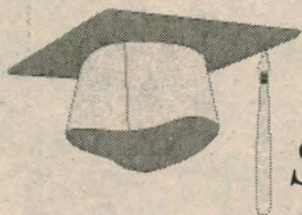
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SMUSA is also looking for a student to assume the position of Director of External Affairs to begin on May 1, 1999. Anyone interested can pick up an application form from the 5th floor of the S.U.B. Building by Friday, February 5th by 5pm. This is a position that runs exactly one year and is certainly a great learning experience. If you would like to hear more about this position drop by the 5th floor and speak to any one of the Executive SRC representatives.

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### Saint Mary's convocation in The Gambia

by Maria Paradoski

On February 16, 1999, tradition will meet the future when 65 students in The Gambia, West Africa are awarded degrees from Saint Mary's University.

While it is not unusual to see international students graduating from SMU, this particular convocation is unique in that the university has gone to The Gambia, as opposed to the students coming to the university.

It is all part of something called the University Extension Program and it represents a joint effort between SMU and The Gambia.

The Gambia is one of the poorest countries in the world

and as such cannot afford to have a university. However, recognizing the importance of having a university education and the positive effect it can have on an economy grounded in poverty, SMU signed an agreement to provide a university program in the country. Most people in The Gambia are not able to study abroad and those who do rarely return home.

Since January 1996, SMU has been educating students in The Gambia and on February 16, 1999 the first graduates will receive degrees. Of the 65 who receive degrees, 31 are teachers.

Some professors instructing at the university are from Saint Mary's and some are from The

Gambia. Saint Mary's profs are receiving about one fourth of the payment they would usually receive. Both the faculty and the students of the University Extension Program (UEP) are subject to the same qualifications and requirements as the SMU students in Nova Scotia. In The Gambia, Bachelor of Arts degrees may be pursued in the following; English, International Development, Economics, Geography, and History, Courses in Commerce and Science are limited due to the lack of facilities.

Funding in the program is made up by government scholarships and private tuition payments.

#### This week in history

Wednesday, January 13th is Benedict Arnold's birthday.

Thursday, January 14th was the date in 1990 that cartoon/comedy The Simpson's premiered

Friday, January 15th is Chuck Berry's Birthday

Saturday, January 16th is National Nothing Day, where you celebrate not celebrating anything

January 17th The first episode of Bonanza aired in 1973

January 18th the original Morris the cat died in 1975

January 19th the front hook bra was invented in 1951

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You must go to the security office with proper identification to gain access.

Thank you.

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### Sermons from the Mount

Over the Chistmas holidays (which already seem an eternity ago) it seems that somebody had the sass to break into our beloved offices of student government. Although they displayed ingenuity in their method (climbing through the ceiling panelling), it would seem they lacked a sense of purpose (they stole petty cash in the amounts that could have been obtained by returning pop bottles and while leaving boxes full of cigarettes).

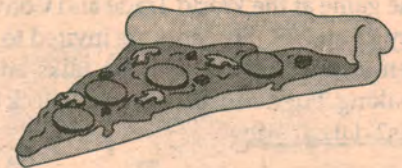
Besides the menacing security sign now displayed in front of the offices, here are some of our office security suggestions.

1. A scarecrow that looks like security head honcho Bill Promaine.
2. Get more out of the Husky mascots. Put them on nighttime patrol.
3. A moat.
4. Advertise that breaking into their office is a Winter Carnival event, then nobody will show.

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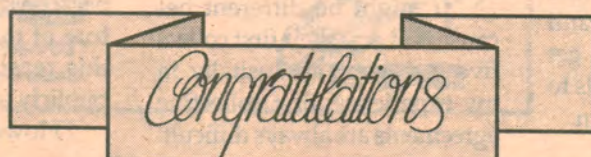
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# The News in Brief

by Lea Lamoureux

### Astronomy - Physics Lecture

David G. Turner of the SMU Astronomy and Physics department will be giving a talk regarding Cepheid Light Variations as Diagnostic of Stellar Evolution and Pulsational Chaos on Friday, January, 15 1999 in McNally Main room 310 from 4 to 5 p.m., all are welcome to attend.

### 7 Day Free Trial Offer at The Tower

Members of the public are invited to get aquatinted with SMU's athletic facility The Tower for free from January 2-16 1999. For more information call The Tower at 420-5555.

### Valedictorian Contest

Saint Mary's students who are convocating in the spring of 1999 are invited to apply for the honour of class valedictorian. The deadline for application is Wednesday February 3, and the contest is on Friday February 12. Applications are available at Student Services on the fourth floor of the Student Center

### Relaxation Group

Saint Mary's Counseling Services are offering a Relaxation group to students this year, three sessions are available on Friday January 22, February 19, and March 19 from 3-4 p.m. Space is limited, so for more information contact Counseling Services in the Student Center.

### Dal Business Seminar

Marketing Yourself in the New Millennium is the name of the game at the World Trade and Convention Center on January 28 and 29. Students are invited to check out this Business Seminar which will include talks and sessions and contact making. For more information, check out the website: <http://is2.dal.ca/~db>

### Beer at Saint Mary's

Newly appointed President and CEO of the Canadian Executive Service Organization (CESO), Charles Beer, will be visiting Saint Mary's campus. Beer, who replaces the retiring Dan Haggerty, will be meeting on January 15<sup>th</sup> with MBA students who will be going on assignments with CESO on three aboriginal reserves during the month of February.

## Student loan situation makes...

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concerned with the idea of default rates and what might happen in the future. He said that while he does not have a really good understanding of default rates of student loans, he finds it bothersome when statistics are released about certain institutions or groups that say they have a high default rate. "There are unreasonable barriers put on the study. For instance, a student is said to have defaulted on their loan if they have missed or even have been late with one payment," he said.

And according to Ozmon, there are still threats that education institutions are going to have to face. One of the more prominent is the idea that once a certain institutions default rates get beyond a certain threshold, the students at that institution will no longer be al-

lowed to borrow money.

While Saint Mary's is, according to reports from the student loan official, approximately middle of the pack when it comes to default rates, Ozmon said he is still concerned with the threat of changing student loan policies.

"For an institution like SMU with a large number of part-time students, the threat of a changing provincial student loan package is particularly daunting," he said.

One of the changes being discussed is to raise the threshold of the number of courses students are taking to qualify for a student loan from 60 per cent to 80 per cent.

"Where does the single mother that has to work and can only take two courses get the assistance that she needs to better herself?" said Ozmon.

# Spring Garden Road's princess

by Bryn Jones

The Spring Garden Road district is one of extreme contrast. In the midst of luxurious businesses, street entertainers, and panhandlers, there is a woman who will warm your heart. Her name is Judy and she is one of the sellers of Street Feat—Halifax's street magazine.

In our first telephone conversation it was evident I was dealing with a unique person. One that had grasped and grown with the meaning of humanity. Her outlook is honest, deep and remarkably eloquent. A few weeks went by before our schedules could meet but finally on a cold, wet Tuesday the adventure began.

Having met Judy only once, back in November passing by on Spring Garden- I was honestly a bit leery of this person. Eager to have the interview; I jumped in as usual.

First stop was her apartment, the outside of the building was uninviting but I proceeded into her world. The small apartment was filled with lovely artwork, figures and other personal possessions. Her living room was an ambiance of joy, love and general happiness. I now felt more at ease to know I was dealing with a great person.

After that we ended up downtown on her home turf, discussing the issues. A world began to open to me that I never really saw before. A Halifax native, she had quite a story to share about her life and views. She had once been an actress and was involved heavily in the arts community before her illness nearly killed her. An extremely spiritual woman, she believes in Jesus and treasures everyday with true love. As we continued our walk, I began to



JUDY AT HER FINEST, MEETING AND GREETING ON SPRING GARDEN ROAD.

see how I had stereotyped her because of what she does. It opened my mind to really look past all physical appearances and to know someone is to know their personality.

When she began selling on Spring Garden, she admits it was hell. The people were mean and didn't care and she even faced an attack. She stuck with it and now has alliances on SGR. Her mandate is to warm Spring Garden up and make it a friendlier place. Judy seems to be achieving this for when she's gone for awhile people miss her. Also a big key to her success is her outgoing nature and her costumes. You can almost always see her out there in some type of costume- her response: "I do it to be festive. If it's Mardi Gras or Halloween, I'll dress up for that. Sometimes, I'll dress up for the Jazz festival." She cites that people like this and this is one of the reasons for her success on her street. She likes to make people happy and this is how she does it.

Judy does hold some piquant views about the world and our city. Today's people, she feels, are too busy for anyone else but themselves. She coincides that people need to pay more attention to one another and love each other: "Race, creed, religion, whatever you are we should all get together as a family."

Another problem she has faced is lack of support for the magazine. Many establishments in the area have refused to support the magazine, a fact she finds disturbing. Again she feels it comes back to people not caring and not accepting others. When asked why she sells Street Feat she says to help the poor, make a little extra money and to feel good about myself. Judy can be found selling outside Shopper's Drug Mart, though she is taking the winter off till it gets warm again due to her illness. Next summer when you get a chance, walk by and meet her and don't forget to get some of her pearls of wisdom.

## Getting paid at SMU

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sensitive material. Reviews are expected to be completed sometime early in this new year.

The wage reviews and negotiations concluded without incident and without any threat of strike as occurred in the previous school year with the Canadian Union of Public Employees faction that is responsible for the part-time professors at SMU, Dalhousie, and Mount Saint Vincent.

"It might be different because that was their first collective agreement and usually, in my experience, first collective agreements are always difficult.

As far as I can see that would probably be the only difference," said Daniel Stone, Human Resources, when asked why he thought the union negotiations led to a strike situation at one time and not at another, although he was not directly involved with those particular negotiations.

All agreements between the university and affiliated unions are published and available to the public. However, according to Stone, wages of APC Staff are not affiliated with any unions because of the confidential nature of their work and are for this reason not published or publicly available.

"However, in an effort to

stay competitive, Saint Mary's is continually aware of at least what other institutions, for example other educational institutions, are paying as wages in the Atlantic region," said Stone. "We attempt to maintain competitiveness with respect to the salaries that we do pay to these kinds of positions."

Stone added that a Wage and Salary Administration Program is currently afoot in order for Saint Mary's to better remain competitive. The administration also trades copies of union collective agreements with other universities in order to maintain a competitive edge to the salaries of other SMU staff.

## Downward spiral

### The financial squeeze of a post-secondary education

There is good news and bad news for the outlook of student loans and their subsequent effect on post secondary education.

The bad news is that students only have six months until the future of the loan system is again in question.

The good news is that, well, I lied, there is no good news, sorry.

The ability to obtain a post secondary education has become an increasing challenge for the masses. The most realistic chance for many to secure the degree necessary for career enhancement was thrown away with the decimation of the bursary system.

Couple this loss of bursaries with the meteoric rise of tuition fees and you get a student population increasingly dependant on the loan system and completely overrun with debt.

They are depending on a loan system, it seems, that is on the verge of yet another monumental shift in authority.

The government surrendered its management of the loan system in 1996. Last year, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce pulled out, leaving the Royal Bank as the only financial institution providing government loans to students.

CIBC opted out of the program claiming it was taking too much of a hit on defaulted loans, with figures later released showing a 32 percent repayment delinquency of more than two months. Concerns about the high rate of loan defaults are now being echoed by the Royal Bank, which lead to the possibility of them dropping the loans once their contract was up on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 1998.

The definition of 'loan default' is a major bone of contention between the two sides in this arrangement. Some are miffed that the Royal Bank includes students who have missed or been late for a single payment as deadbeat or defaulted.

Defintion differences aside, Canada's major banks are all about money, making billions of dollars in assets last year. So if two of these financial monoliths have quickly bailed on the program it would seem to indicate they are losing money, or at least not making enough to justify their involvement.

Regardless of whether the Royal Bank is really losing money or using its opportune position to gain more favourable terms with the government, this latest showdown should be most disturbing to students.

Some of the reforms that are being suggested include having institutions with high default rates being taken off the loan eligibility list, as well as an increase in the risk premiums the government pays to cover the loans.

What is frightening about this? If granted, these concessions would give banks, who have their own interests, greater influence on the education system.

And the banks will get their concessions with little quarrel because there is little to no alternative. The government does not want to be the provider of student loans, they threw in the towel just a short while ago. The proverbial cupboard is bare, with all aspects of social programs experiencing decreased funding, so our government can ill afford to take on the burden of the student loan system.

To keep the banks in the game they will eventually be granted the concessions needed to guarantee a greater rate of loan repayment.

Some people point the finger at irresponsible students, claiming that they should not be making financial commitments they cannot honour in the future. There are those individuals who are, no doubt, shunning their fiscal responsibility for the sake of more comfortable lifestyles. But for many, faced with the reality that the job market only caters progressive careers to individuals with a post-secondary education, students can only bite the financial bullet and hope that their degree can provide them with the means to meet the payments.

Stats Canada shows that 1 in every 20 graduates from 1995 that required a student loan have defaulted within the first two years of their graduation.

And for students just starting their academic careers, the financial burden is getting exponentially heavier.

Upon perusing my old tuition records I determined that I spent just over \$2600 for a full courseload in the 1993 scholastic year. This year that number stands at \$3920, and let us not even mention the ballooning cost of books.

The cost of an education keeps rising. The ability to obtain financial assistance is going to become more difficult, and those who do obtain this assistance will have the monumental responsibility of repayment. With these realities, it would seem that the days when a university degree was a realistic goal for anyone and everyone are now becoming days of the past.

Welcome to the dawn of a new reality.

T.W.

RUSSELL CALLS UP GERALD REGAN TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON BEATING 36 SEXUAL ASSAULT CHARGES

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### Summer Study in China or Japan

Applications are now being accepted for summer study in Xiamen, China and Hakodate, Japan. One and a half credits (pass/fail) will be awarded for language study at either the 100 or 200 level. One credit will be given for Asian Studies 302.0. Some subsidy may be available to cover tuition, travel and accomodation.

Application Procedures:

Write a letter to the Co-ordinator of Asian Studies outlining your reasons for study in China or Japan. Submit a current transcript of your academic record. Submit two letters of reference (at least one of these should be from someone who has taught you).

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## Mark-ups or rip-offs?

Business Editorial

by Gordon MacDonald

After spending almost \$600.00 dollars on four books this semester, you could say that I was inspired to explore the world of mark-ups. I couldn't believe the amount I had to pay for books that I would only use for one semester before the professors changed the text, leaving me with books that would not get bought back, or for a VERY small percentage.

Being business students, you would think that we would be able to grasp the concept of mark-ups, but who draws the line between mark-ups and rip-offs? I guess because we are students, it's clouding our judgement. You know, when the stu-

dent aid office claims that they have over awarded and barely gave you enough to cover tuition, yet they pass it off like they are doing you a favour, I guess that could make a few hundred people angry enough to cloud their judgement.

It really sends me over the edge when the bookstore tries to pass a brand new (or used for that matter) book off at a 'fair price' when Wal-Mart is selling the same book, brand new, for a whole lot less. That was the case last year with a management course offered here. The book was between \$70-100, yet Wal-Mart had it for \$30.00.

My personal favorite moment occurs when I open the book to that first publishers

write a small disclaimer addressed to the students explaining why we just got sucked in. The best thing that happened to me occurred this semester after I dished out \$130.00 for a book (that probably won't be used again!) and not only is there that, "Here's why you're broke" disclaimer, but I got a partial subscription to a business magazine. Yippy for me. It's not as if I'm \$30,000 in the hole already, what's a few thousand more for my home library of all those books that didn't get bought back.

Last semester, I bought a brand new book, like a lot of you. That book was well over one hundred dollars. The course coordinator thought it would be great to update the

book in mid-year. After the exam I thought I could get some extra Christmas cash by selling the book back, especially because I hated the course and it had nothing to do with my major, but no go there. Nope, "we're not buying that one" said the 'buy back' man, well, was I ever bitter. Bitter enough to tear a strip off of the coordinator.

When I probed him about it, he said boldfaced, "Aren't you going to keep the book anyway?" I guess I have no choice now.

So where does that rip-off factor come into play? It would be interesting to see what the profits are for the bookstore. I am not trying to make anyone

(particularly the bookstore) mad, but it would be nice. From a business students' point of view, I understand why the bookstore has to mark-up their books and other products; the law of supply and demand and all of that crap, but I wonder what the percentage really is? It would also be interesting to hear Shakespeare's point of view on selling his poetry and plays for more than he probably ever made in the sum of his lifetime.

Halifax ranks among the highest for universities per capita, and Canada ranks among the most literate countries in the world, maybe that's why we are in such economic turmoil. Just a thought

## Can they keep last year's title?

SMU students Manitoba bound for marketing competition

by Paul Isenor

A group of Saint Mary's students has been pounding away at a marketing simulation game called MarkStrat. They're involved in the Manitoba International Marketing Competition (MIMC). This is a competition that involves a complex market simulation program that is played over the Internet by university students around the world.

The competition really does have an international feel to it with teams coming from Germany, the southern United States, and Canada. The Saint Mary's students have been running a virtual business over the net for most of first semester, and all their hard work will come to a conclusion on this coming weekend. This is when the final stage of the competition will take place, in Winnipeg.

This final stage involves a

round of presentations to their virtual board of directors who are actually the judges. They will be very strict and won't allow the use of simulation, game or any other word that

try. Once they go through the first round of presentations in Winnipeg, one winner from each industry will move on to the second round of presentations.

This year, there are six students on the team, and they're pretty excited about the presentation round. "We're really looking forward to making the trip to Winnipeg," from a smiling Ben Cameron. "We know that the presentations will be intense, but we're excited."

The group of six really seems to be working well together too, "There's a good sense of team unity amongst the group," Cameron tells me. "It took us while to get a hang of the game,

but it's coming together now, and our results are showing that," Jeff Dixon adds. The team is made up of Krista Hall, Ben Cameron, Brian Morris, Natalie Brown, Jeff Dixon, and Yvonne Templeton.

Last year, Acadia and SMU represented the Atlantic Provinces. Saint Mary's, won their industry last year, and then finished third overall in the world. Acadia did not advance from their industry last year and if memory serves me correctly, they placed last in their division. The team this year is currently running in second place, and made a big jump of two spots over one period, something that's extremely hard to accomplish. They've also had some shortfalls with the game to overcome. Every school is supposed to be given a practice decision, but apparently this year's practice decision didn't go over too well.

"The practice decision this year was scrapped," Dixon

chuckles. "Some of the other schools were having problems sending their decision in, so we started right away at the competition," Dixon notes, but assures me that there haven't been any other serious problems.

The team from last year brought home a winning trophy for SMU, which contributed to our ranking in MacLean's magazine as 3<sup>rd</sup> in awards by full-time faculty, but no pressure. It looks like SMU has got another good team to represent them this year. They really look like their going to perform. From what I know of the group, they'll let the rest of the world know that Saint Mary's students know their way around the business world, and the dance floor.

One tip they should be aware of before going: hotel security is going to try to convince you that the rooms are meant to hold 4 people, trust me they'll easily hold forty five.



describes the competition. To them, it's another board meeting. Even though this is only a simulation, when their presenting in front of that board, it will be the most real presentation they've done so far in their university careers. The virtual world that the students are running their business in is made up of three different industries. Each industry has four teams, and they are competing against other businesses in their own indus-



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HOLIDAYS for 18-35s

# SMU students sign here

## Petition circulating regarding exam scheduling

by Benjamin Dover

Did you ever notice that all of the exams you have for your major are always scheduled back to back and sometimes even on the same day? Leah Pace, a 4<sup>th</sup> year finance/human resource management student has.

Pace has started a petition for students to sign in regards to this situation. "You should be able to put criteria into the computer to spread out the days [between exams]." Pace is petitioning to have the registrar's

office schedule exams (required to complete majors) at least 48 hours apart. She went on to explain what she calls 'exam head' as a main reason.

"If we look at the calendar, there are a set number of courses we have to take in our fourth year. It just doesn't seem right that all of those exams have to be together. I know last year I had an exam at night and the next one at 2 o'clock and I tried to study after I wrote the one at night and it just didn't work. I had exam head."

The petition must be passed into the registrar's office soon enough so that they can try and do something about it. Pace says that the petition will be passed in by January 27<sup>th</sup>. A number of students have already signed the petition, which is at the information desk in the SMU student union building. It's not just limited to finance and management, it's for all majors. "The more students we have signing [the petition] the more impact it will have," says Pace.



LEAH PACE GETS THE PETITION GOING AT THE INFO DESK IN THE SMU SUB IN HOPES THAT FINAL EXAMS WHICH DEAL WITH MAJORS WILL BE SCHEDULED AT LEAST 48 HOURS APART. IT GOES TO THE REGISTRARS OFFICE AT THE END OF JANUARY.

# How to make yourself save

After dieting and trying to quit smoking, saving money is probably the hardest thing to do. Regularly saving a portion of your earnings seems like it should be simple, but it's not.

There are always emergencies that take up the extra money - like car repairs or dentist bills. Or there are temptations, like a nice dinner out on the town, or that unique chest of drawers you've been eyeing at the store down the street. While you work hard and deserve to treat yourself, the extra treats and unexpected expenses can derail even the best intentioned savings plan.

The key to saving is really equal parts common sense and discipline. Here are a few tips to help you put away that extra bit of money each month - and still have enough money to treat yourself without feeling guilty.

### Tip #1 - Set realistic goals.

Ever looked at your salary and then at your paltry bank balance and sworn you would stash away at least a third of your next pay cheque? Many of us have, but few of us actually are able to meet such a tough goal. We just end up feeling rotten about ourselves, throw in the towel, and decide to try again next month.

The truth is, you've got to be easier on yourself. Most savings plans fail because we set unrealistic goals for ourselves. If you're having trouble saving now, imposing a huge savings target isn't going to help.

The best strategy is to start small, with a target you know you can hit. Then once you get used to the reduced level of spending, you can gradually increase your monthly savings target. Pretty soon you'll be putting away more money than you ever thought possible.

### Tip #2 - Pay yourself first.

You may have heard of the old saying, "Pay yourself first." If you deduct your savings directly from your pay cheque or bank account, you are treating your savings like a bill you have to pay. The money is already gone so you can't be tempted to spend it. And you'll be surprised at how much money you've saved without even missing it.

You can set up an automatic withdrawal plan that deposits money directly into a mutual fund, Canada Savings Bond, or even a special savings account. But remember to make your monthly withdrawal a realistic amount - about 10% of your salary. Start small because if you take too much money away from your monthly income, then you risk having to halt your savings plan to make ends meet.

### Tip #3 - Reduce buying on credit.

Buying on credit is extremely easy and many people have several cards - maybe two from banks or trust companies, one from a gas station, and a few from department stores.

There are many advantages to using credit cards. You don't have to carry around a lot of cash, and you can take advantage of bargains when your cash is limited. And then are those emergency situations when a credit card saves the day.

But unfortunately, having credit cards at your disposal can also lead to bad buying habits. You can whip a card out and buy that new leather jacket before you pause to think about whether you can really afford it.

Now, maybe that new jacket isn't really a bad buy if you can pay off your credit card balance each month. But the truth is, many of us don't and now you are incurring hefty interest

charges. You end up spending even more money - money that you might have been able to put into a mutual fund or a saving account.

### Tip #4 - Don't forget to reward yourself.

Let's say that you've embarked on a monthly savings plan and somehow managed to save a little more than you expected. Or you've saved up for a new bedroom suite, and you have a bit left over. Spend some of those extra savings. The positive reinforcement you will get from treating yourself will help you save successfully in the fu-

ture.

No matter how disciplined you are with your spending habits, cash emergencies tend to pop up when you least expect it and suddenly you are short on cash.

To make sure you are covered for these situations, it's a good idea to have some "liquid" funds that you can withdraw quickly. A rough guideline is to have the equivalent of three months' salary available in case of an emergency. Money

in a savings account, Canada Savings Bonds, cashable GICs, or in a money market mutual fund doesn't fluctuate in value and you can get at it quickly.

*This column has been prepared by the not-for-profit Investor Learning Centre of Canada (ILC). More details on investment basics are available by phoning 1-888-452-5566, or by visiting the ILC Web site at [www.investorlearning.ca](http://www.investorlearning.ca).*

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**Sarah,**  
Keep smiling.  
The smiley faced avenger

**Meekers,**  
Thought I forgot about you, didn't cha?  
sTRO

**Vanilla,**  
What's old, ugly, fat and randomly throws peaches?  
Sanchez Emanchez

**Varsity Basketball,**  
Sorry for missing games, it won't happen again.  
sPIRIT of sMU

**Chow Man,**  
You tell Big Red Macheen, there ain't nothing wrong with my pesos, the Mexican connection is back in town... booy!  
Sanchez Emanchez

**Sprite,**  
Nice work under the table on the weekend— oops!  
rCR

**Fancy Button,**  
Anything I can do to help?  
Chick-lit

**Jean-Guy,**  
Allo, we are about to go get clam digging now soon!  
Le sTRO

**Chochoy,**

No more panzas for you, you are out of the loop..... and then Kenny took the crowbar...  
Willie D

**Stomp,**  
Happy B-Day. Don't break a hip!  
The Click

**Sports boy,**  
We'll miss you  
news and arts freaks

**Gord,**  
You're absolutely repulsive

deep down we love it  
your girls

**Staff,**  
beware smokey has left the building  
news

**Brittany Spears,**  
Sorry, I didn't know you were only 16  
Spanky

**Donald Duck,**  
We have to get together sometime soon!  
Daisy

**Mo,**  
dig it baby, dig it  
mojo fans

**Oakass,**  
you put your monkey where??  
stewfart

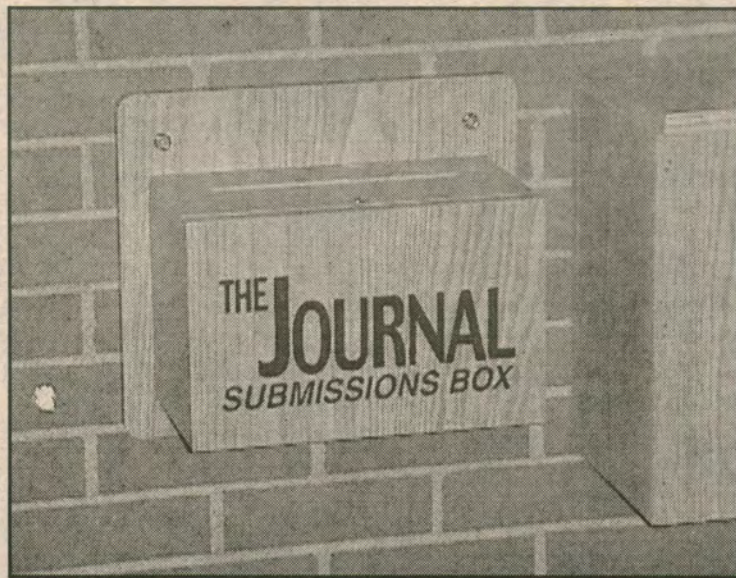
**Tim,**  
you stink  
girls

**Snowballers,**  
the bullets are bigger in PEI

**farm girl**  
**Tasha,**  
Happy Birthday, and prepare for an 80's ho-down.  
journal photo guy

**un-retro editors,**  
if Blondie can make a come back, the rest of the eighties will never die.  
a swinger baby

**Freaker,**  
Nice box.  
Chief



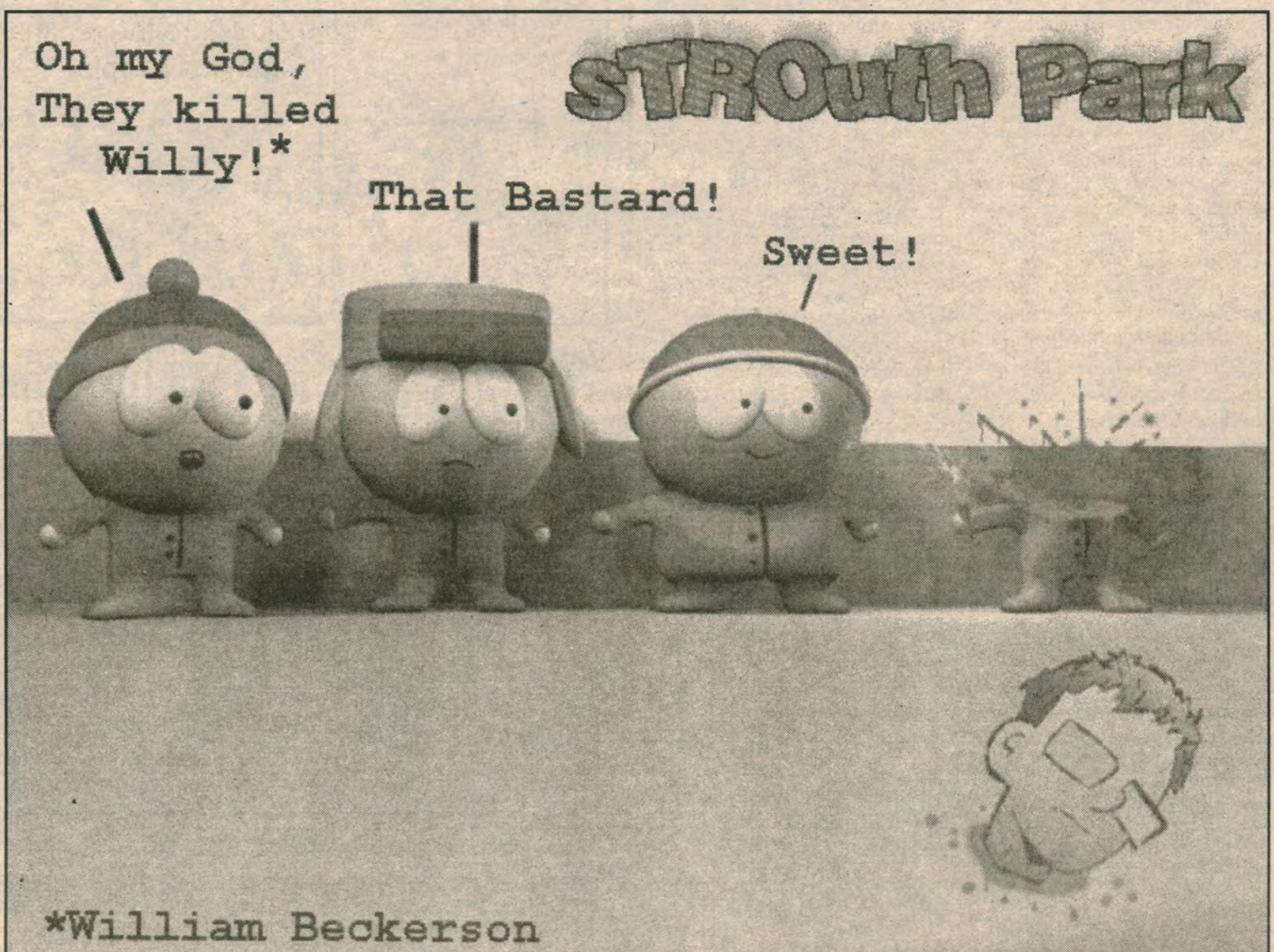
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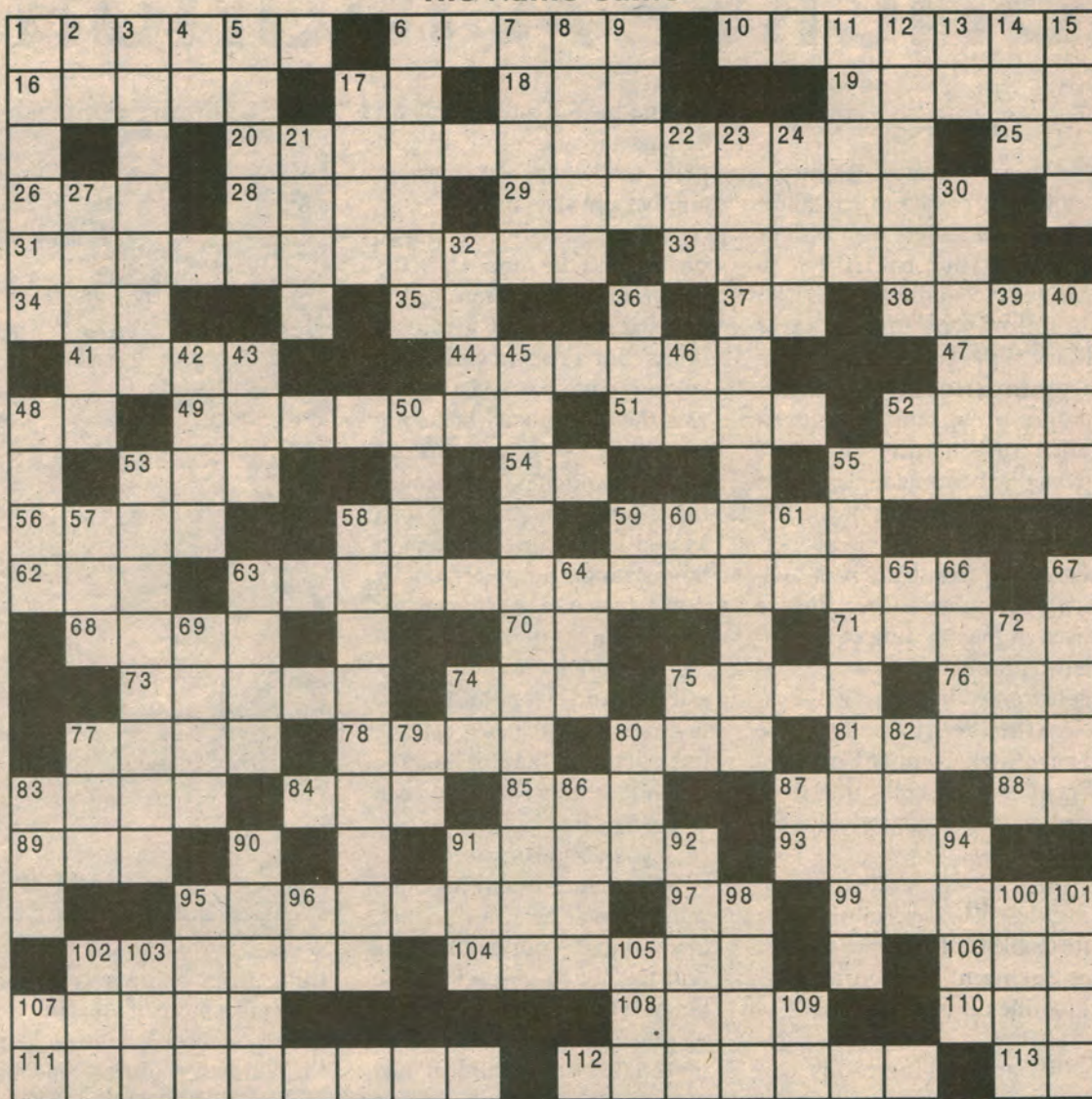
by Kevin Smith

### 9 Mix

- Across
- 1 Bigwig
  - 6 Sends
  - 10 Large crack
  - 16 Depressing vegetable?
  - 17 Undergrad degree
  - 18 Slice
  - 19 Sharpened
  - 20 Georgious Panayiotou
  - 25 Of, Fr.
  - 26 Shakespearean queen (Romeo and Juliet)
  - 28 Touch down
  - 29 Marilyn's real first name
  - 31 Vincent Furnier
  - 33 Stupor
  - 34 Piece of land
  - 35 Negative
  - 37 Crossing sign letters
  - 38 Merit
  - 41 Availed
  - 44 Turn to bone
  - 47 Social beverage
  - 48 Actor Asner
  - 49 Laurence Tureaud
  - 51 Old grape drink (Radar's favourite: M.A.S.H.)
  - 52 Banner
  - 53 Stereo component, abbr.
  - 54 \_ Niño
  - 55 Modestly
  - 56 VHS alternative
  - 58 \_ J Bullock
  - 59 A sense
  - 62 Made a lap
  - 63 Caryn Johnson
  - 68 Docile
  - 70 Hospital area
  - 71 Poetry
  - 73 Principle
  - 74 Reverence
  - 75 Just
  - 76 Suffix denoting connection with
  - 77 Close
  - 78 Famous Texas town
  - 80 Slide downhill
  - 81 Got by
  - 83 Energy source
  - 84 Toast spread
  - 85 Pro sports league
  - 87 Half of a French dance
  - 88 Letter add-on
  - 89 Finish
  - 91 Moron
  - 93 Quick run
  - 95 Famous Chinese square
  - 97 Preposition denoting place
  - 99 Gordon Sumner
  - 102 Roger Nelson
  - 104 Private school type
  - 106 Observe
  - 107 Sew temporarily
  - 108 Take back legally, abbr.
  - 110 Ocean
  - 111 Reginald Dwight
  - 112 Cathleen Collins
  - 113 MD

- 11 Healthy glow
- 12 Grief comfort
- 13 International peace org.
- 14 Scarlet
- 15 Utopia
- 17 Paul Hewson
- 21 Per
- 22 Western music station
- 23 Enrich Weiss
- 24 Slightly open
- 27 Vocally
- 30 Tidily
- 32 Low quality
- 36 Err
- 39 Genuine
- 40 Mooseheads' star
- 42 Actress Thompson
- 43 Chip accessory
- 45 Steveland Morris
- 46 Iron
- 48 Subsidies
- 50 Tickled one
- 52 Fee, Fi, \_ Fum
- 53 Connected to
- 55 Cornelius Crane
- 57 Consume
- 58 Michael Marion Morrison
- 59 As far as
- 60 \_H\_, central Can. league
- 61 Radio type
- 63 Past tense of go
- 64 Grad school exam
- 65 Concerning, abbr.
- 66 Handle on a bat or golf club
- 67 Origins
- 69 Mangle
- 72 Tread
- 74 Auto accessory
- 75 Satisfactory
- 77 Center of the universe
- 79 FM alternative
- 80 \_Pitch baseball
- 82 Oven
- 83 Nourished
- 86 Consisting of small particles
- 87 Recording format
- 90 Bed dressing
- 91 Mischievous one
- 92 Recorded
- 94 Snake or cat sound
- 95 A Jackson
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- 109 Either's partner

### The Name Game



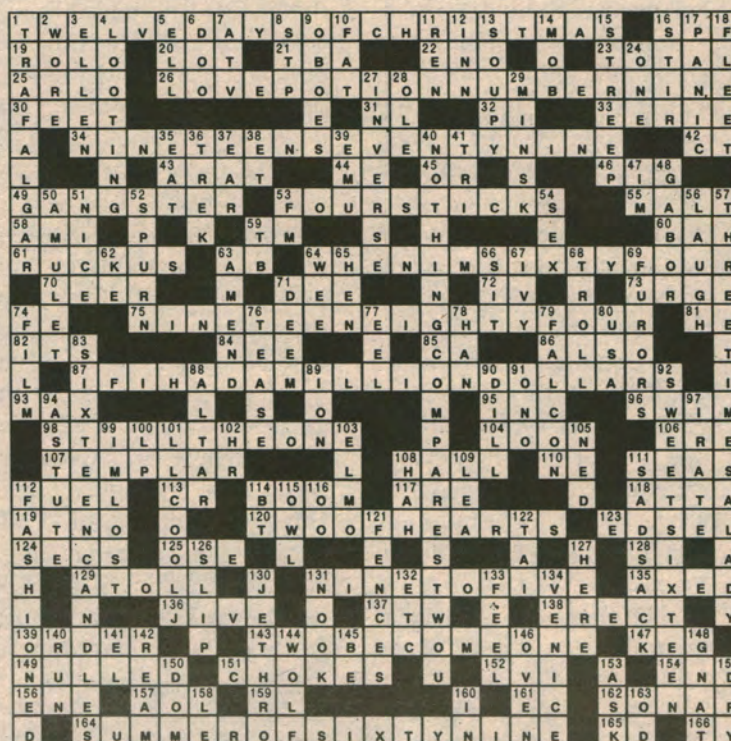
Last week's winner of 2 large pizzas from Little Caesar's is Dagan Sorensen. Congratulations! The draw was conducted by my lovely assistant Julie Clow. **This week's prize is 2 large pizzas from Little Caesar's.** Complete the crossword above and drop it off at The Journal, 5th floor Student Centre or at our new box beside the Loyola Residence Desk (see story page 8). Draw will take place Jan 19th at 3:00 pm.

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Hint: The theme clues are the real names of some famous people.

### Last week's answers

#### A Musical Number



**NEW FEATURE! Each week we will publish the photos of crossword contest winners! Shown below is happy pizza coupon recipient, Krista Meade.**



- Down
- 1 Ceremonial
  - 2 Form of "a"
  - 3 Morsels
  - 4 Business abbreviation
  - 5 Viewpoint
  - 6 Excuse
  - 7 Perspective
  - 8 Unwanted growth

## Bricks- A foundation for art

by Sarah Stewart

There are more than six thousand bricks in the Saint Mary's art gallery as a part of an installation by artist Joan McNeil called Brickworks.

Before coming to Saint Mary's, the concept for Brickworks existed only in McNeil's studio in Toronto. She used miniature maquettes made from tiny handmade clay cubes to construct models of the figures. It was after this process was complete that 7 by 3 by 2 inch commercial bricks were used in the building of the finished product. Brickworks was constructed in the art gallery.

After February 14<sup>th</sup>, the Shaw Brick Company of Nova Scotia will be collecting their bricks to be used for less artistic purposes.

In stacking, or rather sculpting, the 6000 bricks into various formations, they cease to exist as such and take on another identities as pieces of art.

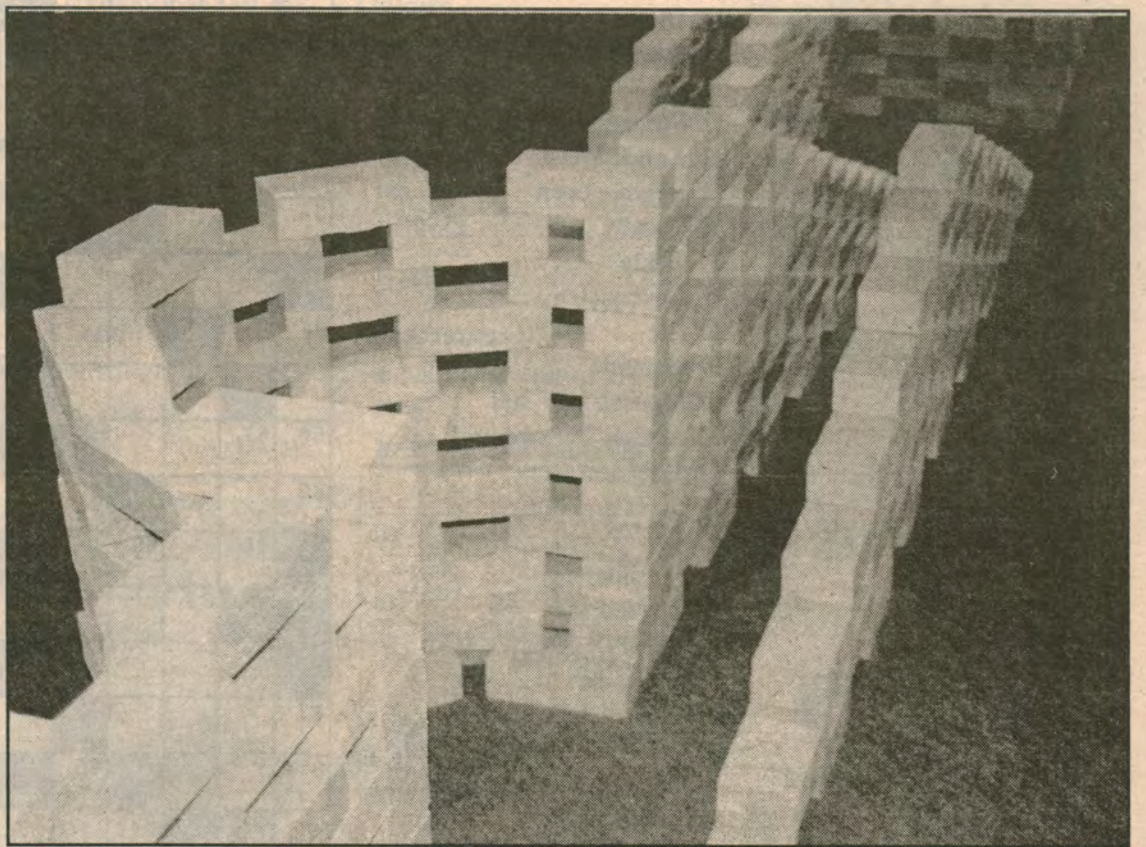
In the process of writing this story, and talking to my colleagues about the installation in the gallery, I came into contact with many different opinions and reactions concerning Brickworks. Most of them dismiss-

ing the idea of calling this art because it was after all just plain bricks stacked to create another physical reality.

Although I don't claim to understand the motivation behind Brickworks, I can see beyond it being just a pile of bricks, but a resourceful use of space and medium. Maybe this was the artist's way of taking something we see as industrial and ugly and making it beautiful. There are no traces of Joan McNeil on the bricks except in their arrangement. I personally don't feel like a smarter, or more creative person for having seen Brickworks, and honestly it didn't conjure up any feelings negative or positive, but I do think that Brickworks is an interesting idea, and I can appreciate it as art.

If you decide to go see Brickworks, then go with an open mind. Don't be afraid to look beyond just a bunch of bricks and try not to go back to the defense that you could do just as good a job with the same material. I don't think it's as easy as one may think. People have reasons for what they do and what they create.

I guess what changes some-



SARAH STEWART/THE JOURNAL

thing from being a common object to a piece of art is in part the experience of the artist. Joan McNeil is a sculptor, teacher, architect, and writer; Brickworks could be a way for her to fuse together her passions.

Guest Curator for the ex-

hibit, Arthur Handy, explains the mentality of a sculptor the best when he wrote, "Brickworks can be thought of as a work of process art, and, as such, the process of its realization can reveal motivations and meanings inherent in that reali-

zation. One is reminded of Carl Andre's answer to an interviewer's question about why he made sculpture: inverting Sir Edmund Hillary's answer to why he climbed Mount Everest, Andre responded with, 'Because it isn't there.'

## Police crack down on recreation

by J. Andrew Barbour

Ok, so I know a lot of people that like going out and playing a game of ball every now and then; be it football, basketball, baseball, or volleyball. The trouble is, many people aren't members of 'organized' groups to play in said sport. Could it be because they feel they're not good enough? I guess. Could it be because they don't play often enough to warrant joining a club? Sure. Could it be that they just like playing with their friends? Why not? Well, as someone like myself is not nearly big enough or good enough to play for the SMU varsity football team, I figured, hey, why not play for fun. So off I went on one Sunday afternoon, to play a game of football with some friends from work. We brought a ball, we made zones, and we even had a 'regular' from our place of work act as a referee for us. So off we went, to play football in the mud. I don't know how everyone else likes to play football, but if you ask me, I think it's right fun when you can play in the mud. We had a good number of plays in, our team was up 1 - 0, when all of the sudden, up walks *The Man*, actually a woman in this case. "Maybe she wants to play!"

Someone piped up. "Maybe she's after you," was heard from several of the guys joking around. I think I even commented on how I didn't think police officers worked on Sundays, then questioned each other day of the week individually. As it turned out, the field (AKA "park") had been officially closed for the season, which meant we were trespassing. Ok, so what's up with that? I can't think of a single reason to close the field (which had not been fenced in or any such thing) for the winter. I don't think it's a safety thing. It doesn't cost any money to 'keep open.' All I was told was that if we stayed it would be an \$80 fine. So our options were, several N64 units in someone's basement, or back to the street corners to push drugs -we'd probably be safe from cops there. Either way, not the same kind of workout we had come out for. Quite possibly the greatest irony is that when we asked where and when we could play, the police officer shrugged it off and said "All I know is you can't play here." So, anyone looking to play a little non-varsity, non-intramural football - or any sport for that matter, look out, you just might get busted.

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Everyone on Second Floor, Rice felt sorry for Mary when they met her boyfriend.

It's true that, genetically speaking, his parents were a less-than-ideal match. O.K., he was as dumb as a post and twice as ugly. But Mary loved him anyway. She was used to the fact that, looks-wise, it was not wise to look. And yes, five years was a long time to spend in Grade 6.

She loved him for the little things he did - like climbing up to the window to wake her for her 8:30 class, carrying her home from The Gorsebrook, bringing her flowers, candy, library brochures....



That's how Mary found the RBA. That's Reference By Appointment - one of the time-saving services provided by the Patrick Power Library. Mary had an Assignment from Hell but a friendly librarian sat down with her, analyzed her research needs and showed her how to use the Library. She just asked at the reference desk and they set it all up.

As we go through life, we learn many things. Mary had learned, as we all must, that looks and brains are not important - as long as we have access to quality library service....

## ASTROLOGICAL MOJO

by Mo Duffy

### ARIES

21 MARCH - 20 APRIL

You shine in leadership, Aries. Make one of your new year's resolutions to become the leader you know hides inside. I'm not saying you should quit school and become a hard core activist or anything. Just remember that somewhere in your inner consciousness lurks the desire to lead the misled and guide the guide-less. Helping others helps you, Aries, most of all.

### TAURUS

21 APRIL - 21 MAY

The kindhearted, reliable Taurus may find themselves overwhelmed this week. Taureans love gardening; try buying yourself a plant to love and take care of (go ahead, give it a name) or a bunch of flowers to decorate your soul. Absorb the January sunshine as much as possible, even if it means bundling up the yin-yang. And don't let your inflexible nature stop you from agreeing to spontaneous plans like going out for a beer with a stranger. They could be the one.

### GEMINI

22 MAY - 21 JUNE

Oh, crazy Gemini. Mercury, your ruling planet, inspires intellect and communication. Did you know that Socrates was a Gemini? Don't push away obscure philosophies or radical notions you may have; let them be your guide. Your talents for salesmanship, writing, and entertainment might lead you to a career in this field. Check out a Libra, they may be a pleasing partner. But be careful, Gemini, you tend to be too inquisitive. Know which questions to ask, and which ones NOT to ask.

### CANCER

22 JUNE - 22 JULY

Cancers live in the fourth house, the house of private life. This makes you more aware of your origins, parents, and home...you feel an incessant desire for emotional security. You are ruled by the Moon, Cancer! Don't miss an opportunity to look up and thank it for your existence. It won't hurt to contemplate the universe, either. It will lead you right back to your heart.

### LEO

23 JULY - 23 AUGUST

Congratulations, Leo, you are valiant and creative. Use these positively. Make creations you never thought you could, like paintings (even if they're wild or extreme, bring 'em on) or a super long complicated Thai dish (it's all in the spices, so I've heard). Leos

also tend to be politically oriented, so voicing opinions may be a good idea. Fidel Castro was a Leo, and look what he did for socialism! Maybe you, Leo, should consider a life in our wonderful Canadian Parliament?

### VIRGO

24 AUGUST - 23 SEPTEMBER

You are the virgin sign! That must feel nice. Your element is the Earth. This means you cultivate realism and practicality. Virgo is the most health-conscious of all the signs. This makes you especially prone to hygiene so it wouldn't surprise me if you were the kind of person who showered every day and were disgusted by people who didn't. However, Virgoans are altruistic and enjoy caring for others as well as themselves. You are perfect candidates for the caring professions, like nurses, doctors, or nannies.

### LIBRA

24 SEPTEMBER - 23 OCTOBER

Libra, if you're in love with a Sagittarius or a Leo, then you're in it for the long haul. If you're in love with a Gemini or an Aquarius, then you're probably having a good time, so cheers! If you're in love with a Cancer or a Capricorn, then be careful, Libra. Proceed with caution. If you're not really in love, then never fear. Your ruling planet, Venus, brings harmony, love and artistic talent...all when the time is right.

### SCORPIO

24 OCTOBER - 22 NOVEMBER

I recently consulted an astrological reference (it's a picture book, I won't lie) to help me figure out the Scorpio. It says that Scorpios shine in SEX THERAPY. This means that you, Scorpio, are a uniquely sexually capable creature, and able to give others valid instruction. Or, that you just really enjoy it and can't keep your mouth shut. Either way, kudos! Scorpios are also supposedly good psychiatrists and into spiritual healing. This means knowing what your beliefs are, or pondering them from time to time. But don't worry, Scorpio, everyone feels lost sometimes. Seek beauty, seek truth.

### SAGITTARIUS

23 NOVEMBER - 21 DECEMBER

Gentle Sagittarius, tell all those people who say you're over-optimistic to go straight to hell. Exploration and foreign lands interest you, Sagittarian, and the only real problem seems to be where to go and when. You are idealistic and intuitive, and insist on turning everything into a voyage of discovery. This may irritate those around you who don't see the value in picking flowers along the way, but don't let them stop you...make them your driving force.

### CAPRICORN

22 DECEMBER - 20 JANUARY

The orderly Capricorn has good intentions and is punctual with good manners. Does this make you good with parents? You are responsible and like discipline. These characteristics make Capricorns more aware of their reputation. But don't get too caught up in this needed recognition, or you'll end up vulnerable and inhibited. Capricorn: you love tranquility. Clean your bathtub with a swoosh of mr. clean while listening to a little Rolling Stones, and then get yourself some strawberry bubble bath and relax (you'll have to change the music, of course, to something more like Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young). It will ease the stress of constantly keeping your status on top where you feel

### AQUARIUS

21 JANUARY - 19 FEBRUARY

Like your brother Aquarians, Charles Darwin and Thomas Edison, you like the sciences. You have a refreshing way of looking at the world, so share it. Talk love instead of money, candy instead of bar-b-que. Aquarius, you are the sign of the free spirit, of liberation and change. This is great news! Believe you can change the world. If television and radio are your mediums, use them for good.

### PISCES

20 FEBRUARY - 20 MARCH

You need a purpose, Pisces. Realizing this purpose is most important to Pisceans. If all it takes to focus your thoughts is festering alone in your apartment for a couple of hours, then do it! You have personal insights and are hopeful for the future. Pisceans enjoy poetry and literature, so make it your mission to either read more or write more...I bet you're a HELL of a poet inside. Release your poetic spirit to inspire and astound others.

Everyone's  
a  
winner!

In response to the Big Shiny contest brought to you by The Journal, the following people should come up to The Journal on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the student center to claim their copy of Big Shiny Tunes 3: Justin Keyies, Litocha Hillier, Jason Hollett, & Dave Crewe.

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by Marcin Modzynski

If this CD were a food, it would be marshmallow fluff. There's not much to it, and it's pretty good at first, but if you have too much, it makes you want to hurl.

The guys from Blue Flannel have a light rock/pop thing going on; they're really energetic and kind of fun, if not a little immature sounding. The lead singer manages to vary his voice a lot (at times he sounds almost like the lead singer of Crash Test Dummies). If you listen to him too much you'll probably end up being tempted to finally find out exactly how far you can fling a CD if thrown frisbee-style. Very plain lyrics overrun all the songs, some of which are pretty bad, such as in track 4, "Havin' A Bad Day" and track 6, "I Can't Stand Losing You", both of which sound like they were written for a kindergarten sing-a-long. Most of the songs are mediocre at best, but there are a few surprisingly good songs, their inherent simplicity being a redeeming quality, such as track 13, "Not My Type". Then there are the songs that tip the album over from utter crapulence to fun-fluff stuff, like "Animal Song", a 42 second ditty which actually is a kindergarten sing-a-long song. If you often find yourself in a bad or too serious mood, and don't have a CD that helps lighten your demeanor, you might look into picking this one up instead going for the Prozac.

**The Goo Goo Dolls  
Dizzy Up The Girl  
Warner Bros.**

by Marcin Modzynski

To me, The Goo Goo Dolls will forever be linked in my



mind with the likes of band names such as Electric Armpit, Those Self-Cleaning Plastic Ducks and F\*\*ckBucket. After listening to this album, which was the first time I ever listened to any of their stuff besides "Name" and "Iris", I found another reason for the band to stand out in my mind. The album was good; I enjoyed listening to it, and would gladly own the album. The songs vary more than I expected, but still conformed to rock standards, with the album containing the required amount of ballads, really rockin' tunes, and all the in-between filler stuff. The friend who lent me the CD said it was their best yet, and I'd venture to say that it's true, although I only have this album to base my opinion on. Not being a die-hard fan, I found a few songs to grate on me, and you probably will too; the majority was still really good modern rock, which seems to be a dying breed of music, unfortunately.



**The Heavy Blinkers  
Hooray for Evreything  
Indie**

by Rachel Jacques

One friend described The Heavy Blinkers as "The Cure meets The Beach Boys", and after listening to this album a few times I would have to agree; Keep in mind Robert Smith is on extreme happy

pill. The Heavy Blinkers are from Halifax, and just put "Hooray For Everything" out a few months ago. If ever the opportunity comes up to see them live, I highly recommend it.

The title "Hooray for Everything" is perfect for the musical frame of mind, which is dominant throughout. I might even recommend this as therapy for those who suffer from the blues. True musicianship is displayed on this album, while Jason MacIsaac has master minded the album with a variety of instruments and sounds.

Hand clapping and trumpets can be heard in "Deliriously Happy", a song which is guaranteed to put a smile on your face. "Smile and Show Your Teeth" is a slower piece with a medley of banjo and theremin (the instrument you'd expect to hear in a haunted house, Portishead uses it a lot). "Dumb Angel" is a beautiful piece with shared vocals of Ruth Minnikin (she was the lead singer for Booming Airplanes, and is now with The Guthries) whose voice cuts through you and makes your spine shiver. "End of Summer Suite (Sweet)" is a purely instrumental piece, with sounds of downtown traffic in the background, maybe it isn't downtown? This piece actually reminds me of something the Rheostatics might do.

Throughout, you hear different instruments: the French Horn, tin whistle, jingle bells and other neat stuff. If you like some of that feel good music of the 50s and 60s with a 90s flare, The Heavy Blinkers are sure to please you. Don't get me wrong, the music is sweet, but not artificial sacron sweet.

## Titans

How the new Canadian Establishment seized power  
Peter C. Newman

by Tyler Waugh

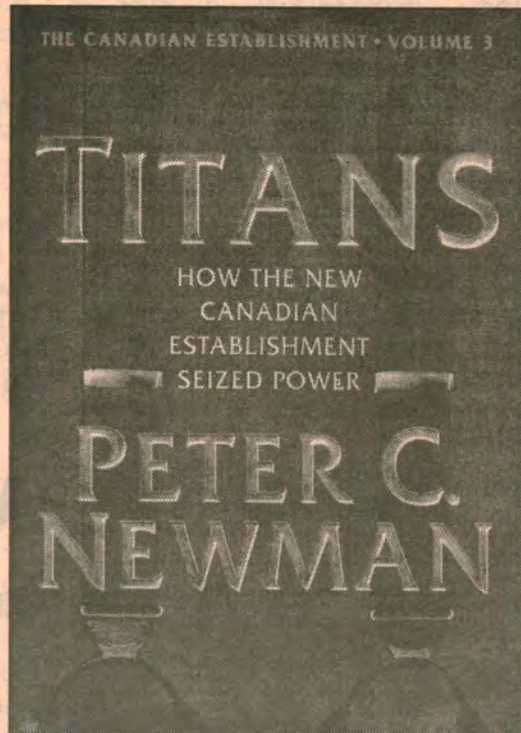
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This is my first attempt at reading one of Newman's works and I have found it incredibly informative and insightful into the world of Canada's mighty and affluent.

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# Men's B-Ball sit on top

## Defeat Seahawks easily over weekend

by Michael Isaacs

Over the weekend the Huskies beat Memorial University twice at the Tower. On Friday the Huskies welcomed the Seahawks to the mainland, handily beating them 86-68 on Friday and 92-73 on Sunday to complete the sweep.

The Saint Mary's men were dominant in their game on Sunday as they gave the Memorial a lesson in passing. The Huskies started by stealing the ball from the careless Seahawks 18

times in the first-half alone. Memorial would rack up a total of 29 turnovers in the game.

The Seahawks, knowing that the Huskies were not going to allow passes without permission, went the whole game with only 8 assists, the confident Huskies finished with 22. The Huskies also controlled the outside game, nailing almost as many 3-pointers as the Seahawks attempted, none of which dropped.

The Seahawks did try to make a game of it, with the help of a questionable techni-

cal foul on Ryan McClintock, they came within 6 points but this merely riled up the Huskies. The Saint Mary's men quickly turned the tables scoring 14 unanswered points, and within 2 minutes of the technical on McClintock, were 20 points ahead and never looked back at the now limping boys from Newfoundland.

It was obvious that Saint Mary's was on top of their game. Not only were they dominating the game with their physical defense, but a few other plays helped the Huskies win with spectacular individual plays. Nelson Carvery tipped in a beauty one-handed rebound off of a missed foul shot from Jonah Taussig. Lloyd Thomas intercepted an inbound pass and threw it in for 2 points, taking only one second off the clock. It was plays like these, which made it hard for Memorial to keep up.

The heads up play from Thomas was one of the reasons that earned him the player of the award. He was on fire with 18 points and plucking 9 rebounds from the waiting Seahawks. He was not alone in

his effort as Taussig had 17 points, grabbed a couple of rebounds, stole the ball 6 times while dishing out 4 assists. Carvery rounds out the top three scorers with 14 points, three rebounds and a pair of assists. Of course the whole Saint Mary's squad put in an excellent game Corey Janes and Nathan Anderson also had 13 points each.

The efforts of Matthew Chapman for the Seahawks cannot go unnoticed though. Chapman scored 23 points and pulled down 11 rebounds, topping his game off with 2 assists. Unfortunately for Memorial, Chapman could not do it alone.

Coach Quackenbush commented on the team effort saying "It's tough to play twice in a row and every bounce didn't go our way but in the end we came out with a 19 point win."

The win leaves SMU in a three-way tie for first place in the East division with six points.

SMU travels to Sydney this weekend to take on the University of Cape Breton, who are last in the division, for two matches.



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# SMU be 'Little's Memorial

by Markus Reneberg

Saint Mary's women's basketball started off the new year right with a weekend sweep over the Memorial University Seahawks.

After starting off the year with an 0-4 record, Saint Mary's started off Friday night's match strong, taking a 25-19 first half lead.

Game MVP, Kate Little, lead the way with an 11 point, 3 rebound, 3 assist performance. Lisa Ward and Kristi-Jo Robinson also contributed 10 points each in the Huskies 48-46 victory.

Sunday's contest revealed more close basketball action, with the Huskies again emerging on the winning end. Lead by game MVP Jen Reid's 11 point, 7 rebound contribution, the Huskies moved their overall season record to 2-4 with a 52-47 victory. Robinson and Ward rounded out the double digit scorers for the Huskies with 11 and 10 points respectively.

Memorial left Halifax with a 1-5 record despite some solid performances from all-star forward, Ann Murrin, who had a combined 32 points and 15 rebounds over the weekend's ac-

tion.

Saint Mary's looks to leapfrog up the standings this weekend when they travel to Cape Breton to take on the 2-6 UCCB Capers who are presently leading the Huskies in the race for the last playoff spot in the east division.

What an all-star weekend. How much fun could one have. The honour of being an AUAA basketball all-star meant that players from teams like Memorial had to fly in for a Friday night game at Saint Mary's,

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# Huskies shape up for second half

by Daniel Bonner

Coming back from nearly a month off, the Huskies had little place to go but up. Sitting with five wins and seven losses (one coming in overtime), SMU was placed on the bottom of the AUAA's Kelly Division. The road to the top will not be easy, as all of the other Kelly division teams are currently ranked among the top ten in the country. It's not all bleak however as ex-Acadia star, Mike

Dawson, is back with the team after a stint on the injury list. Couple that with the fact that the majority of the Huskies games will be played within the friendly confines of Alumni Arena, as opposed to the first half of the season where eight games were on the road and only four at home.

With the Christmas break comes the halfway point in the AUAA hockey season. Looking back Coach Trevor Stienburg offered these words in review of the first half, "We didn't deserve to get off to a 4-0 start... We didn't deserve to lose the next four in a row, either... Then we went on the road and got 109 shots in two games and lost them both... I don't know if we want to change anything, we could of very easily been 6-6 or even 7-5, but we weren't and

we can deal with that. We are only 3 points out of first at the break." The trip to the top began this past weekend with two games at home.

The St. Thomas Tommies, tied for the lead in the MacAdam division, rolled into Alumni Arena Saturday night for the game at 7pm. The battle did not go well for the Huskies as they were out played at every turn, eventually losing the game 5-2. The Huskies, who let it show that it was their first game back, dropped two points to Dalhousie who had little trouble getting around Acadia. Regarding the game Coach Stienburg had these comments, "I thought we were very flat, I've never seen the guys come out that flat... Teams have those games.

On Sunday evening the Huskies had a chance to remedy what went wrong on Saturday, when the Moncton Blue Eagles hit the ice at Alumni Arena. After going down 2-0 Saint Mary's kicked it into high gear with a pair from Marcel Pineau and singles from Rob Guinn and Mike Dawson. After a Moncton goal to draw the Blue Eagles within one at 4-3 the scene was set for a key final two minutes of hockey. Following a brilliant blocker save by Saint Mary's goalie, Mike



Weatherbie, the defence gave Mike Dawson a lead pass, and he had no problem finding the empty net with his second of the games and the Huskies insurance. Make the final 5-3 in favour of SMU. Coach Stienburg's comments were much more positive this time, "Yeah we had lots of jump against them, we had a couple

of chances that I thought could of turned into a couple of more goals. Their goaltender made some big saves, and in the last nine minutes they poured it on and Weatherbie pulled it out, he came up with two big saves.

Following the weekends action the Huskies are now just two points out of third and a mere four points from first. This week the Huskies travel to Acadia on Wednesday to meet the Axemen at 7:30pm.

# Women's hockey earn tie with Acadia

by Journal Staff

This past Saturday the Saint Mary's hockey team returned back to action with a AUAA game against the Axettes from Acadia at Alumni Arena.

In a game that second year winger, Kelly Alward, described as "rough and very sloppy" only two goals were scored, one by each team.

Acadia scored first putting one past Saint Mary's goalie, Marsh Warcop. Saint Mary's would get that one back on a weird shot from Valerie Broussard, from Sydney, would flip a backhand shot towards Acadias goal which seemed to fool the Axettes goalie and went in. Both teams were unable to score for the rest of the game, with the score ending 1-1.

"It was a fair result," said Alward, "neither team played all that well, it was just a bad game all round."

Saint Mary's participates in The University of New Brunswick tournament this weekend in Fredricton.



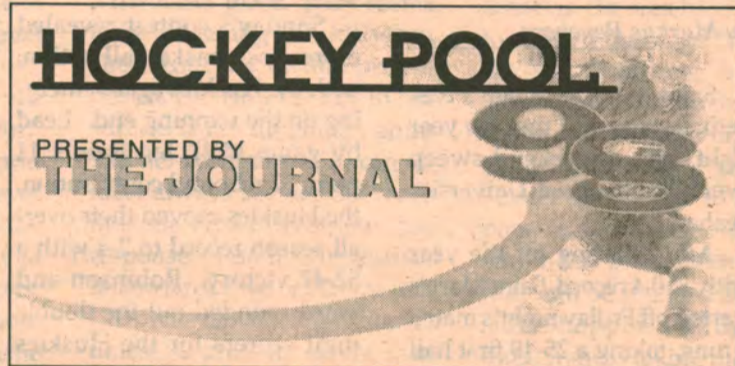
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### AUAA Volleyball

	MW	ML	GW	GL	Pts
UNB	9	1	28	8	18
Memorial	8	0	24	6	16
Moncton	6	2	21	9	12
SMU	6	3	21	12	12
Acadia	6	4	22	18	12
Dalhousie	5	1	15	5	10
Mt. A	2	7	14	23	4
St. F.X.	0	8	3	24	0
UPEI	0	8	3	25	0
UCCB	0	8	0	24	0

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### Standings after Monday's games

	Team	Yest Week	Total	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Darren Hansford	11	53	655
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Darrenthansford	6	59	647
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Greg Hewey	8	56	641
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trevor Chow	12	54	640
5 <sup>th</sup>	James Sernyk	5	52	630
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lianne Dulsrud	4	40	623
7 <sup>th</sup>	Robin Bower's	9	51	622
8 <sup>th</sup>	Chris Webb	16	54	620
9 <sup>th</sup>	Cory Leighls	9	50	618
10 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremy Porter	8	50	610
11 <sup>th</sup>	Tyler Waugh	8	39	608
12 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Ste.marie	6	54	605
13 <sup>th</sup>	J.cianfaglione	6	61	601
14 <sup>th</sup>	Vaughn Burt	8	62	592
15 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Wong	6	37	590
16 <sup>th</sup>	Appleton Rum	12	51	588
17 <sup>th</sup>	Norm Biason	14	65	87
18 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Dawson	10	48	586
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Maillet	12	48	584
20 <sup>th</sup>	Jeffreycorcoran	3	55	583

# Women's volleyball undefeated in '99

3-0 in the new year

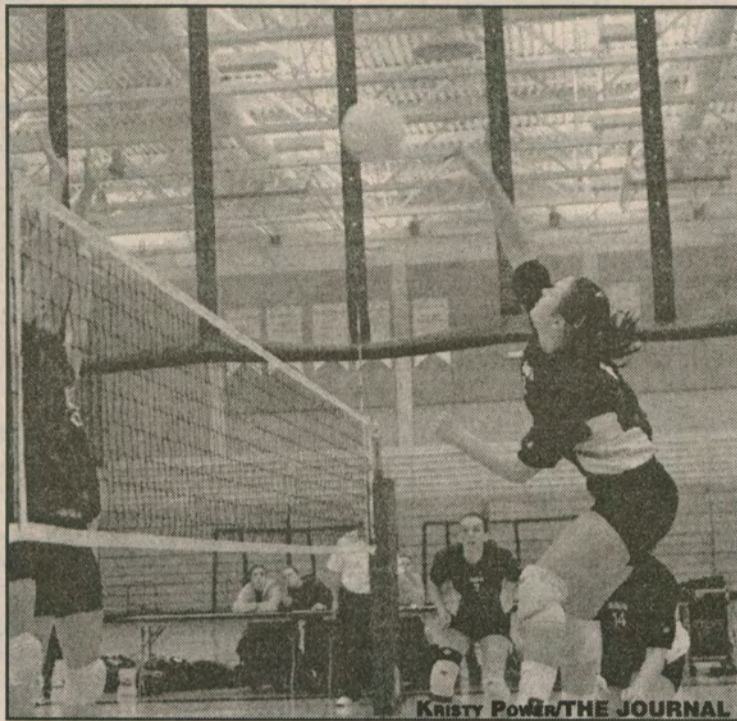
by Heron McCauley

The Saint Mary's women's volleyball team has started the New Year with a bang going undefeated in league play, they have also not lost a set yet, winning nine in a row. The surge has left Saint Mary's in a four-way tie for third, with a record of 6 wins and 3 losses.

On January 7<sup>th</sup> Saint Mary's traveled to Wolfville to take on the Acadia Axettes. It didn't turn out to be much of a match as The Huskies won in three straight sets by the scores of, 15-8, 15-12, 15-11.

The weekend's action saw the winless University College of Cape Breton visit the Tower for two matches. In the first match on Saturday veterans Barb Brown and Nadine Sinclair would lead SMU to victory. Brown, from Bathurst, NB, had a stellar game registering 12 kills, 11 digs and a block. Sinclair had 2 kills, 11digs, a block and was awarded player of the game. Sarah MacDonald had a strong game for UCCB scoring 9 digs, 7 kills and 2 blocks. Saint Mary's won the game in three sets 15-9, 15-5, and 15-10.

Saint Mary's would continue its dominance of Cape Breton on Sunday with another three set victory 15-6, 15-7, and 15-5. Sophomore Gillian Dobbin won the player of the game for SMU. The second



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SIMPLY SMASHING - ON THE WEEKEND THE VOLLEYBALL HUSKIES TROUNCED BOTH UCCB AND ACADEIA.

game allowed Coach Mark Burley to have a look at some of his younger players, as they stepped up and contributed to the win. Rookies, Nicole Gillis, Stephanie Coffill, and Kathryn Gaudet, showed that they can compete at this level, while rookie, Barb Simon, has performed steadily all year.

"I think we have started to come around as a team, we are really playing for each other. Our veterans are leading and our young players are really stepping up," says Brown of her team's recent success.

Saint Mary's next game is

Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup>, when they travel to Antigonish to do battle with Saint Francis Xavier, who in last place with no wins and 8 losses. They will also be competing in the Dalhousie Classic volleyball tournament this weekend, where they will take on the likes of University of New Brunswick (first in the division with 9 wins and a loss, Dalhousie(5 wins and a loss), University of McMaster and University of Sherbrooke, games start at noon.

#### Off the court:

Saint Mary's has numerous players in the league leaders of numerous categories. Rookie Barb Simon leads the AUAA in blocks with 40 and an average of 1.33 a game. Gillian Dobbin is 5<sup>th</sup> in the same category with 24 blocks, an average of .77 per game. Barb Brown is 8<sup>th</sup> in the league in kills (2.61/game) and 3<sup>rd</sup> in digs (4.11/game). Nadine Sinclair averages 3.72 digs a game, good for 7<sup>th</sup> in the AUAA.

#### SMU be 'Little's Memorial

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drive to Fredericton for the all-star competition, return to Saint Mary's at an absurdly late hour, then play an early Sunday afternoon game before flying back to Newfoundland that night.

I've never understood the rationale behind holding the all-star tournament only five games into the season to begin with, but to hold it as far away as Fredericton in the midst of weekend matches is absurd.

## Where they stand...

### AUHC Hockey

#### Kelly Division

	W	L	T	OTF	A	Pts
St. F.X.	8	7	1	0	85	63
Dalhousie	8	7	0	0	53	63
Acadia	7	6	1	0	49	44
SMU	6	8	0	1	54	60

#### MacAdam Division

	W	L	T	OTF	A	Pts
St. Thomas	7	6	2	1	73	61
Moncton	7	4	2	0	61	55
UNB	7	5	1	0	60	59
UPEI	2	9	1	1	43	65

### AUAA Basketball

#### Men

##### East Division

	W	L	F	A	Pts
SMU	3	3	490	443	6
UNB	3	3	479	486	6
UPEI	3	4	589	587	6
UCCB	2	6	622	702	4

##### West Division

	W	L	F	A	Pts
St. F.X.	5	0	432	375	10
Dalhousie	4	2	520	491	8
Acadia	2	2	345	323	4
Memorial	2	4	486	556	4

#### Women

##### East Division

	W	L	F	A	Pts
UNB	6	0	502	411	12
UPEI	4	3	538	516	8
UCCB	2	6	503	596	4
SMU	2	4	362	387	4

##### West Division

	W	L	F	A	Pts
Dalhousie	6	1	447	475	12
St. F.X.	4	1	296	271	8
Memorial	1	5	352	390	2
Acadia	0	5	266	328	0

## HUSKIES ACTION UPCOMING

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