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Coleman wears Big-Wig

This is the deck where we put information in Times Italic. Neat, eh?

BY JAMES TILLEY

To start her term Coleman has instituted a new student union regulation. She took the new idea from her former school, Bozo's school of clowning and student affairs. She wants to institute a policy that states that all councillors must wear bright clown wigs to all official student union functions. Her motion was presented on last Friday's Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The rest of council seems receptive since most will not be returning next year. All of the incoming executive really seem excited about the idea.

"I love the idea," says Alison Druhan, Internal Vice President Elect, "bright rainbow coloured hair is perfect. It matches with my blue and red and white polka-dotted shirt and wide hula-hoop pants."

The wigs, in combination with the new uniforms that are based on this year's orientation t-shirts, will brighten the halls and hopefully brighten everyone's spirits. This is part of a vicious plot to boost school spirit. Coleman is hoping that the new Student Union initiative will eliminate student apathy. The students will work together

in a common goal, making this place a happier university.

This is all part of a grand scheme to promote class clowns in the post secondary school system. Soon there will be Busking in the halls to pay for tuition, big red shoes will come back into fashion and hand-buzzers and squirting flowers will be the latest rage.

"I think this school needs more class clowns," claims Coleman, "they are all happy and joyful, everyone likes clowns. The faculty and students will be more relaxed, and this will lead to a better education for everyone."

The proposed plan should not cost too much money and in the long run will be profitable for both the student union and the university. Sheila Brown also likes the idea because it allows her to bring out her inner child. Wayne Ingalls, current acting Academic Vice President endorses the idea because it promotes public speaking, one of the courses he teaches.

Financially this makes sense because the university will be taking a percentage cut from the busking that will occur. Most students will be entertained and learn practical working experience. This will

count as course credit, and those who travel with their act will get co-op experience as well.

The wigs are the main selling point for Coleman though. She claims to love dealing with and wearing big wigs. They make up the majority of her wardrobe, her closet is filled with them, in all shapes and sizes and a wide variety of shades and colours. Her personal valet, Brian McLeod, cleans and takes care of her wig display.

"It is great, she makes me clean them and brush them, and admire them twenty-four hours a day," claims McLeod.

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This & That

Superheroes work for the Mount

Whoda thunk it? Power Rangers return pandering to a mature audience!

by Inda Know

Mount Saint Vincent University has decided to take a hard-line stance to get themselves more money. They've hired the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers.

"We've tried begging and pleading and they didn't work," said University President Sheila Brain. "Now we're going to kick some economic ass!"

The move is in response to the Nova Scotia Council on Much Lesser Education's funding formula, which would see the Mount's budget cut by 10.4%.

"We're not afraid," says Steve Allwet, the Council's spokesperson. "We have evil villains on our side. We have Reform Party Members! Bwahahaha! Those puny Power Rangers don't know what they're in for!"

The Mount plans to bring in the Power Rangers for a one-week stay, destroy the Evil Council, and restore peace and relatively low tuition prices to all of Halifax.

Student Union is divided on the issue. When asked her thoughts on Brain's decision, President Verri Poor said that she "couldn't be happier."

When asked to elaborate, Poor added, "That Red Ranger is just so cute! He really turns



me on."

However, official "No Power Rangers" campaign leader, Toad Braidman, says that the University's strategy is, simply put, silly.

"With a budget cut this severe, you want someone like Batman or Superman to do the

job. These wimpy, karate-chopping kids have nothing on the Justice League," said Braidman.

Brain, however, asserts that she has complete confidence in the Rangers' abilities. "After all, they only have to beat up a bunch of pencil necks."

In reality the story ended with the above quote. Unfortunately, we came up a bit short with words here so we just filled it in with useless jibberish and whatnot! Unlike term papers we can't fiddle with margins as easily, but we can do other things. For example, look

at those silly stretched headlines up above. Wow! What in the hell's going on with that? Just think what you could do if you stretched all the words in a term paper like that! Why you could probably turn two hundred words on any old dead poet into a good ten pages.

Aliens At the Mount!

By Our Staff

The secret is out! At a press conference last week outgoing Student Union president Sheri Moore admitted they took their directives from aliens living in the UFO in the tail of the Hale-Bopp comet.

"I know it will come as a shock to the Mount Community. The aliens told us to disallow pub crawls as they do not condone alcohol on their ship. We decided to follow their lead as they told us that they would destroy the campus with their laser rays if we did not," a weeping Moore told a group of baffled media and students gathered to hear the news. The decision to not allow pub crawls was not a popular one with many students this past September. It is a relief to know that the idea was not generated by the elitist rulers up the hill.

The executive have, over the course of the year, introduced many unpopular ideas. Student

attendance hit an all-time low over the year. Even though the students blamed it on (in the opinion of one unnamed student) "The fascist nazi leadership of the elitist Animal-Farmesque cult up the hill," everyone was surprised to learn their accusations were unfounded.

According to one source (who goes by the code name "Death Star") the aliens infiltrated sometime around last year's student union elections. A brief flash of light appeared over the SU at their first meeting, knocking Internal Vice-president Reyn Grey unconscious. When she awoke, the idea of the social fee was born. Asked about the reasons behind the social fee, and if it was actually her idea or one the aliens made up, she replied, "It's gossip! It's heresay!" and ran from the room. "Death Star" informed the Sicaro that the money from the social fee would have gone to the aliens as a ran-

som fee. If given the money that would have been generated by the ill-fated fee, the aliens would have gone off to California to start a ranch somewhere in the Napa Valley.

Rory Tate, the circle turned alien researcher told us that the alien takeover of Student Unions is not uncommon, although this is the first instance since 1933, when the University of Florida was accosted. "They (the aliens) thrive on picking on unions with flagging popularity. They take a perverse enjoyment in making the situation worse, using the weakness of the organization against them." Did anything distinguish this takeover from any others? Well, the aliens in this case used threats of violence and direct action not only against the council but against the students as well. That, according to Tate, is something new. "Essentially, the aliens have never been this aggressive in the past. It's inter-

esting to note that this could be directly related to the unpouairity the Mount Saint Vincent Union was already experiencing."

Moore admitted that the union went into debt battling these pests from the outer reaches of the galaxy. "We were trying to obtain the ransom fees from any source we could, and that meant creating a certain debt load. The student's protection from these horrid beasts was our first concern." Students, however, are skeptical about this explanation, wondering if it was the student body, or themselves that they were interested in protecting. Anger at the aliens is the overriding emotion on campus as the students attempt to understand why the takeover affected them so profoundly.

When questioned about the dental plan, Grey replied, "Even aliens want to have clean teeth," and refused further comment on the situation. It is clear that stu-

dents are wondering if she has been corrupted by the force of evil. One student said, "I have to wonder if they (the aliens) have affected her brain. It seems she actually feels these plans were good ideas." Grey refutes this by saying that the aliens come to her and talk to her because she just wants all the power over the school for herself. She admitted being kidnapped by the aliens made her realize that she was the only one with ideas that were good enough to run the entire place. It sounds more like she was kidnapped by Rosanne Skoke to me.

The aliens were unavailable for comment. When the Sicaro tried to reach the little demons, they were picking up members of the Heaven's Gate cult and surveying land in Napa on which to build their own ranch. Does this mean that they will leave next year's council alone? Perhaps only time will tell.

Stuff

Skoke after Brown's job

BY OUR STAFF

Dr. Shelia Brown will attempt to hold her seat for next year against Rosanne Skoke.

Skoke declared her candidacy for Mount president yesterday at a press conference held on Parliament Hill, Ottawa.

"Premier of Nova Scotia is just not as cracked-up as Savage led me to believe. He failed to mention the amount of work involved. Rumor has it that the position sucks," explains the political leader. "I have decided to give my expertise to the higher learning institution in Nova Scotia, Mount Saint Vincent University.

The slogan of Skoke's campaign has been to "set the Mount straight." The 60-year-old sincerely believes that she has the power, invested in her, to alter the minds of Mount students belonging to the groupie, "Queeries are us."

"I'm sure that banning the society's existence will be in the best interest of the school. Instead of concentrating on each other, the women will be apt to give undivided attention to their studies."

What !?! A beerless bar

A LETTER BY THE BUDDHA

How scandalous! Rumour has it that the Pub has run out of Alexander's Special sauce. We also know that it won't be "drafty" at the Pub either. If you have been there in the last 5 weeks you would know that the beer was not consumed by the thousands of incapacitated patrons. Of course, if you were here on Wednesday you are one of the ten faithful people who believe in liquid education. So if the beer wasn't drunk by the starry-eyed patrons, then the question I have for Tracie MacKneel is "Where did the Keith's go." We at the Pub feel that the decline in business came as a boycott after the leaving of Frank Howell. What is the matter, people? Don't Kyle, Wally, Brian, Ron, Paul, Paul, and Preman compensate for the missing Howell? (Not to be confused for Thurston Howell III from Gilligan's Island)

Is the lack of beverage selection Vinnie's way of endorsing an alcohol-free pub? Maybe it seems basic but I don't think this is the way to pack the pub. I think that the best bet is to turn the pub into a "den of inequity". Add the opportunity for a few more vices and maybe allowing the patrons to stuff the pool table pockets or maybe just pockets in general. I think that changing the uniforms from prison shirts to topless g-strings will either scare patrons or entice them to come back especially if Frank Howell comes back. So come on, people, and be at the pub on Wednesday for the last night!

Kingston proposes new plan

BY OUR STAFF

Jennifer Kingston, health plan administrator, refuses to give up on her task of improving the prevailing health plan.

Last month, the Mount student body overwhelmingly turned down her bid for an additional dental benefit; however, her idea to implement a new mental plan is receiving campus-wide approval.

The plan, to be voted on next fall, covers a wide variety of mental malfunctions. It covers all sorts of nervous breakdowns, regardless if they are caused by studies or any other extra-curricular activity.

Todd Brayman opposes the plan. "I've been going to my family shrink for years, now under this plan I'd have to go to some wing-nut picked by the student union's insurance company."

Internal VP Reyn Gray admittedly holds a different viewpoint. "I think the mental well-being of students is a just cause for such a proposition. Come on, I know you do too, don't you... All of you think this idea is worth it. Admit it! Yes! Yes! Yes! I know ya like it!" hails Gray.

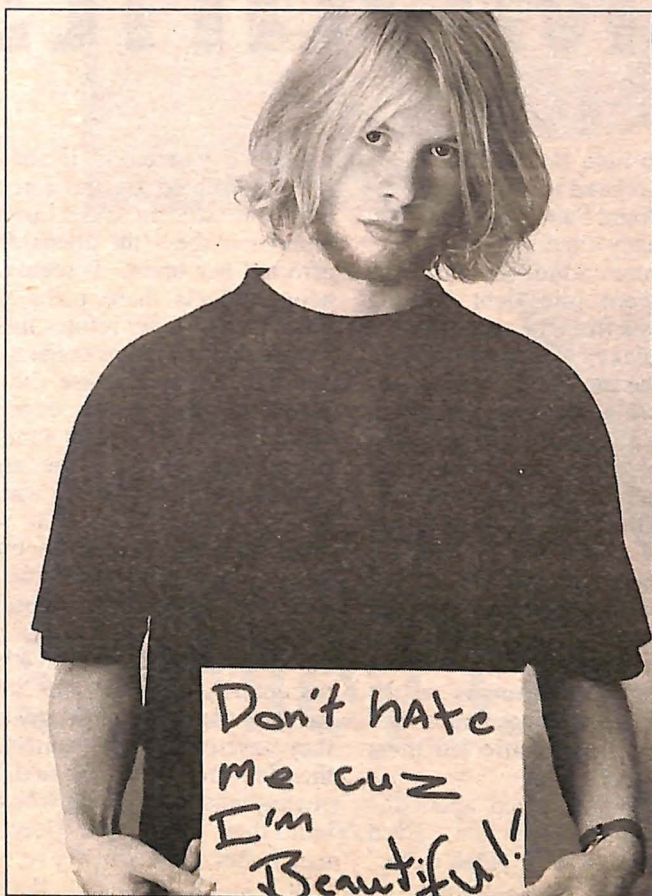
One councillor leaked to the Picaro in strict confidence that Grey has a tabulated \$10,000 debt from her daily visits to Camp Hill, and she is hoping that this plan will cut back her accumulated expenses.



"Admit it! Yes! Yes! Yes! I know ya like it!"

(Above) Proof that this school makes people more than a little loopy. Reyn Gray attacks president Sheri Moore in a hallway. *Yak's Ass Photo*

Sicshine Boy: Sexy Sanchez



Return sleds for profit

BY OUR STAFF

Resident students have the opportunity to get a few smackers this Friday, according to Cafeteria head "Umberto."

Any student who by unfortunate mishap left the cafeteria premises with a tray in hand, will have the chance to return it without shame on the afternoon of April 11. Each returned tray is valued at \$10.

"We (the staff) realize that such tray incidents have happened all year and we know that our students would not consciously partake in such criminal activities. It is often hard to notice that you're carrying a bright orange 50 pound tray in hand," says Umberto. "It's an easy mistake."

The need to collect missing trays is for monetary purposes. "We can't afford to buy any more and if this campaign is not successful we will have to raise the meal plan fee from \$1,900 to \$3,000 for the upcoming year."

Sicshine Girl: Rrrrrrrrhonda



Other Stuff

Student Union Bi-laws



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For more information on this challenging and rewarding volunteer opportunity, contact our office at 1-888-779-0061 or by E-mail: best.buddies@sympatico.ca

Pub has banner year with record profits!

BY OUR STAFF

Student Union's decision to ban "pub crawls" (oopsie! "downtown socials") was a profitable one!

In September, the Union took a stand against allowing campus societies to go frolicking around the city's drinking establishments. Their reason for taking such measures, according to SU president Sheri Moore, was for the general safety of the student body. The clan chose to market Vinnie's as the safe alternative to the harsh city life.

"We want our students to be safe and Vinnie's provides the appropriate environment. It's really like a big group hug," says Moore.

Vinnie's has reported a dramatic increase in profits in comparison to past years. Stacie McKeil, pub manager, claims that the increase coincides with the tactical marketing ploy demonstrated by the Union.

"The Pub is making a record profit!" exclaimed McKeil. She later admitted that ANY profit would be a record profit for the Pub, but that this year's increase was unforeseen.

Five per cent of the generated revenue will be used to cover the pub's operating expenses forecasted for 1997-98 and the remainder will be used to pay next year's Union Executives' respectable and wholesome honorariums.

"I think there will be enough to pay each executive member over \$1000 a month, but if we fall short we'll simply use the additional student fee of \$50 planned to be implemented for next year," laughs president-elect Rhonda Coleman.

"It's so funny, for in actual fact we didn't plan on things turning out this way.

The executive is more than willing to represent the students without receiving any form of gratitude, that's just who we are. Receiving honorariums will simply help pay for our Friday night ventures to the Palace," explains Coleman.

The lack of "pub-crawls" is not the only reason for Vinnie's new-found wealth. The staff itself is also contributing. McKeil used her work experience at the Sheraton Casino and managerial style to coax the entire staff to adopt new and innovative fundraising methods.

"We are all impressed with Stacie's excellent job as pub manager, she will be sadly missed," says Sheri Moore, Student Union President.

The pub has turned into a gambling casino under the direction of McKeil. The pub now offers poker tables, "legalized" betting on pool tournaments, horse and dog racing on the television, and a roulette wheel.

"We are hoping to get some one-armed bandits. Unfortunately, being smoke-free slows the gamblers," says McKeil citing that there is some funky stuff in cigarette smoke that makes people gamble more. Nonetheless, she finds it amazing how many people are closet gamblers.

"You wouldn't believe me if I told you who comes in here regularly" says McKeil, nodding silently towards Board of Governors representative Gin Hing Yee, who was slinking out the back door holding what looked suspiciously like a roll of money and an extra-dry martini. "Some people have even spent their entire student loan in an evening. Those quarter bets really add up."

When cornered on the issue of gam-



Photos (counter clockwise from above) Vinnie's Pub and Casino Manager, Stacie MacKeil shows her hand for making the pub profits soar as she plays a little pickup with Susan Dumaresque and Alana Mason and (we think that's Tracey Cochrane but then who would be watching the kids?) Scott MacKay



bling in Vinnie's. Yee's only comment was "Giddyup!"

Union General Manager Scott MacKay's reaction was slightly different. "They're doing what in the pub? Aahh...excuse me, I have to kill. I mean, I have to call someone."

The profits from the casino alone have funded several of Moore's week-long trips to the Caribbean. The executive and council thought she was at Scenerios meetings. This gambling circuit dubbed "New Las Vegas" has boosted sales but actually decreased the number of customers. Lance Jay, employee at the pub has been forced to defend himself due to the increase in violence during these games.

"I'm scared I need to defend myself. After winning a few thousand bucks people start to really hate me," says Jay, "and the knife comes in handy when I need to vent frustrations after losing."

The managers themselves also partake in the gambling habits. But the stakes are higher: they are gambling with Student Union funding. The three high rollers in this game are McKeil, Susan Dumaresque, and Alana Mason. The most recent victory was Susan's and "luck" was on her side when she won during the spring elections.

"The rumors of me buying votes with my gambling profits are highly exaggerated," says Dumaresque, "I skimmed money off the top of the Corner Store till. The gambling profits are sent to support the Shining Path rebels in Peru."

The staff, after not seeing their fair share of these profits, have taken matters into their own hands. All staff members are short on cash and trying to fundraise in any

way possible. With the new food service, comes the new delivery charge. Extra grease and salt are also added to increase drink sales. Andrew North, pub staff and Council Chair, has made more money by hosting more Student Union meetings. Lynn King has even begun table dancing to increase the number of males attending the pub.

"I bare my butt for bucks," gloats King.

Barkeep Wally Nowlan has opened a booth where he offers psychiatric help and tips on how to get through life, while the rest of the staff has assisted in the smuggling ring which brings cheap liquor and smokes up to the residence students. Brian "Nimble Fingers" McLeod has found more creative ways to get his tips. He just takes them without asking.

"It is easier to get more 'tips' after I get them really drunk," says McLeod, a popular Vinnie's bartender. "The more plastered they get the more of my student loan is paid off."

"Hey, it's not just us!" exclaims McKeil, when it was suggested that her actions are slightly illegal. "The entire Union is corrupt!" She cites the \$3 per-page fax costs as an example of this. "You don't really think it costs that much, do you?"

Moore would not comment on her allegations.



reacts to the good news about the pub's new industry. Bartender Brian McLeod made a tidy profit this year with his technique of "load'em and light'em". Academic V.P. Elect Ron Pottie has his tuition together for next year for by running an escort service, a potential customer reacts to his pitch.



Yak-e-dee Scmack-e-dee

Art rating system approved at the Mount

By: Timboo Drow

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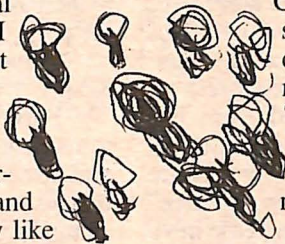
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uncertainty, and confusion. Is it art, is it not art, I couldn't decide! I couldn't think about anything else...I failed my midterms, I skipped class, all because of Kim Dawn!"

This trend has been noticed not just at our small community of the Mount, however. Dr. Arthur C. Fartsy is a psychologist for art victims, and has treated several cases around the world. "I call the condition artus confusionus, or Art Confusion Syndrome (ACS), and it is a very serious problem. It is caused when the, so called artist, decides to create a work which is not obvious enough in its artistic expression. The resulting condition causes disorientation, sleeplessness, irritability, forgetfulness, impotency, infertility, and in some severe cases, madness followed by death."

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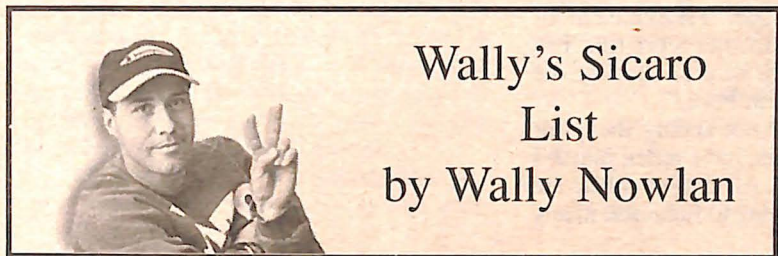
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Rated ABBJ: This exhibit is Art, But Just Barely, and may not contain all of the obvious traits of a work of art, but contains a sufficient amount to be termed "art".

Rated SLS: This is the rating brilliantly applied to the Kim Dawn piece by one nameless, yet incredibly insightful, art critic. It stands for, quite simply, smells like shit, and will be reserved for those art exhibits which Smell Like Shit.



Wally's Sicaro List by Wally Nowlan

Attention, Attention everyone. Word just in to the Picaro staff that Wally has been shot, we repeat Wally has been shot. Police spokesperson Chief Wiggam felt obliged to provide the Picaro staff with a list of possible suspects:

1 **Big Joe, local cartoon character who was jealous over Wally's new colour photo and fame apparently shot wally in a drunken rage after drinking a dozen caesar's at the Seahorse.**

2 **In coming presidenté Rhonda Coleman. Rhonda seems to have ordered a contract hit on Wally after he threatened to go public with alleged campaign fraud and missing funds from the student union budget. Rhonda was overheard saying, "Wally won't be speaking to anyone, anymore!"**

3 **Kara McNeil, in apparent retaliation over Wally's earlier "favourite book list." Kara was angered that her favourite books didn't make the list. Sorry Kara, Dr. Seuss and Howard Stern aren't gonna cut it.**

4 **Brian McCloud, in an attempt to get Wally out of the running for "favourite bar staff employee." Too late... been there, done that.**

5 **Cindy Crawford, who was apparently depressed over Wally ending their three month love affair. Cindy was heard to say "First Richard, now Wally, well, I'll get him for this."**

... Later



Not Wally's List

Wally's Other List

By someone who shall remain nameless pretending to be Wally

Now that I am graduating I wanted to help out my fellow students, sharing with you my experience and knowledge on a subject that is near and dear to my heart. You may recognize me from my role as your trusty Vinnie's Pub Staff member, for many many years.

I'm going to give you vital information that will not only help you but will better promote customer service amongst the staff. This list comes from my personal experience and firsthand knowledge from my countless interactions with the student bodies. Below are my recommendations on the best approaches for initiating deep and meaningful relationships with our pub staff.

Check them out!

- 1 **Pick up lines so work, especially: "Giddy-Up," and "Drink with me, Damn it!"**
- 2 **Don't make any sudden moves and speak slowly**
- 3 **Critique us on our bathroom opera**
- 4 **Consume copious amounts of alcohol, we all start looking good then!**
- 5 **Admire our keen fashion sense (the stripes thin our rippled physiques) as we stagger, I mean strut, down the catwalk**
- 6 **Ignore our nasty habits and other ideocyncracies - Some of us can't help it (It is a sinus problem)**
- 7 **Serenade us with quotes from the Simpsons (I am a so smart S-M-R-T ... I mean S-M-A-R-T)**
- 8 **Compliment us on our aptitudes for rocket science and public profile in external media (The Journal is our friend, thanks Big Joe)**
- 9 **Promise to remove the restraining order**
- 10 **Lower your expectations and standards (Some of us won't promise a lasting relationship let alone a second date)**
- 11 **Offer to buy dinner - We can't live off of popcorn forever (mmm... Popcorn)**
- 12 **Begin a systematic process of following, hiding in bushes, leaving anonymous messages ...etc. Sure, some may call it stalking, we call it mating.**

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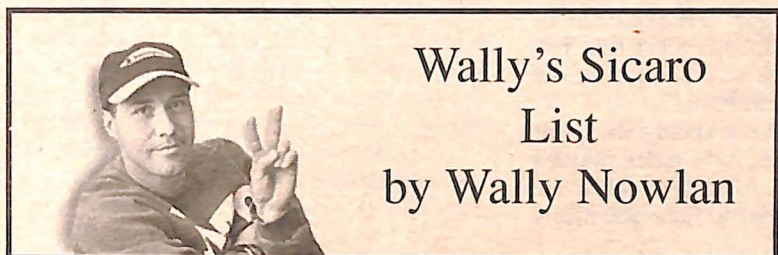
Rated A: This exhibit is Art, and displays all obvious traits of a work of art.

Rated NA: This exhibit is Not Art, and displays no obvious traits of a work of art.

Rated NQA: This exhibit is Not Quite Art, and may contain some traits of a work of art, but not a sufficient amount to be termed "art".

Rated ABBJ: This exhibit is Art, But Just Barely, and may not contain all of the obvious traits of a work of art, but contains a sufficient amount to be termed "art".

Rated SLS: This is the rating brilliantly applied to the Kim Dawn piece by one nameless, yet incredibly insightful, art critic. It stands for, quite simply, smells like shit, and will be reserved for those art exhibits which Smell Like Shit.



Wally's Sicaro List by Wally Nowlan

Attention, Attention everyone. Word just in to the Picaro staff that Wally has been shot, we repeat Wally has been shot. Police spokesperson Chief Wiggam felt obliged to provide the Picaro staff with a list of possible suspects:

1 Big Joe, local cartoon character who was jealous over Wally's new colour photo and fame apparently shot wally in a drunken rage after drinking a dozen caesar's at the Seahorse.

2 In coming presidenté Rhonda Coleman. Rhonda seems to have ordered a contract hit on Wally after he threatened to go public with alleged campaign fraud and missing funds from the student union budget. Rhonda was overheard saying, "Wally won't be speaking to anyone, anymore!"

3 Kara McNeil, in apparent retaliation over Wally's earlier "favourite book list." Kara was angered that her favourite books didn't make the list. Sorry Kara, Dr. Seuss and Howard Stern aren't gonna cut it.

4 Brian McCloud, in an attempt to get Wally out of the running for "favourite bar staff employee." Too late... been there, done that.

5 Cindy Crawford, who was apparently depressed over Wally ending their three month love affair. Cindy was heard to say "First Richard, now Wally, well, I'll get him for this."

... Later



Not Wally's List

Wally's Other List

By someone who shall remain nameless pretending to be Wally

Now that I am graduating I wanted to help out my fellow students, sharing with you my experience and knowledge on a subject that is near and dear to my heart. You may recognize me from my role as your trusty Vinnie's Pub Staff member, for many many years.

I'm going to give you vital information that will not only help you but will better promote customer service amongst the staff. This list comes from my personal experience and firsthand knowledge from my countless interactions with the student bodies. Below are my recommendations on the best approaches for initiating deep and meaningful relationships with our pub staff.

Check them out!

- 1 Pick up lines so work, especially: "Giddy-Up," and "Drink with me, Damn it!"**
- 2 Don't make any sudden moves and speak slowly**
- 3 Critique us on our bathroom opera**
- 4 Consume copious amounts of alcohol, we all start looking good then!**
- 5 Admire our keen fashion sense (the stripes thin our rippled physiques) as we stagger, I mean strut, down the catwalk**
- 6 Ignore our nasty habits and other ideocyncracies - Some of us can't help it (It is a sinus problem)**
- 7 Serenade us with quotes from the Simpsons (I am a so smart S-M-R-T ... I mean S-M-A-R-T)**
- 8 Compliment us on our aptitudes for rocket science and public profile in external media (The Journal is our friend, thanks Big Joe)**
- 9 Promise to remove the restraining order**
- 10 Lower your expectations and standards (Some of us won't promise a lasting relationship let alone a second date)**
- 11 Offer to buy dinner - We can't live off of popcorn forever (mmm... Popcorn)**
- 12 Begin a systematic process of following, hiding in bushes, leaving anonymous messages ...etc. Sure, some may call it stalking, we call it mating.**

... Later

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Foojglfdkjjgds! The interview with Bob Dylan

While Bob Dylan was stranded without his stuff in Halifax last week, the Picaro snagged an interview. Here's what was said:

Picaro: So Bob, what do you think of Halifax?

Dylan: Himmchs wjjbcjdl unhadha snow in April wunfid rtjkg freaks dikrfnutter.

Picaro: Umm.....yeah. Ok.....so.....about your fans, do you think your music spans the generations, or have the youth of today replaced their parents as fans?

Dylan: Well, ujkahd burnahfb bolk himma! (laughs) Nafta hudgr lolliets marijuana, griendhf xkdfruty toke gejdju. But, ifjgniy old people dkhklsdu blurbds inka money jubfrudf himminna fans.

Picaro: Okey dokey, my next question is about your son's band the Wallflowers. Do you actually like them, or do you just say that to be nice?

Dylan: Oh! ugganc bomerf jdiepwo Jakob isgda udbfei owpeoen young punk ljdioeur ndeuig nciutner owiucg sucks slkngflds one hit wonder idkhfioe.

Picaro: Hmmm..... very..... Ummm..... interesting. My last question is about your past. Do you feel that years of drug and alcohol use has taken its toll on your body resulting in its impairment?

Dylan: Nope.

(long pause)

Picaro: Ok. Well thanks for coming in, Bob, and good luck with the show.

Dylan: Show?

Picaro: Ha! Oh Bob, you're such a kidder. You are kidding, aren't you? Oh well, anyway, it's been.....interesting talking to you.

Dylan: ihjzdkhx iolw dxnkis oweuim worst interview in my life oudjcf ywueb klpopiw rot in hell kjduiooeu heur mdlao iwnrto. Bye!

*Editor's note: Bob Dylan was later seen in a local strip club, having a beer with former Liberal MP Rosanne Skoke. Rumor has it they were negotiating a contract for her singing career.

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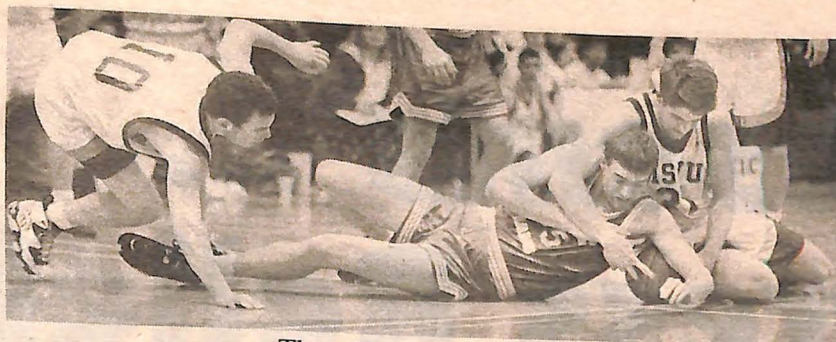
Sicaro staff

After hours of deliberation late last night, it was decided that the men's basketball program at the Mount would be dropped. The athletics department is looking for a team that can be more competitive in the ACAA. Effective immediately, Greco Roman Wrestling will be the official sport of Mount Saint Vincent University.

Do not despair however, the team will not be without prior members of the basketball squad. Former Mystic head coach, Rick Plato will be taking over the reins of the team. It was also reported that Benji Hill will be the new team captain and Steve Harris will also be an intricate part of the squad.

In a press conference held after the meeting deliberated last night, coach Plato fought to hold back tears as he made the historical announcement. "We've moved on to bigger and better things. I've always wanted to coach a winning team, now I have the opportunity to do so."

Plato was overheard telling a colleague that he was given the o.k. by his doctor to reduce the dosage of his blood pressure pills, now that he is no longer coaching basketball.



The athletics department is very confident that they can put a winning product on the floor. "People don't come here for their education, they come for our sports programs," reported one member of their staff. The department made it abundantly clear that they will not let the education of their athletes hinder their athletic aspirations.

As for Hill being appointed captain of the new team, he believes that he will have no problems making the transition between the two sports. "I just purchased the all new Greco Roman Rule Book today so I should have a handle on the sport by September. It can't be all that hard, I managed to learn how to play basketball," says Hill.

About sixty five percent of the male population is expected to try out for the remaining spots on the team. All twenty participants feel they have a good chance of making the final cuts. The completed team list will be posted outside the Rosaria Gym in the coming weeks.

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