# PICARO

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# Ben Wicks Coming to the Mount

By Kim Griffin

Mount Saint Vincent Student Union and Labatt's Brewery are bringing Ben Wicks to the Mount campus on September 27. He will be appearing at 7:30 p.m. in Seton Auditorium as part of Drug Awareness Week which runs September 24-28.

Wicks and Labatt's have teamed up to fight drinking and driving through an innovative television and print advertising campaign called, "Know When to Draw the Line."

The MSVU Student Union has adopted this as their official slogan for Orientation and Drug Awareness Week. Drug awareness has always been promoted at the Mount, but this year's organizers want the students to think about it long after the first week is over.

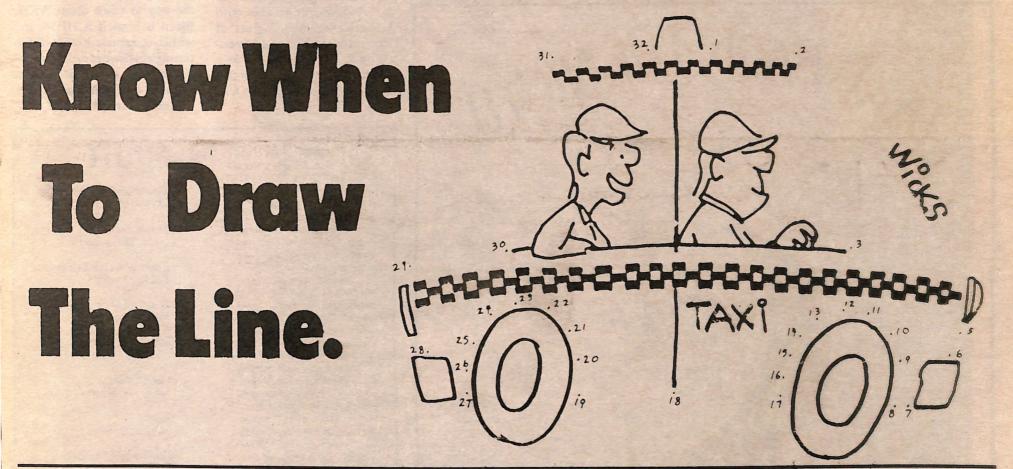
This year's main speaker, Ben Wicks, will hopefully help them achieve this goal. The chairperson of Drug Awareness, Sandra Boehner stresses the importance of these events, "We can have all the seminars and meetings we want, but if students don't care and don't bother to get involved with the issues of drug abuse we all lose." The idea of the campaign "Known When to Draw the Line" doesn't tell students to stop drinking, but underlines the importance of acting responsibly when doing so.

Wicks is one of the most widely distributed political jour-

nalist/cartoonists in the world. He is the author of 14 books, including No Time to Wave Goodbye, and The Day They Took the Children. Both of these books were best sellers in Canada and Great Britain. In 1986 the Governor General of Canada presented Wicks with the Order of Canada. This is our country's highest civilian award. Wicks is a prolific author and a dynamic, motivational speaker. His cartoons are syndicated to 48 newspapers in Canada and the U.S. by

Southam News Syndicate. "I got involved with Labatt's to fight drinking and driving because it's an issue I care deeply about," said Wicks. "It's a problem which concerns us all and we all have a responsibility to help eliminate it. This is my way of helping."

Tickets for the Ben Wicks event will be available later in the week, at the Student Union office for \$5. There is a limited number, so students are urged to buy their tickets as soon as possible



# Shinerama a Mixed Success

By John Jarvis

On September 8, Shinerama 90' involving Mount Saint Vincent University students, was held with mixed success.

Approximately 70 students showed up early Saturday morning to help raise money for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Over \$2,000 was raised, but this fell far short of the \$5,600 goal. The cool weather and smaller than expected student body turnout were the main reasons the final total was lower than

anticipated. "The people who did come out worked extremely hard, but participation was not widespread enough for us to reach our goal," said Todd Bechard, codirector for Shinerama at the Mount.

The number of car washers planned was reduced from seven to five and there wasn't enough shoe shiners to cover all the planned areas of the city. A lack of support was also shown by the faculty, staff and administration of the university. In early Sep-

tember, 500 letters were mailed to these members of the university community. Only seven people, from this group, have sent indonations. "We're still waiting to see if there will be more responses from the Mount faculty, staff and administration before we close our fund raising efforts for the year," said Bechard.

Shinerama '90 kicked off with a pancake breakfast in the cafeteria at 8:30 a.m. Robbie Thompson, a fifteen year old Queen Elizabeth High School student, who has Cystic Fibrosis spoke to the volunteers before they hit the streets. He briefly detailed his daily routine, to show what a CF patient goes through. He takes up to 30 pills a day, uses a aerosol mask treatment for inhaling antibiotics and pounding on the back and chest to loosen the mucus in the lungs. He stressed that he is capable of leading a normal life and thanked everyone for all their support.

Raising money was not the only objective for Shinerama. This

year organ donor cards were handed out. This was to help promote the need for organ donations for critically ill CF patients. Shinerama has been a part of Orientation week at MSVU for the last five years. However, its possible if participation does not increase, it may not continue. It would be a shame to lose a program which can do so much good.

Special Thanks to: Donelda, Trudy, Allison, Nathalie, the Orientation Committee and MSAs.

### CLASSIFIEDS

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Explore the good news and the formation of three gospels in a program entitled Christianity: A Special Program for Adults. The first of a two-part series, The Gospels: Matthew, Mark Luke meets Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. from September 20 to October 25. The fee is \$40.00 Pre-registration is required.

NOVA SCOTIA PWA COALITION: A 12km bike-a-thon in support of AIDS is scheduled to kick off from the Nova Scotia Museum parking lot, Saturday, September 29, at 2 p.m.

The bike-a-thon will be held in celebration of Bjorn Sundt's dual attempt to break the best cycling record across America from the west to east coast and to use this to increase awareness about AIDS. Not long ago, Bjorn rode from Seattle, Washington to Nova Scotia, making several stops along the way to teach about AIDS. Bjorn is himself is HIV+ and wishes to express his joy of life through his love of cycling. morinformation call Cliff Eyland Curator of Exhibitions & Resource Centre, (902) 420

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### **NEWS**

### Wanna Meet The Babes - Ask U.B.C.'s Student Council President

by Nadene Rehnby

A student council president who offered tips on picking up women in a local daily newspaper is under fire for his "sexist" attitude.

In the Vancouver Province's relationships column Sept. 6, University of British Columbia student council president Kurt Preinsperg offered "31 hints to get you off to a better start with the woman of your choice."

Linda Shout, coordinator of UBC's women's centre, said she was appalled by Preinsperg's comments.

"To have the president

of the students' society start putting forward views that promote unequal power relationships is simply very dangerous," Shout said.

For his part, Preinsperg said he stands by his comments.

"People may not agree with my ideas, but I do try to make the world a better place for women," he said. "There will always be people who feel threatened by this sort of honesty."

Preinsperg said he would like women to speak to him in person about the article. "I doubt that many women who have actually read what I've written would construe it in this utterly absurd way," he said.

But Shout said the views expressed by Preinsperg are threatening to women.

"Women (come to the women's centre) because they often find that the university community is not very friendly to women --both in an academic and a social environment," she said.

"When this sort of stuff starts coming out...it makes it even more difficult for women to go out there into that community and feel safe." She said there has been an overwhelming response from women at the centre. "Women here are certainly going to take this up with the Ombudsoffice," she said.

Some formal complaints have been filed against Preinsperg, according to ombudsperson Carole Forsythe.

Kathy Tait, the relationships columnist who printed the hints, introduced the column by saying, "'How can I get a date with a woman? men continually ask me. Often they're men in one of the best hunting grounds in the world -- college or university."

"How anyone could twist that (article) into sexism, I don't know," she said. "I really think this stuff about sexism has gonetoo far."

She said the response must have come from younger women. "You just don't hear this sort of thing from women in their late 20's and 30's," she said.

Tait also said this attitude is caused by young women's "lack of being comfortable with their own sexuality" and "lack of confidence."

# What's a Picaro?

By Elaine Collins

Picaro.

How many of you know what a picaro is? (and don't say it's the Mount Saint Vincent student newspaper!) If you are anything like me, you vaguely imagined it to be a musical instrument similar to a flute.

But that would be a rather silly name for a school newspaper. "Oh well," you probably thought with a sigh of resignation, "if they want to call our paper a Picaro, who am I to complain?"

In a rare, inquisitive frame of mind, I ventured to clean up some of this confusion. I consulted Webster's New World Dictionary and learned that a picaro was originally a Spanish word meaning rascal. Neat. Our newspaper is called The Rascal.

Wait now! Just one cottonpickin' minute. I think I liked the flute better! Who came up with this flagrant name anyway?!

After a little more pondering and a little more digging, I discovered that picaro comes from the word picaresque. Webster's Dictionary defined the adjective as "dealing with sharp-witted vagabonds and their adventures."

Now that's more like it! I'm just glad our paper is for "sharp-witted" individuals, like myself. And as for our intriguing escapades, I think It's great that our newspaper cares to print them.

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### **NEWS**

### Hot Tip... Bullshit

To the Editor:

"Dickie" choking on his own vomit is not funny. It wasn't funny when Richard Sloan got drunk and died, choking on his own vomit, at the University of Guelph in 1989. It wasn't funny a few years ago when a drunken student fell to his death in Sheriff Hall at Dalhousie University. Nor was it funny when a drunk student at Acadia University unknowingly put his hand through a glass door, severing major arteries and nerves--narrowly escaping death.

Despite the accuracy of the instructions for positioning an unconscious person, the cartoon (?), HOTTIP, on the front of the Picaro, September 12, 1990, is in bad taste. Actually it is worse than bad taste-promoting excessive drinking as a humorous experience is a disgusting example of irresponsible journalism.

Your mentality is way behind the times. High school and university students across the province, and across the country, are promoting alcohol awareness--not alcohol abuse. Their programs, dealing with the reality of alcohol on school and university campuses, stress "responsible drinking.'

Why not follow the lead of these socially-astute and responsible students...use your paper to educate rather than denigrate the student body here at the Mount. I think everybody is smart enough to learn from the University of Guelph tragedy...don't blow the lesson with distasteful jokes.

Marie Dauphinee-Booth **BPR** student

The graphic on the front page of last week's Picaro showed a manoeuvre which can prevent someone from choking on their own vomit if they have passed out.

It was certainly not meant to be a joke or to make fun of the issue of alcohol abuse. We are in no way trying to promote excessive drinking. In fact, both stories on last week's front page "Drinking and Date Rape" and "Vinnie's Off to a Responsible tart," were included to help raise alcohol awareness.

Students often take the consumption of alcohol too lightly. Risks are involved and we were trying to show how dangerous drinking can be if it gets out of control.

The information and graphic were taken from a pamphlet, which is part of the CFS Student Saver packs and is avail-

able at the Student Union Office. Bacchus Canada, which is an alcohol awareness and abuse prevention program, put together this pamphlet. They promote responsible decisions about the use or non-use of alcohol. Bacchus stands for Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning Health of University Students, and Dick (not Dickie) stands for Drinking Irresponsibly Can Kill.

This week the Picaro is promoting the upcoming visit by Ben Wicks and the "Know When to Draw the Line" campaign. This campaign is being run to raise alcohol awareness among students and to show the dangers of drinking and driving. We don't feel this type of material is irresponsible journalism and we hope it is helping to educate the student body at the Mount. The only bad taste involved is the one that is left in our mouths when another needless death results from alcohol abuse.

### New Director of University Relations

Mount President, Naomi Hersom, recently announced the appointment of Mary Moulton to the position of Director of University Relations.

Moulton is responsible for providing strategic direction and management to the Department of University Relations, which includes Alumnae Development and Public Relations; and for

advising and assisting the President with strategic planning of internal and external communications.

A native of Montreal, Moulton has been living in Halifax since 1965. She brings to her new position a high level of skill in public relations, marketing and management, and will play a key role in promoting the Mount as a

vital, national university, and in overseeing the management of its \$8 million Learning and Leading Capital Campaign.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunity to participate on a strategic level with the direction of this university. That will be very exciting," said Moulton, who notes that the Mount's mission is both "special and unique."

### Health Services Discussion Series

By Anne Bulley

Health and human relations issues make up the meat of a new discussion series on campus called "The Sandwich Series."

Each month (except December and April) there will be discussions on health and lifestyle themes such as P.M.S., women and alcohol, dieting, stress, "super woman" complex and more.

The series will take place in room 130, E.M.F. library (downstairs) on the last Wednesday of the month between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. The name "Sandwich Series" was chosen as an invitation to bring and eat lunch during the discussions.

Anne Bulley, health educator for the campus, will host these sessions, with occasional guests speakers. The series has been designed specifically to accommodate day students, especially those who are part-time. The topic for September 26, 1990, is "A Struggle to Juggle",

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# Curbing Engineering Sexism

by Karen Hill

TORONTO (CUP) --"Crass, childish, and boorish" engineering students must clean up their acts before more women will enter the profession, critics

That kind of behaviour deters women from entering the profession, according to 38 per cent of the female engineers surveyed recently by the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario (APEO).

The problem is even worse than it appears, said Patrick Quinn, a professional engineer and pro-feminist activist. He said there's no way of telling how many women wanted to enrol but didn't and how many dropped out because of a hostile environ-

"There's a lot of screaming going on that we're not hearing," he said. And, he added, women are going to remain underrepresented unless big changes are made in men's behaviour and attitude.

One way to deal with the problem is to single out students who are found guilty of discriminatory behaviour, according to John Bate, the president of the APEO.

In an August letter to engineering faculties, Bate suggested that such students should be notified in writing by engineering deans. "(We) will retain these letters and review them at the time any of these individuals make applications for license," he said.

But Quinn said sexist engineering "pranks" must be countered with more severe penalties, similar to those imposed on students found cheating. Suspension or expulsion could

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be strong deterrents, he added.
"What stops them is the

possibility of severe sanctions. Behaviour can be modified in a very simple fashion, while it takes much longer to change attitudes."

In the past few years, engineering papers at U of T and Queen's have come under fire for their content which has been called sexist, racist and homophobic. Initiation rites have also been deemed discriminatory by students and administrators alike. Sexism is a problem in engineering, but there are more constructive ways to deal with it, said Emily Moore, Queen's University student council president and a fourth year engineering student.

"My personal fear is that when you start kicking out people because you disagree with their attitudes, you won't have many people left. Everyone is sexist, racist and homophobic, so it is a question of limits."

The best way to deal with sexist behaviour is to force offenders to perform community service, or attend mandatory classes, she said.

Marta Ecsedi, chair of the APEO's women in engineering advisory committee, said there is a definite need to change the image of the "crass, childish, and boorish" engineering student. She said one of the best ways to do this is to make sure more women

become interested in the profes-"One of our goals is to warm up the climate, to make women feel comfortable at all (university) events."

The APEO is developing a video for girls in grades seven to nine to promote engineering as a career. Ecsedi said they are also targeting young women in high school with pamphlets and a resource catalogue that will "portray an engineering career as an attractive option."

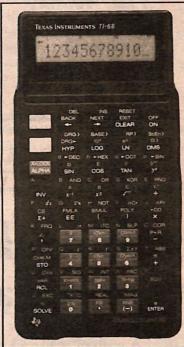
According to Quinn, educational work is important, but men have to become more aware of the problem. "You can't expect the victims to change

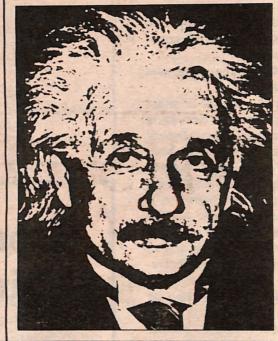
"If you make waves, you're going to get washed away. I know about severe instances of women being so abused they're traumatized."

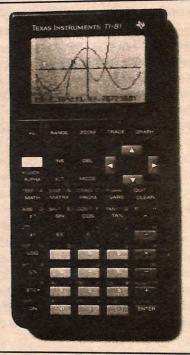
And he thinks changing both attitudes and behaviour is going to be difficult.

He said men tell him, "We understand and you're right, but you're too confrontational and it's not going to change over night. We'd rather operate qui-

"I want to change the men," Quinn said. "I think the things men are doing are not good. I think it needs to be changed







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### **NEWS**

# The Summer of Our Discontent

By Michael Haynes

If you had a difficult time returning to school this year, because you just weren't certain why you were doing it then simply reflect on the behaviour of our governments this summer, and you may have your answer.

Their record of malfeasance, simple corruption and poor judgement is almost unbroken by anything in which we might take pride.

The Meech Lake imbroglio, one of the more divisive debates in recent political memory, was rendered particulary ugly by coercive federal government tactics that included apparent blackmail, threats, character assassination, deliberate fostering of a crisis mentality, and a web of disinformation and lies so complex that it sometimes appeared to confuse even them.

Not to be outdone by Ottawa, the provincial governments responded in blatantly self-serving ways, ranging from the childish poutings of British Columbia's premier, who suggested that his province should have special status if Quebec did, to the bovine complacency of our own premier, who seemed pathetically eager to support the federal position wherever it led him.

Discontent with mere domestic embarrassment, Canada chose to respond to the Persian Gulf crisis in a way that was exceptionally stupid. With our dispatch of warships to assist in the blockade of Irag at the request of the United States, our government has risked the destruction of a trust in Canada built upon more than a generation of work by our peace-keeping forces and agencies such as CIDA.

Instead of waiting and intervening only at the request of the United Nations, rather than remaining available to provide mediation - a role we have performed in the past, instead of pursuing an independent course of action, our federal government preferred to leap at the snap of the American President's fingers and dispatch a militarily pathetic, but symbolically powerful naval task force to the region.

Combining both international and domestic components, the confrontation between Mohawks and whites and OKA is the ultimate disgrace. Using tactics that would not be out of place in South Africa, our government has chosen to employ the grinding weight of majority power to extirpate Native peoples autonamy, and eventually their existence as a distinct culture. Our news casts bring us the evidence every night that genocide is possible in a so-called democratic society.

And we have our shameful local equivalents.

The allegations of wide-spread government corruption made by former Deputy Minister of Government Services for Nova Scotia, Michael Zareski, point to a contempt of the public by our elected officials so utter that it defies comprehension. And the denials of wrongdoing by Premier Buchanan have become so similarly and patronizingly stupid that even some lifelong partisan supporters are choking on their bile.

So our reason for attending school should be obvious. More than 90 per cent of our current officials are University graduates, so it is safe to suggest that some of the leaders of the future are among your classmates.

Considering the disgraceful calibre of government Canadians have suffered recently, it is our responsibility to get out there as quickly as possible and assume our duties. Maybe we can reintroduce concepts such as honesty and humanity into the political agenda, or perhaps we will have just as many failures as the present leaders.

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### SPORTS

### Women's Soccer Kicks Off

The 1990 Women's Soccer Season has started off in a "large"

Tryouts for this year's edition of the women's soccer team were far beyond the expectations of coach Patsy Pyke.

" I was very pleased by the number of players we have interested in trying out for the team this year." she said. " Even more surprising is the quality of players we have coming out. We have strong players returning from last year and a group of very talented new players. The quality of players we have coming out makes the decision of which players to select as the group to represent the Mount in the Nova Scotia Colleges Athletic Association very difficult."

The decision will be made this weekend after an exhibition game. The team will then prepare to meet Kings on Wednesday, September, 19. It was the team from KINGS which handed the MSVU team their only loss of the season last year.

The Mount team is defending their fifth consecutive conference title. If they are successful this year they will hang the first banner of the NSCAA in the gym along with the four NSCC banners.

" We don't have our own field so we have to do a bit of travelling around the city to practice and play our games." said Coach Pyke. "We will be playing a number of our games at the Commons and we invite everyone out to watch and cheer the team on."

Schedules can be obtained from the Athletics/Recreation Office.

# MSVU Athletic Schedule

Mount teams compete in the Nova Scotia Colleges Athletic Association against 8 member colleges. Nationally, we compete in the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association.

Wed. Sept. 19 Women's Soccer KINGS at MSVU 5:00 p.m. South Commons

Intramurals Men's Indoor Soc-3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Rosaria Gym

Thurs. Sept. 20 Evaristas, Lourdes, Marillac Kick Off Night 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Rosaria Gym

Fri. Sept. 21 Coed Basketball 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Rosaria Gym

Sun. Sept. 23 Birches Kick Off Night 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Rosaria Gym

Mon. Sept. 24 Intramural Women's Volleyball Refresher Clinic 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Rosaria Gym

### Support Your Team

By Richelle Wilcox

Huffing and puffing, shouts of encouragement, cries of dismay, grunts of pain, and whoops of joy are not uncommon here.

An assorted group of friends, teammates, acquaintances, and virtual strangers can be found here. They are all young women and they share a common bond one which has brought them all

But where, you may well ask, is "here"? and what's all this huffing and puffing about?

Well, "here" is a soccer field - whatever one is available and the women are out of breath! For the past week they've been running and kicking and sweating and running after they've been away from the sport they love, some for summer, some for a few years.

The common bond these women share is soccer, and the reason they are here is that they want to represent YOU on the MSVU women's varsity soccer team.

Under the watchful eye of Patsy Pyke, the hopefuls run plays and drills, shoot, pass, and scrimmage - in short, show off their stuff!

At last count, between 20 and 25 women had shown up to try out, and after the exhibition game on Sunday, September 16, Pykewill make her final decision as to who is on the team.

Whether or not my name makes the roster, I'll be at the first game on Wednesday, Sep-

tember 19, at the South Commons field. Our team will be challenged by long-time rivals, Kings College, at 5 p.m.

Best of luck to the Mystics, we know they'll rise to the challenge. Everyone else: GETOUT THERE AND CHEER FOR YOUR TEAM!

### MSVU Team Tryouts

Tryouts take place in Rosaria Gymnasium

Men's Basketball	Tuesday, Sept. 25	5:30-7:30 p.m.
	Wednesday, Sept. 26	7:30-9:30 p.m.
	Fri., Sept. 28	4-6 p.m.
Women's Basketball	Mon., Oct. 1	6-8 p.m.
	Wednesday, Oct. 3	6-7:30 p.m.
	Thursday, Oct. 4	6-7:30 p.m.
Women's Volleyball	Tuesday, Oct. 2	4:30-6 p.m.
	Wednesday, Oct. 3	6-7:30 p.m.
	Thursday, Oct. 4	4:30-6 p.m.
Co-ed Badminton	Meeting Tuesday, Oct. 2	7:30 p.m. (meet at gym)
	Wednesday, Oct. 10	4-6 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 12	6-8 p.m.

### Women's Soccer

September 19	KINGS at MSVU	5:00 p.m.
September 29	TUNS of MSVU	1:00 p.m.
September 30	MSVU at NSAC	12:00 noon
October 4	NSTC at MSVU	5:00 p.m.
October 11	MSVU at KINGS	4:30 p.m.
October 20	MSVU at NSTC	1:00 p.m.
October 24	MSVU at TUNS	4:00 p.m.
October 27	NSAC at MSVU	1:00 p.m.

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### Women's Basketball

November 21	KINGS at MSVU	6:00 p.m.
November 28	MSVU at TC	6:00 p.m.
December 1	MSVU at STU	6:00 p.m.
December 2	MSVU at STU	12:00 noon
Regular games continue in January.		

### Men's Basketball

November 14	TUNS at MSVU	8:00 p.m.
November 21	KINGS at MSVU	8:00 p.m.
November 28	MSVU at NSTC	8:00 p.m.
December 1	MSVU at STU	8:00 p.m.
December 2	MSVU at STU	2:00 p.m.
Regular games	continue in January.	

### Co-Ed Badminton

November 18	at STU	9:30 a.m.
November 24	at Ste. Anne	9:00 a.m.
Regular games	continue in January.	

### Cross-Country Running

(Locations of NSCAA meets) September 22 at T.C. October 14 at MSVU October 20 at King's November 3 at CCGS (Provincial Championships)

# RECREATION

# MSVU Teams Very Strong

By Kelly Beaton

The intercollegiate teams at Mount Saint Vincent University are very strong, Patsy Pyke, athletic director said in a recent interview.

"We're very competitive with the other schools in the conference," Pyke said. "Our teams compete in the Nova Scotia Colleges Athletic Association."

There are eight schools competing in the conference this year: MSVU, Teacher's College, Agriculture College, Technical University of Nova Scotia, King's College, University College of Cape Breton, the Canadian Coast Guard College, St. Thomas University and L'Universite Ste. Anne.

"We have teams competing in women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's basketball, women's volleyball and co-ed badminton,"

### On the

### Sidelines

By Kelly Beaton

Several times over the past week I have come across members of the Mount's Athletics and Recreation department displaying the wide variety of programs available and trying to get people involved.

With everything from intramurals to aerobics to weight training to badminton, there is something for everyone, no matter what your skill level or your taste.

In today's "participation" oriented society, the reasons for getting involved in a fitness program of some sort are obvious. In addition, by joining one of the wide variety of programs available, you've opened yourself to a great opportunity to meet other students with similar interests.

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the Athletics Director added.
"Our record is impressive: the women's volleyball team has an unprecedented nine consecutive wins; last year the women's basketball team captured the conference title for the first time, while the men's basketball team came second.

Other wins last year in-

cluded a fourth consecutive conference title in girls soccer and the conference title in women's cross country. The men's cross country team came second in the province and 3 members of the co-ed badminton team qualified for the nationals.

"The teams only practice three times a week," Pyke explained. "We feel that our players are students first and atheletes second."

Dates and times for team

tryouts have been posted by the gym as well as in the paper. Pyke expects all teams to be selected by mid-October.

"We generally play every week," she added. "Our first soc-

cer game of the year is Wednesday, Sept. 19 at 5:00pm at the South Commons field (by QEH), where we will play Kings College.

Other games scheduled include the men's basketball home opener on November 14th, and the first doubleheader of the season on November 21st.



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### ENTERTAINMENT



On September 21, two exhibitions--"Family Studies" and "Landscapes" --will open at the Mount Art Gallery,

Downstairs, "Family Studies" will feature the photographs of Avanti Apple of Truro and a series of paintings by Bridgewater's Antonia McGuane.

Apple's photographs and accompanying texts portray women who have been victims of domestic violence (Apple will also hold a discussion on Sunday, September 30, 1990, at 3 p.m. Ann Marie Leger, executive director of Bryony House will accompany her).

Also on the Gallery's lower level, McGuane will display a group of paintings centering around the theme of new life and the sleeping infant.

Upstairs, Halifax artist Darlene Shiels will exhibit a series of landscape paintings.

The exhibits will open at 8 p.m. with the artists present.

### Vinnie's Pub - A Mid Week Ritual?

By Gillian Schultze

Crowded, packed and swarming with students, the Mount's only pub is transformed into a "hotspot" on Wednesday evenings. For first year students, like myself, this came as a big surprise. Let me explain my naivete.

On Wednesday afternoon, I was casually sitting in Vinnie's Pub with my textbook before me and a bottle of Moosehead Light. Around me, scattered throughout the room, were students doing the same. I, on the other hand, was probably the only one who was unaware of the impending excitement (unless there were

### Music: Whether You Like it or Not

By Ian Cowan

# Sue Medley -"B.C. Rocker of Consequence"

I first saw Sue Medley in London, Ontario, opening for Bob Dylan. Her performance was emotionally charged and brought to mind the country-rock style of Steve Earle and the Dukes.

Her debut album contains rocking, upbeat tunes like "57 Chevy" and "That's Life" which illustrate her abilities to produce powerful, country rock. Her ballad "Maybe the Next Time" shows that she's not limited to any one style of music, and her first hit single "Dangerous Times" makes a strong political message.

Without a doubt, Sue Medley's compilation is an album that will join with Steve Earle's success in the area of country-rock.

# Bootsauce -"The Brown Album"

Gawd! What a name. The cover of the album is bizarre enough and the inside cover photos are truly psychedelic. The lyrics are even more daunting.

With song titles like "Let's Eat Out", "Sex Marine," and "Catcher in the Raw", I prepared myself for the worst.

Surprise, surprise! No

screaming, thrash metal at all. The band covers electropop, rap, dance, funk, jazz and rock 'n roll. With a no-hold-barred attitude when it comes to lyrics, Bootsauce promises to be a refreshing new contemporary band.

### Pixies -"Bossanova"

Boston certainly gives birth to a wide variety of bands: Aerosmith, Algeriers, and of course, the five weinies from Hell. Now, there's the Pixies.

What "Yello" and "The Art of Noise" accomplish with everyday sounds, the Pixies do with unique sounds wrung out of their instruments.

I'm not sure what I'm going to do with this tape, but I'm not going to give it to my granddad for Christmas.

### Breeders

Kim Deal of the Boston band "Pixes" has formed a female band of considerable talent.

They're called "Breeders" and Deal describes them as "the Bangles from Hell." The band has done nothing to refute this.

The snarly guitar and subdued bass line, combined with shocking lyrics about sex and drugs, are eye-opening to say the

This is definitely a surprising album, but not for those with weak hearts or pace makers.



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other "dumb" frosh sitting in the Pub too!).

It was not until I sauntered through Rosaria Centre Wednesday night, that I realized my innocence (or perhaps my ignorance, for as I figured out later, Wednesday's pub is a regular highlight of the week).

I was overwhelmed by the amount of people lined up outside the doors. Curious as I was, I had to venture in and off I traipsed to the back of the line (which was outside the school, down the steps and onto the sidewalk).

After waiting in line for three quarters of an hour, I paid the cover charge (this was new to me as well) and squeezed myself into the front doors. Inside, I was confronted by a mass of people.

Dancing, drinking, sweating, smoking-this scene was completely different from the one

I had experienced earlier Wednesday afternoon. Obviously I had happened upon a very popular evening at my school's pub. Apparently this is the mid-week hotspot of Halifax!

It turned out to be a very interesting evening. I sat wide-eyed and amazed at the number of people that could be sardined into such a small room, at the amount of beer bottles being clinked, at the swarms of people on the dance floor and at the number of people (mostly men) that I had never seen before. Suffice to say, I had a good time.

No longer am I a naive frosh, for I have dabbled in the Wednesday night pub experience. The only downfall of this evening was the fact that I had a very early class the following morning. Alas, this is the price I had to pay for such a ritual.

# Running Amok Halifax Night-life

By Ian Cowan

Last Thursday night saw the return of a tremendous band: Rawlin's Cross--all the way from St. John's, Newfoundland. The band played to an enthusiastic crowd at the Halifax's Pub Flamingo.

The four men-one women band are: Dave Panting, guitar/vocals; Ian McKinnon, flutes/bagpipes; Geoff Panting, keyboards; Derek Polley, acoustic and electric guitar and Pamela Paton on the Bodhran and drums. (The bodhran is a handheld drum of Irish descent.)

Rawlin's Cross started off the night with a few instrumental pieces, a waltz, and several jigs. Every song encaptured the audience. As the evening progressed, people went from tapping their feet, to clapping their hands, to dancing.

The band dedicated a song called "Wild Rose" to ex-Premier John Buchanan (it's a song about a wandering lad who never achieves what he's after). Another song, "The Year of '45", sounds like a Newfoundland folksong put to Rock 'n Roll music (an awesome combination!).

The lively foot tapping music of Rawlin's Cross makes for a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Hopefully, they'll return soon!

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# ENTERTAINMENT



Dear Alice:

I've only been in classes for one week and I already feel like I'm in way over my head. My classes are huge and my profs go so fast. I have too many papers and assignments to even think about. How can I ever survive a whole year of this?

Frantic Frosh

Dear Frantic:

Keep your head above the water! The first week of school is always the worst. The most important thing right now is to be organized and to keep on top of your homework. If you still feel lost, talk to your professors and advisors. Also, check out the study skills sessions held each semester on campus.

Dear Alice:

There's this girl that I'm very attracted to and would really like to get to know better. Whenever I see her she says hi and we usually stop and talk. I often notice her watching me and it is obvious to my friends that she has some attraction for me as well. The problem is that she appears to be seeing someone else (who seems to be a total dweeb, he is also four years younger and not very attractive). This is confusing because I feel as though she is coming on to me everytime I see her. Help!!!!!!

Scott

Dear Scott:

If you feel that this situation is worth pursuing, then go for it! Unless you come right out and ask about this other guy, you may never find out. The fact that he's younger and unattractive might seem important to you, but the idea that she seems to like him for what he is shows a high degree of maturity on her part. Also, consider this: if she's flirting with you, she may just be flirting with the other guy. Besides what do you have to lose?

Horoscope

(March 21 - April 19)
Your intense desire for lasting relationship with a member of the opposite sex is understandable. However, there are many other things in life (such as stamp collecting, Origami, and working on the Picaro) which deserve just as much attention.

(April 20 - May 20)

Friday is not a good day to become careless. Keep an attentive eye on your Bingo card and use a dabber instead of plastic chips.

Gemini

(May 21 - June 20)

Your natural charm and beauty will win you many friends. You are perfect in everyday. Thursday will be a special day for you when you discover that you are everyone's reason for living.

Cancer

(June 21 - July 22) Put studies first and you'll soon discover you're not as stupid as you look.

(July 23 - August 22)

Your constant dwelling on the past is putting a damper on your social life. Forget your junior high prom date and move on to bigger and

(August 23 - September 23)

Opportunity will knock on Sunday, but will slam the door on your hand on Tuesday. Revise your plans for Thursday. Call in sick Monday. An old flame rekindles on Saturday. Douse flame on Wednesday, Regret Saturday next Friday, and the night before the morning after.

Libra

(September 23 - October 22)

Friends, loved ones, and psych profs are beginning to talk behind your back. Either confront them, or stop wearing revealing garments to intramurals.

Scorpio

(October 23 - November 21)

A significant amount of weight loss this week causes you to become unrecognizable to your friends. Take advantage of this time to bring

your name up in conversation and see how your friends really feel about you.

Sagittarius

(November 22 - December 21) Today would be a real good day to change your underwear.

(December 22-January 19)

Seek adventure. However, because of your carefree attitude and shameless flirtatious manner, you may find yourself engaged to three different people. Begin drafting a will.

Aquarius

(January 20-February 18) You long for a life of suspense and danger. Why not plan a trip to the Persian Gulf? Or if you're Anglophone, how about Quebec?

Pisces

(February 19 - March 20)

You search for true love will soon be successful. To attract members of the male species, acquaint yourself with the baseball greats and the recipe for Chicken Parmesian. To attract members of the female species, acquaint yourself with deodorant.

Dear Alice:

I'm 18 years old and I've been going out with Archie for two years. I never wanted to see anyone else, but now that I live so far away from him and I'm meeting guys here at school, I think I'm changing my mind. Is this wrong? What should I do?

Veronica

Dear Veronica:

Separation is a true test to any relationship. If you feel that

you want to see other guys, then by all means, do it! (Talk to Archie first, of course). He may even be feeling the same way. You've got a long time ahead of you for serious relationships, so don't rush into any commitments.

# Is This My Stop?

By Jonah Samson

I grew up in the type of place where the only public transportation was a hayride from one end of town to the other. Then I moved to Halifax...

For a great number of students, the bus system is their only mode of transportation. And for many of these students, this system is a completely new experi-

At first, if you're not sure about the destination of the bus, you can ask. Example "Do you go downtown?" "Yes" is the response. So you hop on the bus and off you go. What you realize once your half-way over the MacKay bridge is that this bus in going to downtown Dartmouth -- not downtown Halifax.

If for nothing else, there are times that I enjoy taking the

bus just to look at the people. 1 think that it would be great to have an aquarium full of people on display on your coffee table. Everyone is so different. But then there are those who are really different...

Yesterday, I sat behind a teenager with a severe case of dandruff. He was playing with a lighter and as he made the flame burn higher and higher, he gazed

into it -- a bizarre smile crackling his face. I changed seats.

Maybe it's just paranoia or my over-active imagination, but when that old man walked on the bus carrying a hack-saw, some frightening thoughts began to bounce around inside my head.

But hey, let's not dwell on this, you just may meet the love of your life on the number 80 Sackville someday. Why just the

other morning, I was sitting across from a mature woman wearing a large bonnet who was staring towards the ceiling talking to herself. My heart fluttered.

All this aside, I am extremely grateful for Metro Transit. I mean, it has by far the upper hand on the system back home where I always used to get hay down my pants, and we all know how uncomfortable that can be.



Student Union Treasurer Marc Conran gets his, in a pie toss for Shinerama.



Campus Security get into the fundraising act as well.

### ENTERTAINMENT

### Summer's Hottest Movie

By Sickle and Eggbeater

Ghost, starring Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, and Whoopi Goldberg, is dubbed a comedy with just enough suspense, romance and chase scenes to make it interesting for everyone (excluding the intense intellectual).

The story revolves around

Sam (Swayze), Molly (Moore), and Oda Mae (Goldberg). Sam and Molly are in love, but Sam is afraid of commitment (sniff). However, Sam comes around and realizes how much he loves Molly (smile). Unfortunately, this happens after he is murdered (sob). Oda Mae is the medium Sam uses to express his love for Molly and, ultimately, to reveal his murderer.

Goldberg is great, Moore is cute, and Swayze is sexy. Apart from a few unnecessary scenes of gore (not enough to make a gore lover happy and too much for a peace lover) the movie is okay.

On a scale of 1 to 10, it's better than getting into Vinnies free on a Wednesday night.

SICKLE



A tenefit screening of Otion Walker's "Princes in Exite" will open the 10th Atlantic Plim Festival on Tuesday, September 15, at 7 p.m. at the Park Lane Capital Cinema.

"Princes in Exile" is the story of Ryan Rafferty, a 17-year-old boy who spends three weeks at a summer retreat for children with

Admission will be \$12 with proceeds being shared by the Canadian Cancer Society and the Atlantic Film Festival. Director Walker and Anna Keay - president of the Canadian Cancer Society, Nova Scotia chapter will both be in attendance.

Ghost has been called a light comedy, a beautiful love story and the hottest movie of the summer. It's definitely all three.

In it's 10 week running, Ghost has grossed over \$133.4 million, quickly gaining on the most popular movie of 1990--Pretty Woman.

Ghost has some beautiful

touching moments. There is one scene which very liberal thinkers will enjoy as the separated lovers experience a brief physical reunion near the movie's conclusion.

Whoopi Goldberg as Oda Mae, a con-artist-cum-psychic, makes the movie outrageously

This flick is a great mixture

of love, tragedy, comedy, revenge and bad guys doing evil stuff. The only real let down was to see such a good movie resort to mindless "blood and guts."

On a scale of 1 - 10.. Ditto.

**EGGBEATER** 

### Air America Grounded

By Butch, Sundance, Alice and The Snorting Shoe Eater

Mel Gibson is one of the most popular and busiest stars currently making movies. The films he appears in usually mix action with comedy quite successfully, but Air America doesn't get off the ground.

This movie is punctuated by a few short, humorous scenes, but you are often left yawning and wondering when it will end. Sundance doesn't agree with this criticism, but for this movie his opinion is in the minority.

The funniest part of the movie is when two Vietnamese crooners sing "A Horse With No Name." This may show you the

level of comedy, if this scene was the highlight.

The plot never had a set flight pattern and the characters were not properly defined. Mel Gibson's character seems to flip flop between sentimental and adventurous thrill seeker too easily. Events in the movie were often unrelated and not properly followed to their conclusions.

If you want to see a movie for a few chuckles check it out, but don't expect to be rolling in

On the laugh-o-meter scale of 1 to 10, Air America rates four snorts. As Sundance said "It was better than a boot to the gut with a frozen mukluk."

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Proud Co-Presidents, Trudy Landry and Donelda Furlong are pleased to announce the birth of the new Psychology Society at Mount Saint Vincent University. Excited friends, Sheena Williams (Secretary) and Debra Langille (Treasurer) were also on hand for the event that took place on Thursday, September 13 at 12 noon. The occasion drew up a large crowd of spectators, all eager to participate in the society's new life.

The first day involved executive committee elections, as well as the planning of future events. The committee's plans are well underway, and the society's life appears to be healthy and promising.

The first event, PSY-CHOCHALLENGE '90, has been scheduled for Saturday, September 29. This day of fun and excitement hopes to give fellow students a chance to meet one another and their professors (stay tuned for more details).

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20, at 12 noon. Further information and the location will be posted in the Psychology lab.



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