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BEWARE OF ARTISTS THEY MIX WITH ALL CLASSES OF
SOCIETY AND ARE THEREFORE MOST DANGEROUS -QUEEN
VICTORIA

two wrongs don't make a right
 unless you are she who judges
 then you are the one to pay
 for all your crimes
 those known and unknown
 that you have committed
 with your mind in a dark place
 because all you think about are
 burning words filled with harshness

they sear across your brain
 day in and day out
 but they lose all meaning
 the more you think about them
 eventually you can't recall
 what it was that was said
 to you about your filthy habit
 the one that you have since given up
 for good or ill it is not known which
 all that matters is that it is gone

this was not done to please another
 but for the peace of mind that comes with it
 knowing that you are now forever free
 of the invisible prison that you were one held in
 because you sought to change
 the perception that others had of you
 and you didn't want them to think that the fake
 you
 was the real you on the inside of your shell

it may not work as it may be too late
 but this is something that only time will tell
 and you are more than content
 to let time be the storyteller in this case
 all you can do is hope and pray
 that she will find her way back
 through the bad places that you know
 she must sadly travel through
 in order so that she may be herself again

and you will wait patiently through it all
 because you know that it will be worth it
 in the end of all things
 this is known to you without being told
 because an age ago you went through the same
 thing
 and it was dark then too
 but you made it through all right, eventually
 and she will too because she is a better person
 now than you were then

this is something that she may or may not
 need to hear from you
 but the terror that fills you both
 prevents it from ever being said outright
 this is truly the saddest case of all
 because all the similarities are for naught
 and the two connections that were made
 have now been effectively severed
 by the one who goes to the bad places
 but this is something that you can live with
 and not think about it if you have to
 and it is a necessity that you forget about it

and you never know, maybe someday
 i'll be gone and forgotten
 but that's fine with me
 because that is a day that i cannot see
 and many things unknown will happen
 between then and now
 some for the better and some for the worse
 but why bother with that right now?

what's the point in thinking about never beens
 when all the things that are have beens or will be's
 have yet to occur to you in the place you're in
 now
 and this is a question that you must answer
 for yourself and not for any other
 because it will do no good to answer it for another

you are the only one who has to worry about you
 for all the others are busy worrying about choices
 that they must make for the ones who
 are unable to choose for themselves
 the young and the old are moving on
 and you don't want to be left in their dust

this all occurs to you in a matter of moments
 though each moment endures for a lifetime
 and each time a moment ends you think
 that you will not be able to withstand
 another moment like the one you have just lived
 and each time you are thrown back to the begin-
 ning
 and each time you think that it is the last time
 because how much more of it can you stand
 without losing all the restraints
 that you have placed upon yourself

and when the last moment has passed you expect
 a new one to begin any second now
 but when it doesn't you find that you are lost
 and now have need of a guide to get you
 through all the things that you must go through
 in order to resume living the way you used to
 and if the guide shows up and tells you how to
 live
 then you will heed their advice and be better
 than you have ever been before
 but if that guide never appears then you are left
 to rely solely upon yourself for help
 and you will think back to the times
 that you thought were the darkest you would ever
 see
 and wish that you had them to do again
 but you do not and are now stranded
 in a dark place with no friends and no light
 in the sky to make your path clear to you

but these are problems that we all must face even-
 tually
 and there is nothing that can be done to ease the
 pain of them
 you must square your shoulders and take what is
 given to you
 and bear the burden that is yours to bear

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Coup D'état**Keiran Gibbs**

They say it's a good idea to keep a low profile. Personally I couldn't agree more. High profile people encounter far too much scrutiny, which is why I made a personal vow a long time ago to keep things as quiet as possible. Considering my origins, it is not unusual that I chose to do things this way. I can't actually even remember the first time I swore to subvert society; but my father tells me that he's never seen a toddler so full of enthusiasm for anything in his life. Of course, I understand that by writing this article I am committing an act of treason; explicitly describing the underlying conspiracy that we are all faced with everyday, whether you know it or not. I suppose being only half Jewish means that I am only halfway part of the conspiracy of total world domination. I admit that I've always felt as sort of an outsider when it came to knowledge of top secret plans to destroy the world. All of my friends in Jew-camp were way more in

"the inside" when it came to that sort of thing.

Anyway, the point is, I am trying to come clean. I just want to lead a normal life and forget about conspiring to overthrow capitalism, democracy, socialism, communism, religion and the western and eastern parts of the world, while simultaneously taking over the media, the political system and all of the grassroots organizations. It's not that I'm not up to the task; it's just that I feel like our cover-up is losing ground these days. What's the point of being part of the largest conspiracy in history if everybody already knows what's going on?... (does that mean that I have to change my ethnicity?...)

The Future of Jargon

If you're a faithful Jargoniter, (eh hem, that is; a faithful reader of Jargon) then I'm sure that you're quite aware of the many political/internal difficulties we have been faced with this year. It is a long sad story to be sure, but the final outcome is this: the two year stint of Jargon, formally known as the Picaro, has most likely met its end. Lack of money and apathy on the part of MSVU students is most definitely the catalyst for this recent

finding. But fear not lovers of democracy, there will be a paper next year with a different name run by the Student Union. Yep, it will likely be right up the alley of many of ya'll, so hell have fun with it. In case we don't meet again, it's been a great being your outlet for opinions, pissing you off, annoying the hell out of you, entertaining a few of you sick individuals, and passing by the rest of you unaffectedly.

P.S. If you want to find out more about the new paper next year talk to the Information Desk people at Rosaria or contact someone from the Student Union somehow.

Retractions:

Last month there was an offensive sentence published in Shawn's column "toot'n with Shawn" in which he makes a reference to "dead whores". Considering the context of BC the reference was inappropriate and we apologize....

Tim Fisher

The old cliché, "there is nothing in life you should regret because everything is a learning experience", is anything but a load of shit.

A couple years ago a friend of mine gave me advice that I remember until this day. In fact, his words were the deciding words that motivated me to get myself into thousands of dollars worth of debt - coming to university. He said, "the only things in life you regret are the things you don't try".

You see, school back home is cheap, something like a \$180 per course; top that off with the cheap rent of living at home and free food...my friends and family were quick to criticize me for even considering leaving. They persuaded me to stay by using great arguments such as: "don't be a fool", or "save your cash and buy a car",

"you can't snowboard in Nova Scotia", and "dude, you'll have to change your address".

Hey - they're all great reasons; ones that weighed heavily on my 'why I shouldn't go list'. So one night when I was drunk, I decided to make the decision that would affect my entire life: I chose to save thousands of dollars and stay at home. *insert cheese ball line here* That's when the nagging voice in my head reminded me that the only things in life I'll regret are the things I didn't try.

So to satisfy my craving for the adventure, I thought of other things I could do while I was in school. I considered traveling over the summers, snowboarding at Whistler, teaching English overseas, hell my favorite idea was to hitch hike to Vancouver and then jump on a cargo boat to Asia and have lunch. But in the end, I wanted out. So I got out.

The only option was the original plan - study in Nova Scotia. There were many universities that I could choose from, but I was sold on Excellence, Innovation, and Discovery - the values that make up your (our) university.

When I came to the Mount in September, I dis-

covered that a student newspaper, the one medium students can use to challenge the norm express their own views, did not exist. I asked around and I found out that there was one individual who was taking on the innovative task of starting a newspaper to challenge their own excellence. Her goal was to create a forum that every Mount student could participate in. A work by the students that would challenge others to Excel-Innovate-and Discover just what they were made of.

I credit everybody who dedicated their time, their equipment, and their help to enable Jargon to exist. Although we didn't get much credit for our efforts, it was still 'good times' so none of you better regret a blasted second of it. I do, however, regret not telling people why I did it. But that's just my style.

From the individual who lent us his computer and to the pessimist who said "if you can't do anything well, don't do it at all" - I thank you all.

On that note - I challenge you to take it on next year, hell if we can do it, why can't you. Cheers.
Tim

Ty Treon
News Editor



Starting this month, we will be having a new column in the 'Newsy' section of the Jargon called "Reflections." Reflections, which basically mean reflection of each month in terms of local, national and international news that, have a considerable impact on our daily lives. I hope you enjoy this column and I would love to see some kind of feedback on my work. Positive or negative.

There are few people who would disagree with the fact that the Month of March 2004 has been the most eventful month in terms of national and international events as of late. With bombs and terrorist attacks in Spain and Iraq to the election of the man whose going to fight against good ol' Dubya... (George.W.Bush) in the US presidential elections in November. The Month of March has been very very interesting for us all, let's look at some of the events that made headlines last month.

Terrorists attack Spain:

On the morning March 11, 2004, terrorists terrorized the city of Madrid in Spain with a series of ten explosions that were planted on board four commuter trains. The attacks killed around 190 people and wounded more than 1800, making it the worst terrorist attack in Europe since the Lockerbie bombings in 1988. This has in fact been the worst terrorist attacks in Spanish history.

Thirteen bombs were planted in the attack out of which ten detonated causing a scene of panic and anger amongst the millions of Madrid natives. No one claimed responsibility of the attacks although many Spanish officials believed that the Basque Separatist terrorist group the ETA were behind the attacks. However, A CNN report in mid-march suggest that video tapes showing a man claiming to be the military spokesman for the Al-Qaeda terrorist network claimed responsibility for the attacks. Many are calling the events of March 11 as the European version of the 9/11, calling it 3/11. The bombings in Spain also prompted the Spanish people to overwhelming vote for a new government led by the new Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero. Many people in Spain blame the former Spanish PM Jose Maria Aznar for his

strong support on the US led war in Iraq last march as the main cause for the terrorist attacks. The new Spanish PM has also promised that he will withdraw all 1,300 Spanish troops from Iraq immediately. The intelligence agencies and Spanish police have not yet named any one particular group linked to the bombings, although evidence suggest that Al-Qaeda did have a major play to play in the attacks. Whether they are solely responsible or if they were supported by other groups will only be known to us in hopefully the near future.

Leader of 'Hamas' killed:

The founder and spiritual leader of the Palestinian militant group 'Hamas' was killed on Monday March 22nd 2004 by Israeli military air strike. The leader Ahmed Yassin was killed in an Israeli missile strike as he was leaving a mosque after offering dawn prayers in Gaza city. Several other people including his bodyguards were killed in the attack. Another seventeen people including Yassin's sons were injured in the attack. Witnesses in the area described a scene of horror and chaos after the attacks, with blood and glass all over the street. Yassin is said to have been hit directly by the first missile that left his body totally disfigured. Over 200,000 Palestinians came out on the streets of Gaza city for Yassin's funeral, for which he was a god like figure. The Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon brushed aside world wide condemnation and vowed to continue a "daily war on terror." He was quoted as saying that Yassin was an "Arch-Terrorist" responsible for orchestrating a wave of suicide bomb attacks on Israeli targets and its people. Yassin had come on television and openly declared 'Jihad' on Israel many a times promoting suicide bomb attacks on Israeli targets. What the outcome of this killing will be is something I can't even imagine. Sure, the Palestinians will retaliate but to what extent they would go is yet to be seen. They also hold the US responsible for turning a blind eye towards what they call 'Israeli injustice towards the people of Palestine.' "Words cannot describe the emotion of anger and hate inside our hearts," said Hamas official Ismail Haniyeh, who was a close associate of Yassin.

John Kerry V/s George.W.Bush in Nov 2004:

Its official Democrat and Massachusetts Senator John Kerry will be contesting the US elections in November 2004 against George.W.Bush. The Democrats are hoping that Kerry will be able to defeat Bush in the upcoming elections and end

his reign as probably the worst US president in history. After winning over whelming in the 'Super Tuesday' primary results. John Kerry has what people have called a 'come from behind victory' over his rivals. After being almost unknown in January this year and then winning the democratic candidacy for President of the US has been quite the road for Mr Kerry.

Whether he can beat President Bush in the November elections is still to be seen. He has some good ideas and the CNN polls show that the Presidents popularity is decreasing amongst his own people. Mainly due to the failure of the entire Iraq episode and a number of other scandals that have come to the foreground in recent weeks. Only time will tell, but no matter what the odds are, President bush does have more than \$130million for his campaign compared to around \$30million for John Kerry. Also, if the US forces are able to capture or kill Bin Laden before November or Weapons of mass destructions are discovered in Iraq, Bush Most likely will still win. That is the way it goes my friends. Welcome to the world of Politics.

South Korean President Impeached:

South Korea's parliament has impeached President Roh Moo-hyun for endorsing a pro-government party and incompetence ahead of next month's general election. The opposition parties which dominate the chamber impeached Mr Roh by a vote of 193 to 2, suspending his powers pending a Constitutional Court ruling. Scuffles broke out before the vote as security guards ended protests by MPs loyal to Mr Roh, dragging them outside.

The vote looked set to spark a period of mounting political uncertainty. The impeachment is the culmination of a row between Mr Roh and the opposition-controlled National Assembly. Analysts say the charges against Mr Roh were relatively minor, and the stand-off has more to do with jockeying for the 15 April general elections.

Looking relaxed and smiling, Mr Roh confirmed that his impeachment would be formalised later but added that he believed the court would throw it out. Prime Minister Goh Kun, who becomes acting head of state for an interval which could last up to six months, called an emergency cabinet meeting. Legislators had been occupying the parliamentary rostrum for three days when Speaker Park Kwan-yong arrived with the guards who proceeded to remove them one by one, clearing the path for the vote to be called. "You asked for it," the speaker

said as supporters of President Roh shouted and wept at the unprecedented impeachment, some crying "stop the coup". The main charge against Mr Roh is that he violating his neutrality as president by publicly supporting the new Uri Party. But analysts say the opposition's real reason for acting is it fears losing seats to the Uri party in next month's elections.

Beginning of Indo-Pak friendship?

"What Politics could not do, probably sports will be able to." One of the posters of a fan watching the India v/s Pakistan cricket matches in the Pakistani port city of Karachi. The Indian cricket team was given the 'go-ahead' by the Indian government to go on a month long cricket tour to the neighbouring country after a gap of 14 years. The Indian government had snapped all ties with Pakistan after the Terrorist attacks on the Indian Parliament in December 2001. India blamed Pakistan to be behind the attacks and lined up almost a million soldiers on its borders with Pakistan. Coming from that situation to a situation of peace is remarkable. Both the Indian PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee and his Pakistani counterpart have been striving for peace between the two countries in recent months. With the resumption of rail-links and bus service and also the opening up of the air-space, the two countries seem to be heading in the right direction. Whether the two nuclear armed neighbours can be friends again is something we will have to wait and see.

Other news that made headlines in March:

Taiwan's president Chen Shui-bian and Vice-President Annette Lu shot at, during a campaign rally. Both escaped with minor injuries.

Terrorist attack's kill 185 Shi'a Muslims in Iraq during the religious festival of Ashura bore the hallmarks of operations planned by Abu Musab al-Zarqawi. The right hand man of Al-Qaeda.

Pakistani forces surround over 400 Taliban fighters on the Pakistan side of the Pak-Afghan border. Reports suggest that Al-Qaeda operative Al-Zarqawi is hiding there. Pakistani forces fail to achieve their objective.

Back in Canada, Stephen Harper got elected as the leader of the Federal Conservative party, by defeating Belinda Stronach and Tony Clement. He will contest against PM Paul Martin in the upcoming elections.



A Leader Emerges

The new Conservative Party of Canada chose its leader on March 20. Conservative party members chose Stephen Harper to lead them in the next election. Harper won on the first ballot, but unlike Paul Martin who was practically handed the Liberal Leadership, he had stiff competition from Belinda Stronach and Tony Clement.

Prior to the convention, polls showed Stronach as the Maritime favourite. Maritimers have had distaste for Harper because of a comment he made in the past about them always being on the receiving end in regard to federal transfers. However, Harper received a lot of support in Nova Scotia, and won in the majority

of New Brunswick ridings.

Harper now has the task of winning over the rest of Canada when he goes up against Paul Martin and Jack Layton. As previous leader of Canada's most right-wing party, Harper must try to appeal to the Conservatives whose ideologies are closer to the centre. The success of the Conservative party will depend on his ability to bond former Progressive Conservatives to the new party and draw in new supporters. Polls suggest that the Conservative party has increased its support since the Liberal sponsorship scandal. The party's next task will be to establish an election platform that will attract the Canadian public.

Reporter treated "like a drug suspect" by RCMP

OTTAWA (CUP) -- The Ottawa Citizen reporter whose house was raided by the RCMP in January says her story serves as a wake-up call to all those who take freedom of the press for granted.

Juliet O'Neill was speaking to around 75 people at the University of Ottawa last week in a panel discussion co-sponsored by Canadian University Press.

Respected National Post reporter Andrew MacIntosh, best known for uncovering the Shawinigate scandal, and Bob Carty, from the Canadian Journalists for Freedom of Expression, were also on the panel.

O'Neill compared the early morning raid on Jan. 21 to watching a slow-motion robbery. She had the audience imagine their own homes getting ripped apart.

"They treated me like a drug suspect," she said. "What did they think, that I was hiding my documents in my quilt or that I was flushing my briefcase down the toilet?"

Her home was searched for hours, because of an article she published last year based on a secret RCMP file on Maher Arar, a Syrian born Canadian tortured in a Syrian prison for alleged link to terrorism.

O'Neill's been charged under national security laws, yet her lawyers — along with other media — are in the courts trying to declare the warrants invalid.

While the raid on her home occurred

over two months ago, O'Neill said it's taken a while to reclaim her sense of privacy. She said that at the time she didn't know how people would react.

O'Neil thanked Canadian University Press for passing a motion at their National Conference in support of freedom of expression. She also thanked the Fulcrum's Managing Editor, Marcus McCann, for dropping off a letter of support from the student newspaper's editorial board.

O'Neill advised journalists in attendance to get any information obtained from a confidential source on the record.

Carty compared the raid on O'Neill's house to events that routinely occur in countries like Zimbabwe.

"We were astounded," he said. "It was an affront to every Canadian's right to freedom of expression."

Investigative journalist MacIntosh said his life changed forever when a brown envelope with bank receipts for Jean Chretien, arrived on his desk.

For years he's been fighting to keep a source confidential in relation to the Shawinigate scandal — a story he broke while working for the National Post.

"Five reporters have been lost fighting to keep this a secret," he said, referring to the \$500,000 the Post has paid in legal fees.

Admit When You're Wrong

Many of you may remember the rebate cheque sent out to Nova Scotia taxpayers last June by the provincial government. Those \$155 cheques were meant as a down payment on an income tax cut that the Conservatives promised as part of their election platform. They were re-elected and went through with a ten percent tax reduction.

Finance Minister Christie and Premier John Hamm assured Nova Scotians that they had balanced the budget, and the decrease would be a break for taxpayers. A few months later it was announced that, in fact, the government is running a deficit. All departments were facing budget cuts, and funding to help cover the costs of university tuition was threatened. The government has promised to protect the health and education departments, but other departments will receive less funding in the upcoming budget. Tax increases have been proposed for gasoline, health cards and hotels,

and cigarettes have already been subjected to higher taxes.

Premier Hamm has put the blame on everything but his own government, including Hurricane Juan, lack of federal funding and a lagging national economy. All of those things may have cost the province money, but the fact of the matter is, the Nova Scotia government made a mistake. There should not have been cuts made to tax revenue before the government could be certain that there would be a large enough surplus to cover the lost funds. What is worse is that Premier Hamm has not taken any responsibility for this situation. The Conservatives intend to walk away from their mistake without retribution, while the people of Nova Scotia are punished through diminished social programs and taxation on essential items. It is up to the opposition and the voters to hold the government responsible for its own mistake.

The fest that beat our stress before the final Tests!

The Mount Saint Vincent University and its societies celebrated its first annual 'Festival of the Mount' on March 27th 2004 at the MPR room in Rosaria. The show started at 9 pm, with a wonderful variety show, showcasing some of the Mount's best talents. It started off with a 'Big Bang' performance by the hip-hop dancers of the Mount, swaying to the beat of Britney Spears. The Mount's Taek-Kwon-Do team also showcased some fighting skills from Korea. For a minute I thought we might not have a stage left by the end of the night. Various other shows such as dance performances, songs, a wonderful violin performance and others were a part of the event. The event also ended with a 'Bang' by a spectacular Caribbean dance performed by the Mount Sisters. They definitely shook what their mama gave them.

The entire idea for the festival was bought about by the International Students society and was supported by other societies of the Mount. In particular,

the Residence society, the Corner store and the Political Studies Society. The event was sponsored by the Students Union, Presidents office and Student Affairs. With tickets priced at just \$3 for two. We had a full house. After the show at the MPR, the attention shifted to Vinnies, where an after party was held. DJ Brandon played some good mixes of Hip-Hop, RnB and music from the Caribbean. Hopefully, this is just the beginning of a great new trend at the Mount and the event will be even bigger next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Majid Latif and Njeri Thirubi from the ISS, who worked so hard to make it happen. Also Presidents of all other Mount societies. Joanne Burns Theriault, advisor to the international students. The SU, President's office and Student affairs for the funds. And everyone else who was a part of this very successful event. And for those who couldn't make it this year, come out next year to YOUR fest, its going to be 'Da Bomb'.

Tim Fisher

The problem with publishing a monthly is an entire political catfight can unveil between a single issue. The good news is the votes are tallied, and just about 8 per cent of us voted – gotta love ye-old democracy eh. Anyway, I had a chance to speak with some of the victors, so I asked them what they want to do and what qualities they feel they have to do it.

Wouldn't it be cool if everywhere you went, a theme song played when you entered a room? As a personal touch, I made up in a theme song for each of the victors.

Mission: SU President
Victor: Chantal Brushett (uncontested)
Theme song: Anything by Simon Cowell
Her vision: 1 - Maintain the status quo. 2 - Expand existing SU services.
Virtues: Powerful voice, experience in communication and experience in leadership.

Mission: Executive VP
Victor: Sandra Bornemann
Theme song: Anything by Ben Harper
I regret to inform that I didn't have a chance to interview Ms. Bornemann before the deadline...yes, I am a monkey. My apologies.

Mission: VP Academic Affairs
Victor: Elizabeth Evans
Theme son: Anything by Sublime.
Her vision: Get existing projects off the ground and see them through – talk to the people within our university and change here.

Virtues: People person, experience

Mission: VP Student Life
Victor: Matt Currie
Theme Song:
I regret to inform that I didn't have a chance to interview Mr. Currie before the deadline...I know, maybe an elephant would be more appropriate... My apologies.

Mission: Full Time Students' Senate Rep
Victor: Jessica West (uncontested)
Theme Song: Anything by Kelly Clarkson
Her Vision: Improve scheduling, expand science program "last year it dropped about 80 people", and ensure the administration listens to the students.
Virtues: Comfortable talking with administration, outgoing, and driven.

Mission: Off-Campus Students' Rep
Victor: Shannon Kehoe (uncontested)

Theme Song: Anything by Bif Naked
Her Vision: Get feedback from off campus students and give them a voice.
Virtues: Dedicated and determined.

Mission: Science Students' Rep
Victor: Andrew Joy (uncontested)
Theme Song: Anything by Snoop
His Vision: To make sure science students are getting their money's worth.
Virtues: Make sure the administration is not walking on us.

Dear Editor,

The Students' Union at Mount Saint Vincent University is following the lead of Saint Mary's University by considering the implementation of a university bus pass. This would allow all full time students unlimited access to Metro Transit for the small fee of \$100 per

student each year.

Being a university outside of the downtown Halifax area, many Mount students find themselves using the buses to get everywhere. The U-pass might mean creating more routes to and from the Mount and have them on a more frequent basis as well. The U-pass is more

environmentally friendly as more students opt to use buses rather than their own cars to get to school. Also, it will help remedy the lack of parking at the university. Students owning cars will save money if they forgo the parking pass; the U-pass is cheaper. For those who currently transport themselves in cars, they may wish to consider leaving their

vehicles thus saving on a parking pass, and gas, and insurance. Clearly, Mount students both on and off campus will benefit from the U-pass. Fewer cars on the road mean less pollution and traffic congestion so HRM benefits.

JESSICA WEST

Oops I did it again

A Controbution

Jargon has recently been informed that due to not publishing a proposed budget for next year we will not be able to hold the referendum. That is o.k., however, being diligent economical fanatics we of course have been planning secure back-up for a long time. Such as:

Winning the lottery, Scott MacDonald, our columnist has proclaimed "If I win the lottery I will fund the paper"

Being as we are a majority male here the males will sell their sperm,

Hold the student union president for ransom, due to their surplus of funds they should be able to front a good sixty thou.

Collect stray cats, paint them to make them look more exotic and sell them to pet stores

Worst comes to worst we can increase our drug profits from selling just marijuana to the lucrative business of crack-cocaine.

Calling All Space Cadets!

by victoria fowler

"Hello, my name is John Moloney and I'll be your boss for the next four months," he said.

"My name is Vicky Fowler and I'll be your co-op student for the next four months," was my reply.

The small talk continued until I asked my boss what his educational background was. John replied that he was an engineer. I thought to myself that's neat, until he dropped the bomb.

"I'm an engineer and so are 99% of your co-workers."

My co-op work term began this way. Here I was on my second work term working for MacDonald Dettwiler and Associates. Eager to do a fantastic job I was excited to jump right in.

I instead found myself drowning in a sea of technical jargon. Not wanting to sound uneducated I just nodded like I knew what a Sonobuoy Test Processor was my whole life.

I thought to myself, maybe this isn't the work

term I expected. I thought there would be endless news releases, constant media monitoring and the never-ending list of items people in the office needed photocopied. Previous work experiences, not mentioning any names, left me uninspired, aching to go home at 2 o'clock and the general feeling of being another worker bee in the hive. She's just the co-op student was the mentality; let her do the dirty work. After folding, sealing, addressing and sending 4000 letters, I vowed never to be a lackey again. I learned something that summer; you only make the best of your work term if you want to.

Thinking back to my previous work term and how uneventful and mundane it was I again promised myself never to be a professional envelope sealer. This is where everything changed at MacDonald Dettwiler. I asked what all the technical mumbo-jumbo was instead of hanging back, and surprisingly my co-workers would answer back with a detailed explanation. I got to know them as people, not intimidating engineers. I got to work with them, not for them. During my work term I got

to plan events, develop proposals and learn all kinds of technical concepts. It was, and will be for the next month, the best job I've ever had. MacDonald Dettwiler may be a surveillance and aerospace company, with a staff of 99% engineers, but as a public relations student from Mount Saint Vincent University, I fit in just fine.

The only piece of advice I can offer to everyone is: Don't sit back and let things happen if you don't want them to. Agree to do the boring work, but also ask to be given more challenging projects to work on and wow your employers with what you learned. It will be more fun and interesting for you, and employers will see co-ops students are a valuable resource so maybe you won't get stuck with 4000 envelopes and no one to help seal them.

OPINION

Bathroom Etiquette

By Liam Gosset

I am all about traveling this world - or at least this continent - and even more so about the experiences you have along your journey. You meet so many faces, hear so many stories, and understand some semblance of what we call life. One thing to take into consideration will be the numerous, assorted urinals and the people that will attempt to converse with you while you are there. I have seen so many restrooms of nasty content, cleanliness and prestige, and yet others where you are peeing into nothing but a trough in the floor. But what I cannot understand, is being half or full cut and standing at a urinal, a trough, or even a bush, when the dude next to you starts busting off about his theory on world domination. What is it about me that you feel you must engage me in banter when I am exposed and not in my most comfortable position? It is not cool, unnecessary, and unheralded. I am not sure about ladies and their tacit agreements, but with guys it is not cool to start up a conversation in that way. The first thing we think of is, "Why is this dude talking to me? Can he not see that I am swaying back and forth while pissing on his shoe?" or even worse still, "Is he hitting on me?" There is a time and place for all things and all things have their place, but come on now, that really is not one of them.

I used to date this girl when I lived in Lake Louise, and one night we all decided to go out and have a few sociables. One or two cocktails soon turned into a pay cheque and eventually we called a cab from the village. Wait; hold on a minute, I am getting ahead of myself here. Let me paint you an image and break it down University style for y'all. Okay, so we all know what the Micro-level and macro-levels mean, right? So, picture this: A macro beginning of a wide camera lens, panning out over the beatific scenic spot that is the Canadian Rockies, complete with a moonlit sky, valleys of rock and stone, and nature at her finest. Then the scene zooms in a tad, and suddenly you are on a highway following a sign that says "Lake Louise Village - Next Exit." Another quick rush and you are in a tiny village in the middle of nowhere, at the base of mountains way too towering to be real...and you

Action Hero

by: Alex Keenan

-On February 4th of this year, university students marched en masse to Province House to protest rising tuition fees. The same scene played itself last year, and, to tell you the truth, many of our parents were doing the same thing when they were students. After all of these years and all of this effort, why has the situation not improved?

One thing that definitely doesn't help our position is the fact that...we're not voting!

are now a little seasick from the fast panning camera action. Okay, okay, take a deep breath; and hold on as we whip past the village and work our way higher up in altitude. At the top of the scene we have a huge mountain, a backdrop glacier, another smaller mountain, and a pristine lake of emerald hue nestled at their base. Behind this landscape is a hotel of mammoth proportions that is totally incongruous - some would even say it looks like an institution, and I would be one of those people. Now, don't puke as the camera whirls again, and zooms in micro-style for another view because behind the hotel is where the prisoners, um, uh, I mean workers are housed. There are a variety of buildings - twelve, actually - and one of them is even a heritage project, so if you have slept in the top bunk on the top floor, you have also slept in the oldest living residence in Canada - cool, huh? Now, zoom into one of these residence bathrooms, and you have me, standing over that same girl, trying to wake her up from an alcohol induced coma. Picture her as she is passed straight out, head between her knees, and her pants down around her ankles - and it is only our first week of seeing each other. Now, ask yourself this: would that be considered proper bathroom etiquette or have we all been in the same spot, once or twice in our lives? Luckily for you, I was the one who spent the next hour trying to wake her up, and get her off my toilet...I really, really had to pee. Bathrooms, I tell you, they can be a pretty wacky place sometimes.

"On the road again Like a band of gypsies we go down the highway- We're the best of friends Insisting that the world be turning our way And our way Is on the road again"

- Willie Nelson

Politicians have access to statistics on the demographic groups that show up at the polls, and those statistics tell them that young people are the least likely to vote. Since they know that we are not likely to get out in large numbers on voting day - arguably, when our action matters most to them - and actually punish them for failing to address our needs, they obviously feel no great compulsion to respond to our requests.

There is a simple thing that many of us can easily do when the federal election is called this summer: if you can, VOTE! Check the little "yes" box on your tax return to get your name on the voters' list. If you live and go to school in different parts of the country, you can get your name on the voting list of either constituency, depending on where you will be at the time of the election. After that, it takes ten min-

utes on voting day to put a mark on a piece of paper, and then your job is done.

Deciding who to vote for is slightly more difficult, but if you pay attention to the media (newspapers, radio, television and the internet - variety is important), you can easily get an idea of what each party and candidate stands for. Compare that small time investment to how much effort goes into getting a student loan!

No matter who you vote for, every young Canadian who votes helps to strengthen our collective political influence. How can we demand democracy if we don't even take the time to participate in it?

Packaged to Go

by: Liam Gosset

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Could, for once, someone please think of the students? We are overburdened, overstressed, and I am basically tired keeping my mouth shut. I do not ask for much, do not expect much - lest I be disappointed - and only ask for the barest semblance of human understanding. So, there I was in the cafeteria, wanting to have my veggie egg-rolls heated up in the microwave. It is practically impossible to ask for something hopefully tasty, somewhat healthy, and slightly warm. I took my package of cold, pasty egg-rolls to the counter to ask them to microwave the contents. The girl behind the counter wasn't sure if the plastic container would melt so I offered her a plate for transportation instead. Then I listen in disbelief as she is told that she cannot put them in the microwave - why you may ask? Well, these particular egg-rolls were "packaged to go" - packaged to go where? Were they packaged for arrival or departure? Eventually they will be taken out of that package and then what? I just stood there and said, "That is ridiculous, utterly and completely ridiculous!" One of the women working behind echoed my sentiment and once more I was told - in no uncertain terms - that it was packaged to go, and that was that. I walked away, shaking my head at the asinine idea of packaged to go, and sat down to think. Someone told me it is packaged to go for students in residence and that I am supposed to use the microwave down in the Crow's nest - what the? Are you mad I asked? I am a student who lives off of campus, and with no desire to go downstairs just for the sake of another person's heuristics. I have the same right to sit in the cafeteria, eat the same food, and, I guess, put up with the same bullshit.

So, what did I do next, you may ask? Well, first, I made sure to fill out one of the comment cards to let them know exactly how I felt. Next, since that didn't seem to satiate my frustration, I decided to drop by the Aramark office - located down the hall from the cafeteria - and post

a formal complaint. To tell the honest truth, I was expecting to be met with hostility and some disdain. But to my surprise, I was greeted cordially by the manager who listened to my story and offered an explanation of why the incident occurred. They cannot have everyone using the microwave as it would cause line-ups and slow up the already busy staff. Fair enough I said, but how about having one out on the floor that is accessible to students? Again, he explained that they would then have students heating up their own food and, once more, disrupt the flow. I have to admit people; the man not only came with a strong argument, but was more than willing to come to a solution for the problem. I am a lover of debate but my formal complaint turned into a brain-storming session. I walked away; feeling a little vindicated for my complaint and with a sense of knowing my opinion had been duly noted.

Just a few days ago, I was up in the same cafeteria, grabbing a coffee when the same manager stopped me to talk. He told me they were purchasing a microwave for the cafeteria and were going to try it out to see how it would work. I was completely taken aback. He had taken the matter into his own hands, and solved a simple problem with a simple solution. So, next time you go to heat up your "packaged to go" egg-rolls, remember where that microwave came from. Stand up for your rights my friends and take it to the "man" if the man doesn't come to you. But, sometimes, try not to swing too hard with that mighty stick of discontent...because on this day, someone was actually thinking of the students.

"I am a student. Please do not fold, spindle, or mutilate me."

- Slogan of the Free Speech Movement, 1964



Eco-Surf Interview

by: **Keirn Gibbs**

If you have dreams for after university that at this point seem impossible...don't fret any longer. Read this article and become inspired by a couple of normal guys who are making their dreams, which may seem a stretch to some, come vividly alive! Robert Buttamor is one of the adventurous eco-surfers who's on a mission to help save the world.

Keiran: What enticed you to raise awareness about coral reefs through sailing/surfing around the world?

Rob: O.k. I've got to start way back. I started surfing in Australia and I ended up going to Sri Lanka because they have a lot of good surf breaks east of India. They have a lot of problems with coral reef bleaching, and when you surf you're surfing on the reefs... and it was just so apparent that these reefs were being destroyed. A lot of the Natives chew beetle nut, which is a byproduct of the lime taken out the coral reefs, and you would see a lot of these natives breaking off the reefs. But, when you're in someone else's country you can't tell them that what they're doing is wrong, especially when we enjoy such a high standard of living... and we destroy our and other people's environment through this lifestyle. So you can't tell other people what to do, and I don't think that's the way to approach environmental issues. I always wondered what is the best way to do something good for the environment, and I think that it's by raising awareness. Then, when people know the facts, they can make their own decision about changing their habits.....And the surfing and sailing is just something I always wanted to do. It's such a raw form of adventure....So, that's how this came about, the fact that I a) wanted to do something about the environment and b) just go on an adventure. So it's the opportunity to do something that I love....But that being said, it's a lot of work.

K: What is the general relationship between surfers and coral reefs?

R.: I really think that surfing is about nature and about being out there, you know, so you can't help but to care about the world around you while you're out there. Some surfers here probably aren't as aware about the coral reefs. It's like anything, if you don't know it's there it's

ever the health of the coral reefs is unknown in many areas. So if we can get pictures and data on specific reef locations we can correlate this with the known temperature history and get a more accurate idea of how temperature effects these ecosystems, as well as many other factors."

So we want to do more than just raise awareness, we want to con-

to prove that they're ready to start caring about the environment.

R.: Yeah I think we should be getting corporations to do good things. And I think they do want to do good things, the whole trend now is transparency, and corporations are realizing how important it is to respect the ecology and the desires of people for environmental protection.



K.: So is there any message you'd like to get across? It seems like you're doing this for the environment and for your own sense

hard to care. But reef breaks make the best surf breaks by far. As the waves come from deep water and crash onto the shallow reef. The idea is kind've like the ducks unlimited organization. You think, oh environmentalists support ducks unlimited. Yeah, but those environmentalists are all hunters and they're protecting the resource that bring them enjoyment, so surfers should protect the resource that brings them enjoyment.

K: And one of your intentions is to inform governments of the information you've collected

concerning the different reefs you analyze. How do you plan to do this?

R.: We're collecting data through reef check, which is a reef organization, as well as the Global Coral Reef Alliance. They do a lot of work with collecting data on reefs around the world. For example, you can have an island in the middle of the Indian ocean that no one has even been to, and still the reef can be destroyed because of Global Climate Change. The ocean's temperature rises up and bleaches out the coral, and if the water temperature doesn't decrease again the coral will die. A lot of ocean temperature data comes from satellites, giving accurate readings on specific locations around the world, how-

tribute to the information that's out there. And we also want to make the point to governments that live coral reefs have so much monetary value as well, as far as tourism and fish stocks... The thing with coral reefs is that a lot of people relate them to the canary and the mine. So they're an indicator eco-system, and if that domino falls the rest are going to fall.

K.: How are you doing for sponsorship?

R.: We've had sponsors for the local events we've had, but you have to build local sponsors before you go global. We don't have big corporate sponsors yet, we wanted to prove ourselves first and get the support of Halifax. And we have, we have made almost every paper in Halifax surf shops and local volunteers have been so supportive of us, so now we're going to take it to the next level. And that's where we're at right now. We're going to find a few major corporate sponsors that can help us fulfill our goals. Brent and I have also invested a lot of our own money into this project. So it's a risk for us, this whole venture, but it's definitely worth it.

K.: Well to me it seems like it's a great opportunity for big corporations

of adventure, but it also seems like you're trying to really include the community.

R.: Yeah, and that's what we want to do when we're traveling as well. I don't want this to be about us, I want it to be about what's going on out there. Ideally we'd like to get together with communities in Mexico let's say, and share information and organize local events with bands like we're doing here. We want to hear what locals say, local fisherman in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland could have told you in 1920 that scrapping the bottom of the ocean is bad, but only now scientists are discovering that. And we know that where we go the people are going to know better than us what's going on with their waters.

And that's that. If you would like any more information on the eco0surf excursion, or the troubled reefs in Nova Scotia check out www.eco-surf.org.

SPORTS- Has the sports media sold out?

by: Dre Cain

--Has the sports media sold-out? It seems as if people are tuning into sports for all the wrong reasons nowadays. I noticed this trend when my bros and I were watching a tennis match, no it's not a typo; we actually were watching tennis. I can't explain what lured us to watch the game. In our defense it was of the female variety. It was puzzling because none of us knew how the game was played or even the rules involved. However, we still enjoyed the spectacle nonetheless.

I did realize what had transpired, we were drawn to match because of its sex appeal. That's right. Sex appeal. Modern day sports are gradually taking on more of a sexual undertone. It's weird how the general conception was that

all of the libido directed entertainment would be provided by the music industry. Once again music has dropped the ball and exposed its bare chest on a grand scale, quite analogous to Janet Jackson at the Super Bowl(hey are the Jackson jokes old yet?).

Watching a game now has become similar to viewing a cliché frat boy-drinking movie, although "Old School" did rock. But seriously what happened to the days when sports were primarily synonymous to knocking back a few cold ones, betting and money laundering. Otherwise put more succinctly:

The Pete Rose Manifesto.

The North American media market has become so competitive that many news outlets have resorted to sex in order to boost the sales of their products.

This aspect of the media, which has taken this particular bull by the horns, is none other than the sports media. In an attempt to promote the lesser-known sports and garner interest from a broader audience, the networks have steered towards the aesthetic appearances of the athletes, rather than concentrating on their game.

For example, all we need to do is look in the direction of female tennis (which is my sport now by the way). The most famous player, or ex-player now I guess, was Anna Kournikova. That is, when she was actually playing.

What is mind boggling is that Anna never won any major tournaments, or anything for that matter. It is safe to say that you and I have more tournament victories than her. However, she has

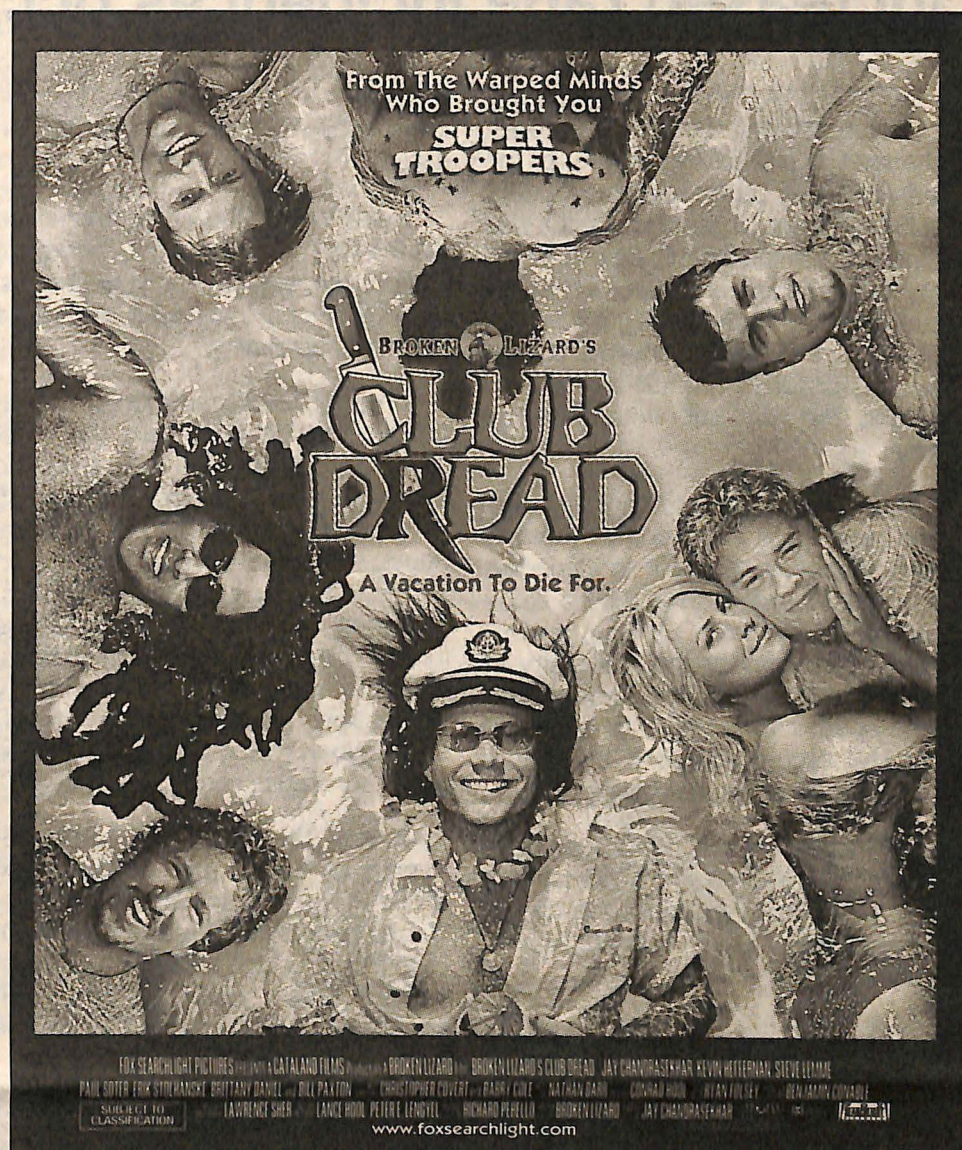
received most of the press clippings regarding female tennis (not to mention this article as well). Due to Miss K's sub-par playing ability it is hard to fathom how she received so much attention... oh right, how could I forget, she is drop-dead gorgeous.

We could glean numerous assumptions as to why she is so popular, but sadly the only coherent reason with respect to why she has gained the bulk of her prestige in the sporting world is because of her looks. Instead of focusing on her crummy play, the ESPN's and TSN's of the world focused on how good she looked while losing, despite the fact that her opponent went unnoticed after performing at the top of her profession.

Switching gears a bit now, even Canada's own skating princess and 2002 Olympic Gold medalist Jamie Sale has posed for the Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition. Apparently Jamie can do more than land a flawless triple axle. These provocative pictures taken of Jamie, was the first time the Sport of figure skating has ever graced the pages of anything remotely linked to Sport's Illustrated.

The connotation of sex and sports do not mesh well at all. If these two entities were to collaborate on a CD I picture the title of the debut album being "The Worst of Both Worlds." Take for instance the NFL's Arizona Cardinal right guard, 6'7 340lbs, Leonard Davis in swimsuit, all in a bid to sell issues of Sports Illustrated. Brutal images to say the least, but can anyone discredit this bizarre idea? The answer is no. We do not expect male athletes to pose and show their bodies to ensure we buy latest sports magazine, so why has it become common place to expect females to do so.

Women have fought for a long time not to be objectified by men. With the sports media force-feeding sex to its male viewers they're only hurting the integrity of the game and the struggle that many women have fought for. So next time you tune into a tennis match, make sure it's for the right reasons.



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Don't be unhappy with your self image, get plastic surgery. it worked for me! No, I don't have endless amounts of cash or deep, deep pockets. I used the barter system to get a new look.

Step one -- Wait in the back parking lot of a hospital, and when the local plastic surgeon comes out for a cigarette, offer him a couple. Say you like to help people out when in need. Remember to use humour as your charm, and just after the punch line, tell him you are considering getting some work done.

Step Two -- Remember, volunteer work is your best friend. Don't be shy to volunteer for an experiment, you never know what you might get for free. And don't forget to leave half a pack for the nurses. The first time after I got some free work done on my cabob, the cigarettes were more then enough for them to invite me back.

Step Three -- If you happen to be standing in line next to a surgeon, ensure that you show him or her that you can take the pain. Show some scars from previous volunteer or cigarette burn experience. Show that you took the pain, so they will be encouraged to revert the scar back to normal.

The end.

Please note, The Jargon does not encourage smoking or smoking paraphernalia or plastic surgery

Increased rape incidences occurring on campuses

-Sarah Knight (Name has been changed to protect the identity of the individual) a public relations student at Mount Saint Vincent University, was raped at a friend's party after a heavy night of drinking, and reports that the events of that evening still haunt her. "It's been two and a half years but the feelings of terror are still there," said Knight, the hurt still written on her face.

With alcohol as rampant as ever and rape drugs increasingly available, rape is a huge concern in Canadian universities today. In a recent study conducted by Helen Lenskyj, professor of Sociology at the University of Toronto, 60 per cent of Canadian college-aged males said they would commit sexual assault if they were certain they would not get caught.

"I really believe that those guys aren't thinking it through 100 per cent and aren't thinking about the consequences it will have on women," said Knight.

According to the University of Alberta Health Centre, more than 80 per cent of rapes that occur on university and college campuses are committed by someone the victim

knows, and 50 per cent occur on dates.

"I didn't even know the person who did this to me," says Knight. "You have to keep an eye out for your friends, when alcohol is involved it changes a person's personality."

Rohypnol, GHB (gammahydroxybutyrate) and Ketamine are the most common drugs used in rape. GHB and Ketamine can take effect within 15 minutes of ingestion and last several hours, while Rohypnol's effects can put its victims out for up to 12 hours. Common effects of these drugs include blackouts, loss of inhibitions, dizziness, hallucinations, respiratory depression, amnesia, and convulsions. When mixed with alcohol these drugs can cause comas, even death.

Alcohol, the substance most frequently abused in rape cases, played a role in Knight's sexual assault case. "In my head I was screaming NO! NO! NO! But I couldn't say it out loud," recalled Knight while reflecting upon her state of helplessness when she was being raped.

So what can you do to stay safe? Men and women alike can take extra

precautions to increase their personal safety. WAVAW (Women Against Violence Against Women) Rape Crisis Centre summarizes safety tips that everyone should follow. In short they suggest that you should use your intuition and listen to your instincts. If someone is making you feel uncomfortable then you should not be afraid to tell others.

"When it is someone that you know there is a sense that 'It's somehow my fault,'" says Susan Brousseau, Dalhousie University's Sexual Harassment Officer. "There is sometimes the sense that 'I'm going to be re-victimized if I bring it forward.'"

Communicate your boundaries and let people know what physical contact you're okay with. Watch your drink. If you're out partying, don't leave it unattended, states WAVAW.

"I always hang onto my drink and I never put it down," says Haley King, an arts student at Saint Mary's University. "I never lose sight of it, even when it's in my own hands because it's still easy for someone to slip something into a drink that you're holding onto." Also watch your drink when it's being poured and, whenever

possible, pour it yourself, add the WAVAW guidelines.

The rape crisis centre also advises that you shouldn't assume you're safe just because you're with people that you know. "A friend of mine who goes to Acadia was raped by a friend of hers after a frat party, while she was passed out," says King. "She decided not to press charges and nothing else is being done." King bitterly added, "He's getting away with it and next year he's moving into a co-ed dorm. It makes me sick."

Saint Mary's University has taken an extra step to increase student safety. The institution is the first in Canada to supply first-year students with frosh packs that contain a drink coaster that measures whether a drink contains rape drugs. By smearing a drop of a drink on the coaster's test spot, students are warned that the drink is contaminated if the spot changes colour.

By educating yourself on the issue of rape you can increase your personal safety. As a now more cautious Knight admits, "You can't change what happened to you. You can only learn from it."

Horoscopes

Aries:

You didn't ask to be the leader of the revolution, but you are a natural. No matter what you do people continue to follow and follow and follow you around everywhere. Of course, this month who wouldn't want to follow the person who revolutionizes sex.

Taurus:

You are well grounded. True. You enjoy the status quo. False. That's right, although you always have thought of yourself as a traditionalist you will soon find out that what you really are is a revolutionary. Sandwiches will never be the same ever since you discovered that sandwiches can be more than just two slices of bread.

Gemini:

This month you are the revolutionary of love. There ain't nobody out there who could transform love into the experience you have now created. Before you, love was about fitting into a defined box, after you it'll be about

Cancer:

Being a mostly domesticated person you always believed that rock polishing could only be done in one fashion. They had you fooled. This month you discover a whole new way to revolutionize the age-old hobby.

Leo:

King of the jungle roars like a lion when in bed. You are a lion indeed, and roaring in bed you will do, only the roar won't sound quite the same as it used to. This month be prepared to revolutionize the traditional bed screams of pleasure into your very own sounds.

Virgo:

You're an artist to be sure, but you've been confined for far too many years by your limited conception of art. It's not your fault necessarily, rather it's the fault of everyone who tried to fool you. But now you see the light, and you're ready to revolutionize art.

Libra:

Yours is the sign of scales. Scales? Who decides what is weighed and what not? Scales are far too old fashioned. You're about to revolutionize the whole system of weighing.

Scorpio:

Stinging scorpion, you are not one to be messed around. You tend to sit back and watch as others attempt to tear each other to pieces. Damn amateurs! You know all about tearing others to pieces and you're about to become the leader of the new take aim at each other and fire movement.

Sagittarius:

You are the master of philosophy. That's right, you're brain happens to be bigger and better than the rest. So let

Capricorn:

You love money, and money loves you. Unfortunately there is a very strong correspondence between what you do and how much money you

make. That's why the money industry needs a revolution, and you will be the one to instigate it.

Aquarius:

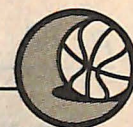
Revolution is your game baby. And there's a whole lot of revolution going down this month. You may feel out of place, all these people taking up your business, but that is what you actually want. You want to see revolution happen in all aspects of life, so take up arms and start revolution within the revolution.

Pisces:

Even though you're a pretty sentimental person, you never fully understand your own sentiments. There's a reason for this that you never thought about, but you will. You will finally understand that what people think are sentiments are not really sentiments. Under you discover the true meaning of sentiments and revolutionize our whole concept of deciding what sentiments are.

Jargon

bumper sticker-A tattoo on one's lower back. More often a procedure that girls have done. This term is used because, just like traditional bumper stickers, they give something to read while one is back there staring at it.



who are we!

Scott MacDonald



It was election time here at the Mount this past March. Ahh democracy, western civilization's preferred method of enlightenment since the 18th Century. Maybe democracy is too strong a word to describe the Student Union "elections" that transpired in March. So what would be considered more fitting? Perhaps Democratic Dictatorship is better suited to our school. After all, we had no choice but to elect who we did for Student Union Dictator, err, President. Why? Because no one else bothered to run! Hrm, "democracy" indeed.

Now I'm going to say some things that may offend some of you readers. Depending on who you are and what your viewpoint is, I may have already pissed you off. But remember, part of democracy is free speech. So tell me I'm

an idiot face leftist bastard later. Now, back to the point at hand.

The fact that ONE PERSON ran for Student Union President stands as a smouldering testament to the apathy and complete indifference the students of the Mount seem to possess. Someone could easily shred me to pieces now by pointing out that I didn't run for any position on the Union. Well go ahead and point that out, I won't dispute it. But I also have no interest in running for a position in our Union. With that being said, I am positive that there are a cavalcade of people here who would love to put "Member of Student Union at MSVU" on their resume to help further their careers after they graduate.

Of course, I'm not going to back myself all the way into a corner. There are people in the Union who have vested interest in making school life more than a trivial escapade

Retraction:

Last Month Scott misquoted Bernard Smith in his prism of poverty article.

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of mindless dribble and circle jerking. I know for a fact that there are some members of the Student Union who really want to change things at the Mount, and change them for the better. They want to get people to stop being so apathetic about life here. This is university, not high school. At least in high school we would know that our Girls Basketball Team was number 1 in the province and went to the Nationals in Montreal. (Speaking of which congratulations Mystics, you girls rock.)

Apathy is killing who we are at the Mount. There's more to university than going to class, studying, and writing essays; there's more to university than just meeting a small group of friends and sticking with them for 3 or 4 years. Those things are important yes, but what about issues in the city? In the country? Hell, what about things in the whole world? Where's the balance of having a social life and thinking about society? Does it even exist here? Surely ladies and gentlemen it does.

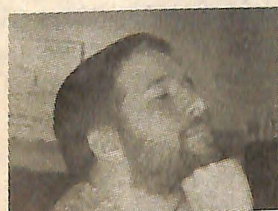
I for one am sick of how things go here sometimes. I like the Mount, and I like it a lot. It's not perfect but I'm dedicated to it. Now that I've got this off my chest, I feel

better...somewhat. I know not everyone will agree with some points I brought up. That's why I'm going to ask you to email me so you can send mail tearing my liberal-minded ass apart calling me a biased loser who has no friends, listens to shitty music, and worries too much about things that don't matter. I'll enjoy having someone else tell me what the think so I won't be reduced to trudging around the school mumbling to my self about how "idleness and dissipation breed apathy". Oh and 5 bucks to whomever knows what band those words belong to. If you're right, you'll help restore my faith in the school.



The Dead Should Stay Dead

Toot'n With Shaun MacMullin



The dead should stay dead. i don't think that i'm alone in thinking this. when i see new books about the newly discovered secrets of dead famous people i get disgusted. these people are dead. what the hell ever happened to resting in peace? i just saw on entertainment tonight (yes, i watch it from time to time. it's a lot like a car accident: u don't want to see it but you can't not look at it) that there's a new book coming out about the "dark side" of JFK Jr's marriage. am i the only one who finds this quite morbid? the poor bastard's been dead for almost five years now and he's still making headlines. what gives? i'm not saying that i'm a big fan of the man or his family, but they've been through enough. while he was alive his father and uncle were both gunned down by madmen, his mom died of cancer (i think), one cousin killed in a skiing accident, another cousin suspected

of murder (three years after JFK Jr's death in 1999 his cousin's younger brother, Michael Skakel, was arrested, tried and convicted of the 1976 murder of Martha Moxley), his uncle Ted was the driver of a car that left a bridge, plunged into the water and resulted in the drowning death of a young woman. clearly this family has been through a lot. JFK Jr should be allowed to rest in peace, not pieces. one of the pillars of this book is the "shocking" discovery that JFK Jr smoked marijuana and on a skiing trip he "smuggled" some to Canada. whoopie fucking doo. if that's the best that this "author" can come up with, he should try doing something else. their President has done worse than this. he's a known coke head with a drunk driving arrest to his credit. but all ole Dubya does is run the country, JFK Jr was a KENNEDY which is MUCH more important to some people.

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by: Scott MacDonald

The World Needed A Hero...Megadeth Answered
By Scott "the Mount's only Megadeth Fan" MacDonald

Dave Mustaine was one of the original members of the band Metallica. After being kicked out before the release of Metallica's first album, Mustaine formed his own band called Megadeth; and no band in rock has had quite the history of the band built on anger but kept alive by love.

The band produced 10 studio albums between 1985 and 2001. But after completing their last

world tour, Dave Mustaine suffered a horrible injury to his arm and was forced to disband Megadeth, indefinitely. That was 2002; flash forward to 2004. Mustaine's arm has fully healed and he has brought the band back from the Deth as it were. Not only is Megadeth recording a new studio album, Mustaine is also busy remastering and remixing all the bands releases from 1986 to 1999, which will feature better sound and bonus material.

I know what you're thinking. "Megadeth? God, even the name sounds evil! And it's spelt wrong! I bet they're just some crazy 80's band". Well you've got an attitude problem there Mister! To the unknown, Megadeth appear to just be a band.

But to those that know and love the group, there's much more.

Mustaine actually talks to fans on the bands forum. He keeps you updated on what he's doing. Most importantly, he has one of the sharpest and most intelligent minds in all of modern music. Oh yeah, he'll also tell you to fuck off if you deserve it.

The return of Megadeth means more than just new and old albums to me. It means a lot more to many people. Millions of fans around the world supported Dave when he clinically died for 5 minutes, only to be resurrected. He became a born again Christian and didn't have any prob-

lems singing songs like "Holy Wars" or "Devil's Island". The band and the man is a huge role model for people around the world, regardless they like Megadeth. People trying to overcome drug problems, aspiring musicians, people with spiritual problems, anyone could look to Megadeth.

They've come back from the dead once. They could to it again. I'll leave you now with some words that to me, really represent what Megadeth is, and how people can overcome the darkest moments in their lives: "Had fingers in my eyes, had needles in my veins
A knife right through my heart, I am a Victory".

Packaged to Go

By Liam Gosset

<http://liamgosset.blogspot.com/>

Could, for once, someone please think of the students? We are overburdened, overstressed, and I am basically tired keeping my mouth shut. I do not ask for much, do not expect much – lest I be disappointed – and only ask for the barest semblance of human understanding. So, there I was in the cafeteria, wanting to have my veggie egg-rolls heated up in the microwave. It is practically impossible to ask for something hopefully tasty, somewhat healthy, and slightly warm. I took my package of cold, pasty egg-rolls to the counter to ask them to microwave the contents. The girl behind the counter wasn't sure if the plastic container would melt so I offered her a plate for transportation instead. Then I listen in disbelief as she is told that she cannot put them in the microwave – why you may ask? Well, these particular egg-rolls were "packaged to go" – packaged to go where? Were they packaged for arrival or departure? Eventually they will be taken out of that package and then what? I just stood there and said, "That is ridiculous, utterly and completely ridiculous!"

One of the women working behind echoed my sentiment and once more I was told – in no uncertain terms – that it was packaged to go, and that was that. I walked away, shaking my head at the asinine idea of packaged to go, and sat down to think. Someone told me it is packaged to go for students in residence and that I am supposed to use the microwave down in the Crow's nest – what the? Are you mad I asked? I am a student who lives off of campus, and with no desire to go downstairs just for the sake of another person's heuristics. I have the same right to sit in the cafeteria, eat the same food, and, I guess, put up with the same bullshit.

So, what did I do next, you may ask? Well, first, I made sure to fill out one of the comment cards to let them know exactly how I felt. Next, since that didn't seem to satiate my frustration, I decided to drop by the Aramark office – located down the hall from the cafeteria – and post a formal complaint. To tell the honest truth,

I was expecting to be met with hostility and some disdain. But to my surprise, I was greeted cordially by the manager who listened to my story and offered an explanation of why the incident occurred. They cannot have everyone using the microwave as it would cause line-ups and slow up the already busy staff. Fair enough I said, but how about having one out on the floor that is accessible to students? Again, he explained that they would then have students heating up their own food and, once more, disrupt the flow. I have to admit people; the man not only came with a strong argument, but was more than willing to come to a solution for the problem. I am a lover of debate but my formal complaint turned into a brain-storming session. I walked away, feeling a little vindicated for my complaint and with a sense of knowing my opinion had been duly noted.

Just a few days ago, I was up in the same cafeteria, grabbing a coffee when the same

manager stopped me to talk. He told me they were purchasing a microwave for the cafeteria and were going to try it out to see how it would work. I was completely taken aback. He had taken the matter into his own hands, and solved a simple problem with a simple solution. So, next time you go to heat up your "packaged to go" egg-rolls, remember where that microwave came from. Stand up for your rights my friends and take it to the "man" if the man doesn't come to you. But, sometimes, try not to swing too hard with that mighty stick of discontent...because on this day, someone was actually thinking of the students.

"I am a student. Please do not fold, spindle, or mutilate me."

- Slogan of the Free Speech Movement, 1964

Continued from page 10 Toot'n With Shaun

against biographers, per se. in fact one of my professors is writing one as we speak. i've read quite a few of them myself, but never the kind that i spoke about in the first paragraph. if a biographer writes a book that is only about the negative aspects of a person's life, then they are horrible people. if you include the

negative, you HAVE to include the positive, unless you're talking about someone like hitler, stalin or the new pres. of the student's union in which case the negative far outweighs any kind of positive they may have had.

as for the people who write these garbage books, they're

only writng them because they can't write anything else. when was the last time you heard a kid say, "I wanna grow up to be a biographer of someone who's already had dozens of biographies written about them but mine is going to focus on all the bad things they've done so that mine is INTERESTING"? if these

people had any kind of skill, they wouldn't be writing bad biographies, they would be able to create a character, come up with a storyline for that character and expand it to about three hundred pages. but that takes imagination.

Rage Against the Machine : Live at the Grand Olympic Auditorium

Rage Against the Machine has been dead for about 3 years, but their anti-establishment attitude fueled by passionate, angry music lives on with the release of their first official live album. While it was recorded during their final 2 concerts, this album showcases what made

every Rage show amazing; they always played it like it was their final show, giving their

all in what sometimes seemed like an impossible battle against

oppression, but always felt like a cause worthy fighting for.

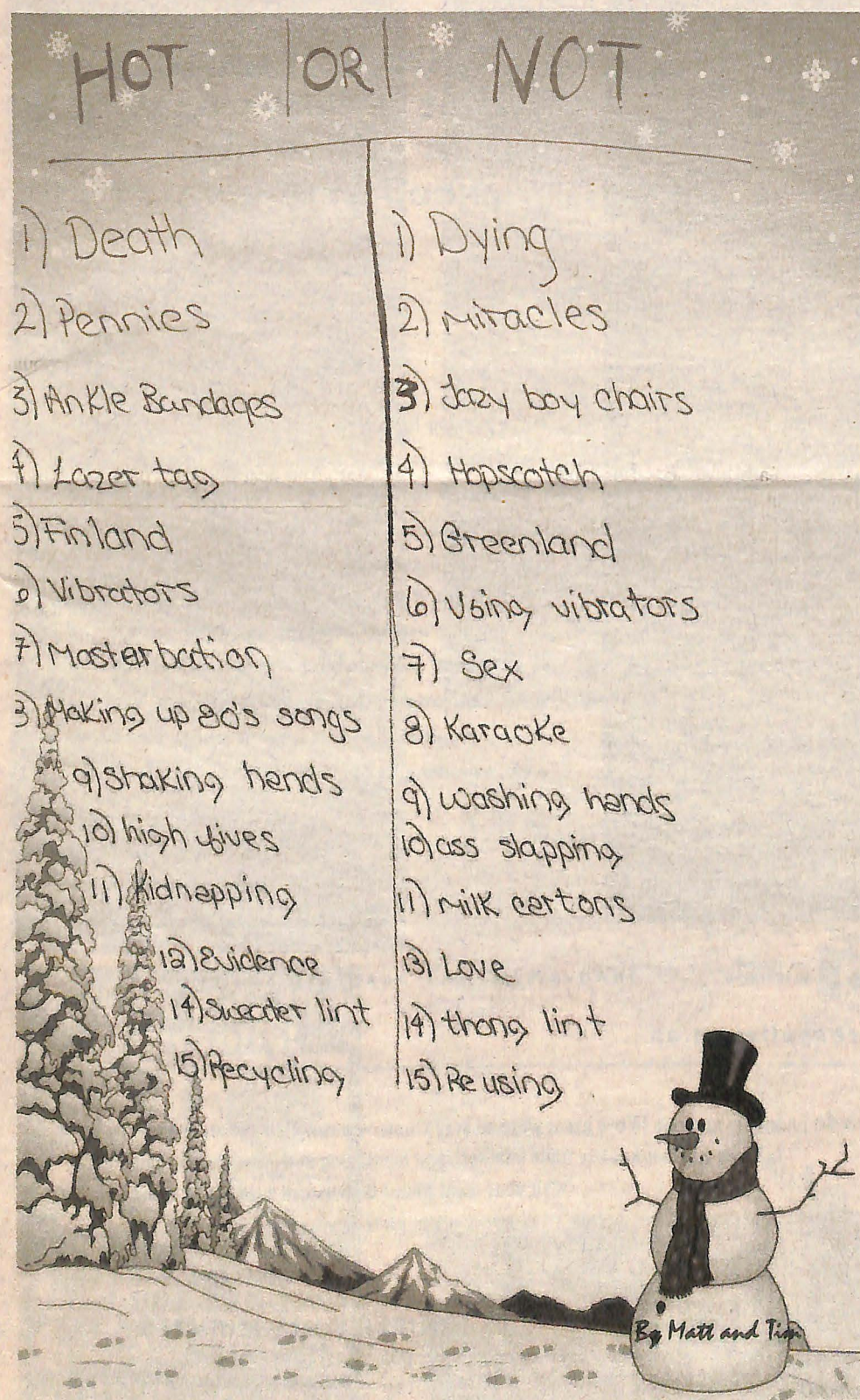
For a long time Rage fan like myself, this entire CD is a highlight. The notion of "filler songs"

was always absent from a Rage concert, and if you've ever heard a bootlegged Rage show (or have been lucky enough to be at one), you know exactly what I mean. Every song here is played with absolute

conviction. There are more messages in a single verse, then most bands will ever write in a single line. This release shows why Rage Against the Machine were one of the most important

bands of the 1990's and not just because of their music, but because of the social change they always strove for; and as usual, in the liner notes are various organizations to get in contact

if you want to take action. This is a must have CD.



A Poem by Shaun Macmullin

i am the judas blade
i speak to you when no one listens
you always do what i want you to
that is your greatest strength
and my biggest fear

why can't you see that i only do
what is best for us?
songs of praise fall on my deaf ears
i stopped listening to you a long
time ago
you bore me with your outrage
you anger me with your insolence
you amuse me with your pleas for
help
you mock me with your gratitude
i condemn you with the chains of
fate

i am the Judas Blade
you live by my grace
and die by my sword
the instrument of terror am i
see me and fear me

but who is my master?
he who marks the end
is he who shall suffer as i have suf-
fered
all these long years alone

no one knows who i am anymore
better yet, no one is looking for me
they know not what evil lurks
among them
waiting for the time when i shall be
free
to reign over them once more

i am the Judas Blade
beware of me
there's no limits to my power
and no laws do i obey

one day you will look behind you
and you will see
the Judas Blade

Movies to Watch for in the Video Store

Quirky Independent Films

Clerks: Add 37 Blow jobs

A dollup of necrophilia

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"serviced" the public sector should
see.

Pi: The square root of staring at the sun mul-
tiplied by the new York Stock Exchange
divided by X = 3.14159.

Finding Yourself

Gigli: As Ben loses Jen, you'll be busy find-
ing your soul.

Crossroads: No chairs get harmed while
Mr. Spears gets it on with Inspiration.

Comedy

Bruce Almighty: I always knew that Morgan

Freeman is God?

Requiem For a Dream: Laughing at other
people's problems is always gold.

Cult

Repo Man: The more you drive the less intel-
ligent you become. It is Emilio Estavez's
finest hour.

Hell Comes to Frogtown: Words of Wisdom
from Roddy Piper: "I said I'd fuck for
Freedom".

Porn

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pocket concert - The annoying noise one makes when they jingle keys and loose change around.

No Need to Provide Proof Play Delivers on It's Case

By Heather MacDonald

What do you take when you mix together a Pulitzer Prize winning Drama, an Atlantic Canadian news anchor, an amazing actress, and a former M*A*S*H television character? You get Neptune Theatres current offering Proof, written by David Auburn. Carmen Grant stars as Catherine, a twenty five year old woman who fears that she is going to inherit her father's lingering madness after his death. A mix of flashbacks and current day dialogue tell the story of her and her, mathematical genius, father's (William Christopher) unique relationship. Catherine must also deal with her affections towards her father's former student (Kevin Curran) and her over bearing sister (Nancy Regan).

Proof was thoroughly enjoyable. William Christopher has that sweet aging grandfather presence that makes you want to reach out and hug him. Nancy Regan is convincing as Catherine's sister. However it is the performances of Carmen Grant and Kevin Curran that are of particular interest. The more the show progresses the further you divulge into Catherine's world, and Grant portrays the emotions with raw truthfulness. The chemistry between Grant and Curran is also rich with heartfelt dialogue and acting.

In a Nutshell: Proof is both entertaining and gripping.

A&E

Pedestrian Funk

by Pedestrian Funk

I don't need fame, money is just cheese in a trap and I'm no mouse, I'm a pedestrian. I walk the walk but rarely talk. Other forms of transportation don't excite me; I get to where I'm going just fine. Don't think of me as a extreme fanatic protesting car pollution, Greenpeace can kiss my ass. Cars are the offspring of fat children and you can't get fat walking, no sir and bikes are for organ donors and circus acts while one track minds are hopping trains to ignorance. See I'm a realist and I know my role in life. I'm no great doctor, spectacular dentist, or leader of a political movement. I humbly accept my place in the world like...Estonia, and take it in stride. What's your poison they ask, cynicism with a splash a hope I reply, now step out of my way I got a hair appointment. I keep up the pace with the empowering fragrance of street justice, noticing dogs walking their owners and morning joggers looking for fast love. I pass by churches on Sunday morning silently mocking their impotent faith, let me turn you on to my "religion" I say; an old pair of grey Reeboks and fresh white tube socks is all you need. I've got a walking style fit for a king and I think most are jealous of my stroll. Look, rhetorical questions and walking is my thing and I've honed my skill to keep the universe in balance, so step off my toes and have a nice day.

Love letter to myself



I dreamt about you last night. It was that reoccurring dream that I used to have over the summer. I almost forgot about that dream. It's once again boiling the feelings that I have for you.

I can't stop thinking about you ...he he. I have been feeling real bad since I cheated on you. I was thinking only of my own needs and left you in the dust. I am sincerely sorry for blowing up on you like that and if there is anything I can

do to make it up to you, I will be more than happy to do it, or do it twice...

Whenever we are together, it feels like the world is ours and our world is the only one that matters. I really hope that you don't hold it against me. Please give me another chance. I understand if you don't give me a call, but if you do - it will mean the world to me.

Deeply sorry...
You

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DR. MYKE'S HOUSE OF HORRORS

Welcome back to Dr. Myke's House of Horrors! I'd like to first begin by thanking all those who emailed me their Top 10 results. Before I go on my soapbox about the tragedy known as the "Dawn of the Dead" remake, please allow me to post your top 10 greatest horror movies of all time.---

The Exorcist

The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (1974)

Halloween

Dawn of the Dead (1978)

The Blair Witch Project

The Haunting (1963)

Scream

A Nightmare on Elm St.

Black Christmas

The Omen

Seeing that the slasher genre is well represented in your top 10 selections, I'd like to add that only two of these movies were made post 1984 (if you don't include the remakes). I don't mind of course, considering the traditionalist that I am. However, what drives me crazy is the remaking of classics such as *Dawn of the Dead*, *The Haunting*, *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre*. I've even heard that Hollywood is considering a remake of Bob Clark's classic *Black Christmas*. This is an alarming trend that horror fans should be afraid of. Oh the horror!!! (No pun intended).

I recently left a viewing of the *Dawn of the Dead* remake and was utterly disappointed that this movie was even made at all. I can understand how mainstream new-age horror fans might enjoy this sell out, but in the traditionalist sense, the movie sucked! The fact that there were running zombies (we first saw running zombies in Umberto Lenzi's *Nightmare City* (1980), which I might add didn't work at all) really annoyed the hell out of me. This was an obvious tribute to Danny Boyle's *28 Days Later*. As for the cheap CGI, let's just say that I'm not a big fan of computer generated imaging in horror films. The only real connection the remake had to the original was that it was set in a shopping mall, and even that didn't feel the same. Other than that, there were some other minor plot connections, but they certainly aren't worth noting here. The one thing that I did enjoy

about the remake was the fact that original cast members Ken Foree (Peter), Scott Reiniger (Roger), and Tom Savini (Biker dude) all had cameo roles in the film. Actually, let me correct myself—there was one other thing I liked about this movie: It was filmed in Toronto! For those of you who have grown up in southern Ontario or know the area, you should be able to recognize the streets of Toronto, Caledon, and Brampton. I'm a HUGE fan of Canadian horror and like to think that we are not harbouring the money hungry rip-off artists in Hollywood by allowing them to film their remakes in this great land. Then again, I'm sure some Canadian politicians would disagree with me. After all, money is money! With that said, Don Mancini (Creator of the Child's Play franchise) who I happen to know is about to start filming the much-anticipated *Seed of Chucky* in Toronto. How ironic.

So yes, I hated the movie! I hate the fact that Romero even considered giving up the rights to remake this gem, and I'm hoping that it doesn't have an impact on newer horror fans like the blitz of the late 1990s did, which included *Scream*, *Urban Legend*, and *I Know What You Did Last Summer*. So if I may leave you with some parting words of advice, I recommend that you take the adventure of renting some old original horror classics this summer to see if you like them—even if it's to try and prove that I'm an ultra conservative nut who knows nothing about horror. Here are some Canadian classics that you might like: *Rituals*, *The Changeling*, *Curtains*, *Visiting Hours*, *Prom Night*, *Happy Birthday To Me*, and another Bob Clark classic — *Children Shouldn't Play With Dead Things*. If you like euro-horror, check out anything by Dario Argento, Lucio Fulci, Michel Soavi, Umberto Lenzi, and Mario Bava. Stay away from Ruggero Deodato.

Thank you for taking the time to browse through Dr. Myke's House of Horrors. I look forward to entertaining you next fall, and please feel free to email me this summer if you have any horror movie related questions. On another note, JARGON needs your support. Read what we have to say regardless if you're into us or not. It's the only natural, untainted literature that is peer reviewed, entertaining, and always looking to impress. Without JARGON, the realities of the textbook utopia will soon take over this entire campus. Sounds like invasion of the body snatchers if you ask me.

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A&E / MOVIE REVIEWS



Dartmouth Miracle

by Keiran Gibbs

Zombie infiltration of Dartmouth may not shock the majority of you...but how would you feel if you found out that a feature film had been filmed in li'l ole Dartmouth this past year. Impossible you say? No my friends, Dartmouth was transformed from Halifax's "dark half" into a real life version of Hollywood. That's why we call this the "Dartmouth Miracle", and here are the boys who created FIST OF DEATH.

Anthony Liberatore=Actor/Student/

Evan Elliot=Studying Film at NSCAD

John
Lover/Director/Writer

Davies=Film

Jason Eisener=Film Lover/Director

Paul Ducette=Actor/Student

Here's a few words from each of them about their experiences while filming this movie.

Anthony: I wasn't there for the whole thing...but the days that I was there were the hardest of my life. I mean DAN-GEROUS

Evan: During the G.T scene we were racing along. It was during a blizzard and we ended up at the side of a cliff where I think someone has died before. Along with that we had to carry two lights, a generator, a camera, sandbags, and extension cords that covered by our jackets so that the camera wouldn't pick up the noise. When we left it was dark and we had to light up each step as we went down. In this scene I had to scream "Down you Zombies". There was a person in a house down below that was like "What the Hell is going on?"

John: The scene that was too crazy: The scene where they go off the mountain they were going to throw the zombies off the mountain into a ring of fire and then shoot him in the eye with an arrow. That scene never got filmed.

John: All of our ideas for our movies came from Burger King. We have "our

booth". Everyone knows it's ours, we have our names carved on it and everything.

Paul: In the movie I play a pretty outlandish character. He smokes a lot, but I don't. Anyway I came back from a drunk weekend and I had to continue smoking for the rest of the movie...We would always come back so dirty, like we came back from the mines. Oh yeah there was all the women I met from the movie as well....There's just all these habits I developed from the movie...One of the best things about us is how extreme we've become. My mon said "Just make sure you die so that I don't have to take care of you".....

Jason: Just to sum it up...When you're making a big film like this there are time when it really sucks. You get in fights with your friends, you have to meet deadlines...but then you have this child. It's like giving birth. 3 months of labour pains and then you have your baby, and the reactions have been so positive. So now we have a new feature film coming up. All the producers we have shown *Fist Of Death* to have been really impressed by what we have come up with on so little. I'd be happy if I died and this is all I had to show for it. If I don't go anywhere at least I have this...The big thing for me is that we all have come together and we got this done. It's like a little miracle out of Dartmouth.

If Anyone is interested in finding out what the hell happens in the movie they can rent it at The Last Game in Dartmouth(video store). Also anyone that can help out with anything related to films or donations can reach these boys by e-mail. www.classof39.com. You can also watch the trailer of the movie at this website..



SEXUALITY

Were they Crazy or Just Darn Horny?

By Rachel Dodds

Owner & Founder of Sexy Girl Home Party Services

It's not very sexy to think that the first vibrator was actually invented by doctors that found

stimulating the clitoris difficult and tedious, but that's where it all started.

An English doctor, named Joseph Mortimer Granville, invented the first battery-powered vibrator in 1883 to assist doctors in treating women suffering from hysteria, which means womb disease. It was believed that with a lack of sexual gratification, the womb would go wandering throughout the body causing all kinds of havoc. The solution was to lure it back with what's known today as the orgasm.

Prior to the invention of the vibrator, the whole ordeal of stimulating a woman's orgasm was far from a doctor's favorite task. It took a long time, it was tedious, and here's a shocker; every woman liked it differently, so there was no one certain procedure that worked. The other thing they didn't like is that it required skill and it was difficult for young doctors to learn the trick of producing what was known as hysterical paroxysm.

the vibrator, and Darren Star brought Candace Bushnell's Sex and the City to life for us.

Given the significant contribution the male gender has made to women becoming the sexy beings they are, I'm personally willing to forgive their initial diagnosis of hysteria. It would seem that hysteria was nothing more than a bad case of horniness.

So girls, it would seem that we have men to thank for helping us advance in our sex appeal. After all, it's suspected that Leonardo da Vinci invented high heel shoes, Dr. Granville gave us

Get Your Jollies

Julia Feltham



-Acne Ass

Dear Julia;
After I have sex with my boyfriend my vagina leaks fluids. What could these excretions be and is it normal?
-Old Faithful

Dear Old Faithful;
Uh..... Number one: ejaculate! Ah yes, that sweet baby serum strikes again. Of course, semen leaking from your vagina should only really happen when you are having unprotected sex, unless you have some sort of multi-gonadal issue (which I highly doubt, but I just liked writing "Gonadal"). Number two: Sweet femme juice. Let us give you a bogus equation. Sex=friction slash arousal=vagina saying to itself "LUBE ME"= leaky leaky. Number three: urine urine. That's right, though some don't think of sex as the urination station, sometimes a little slips out and it could be part of your little excretion issue. If it smells bad or has a strange odour or colour you might want to get a pap affair, because there could be an STD or a bacterial smorgisborg going on. But otherwise, Fluids and sex? Tend to go hand-in-hand.

Dear Julia;
Ever since I can remember i've had pimples on my butt. But now that the rest of my acne cleared up, post-puberty, I figured the bum pimples would go too. Not so much luck. Are bum pimples normal? Could they be something else?

Dear Acne Ass
The stuff on your ass is acne. Fear not! If in doubt, get a dermatologist to check it out. Frankly, the likelihood of it being something serious or even abnormal, is slight. A bum cheek can also be pore clogging central, and a lot of people continue to have bum bumps throughout their lives simply due to nature or neglect. And hell, they're such a challenge to pop.

Dear Julia
How can I control quiffs?? Is there anything less sexy than vag-farting on my partner?? I'm quiffing all over the place here! HELP.
-The Quiffinator.

Dear Quiffinator;
The almighty quiff strikes in bedrooms across the world. Recommendations, you ask? Well, try some un-quiff inducing positions, maybe ones where the object penetrating you has less of a plunger effect, which means less trapped air causing vagina gas release. Lube up your quiff central, and perhaps... just maybe, your days of blowing un-sexy bubbles will be over.



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I'm regretfully sorry for cheating on you. But he was really cute and funny. Plus he had a car, common now. How can you

be mad at an innocent face like this?

I need you to know how I love everything about you. The extra pounds your body carries just encompasses your love for food. This is a good thing. I never want you to be excessively skinny. Besides that if you were you would be entirely out of my league. So stay just the size you are, I'm more comfortable with that. I love that you tell the truth and can admit to your own mistakes. The way you over compensate for your own anxiety, that's

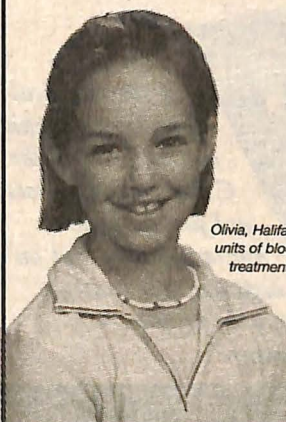
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Finally I love that you make me scrambled eggs or pancake's every morning, who else would get up and do that for me? Not many people that's for sure. I love that you allow me to listen to Dave Matthews's new CD everyday. I know it's a tad depressing, but you never seem to mind. Last but not least it's the little things that make me love you, like the whip cream in the fridge that is always full, and the banana scented shampoo, it makes my hair smell shiny.

With all my love,
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