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"I'm looking for someone to do something here."

Speaking out against US-led attacks on Afghanistan, WLU prof pleads for student action

Matthew Cade

Speaking out in ardent opposition to the American-led attacks on Afghanistan, Sociology and Anthropology professor Peter Eglin has been pleading with students and other members of the Laurier community to take some sort of action.

"You of all people have a responsibility," he said to students. "I'm trying to challenge you."

"There is an abomination going on," he continued. "As you eat, as you go to class. What are you going to do about it?"

Since Tuesday morning, when the first civilian casualties in Afghanistan were announced, Dr. Eglin has been speaking in the Concourse for anyone who cared enough to stop and listen. He stood and spoke, essentially alone, for nearly five hours on Tuesday.

Eglin's discussions have been informal and his words sporadic, but his delivery was passionate. Although he had written a short piece earlier that declared both the illegality and the immorality of the attacks, his speech was clearly unrehearsed.

Over and over, the professor repeated his argument that the

United States was acting illegally and in conflict with the United Nations Charter, written in the aftermath of the second world war.

Eglin acknowledged the fact that nations under attack may, as a temporary measure, strike back. However, he added, such action is only to be taken until the UN is prepared to take over. And according to Eglin, this situation never existed in the first place.

"It is impossible in my view to believe that the US is under attack. For (them) to make such a claim is a mockery of anything sensible."

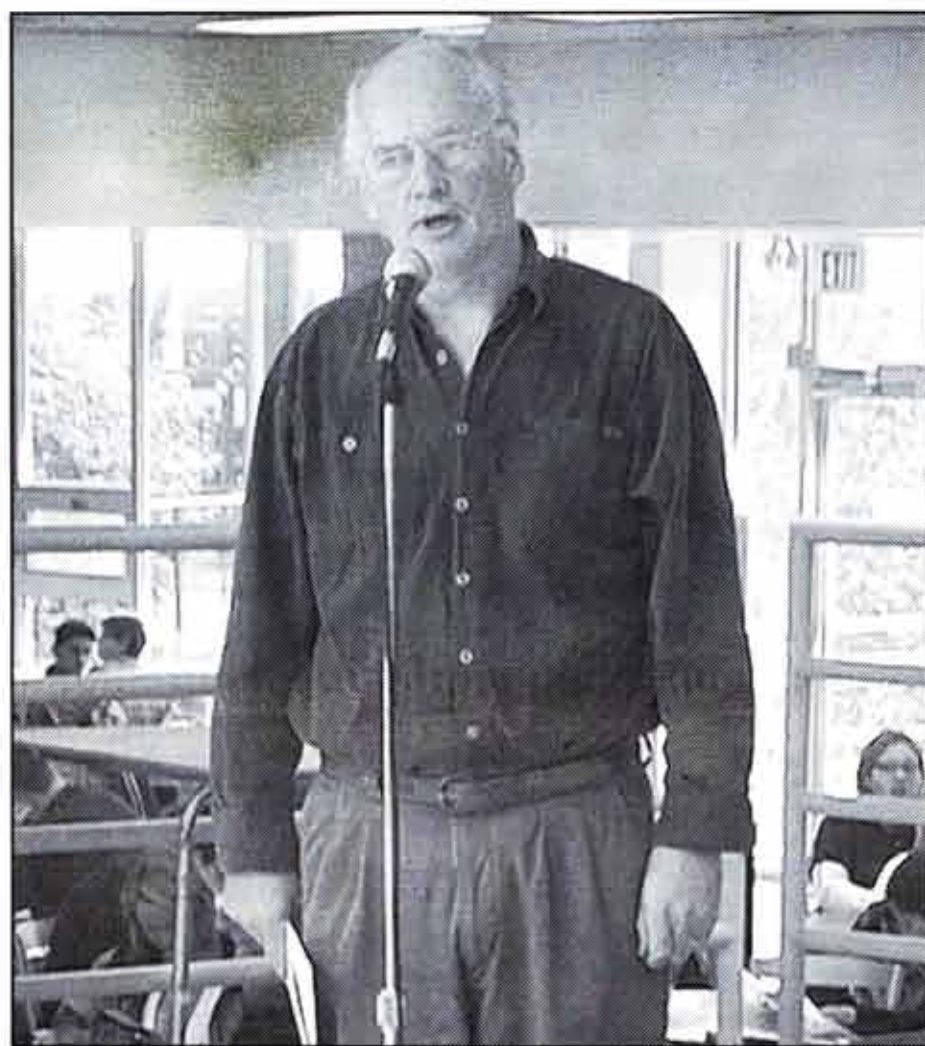
On the contrary, Eglin said he believes that the US and the United Kingdom have become aggressors.

"The US attacks are crimes against peace," said Eglin. "They are acts of aggression. (The US and the UK) have become rogue states."

Dr. Eglin also stressed to his fluctuating audience the immorality of the attacks on Afghanistan and the Taliban.

"The US demanded that Pakistan close its border," he said. "What are the consequences of that? It's just as deadly an act as dropping bombs on them."

And no claims about the attacks made by the US are enough



Peter Eglin speaks out against the US-led attacks in Afghanistan in the Concourse on Monday. Below, students do their best to ignore him.

MATTHEW CADE

to convince him of their legitimacy.

"This assault is said to be carried out, though it's laughable, in defense of the Declaration of Human Rights," he said, pointing to Laurier's copy of this document hanging in the Concourse.

"If that gets up your nose, then what are you going to do?"

In addition to these arguments, the fact that Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien committed forces to the effort is of unique

concern to Eglin.

"I'm appalled that my government, without recalling Parliament, has committed itself already to the troops and the ships and the planes."

For the better part of both Tuesday and Wednesday, Eglin's audience was relatively small. Of those who bothered to stop on their way through the Concourse, most only stayed long enough to get a name.

Some students and faculty took a turn at the mic, however, and proved that Eglin's efforts were not all lost.

David Black, a Communications Studies professor, stopped twice yesterday to contribute his thoughts on how media and culture regard the attacks.

"A lot of our basic assumptions...as to what it means to be Canadian and as to the meaning of freedom are at stake."

Black suggested that even though he was not in total agreement with Eglin, he was in total support of his colleague's efforts.

"You may not like his message, but you have to agree with the importance of speaking about these issues. Silence is consent to things being done in our name."

One student, apparently a member of one of Eglin's classes, asked what she and her classmates could physically do to help. In response, Eglin suggested students sign a petition being circulated by Amnesty International calling on the Canadian government to reconsider their involvement in this new war.

Because of the informal manner in which Eglin's discussions developed, no clear debate on the issue occurred. The Students' Union is planning to host an open forum next Thursday evening in the Turret. And until more is done, you'll probably find Dr. Eglin out and about speaking his mind. Will he be alone?

Women's soccer win one at the wire

Wilbur McLean

Perhaps Laurier's women's soccer team should start a ritual rain dance.

The Hawks managed to overcome both the Waterloo Warriors and the poor weather conditions this past Friday to win an important game 3-2 and bump their season record to 5-1-0.

Laurier 3, Waterloo 2

The weather, which was cold and rainy, made for a muddy field and resulted in sloppy play and a number of players losing their footing on the grass.

The first half of the game was dictated by

the weather as both sides were forced to adapt to the wet field.

Both sides produced some opportunities but neither squad was able to capitalize and score a goal.

The score was 0-0 at halftime and all indicators pointed to a low-scoring game.

All of that changed, though, and the second half featured a torrid scoring pace.

The barrage began only ten minutes into the second half when Jessica Montagano received an opportunity and took advantage by placing the shot by the Warrior goalie giving the Hawks a 1-0 lead.

Then, at the 65th minute, the Hawks struck again when Melanie Hockins found herself in possession of a loose ball in front of the UW net and placed it into the top cor-

ner to give WLU a 2-0 lead and seemingly put them in control.

However, the team suffered costly mental breakdowns soon after.

Laurier had possession of the ball in front of the net when a sloppy passing attempt was picked off by a Waterloo forward who, on a breakaway, put the ball into the net.

A few minutes later, a WLU and UW player became tangled together inside Laurier's box. Waterloo was awarded a penalty shot and made no mistake, tying the game at 2-2 with time running down in regulation.

Late in the game, the Hawks received a number of chances to take the lead but it wasn't until injury time that Colleen Barham took a free kick which fell in front of the net,

leaving it for Tina Neal who pounded it into the goal, giving Laurier the go-ahead goal and a dramatic victory.

The team's win helped assure Laurier of a playoff spot. A loss would have put the team behind Waterloo and out of the playoff picture.

This week's contest against Western on Saturday is arguably the most important game of Laurier's season thus far.

Western is currently undefeated on the year, but a win by WLU would vault the Hawks into first place in the OUA West division.

"Western is a very strong team and our main adversary," said Head Coach Barry MacLean.

"This weekend will tell a lot of the tale."

Making the streets safe

Student approaches City of Waterloo to make city streets safer for Laurier campus and its neighbours

Dillon Moore

Students crossing the road to get to class, or to go to 202 Regina Street, have enough to worry about without the added prospect that they might become the victims of a reckless driver. One Laurier student, fed up with the speed of traffic on surrounding streets, has decided to do something about it.

Josh Demming has started talks with the City of Waterloo that he hopes will result in safety improvements to the nearby roads. His primary focus at the moment is the section of Regina Street from University Avenue to Bridgeport Road, and in particular the corner of Regina and Noecker.

Under section 214 of the Provincial Highway Traffic Act a community can designate a part of its roads as a "community safety zone," essentially doubling the penalties for drivers caught speeding within the zone. Demming would like to see Regina made a community safety zone for the stretch from University to Bridgeport. He cites the heavy

University traffic and nearby schools as his reasons for wanting the changes.

Demming would particularly like to see changes made to the corner of Regina and Noecker that he feels has sight-line problems, which make it particularly hazardous to pedestrians. Currently a bend in the road combined with sight-obstructing buildings and a steep northbound grade make the intersection harder to see through

than most in the area. The corner has not been ignored by the City for all this time. In fact, it has been studied at various times for the past fifteen years. A recommendation in 1988 to have a four-way stop put in place was turned down for

a number of reasons. The city cited low volume of traffic, an unsuitably steep northbound grade and a low number of collisions as points against the proposal. The fourth point against the proposal expressed the City's concern that a four-way stop, "would give pedestrians a false sense of security; and they may attempt to cross the road

...a four way stop "would give pedestrians a false sense of security, and they may attempt to cross the road without observing the surrounding traffic."



City of Waterloo! Save these stranded students!

without observing the surrounding traffic."

The removal of a house on the corner that blocks the sight of drivers was also investigated by the City at one point, according to Demming, but the homeowners were not interested in selling their property.

Even if a four-way stop is contrary to the City's guidelines, more options are available to make the corner safer. Demming lists the community safety zone, an amber warning light and a "watch for

pedestrians" sign as other options.

When asked what he would be satisfied with as sufficient to make the corner safe, Demming replies, "whatever they'll give us."

To approach the City with his ideas, Demming sought the help of Executive Vice President of University Affairs Dave Wellhauser, who Demming describes as being "one-hundred per cent on board."

Demming admits the consultation with the City is at a very early stage, and he is unsure just how long it would take to see changes

made if people are receptive to his ideas.

Ideally, Demming would like to see the entire school area surrounded by a community safety zone, to make sure that cars driving by are not travelling at unsafe speeds.

In other pedestrian news, city of Waterloo workers were present yesterday on Albert Street working on a new pedestrian island that will give those crossing the street across from the library a safe place in the middle of the road.

PIRG proposed for Laurier

Jennifer Martin

After years of not having what Professor Peter Eglin refers to as a stable, progressive student voice" on campus, Laurier students are in the process of establishing a PIRG on the campus.

PIRG, which stands for Public Interest Research Group, was originally started in Canada at the University of Waterloo in 1973, where it is still active today. The concept was begun in the early seventies by Ralph Nader, former presidential candidate and citizen activist.

The purpose of PIRG is to be a nonpartisan and inert institution, explains Sean Geobey, the president of Laurier Students for PIRG. The focus of a PIRG is to "provide resource to students who are interested in social justice, environmental issues and peace issues", says Sean.

The PIRG also serves as a network for concerned students who can form work groups and action groups. Once the groups have completed their research they will be ready to engage in the social action necessary to address their problems.

"I can't tell you how delighted I was

when Sean Geobey came to me and told me they were having a meeting to start a PIRG", says Dr. Eglin, a staunch supporter of the institution. "There has never been an institutionalized progressive voice on campus", he explains, and expresses his happiness that there will be an "alternate voice" to counter the conservative tendencies at Laurier as well as the strong influence of the business school.

Sean Geobey echoes this sentiment. "There's something lacking in the University community", he says, "and the on-campus culture could be far greater than it is." He also brings up the point that although there is a highly effective PIRG organization just down the street, Laurier has its own student body, its own faculty, its own talents and its own culture that needs to be addressed.

In the past, although Laurier has boasted a Global Affairs Society, a Development and

International Studies Club and other similar clubs at different points in time, their presence has come and gone and has been largely driven by faculty, rather than student involvement.

According to Sean, the club is "in the

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process of starting the process of creating a PIRG." Although it is possible that funding could potentially come from corporate sponsorship or H.R.D.C. grants, it is more likely that money for PIRG operations will come from a student fee. Because of this, PIRG will not be able to function as an institution until after a student referendum where students agree to pay the PIRG fees.

A fee has not yet been declared, however it is important to note that any fee levied will be fully refundable to students upon request.

"Right now we're operating as a club",

says Chris Ellis, a founding helper of the group. Although he is unsure whether Laurier PIRG will become incorporated, many existing PIRGs have taken the step to become their own entity. Only after a referendum regarding fees with this be possible, though.

All financial resources taken in by the PIRG will be used for hiring staff, maintaining an office and, to a small degree, creating publicity. "Every PIRG in Canada is independent", explains Sean. In addition to receiving their own funding, all PIRGs are responsible to their own student bodies, not to a centralized committee or organization. Thus, the issues that are important to students are those that will be dealt with by PIRG.

Chris Ellis sees the creation of a PIRG as "the natural progression of most universities. Because there are already groups concerned with race, gender and political issues, Dr. Eglin hopes to see PIRG focus on issues of global and local and inequality, but he also acknowledges that "there will be no bounds to what they could get into."

DIS goes "Global"

Development and International Studies to be given a more expansive focus, will get a new name to suit new nature

Siobhan Bhagwat

Development and International Studies is undergoing a change in focus, and will have a new name to reflect the changes.

The Development and International Studies program (DIS) began approximately twelve years ago. It was originally named Third World Studies, and its main focus was the development in Latin America. The program was deliberately created to attract people from the same school of thought who were interested in the issues of global development. This year it is the hope of DIS head Dr. Leonard Friesen and his colleagues that the program will be changed to Global Studies.

Despite the fact that the university has not formally changed the program everyone who has become involved appears to be extremely supportive of this move. The intent of Global Studies is to attract people who have diverse points of view.

Through the program students will be given the opportunity to explore a variety of

concepts including the values of different cultures and the relationship between war, peace and society at a global level. Global Studies reflects not only a broader perspective of the original DIS program, but it also covers a wider geographical area.

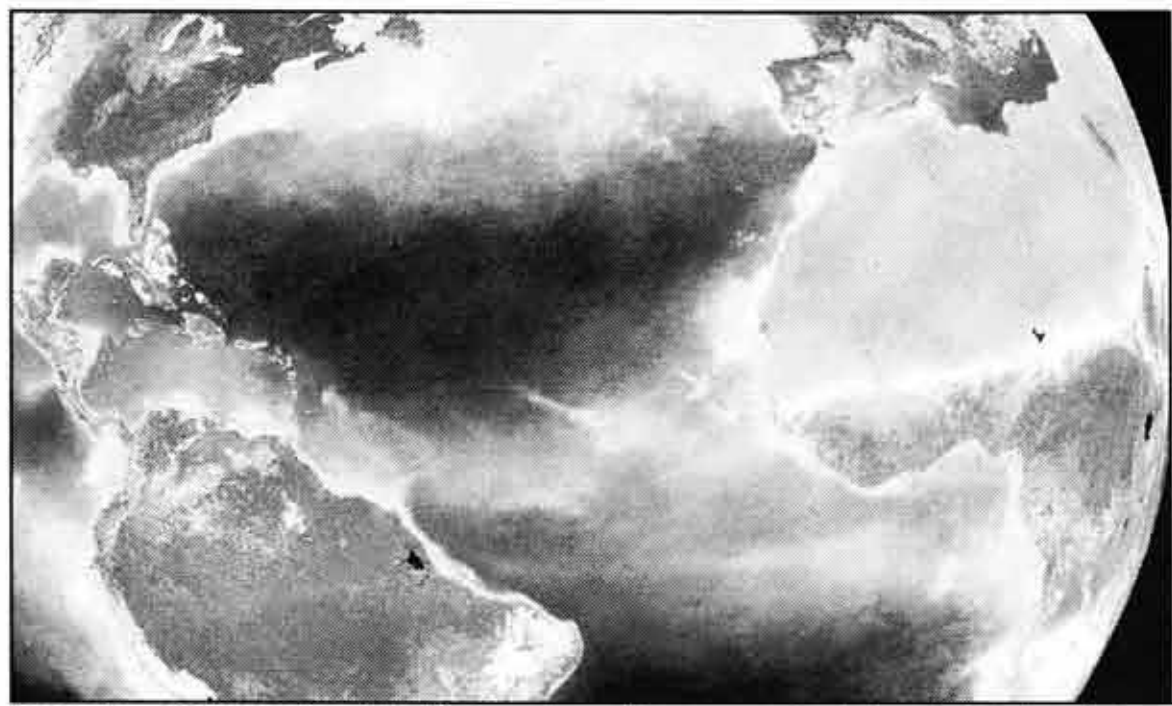
The various interests of Global Studies program reflects the diversity of the student body. The program attempts to make sense of the overwhelming amount of information students have to work through. Its basic concept lies in the realization that we are bombarded with information that a class can help make more comprehensive and under-

standable. The world is now viewed coherently by people and we can examine how countries are affected by the occurrences in another country.

To further the learning process joint honours students must study abroad for one year. Students are

required to take the core courses plus one language class and an international study. Students are encouraged to create their own special programs. Those in the honours pro-

Those in the honours program must see an advisor annually to decide on the extra courses they would like to take...



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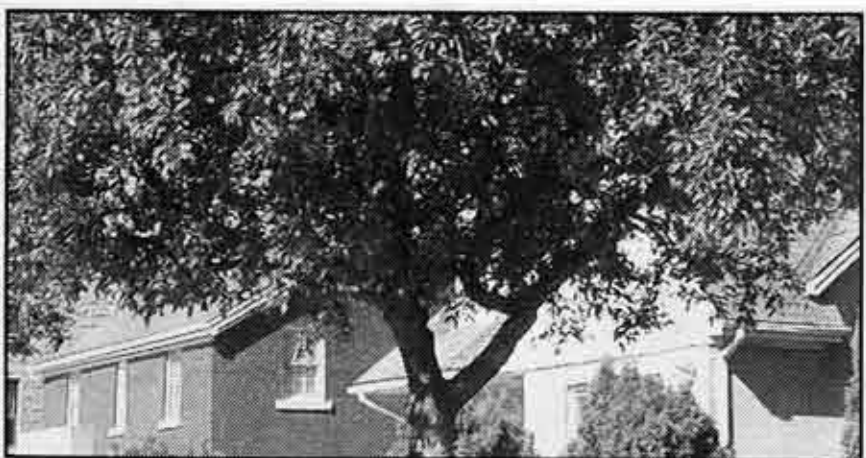
gram must see an advisor annually to decide on the extra courses they would like to take that would complement the course requirements. This allows students flexibility and accountability for their course load.

Students who want to be active within the university and in shaping the program they're studying should consider Global Studies since the program relies heavily on

student involvement. Currently there are five hundred first year student enrolled in DIS and the numbers are expected to rise.

The Global Studies Club is open to all students who are interested in discussing global issues. To learn more about the upcoming Global Studies program call Dr. Leonard Friesen at extension 3259.

Correction:
In the October 3rd edition of the Cord, it was reported that Aramark was chosen by the Students' Union to take over the food operations at Laurier. It was in fact the university that chose Aramark.



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A WLU student reported that an unidentified male had been looking at her in an inappropriate manner while she was at the Library. The incident was reported to security approximately 6 hours after the incident.

THEFT UNDER \$5000 1000-1700
HRS MON OCT 01/01

A WLU student reported that his bicycle seat had been removed from his bike while it was parked north of the Peters Building.

FIRE DEPT RESPONSE 2235 HRS
Wed Oct 03/01

The fire department responded to an alarm at Heidelberg House. There was no fire. Sparklers on a birthday cake caused the alarm.

NOISE COMPLAINT 2315 HRS WED
OCT 03/01

An officer responded to the Grad House after receiving a complaint of loud music. Staff there were requested to turn down the volume. They complied.

THEFT UNDER \$5000 WED OCT 03
A WLU staff member reported that

someone had entered his vehicle while it was parked at St Michael's Church and took his parking permit.

THEFT UNDER \$5000 SAT JUNE

30/01 - THU OCT 04/01

The Music Dept reported that sometime between the end of June and early October someone stole a CD player from a room in the Aird Building.

INTOXICATED 2305 HRS THU OCT
04/01

A non-WLU male who was found at the Nichols Centre and was highly intoxicated was transported to the Detox Centre. He was uncooperative with staff there and was subsequently taken to the Regional Police lock up facility for his own safety.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON 1640 HRS
FRI OCT 05/01

A WLU student reported that an unidentified male had spoken to her and in the process brushed against her hand 2 or 3 times.

THEFT UNDER \$5000 FRI OCT
05/01 - SAT 06/01

A number of vending machines on campus were broken into. It is unknown at this time if any monies were removed from the machines.

TRESPASS 0915 HRS SAT OCT
07/01

A non-WLU male was found sleeping in the lounge in the Nichols Centre. He was evicted from the premises and was issued a trespass warning.

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The price is wrong, Bob

In another attempt by the Cord to teach you to think underneath the box, Chris investigates how airline baggage claim agent's salaries affect you.

Chris Jacobson

In the wake of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, many people are asking who is to blame. Obviously Osama Bin Ladin is the easy target and Afghanistan is feeling the pressures of harbouring such a criminal.

The American government and the Canadian government are looking to increase security measures in the sky as well as on the ground. We have to focus on the airport before terrorists have a chance to commit such dreadful acts. We've heard a lot in the news about increased security efforts such as more protection at baggage claim. Every harmful item including personal razors, have had to be discarded. This effectively solves one aspect of security failures but in my opinion, it's not the important one.

The important problem with the airports is the amount of unskilled labour at the baggage claim. These workers are getting paid minimum wage to perform one of the most important security checks of people around the

world. It's inconceivable that security guards at a Michael Bolton concert get paid more than baggage claim security at the airport. I mean, we all love Michael Bolton, but is he really more important than approximately 30 million

Canadians, not to mention the rest of the world?

In this case, minimum wage laws are not important. Minimum wage laws decrease the amount of jobs available and increase the rate of unemployment. I think that we could deal with a minimal amount of unemployment if it meant increased security for our nation.

What might help the situation is a drastic increase in the wages of baggage claim officials to double what they are currently earning. This increase in wage will bring more qualified workers to this crucial outpost. Workers will be happier to come in to work because they will feel better about their job by simply feeling proud of the money they have earned that day. Now would be the opportune time to make a reference to Maslow's

Hierarchy of Needs, but I don't want to bore you. Anyway, when the basics of life are covered, people are happier and therefore provide better results with an increase in awareness.

It also wouldn't hurt to talk to someone that is in a good mood when you are in a rush to get to your next flight. There is no effect on security if only a select few procedures are adapted. All aspects of the business must be strengthened in order for the problem to diminish

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Airlines should not only focus on increased security at baggage claim but on the amount of unskilled workers that are creating as many problems as they are fixing.

substantially. Business students call this total quality management.

Let me give you an example to show you know what I mean. Let's pretend first that you own a company. This company has to ship its product, chocolate bars, across Ontario in the summer. These chocolate bars obviously melt in hot weather. You decide to build a cold storage facility so that your product doesn't melt. Now if the trucks that you send your product in are not also cold storage, does the decreased warehouse temperature affect you at all? As you have

probably guessed, the answer is no. As long as there is one flaw in the system, the increased security in other areas does little to help remedy the situation.

The problem is that the government has not taken a proactive approach to this dilemma. Instead, it takes a horrible incident to awaken a "sleeping giant." It's easy to see now what should have been done in the past. It's not too late to take a proactive approach and reduce the possibility of more lives being lost. We have to remember what this war is about.

It's about a sense of security and saving lives.

The Business section is a rockin' force. Did you notice that previously we were located on page 22 but have moved up on the charts all the way to page 5?? Fantastic!

If you want to be part of this obviously important section, send me an email at chris.jacobson.com. We have a few new talented writers but we would love to increase our team to include you.

Sound financial advice:

Here's a little tidbit that has been floating around on ICQ:

"If you bought \$1,000 worth of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49. If you bought \$1,000 worth of Budweiser (the beer, not the stock) one year ago, drank all the beer, and traded in the cans for the nickel deposit, you would have \$79. It is therefore financially prudent in these troubled times to drink heavily and recycle."

Odd Correlation:

It's interesting to note that the newly appointed CEO of Nortel, Frank Dunn, played football for the McGill Redmen. Not only that, but so did the former chairman and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada, John Cleghorn and former president of Molson Cos. Ltd, John Rogers. Is it just me, or does everyone else think it is unfair for someone to have all the glory of playing football in university AND make millions of dollars as a businessman when you get out? Just one would be good enough for me.

Sports Fans:

Rogers Cable has purchased 40% of the regional all-sports channel known as CTV Sportsnet which now gives them an 80%



ownership in the company. Rogers also owns The FAN 590, the Toronto Blue Jays and the Toronto Phantoms. Ever wondered where the money you pay for your cable modem service and movie rentals is spent? Sports!

Calm Before the Storm:

Last month over 50,000 new jobs were produced and our unemployment rate remained constant at 7.2%. After the World Trade Center tragedy don't expect the same results to occur next month. According to analysts unemployment will continue to increase to approximately 8%. Last month the United States' unemployment rate was 4.9% and it is also expected to increase.

Weekly Business Joke

Private Jones was assigned to the Army induction center, where he was to advise new recruits about their government benefits, especially their Serviceman's Group Life Insurance (SGLI). It wasn't long before the center's Lieutenant noticed that Private

Jones had almost a 100% record for insurance sales, which had never happened before. Rather than ask about this, the Lt. stood in the back of the room and listened to Jones's sales pitch.

Jones explained the basics of the SGLI to the new recruits, and then said, "If you have SGLI and go into battle and are killed, the government has to pay \$200,000 to your beneficiaries. If you don't have SGLI, and you go into battle and get killed, the government has to pay only a maximum of \$6000."

"Now," he concluded, "which bunch do you think they are going to send into battle first?"

Taxes, Legalities & Insurance, oh my!:

There was a free meeting at Chapel, Luther Village on Wednesday October 10th for anyone who was interested in obtaining tax, legal and insurance information. Issues involving tax incentives, creating a will, charitable donations and the importance of insurance were brought up at this meeting.

Congratulations to everyone who was there at 9:00am!

Marketing Genius:

The Air Canada Centre has to be one of the only entities that can make me sit on the edge of my seat waiting for the latest information about a hot dog. That's right, you heard me... a hot dog. If you haven't heard, last week 11 hot dog companies had their wieners go through an extensive taste test against a panel including sports celebrities, media, fans and hotdog experts. The winning hotdog: The Hebrew National. Now really, any company who can make you wait in anticipation of a new hotdog (especially one I've never heard of) deserves a marketing award.

Cheap Flights With Air Canada...

"Tango" is Air Canada's new marketing strategy to encourage air travel (with Air Canada, of course) following the September 11th attacks. This "no frills, deep discounts" program will be implemented in 11 cities across Canada and the US. Expect to pay one-way fares from \$79 for a Toronto-Ottawa flight and up to \$299 for a Halifax-Vancouver route.

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Canada keeps it covered

When I woke up on Tuesday, September 11th, I did what most university students do. I went back to bed for another 15 minutes. When I finally did remove myself from the peaceful and warm comforts of my bed, I made my way to the couch where I turned on the television in hopes of seeing some fool wearing an "I love Bob Barker" T-shirt coming on down. Instead, what I saw was the horrific image of two airplanes crashing into the World Trade Center Towers. This image was repeated in what seemed to be an endless stream of people fleeing the scene, terror in their eyes and blood on their faces.

When I woke up on Sunday October 7th, I made my way to the trusty Lay-Z-Boy and I took my Sunday location in front of the television and tuned to Global for the football game. What I saw instead was a live report on the attacks being carried out by the United States and the United Kingdom against Afghanistan. After watching live coverage of the events unfolding across the globe, I decided to turn to Fox to see their coverage of the events. What I saw instead was the football game I expected to see on Global. I question the fact that a Canadian channel would interrupt coverage of an American football game for coverage of America's attack on Afghanistan but an American station

would not.

I then proceeded to search a wide array of channels, and found that only Canadian networks (with the exception of CNN) had interrupted regularly scheduled programming for coverage of the attacks. My father said to me: "Why did they choose Thanksgiving to attack?" before he concluded that American

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Thanksgiving falls later in the year. But this point led me to realize that Canadian news anchors Peter Mansbridge, Gord Martineau and Lloyd Robertson had left their families and their homes to bring the news of the attacks to Canadians. All the while, their American counterparts enjoyed the afternoon off.

Following the horrific attacks of September 11th, the news coverage was dominated by images of the planes crashing into the towers, people jumping from the burning buildings and the rescue efforts of the brave men and

women who risked their lives. Not to mention the constant reminder that the man to blame for the tragedy was Osama bin Laden, his picture clearly displayed on every newscast, newspaper and magazine for the entire world to see.

It wasn't until the six o'clock news that coverage of the attacks began on American networks. The Emmy Awards were cancelled, leaving CBS with three hours to fill. A special segment of 60 Minutes was shown, focusing solely on the attacks. I can't help but wonder if CBS would have pre-empted the Emmy's to offer coverage of the attacks had the awards not been cancelled. I have the feeling the coverage of the attacks by the United States on Afghanistan may not be as thorough and comprehensive as the September 11th attacks on the United States. It will also be interesting to watch bin Laden continue to be seen as the enemy while George W. Bush is proclaimed a hero for his courageous efforts in the war on terrorism.

KEVIN KLEIN
STUDENT LIFE EDITOR

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PLEASE DON'T WRITE ME 2000 WORD LETTERS. I CAN'T PRINT THEM. I HAVE TO BUTCHER THEM. I HATE THAT. AND NO MORE ANONYMOUS LETTERS. THEY PISS ME OFF, TOO. STAND UP FOR WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.

LETTERS

STOCKWELL SUCKS

Earlier this year, the executive of my campus club passed a motion declaring the leadership of Stockwell Day as not being in the best interests of the Canadian Alliance Party. This motion was passed unanimously.

It is the belief of the students involved with this Campus Association that Stockwell's leadership impedes the formation of a credible alternative to the governing Liberals. Unfortunately, the tragic events of September 11th have taken the focus off Mr. Day's ineptitude as a leader.

While he deserves credit for a good performance in the house on holding the Liberals to account on the formation of anti-terrorist measures, his management of the Alliance in general can only be described as sloppy. He has stood idly by while the Alliance has dropped to a level in the polls equal to that of the NDP.

This is not acceptable. Mr. Day needs to send a message of hope to the Alliance membership. He must appear open to cooperation with the PC-DR Coalition. He must put aside his pride for a moment and think of the best interests of Canadians.

With this in mind, the Wilfrid Laurier University Canadian Alliance Campus Association has dedicated itself to working with like minded conservatives on campus regardless of party affiliation. We believe that in leading by example on the campus level, other campus groups will likely follow suit. This will allow us to build a united front based on common goals and ideas

that will serve us well leading into the next election campaign.

Sincerely,
Peter Turkington
Co-President
Wilfrid Laurier University
Canadian Alliance Campus Association

ALUMNI ANGST

A group of us were disappointed to see the alumni visitors were made to crowd together at one end of the football field during the McMaster vs. Laurier game. The view is hopeless. Why don't you put a forty yard portable stand along the far side and they could cheer on the team behind the team bench? It's about time you have stands on both sides of the field as they do in most parks.

Brad Johnson '84

RANDOM THOUGHTS

It's three o'clock in the morning, I just got back from a McDonald's run, and I started to think. The whole university thing is more than I ever thought it would be, mostly because of the people that surround me each day. The 111 girls, the Vagina boys, and of course my Angel on Lester have all affected my university experience and my life. But the guys I live with have changed my life forever. They now make up my family away from home. Each of them bring their own qualities that I now project onto others. Mind you, not all the quali-

ties are good ones, such as our sessions of "smut talk", or useless information bites like: "Did you know the male scrotum can be stretched to five inches?" They have made me understand that we don't come to university to learn how the supply and demand graph is affected by an increase in taxes. We come here to live and to learn. These are some of the important lessons I've learned:

1. Four out of five women prefer chocolate over vanilla
2. Never sublet your house to a woman with a broken leg and three children
3. If you find your finances are low, switch from Kokanee to forty ounces of malt liquor
4. Wendy's hamburger wrappers will catch on fire in the microwave
5. It is possible to eat a whole watermelon, half a pizza, two packs of wafer cookies, a bag of nuts and still be hungry after smoking the buddha.

To all those who read this, remember these rules and they will help you out. And to my boys, thanks for everything. The bottles of Kristal, the Cuban cigar and the drop-tops. Fine women await us, the world is ours to conquer.

D.T.

PEACE IN OUR TIME

It is sometimes necessary to wage war in order to preserve peace. These are just and moral wars as they are fought not out of hatred and economic need,

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but out of true necessity. The current conflict in Afghanistan is not such a war. The war in Afghanistan is being waged not out of necessity but out of desperation. Following the September 11th attacks, the United States had to react, both to protect its citizens and to protect its position in the world. The war in Afghanistan fails to address the fundamental problem that the terrorists sought to bring to the world's attention. The United States, while preaching freedom and democracy has systematically destroyed all opposition to the American economic, political and cultural domination of the world.

In truth, the attacks of September 11th are deplorable acts of violence but they are not the mindless acts of madmen. They are the calculated acts of men who gave their lives for a cause they believed in with their whole being. American domination of the world has destroyed and decimated countless cultures

and societies simply by fostering an atmosphere where nations fear that to oppose Americanization is to nail shut their own nation's coffins. The terrorists are opposing American world hegemony with the only weapon left at their disposal, a weapon used far too often against them: fear.

The war in Afghanistan is a fruitless endeavor because as history has repeatedly shown, it is nearly impossible to defeat an enemy that wears no uniform, respects no borders, heeds the law of no nation and acknowledges only the authority of their conviction. Afghanistan will be defeated. The terrorist attacks will have been avenged. One day in the future, they will seek their revenge. This cycle never ends. The Israelis know it, the Yugoslavians know it, the Irish know it. History bears all the proof necessary.

Mark Humphries

Prepare yourselves

Sean Geobey



My friends, the cold embrace of this season has us in its grasp. No, I speak not of the Winds of War or the Guns of Autumn, but instead of the battle at our doorstep – the midterm.

Despite the horrors of the outside world, the horrors of our world are now being laid at our feet. Depressing tales of people disassembling theoretical constructs, engaging in tedious memorization warfare, and being sent on impossible yet pointless assignments shake us all to the very core.

Indeed, only last week I heard a harrowing tale from some of my economics colleagues being sent on a regression analysis. The unit decimated; mission ended in failure. It is disturbing, but great are the sacrifices we make here at home. Even given the magnitude of these feats, it is the ultimate Battle of Midterm which will be our defining moment. Already preparations grim and glorious

are underway.

To my brethren walking the labyrinthine corridors of the Peter's building, stay to the right – you will find your way. To those travelling the elevator in the Dr. Alvin Woods Building with me I say only this: we will make it to the seventh floor someday.

Already our comrades are suffering the most appalling conditions imaginable. There is a place I have heard of known as the Science Building where already our brave comrades are struggling. Moreover, I have waded into

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a war zone myself to report to you of unspeakable terror. All I am at liberty to divulge is that the only difference between the Sixth Plane of Hell, as witnessed by Dante, and the Sixth Floor of the Library, as witnessed by me, is the reserve desk.

I warn you again, the fury of the world is in front of you. Godspeed brothers and sisters, Godspeed.

And another thing...

Matthew Cade

I do not agree with everything that Professor Eglin has to say about the situation in Afghanistan. Nor do I necessarily agree with all of his arguments about the retaliatory attacks being led by the United States. But for me, that is not what matters most.

What is crucial, in my opinion, is that hardly anyone on this campus seems to give a damn about what's happening. I appreciate the fact that discussions were held in the Turret and I know there are people out there who are feeling things. But all the talk this week, quite honestly, has been about Oktoberfest tickets and "How was your turkey?"

Just so you know, I am no exception to this rule. Although the terrorist attacks and their fallout consume my thoughts every day, I continue to sit on my ass and ignore the fact that my country is now involved (and engaged) in conflict halfway around the world.

Oh yeah, that's right - in case you haven't noticed, Canada is at war. We are *at war*. Whether or not the government sees fit to refer to it officially in these terms does not matter. Your country is at war. Do you know with whom they are fighting? Do you know why Canada needs to be involved?

For God's sake, please don't ignore what's going on. Speak. Speak out. Learn about your government. Ask questions. Or, if you're feeling bold, grab the nearest microphone, head down to the Concourse and shout until they hear you.

Ignorance is as efficient a killer as any gun.

Show me the money

Terri Ramsawack



When we are invited to live in residence, we are also in some cases required to purchase a meal plan based on how much we think we are going to eat in a matter of eight months. We dish out the money on a daily basis. We are the ones who paid for the plan and are the people expected to use it. How we think of this money evidently differs from the school's perspective.

At the beginning of this school year a friend of mine had \$1,700 left in her primary dining hall account. When she realized how much she had left over, she decided to make the best decision and transfer it to her convenience account so she could use her money to purchase her books. To her surprise, her money couldn't be transferred to that specific account. She can use the money at Wilf's, The Terrace, The Concourse Cafe and the dining hall, but not the Bookstore. She decided to investigate the situation, talking to people from every office she

thought might be able to help her but to her dismay, the money was never moved.

This decision made by the

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ONECARD office was ridiculous. Do they expect students to simply eat away \$1,700? If that money was not used in the time specified by the school, wouldn't it make sense to allow students to use the money

as they please? I am not suggesting that they give refunds, but if a student wants to take that money and spend it in the bookstore, s/he should not be refused that option. If the school is worried about where the money is being spent, there is no cause for concern. The money is still going to the school and nothing is being lost.

I am almost positive that my friend is not the only one who has had to spend her money on food, rather than on something that could have helped her save some money. It is absurd that we go through the procedure of having a meal plan, only to be told that it isn't actually our money and that we have to do with it what the university thinks is best. Is eating at the many fine establishments on campus day in and day out what is best for our thousands of dollars? Please, where are the options? Where is the choice? Where is our money?



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Sanctions in Iraq

Journalist describes the effects of U.N. sanctions and U.S. bombing

Brandon Currie

On Tuesday evening the "End Sanctions on Iraq" Cross-Canada caravan converged at the University of Waterloo, aiming to raise awareness of the plight of the Iraqi people following the Gulf War.

Officially sponsored by the Canadian Network to End Sanctions in Iraq (CANESI), the meeting explored the devastating effects of constant air raids and economic sanctions imposed on Iraq, as well as the history and politics behind the multi-faceted assault.

Keynote speaker Felicity Arbuthnot, an English journalist, then shared some of her personal and professional experiences with Iraq with the audience. Having visited the country 24 times, she has witnessed the plight of the Iraqi people slide "from the impossible to the apocalyptic" during and after the Gulf War of 1991.

Arbuthnot began by describing how air raids during the war have had a profound effect on Iraq, which persist to this day. Throughout Operation Desert Storm, American troops bombarded Iraq with bombs containing over 350 tonnes of depleted uranium, or to many, radioactive nuclear waste.

This bombing was not confined to strategic military targets either, Arbuthnot continued. It was "designed to annihilate the infrastructure and lifeblood of the nation." Contrary to images viewed in the West, American missiles did not discriminate against water filtration plants, electrical generating

stations, or domestic communication centres, she said. All of this has worked in conjunction with UN economic sanctions to reduce a once proud nation into a "pre-industrial state of development."

Prior to the Gulf War, Iraq imported over 70% of its goods, Arbuthnot stated. She added that a complete exclusion from world economics, perpetuated by the UN, was "one of the greatest injustices of all time." Not only has Iraq been banished from foreign markets, but also the country's lucrative oil resources have been restrained by a food for oil program, that restricts oil exports by directly exchanging foodstuffs for crude oil.

Complicating the sanctions, she explained, is the declining health of the Iraqi populace due to the long-term effects of radiation exposure. Arbuthnot dramatically



Felicity Arbuthnot speaks her mind on sanctions in Iraq

described the effects: a 300% increase in cancers among adults, 1,000% among children, one quarter of live births are premature, and one third of children surviving past five experience stunted growth and intelligence.

Under the current sanctions, Iraq is unable to attain the basic medicines to treat these diseases and many others. According to Arbuthnot, "most Iraqi parents can't even take a picture of their child because the UN won't allow film processing chemicals into the country."

Also, without clean water and electricity in most areas, she stated,

Without clean water and electricity... "food and water become biological weapons" Felicity Arbuthnot - British Journalist

ed, "food and water become biological weapons" as they carry easily preventable diseases.

Even polio, eradicated for 30 years in Iraq, has seen resurgence under the current conditions. As

Arbuthnot put it, "it is the newborns and under fives that are the victims of this embargo." This is a shocking reality considering that Iraqis enjoyed 93% free access to modern healthcare before the Gulf War, Arbuthnot asserted.

Food shortages are perhaps the most distressing repercussion of the trade embargo. Arbuthnot described the plight of "Sugar Babies." These are infants whose mothers are too malnourished to produce breast milk, too poor to afford the inflated price of formula, and can only resort to feeding their children sugar mixed with water.

Also mentioned were families that sold all their worldly possessions for food, only to commit sui-

cide once they had done so.

The disintegration of the Iraqi middle class is another side effect of the UN sanctions, and as Arbuthnot exclaimed, "it has sent the Iraqi education system back 10 years." Prior to the war, Iraq

enjoyed multiple institutions of higher learning, resulting in a well-educated middle class of professionals. Under the sanctions, Iraq is unable to import textbooks, thereby "completely debilitating" a once flourishing nation of higher

Italy
A Scandinavian Airways System (SAS) airliner headed for Denmark hit a private airliner and then crashed into a baggage-handling hangar on a runway at Linate airport in Milan on Monday morning. The crash killed all 114 people aboard both planes.

The private aircraft, a German Cessna, reportedly taxied onto Linate's single runway after being signaled to go around it. Four ground workers are also missing. Alessandra Tripodi, a spokeswoman at the Milan Prefect's office said, "the toll is bound to rise." SAS spokesman Troels Rasmussen added that "it's the worst day in our history."

Human error and low visibility most likely caused the accident the government said.

United Nations

Syria won a nonpermanent, two-year seat on the United Nations Security Council on Monday. It received overwhelming support with 160 votes, much more than the required two-thirds minimum of the U.N. General Assembly.

The vote, conducted by secret ballot, replaces Bangladesh with Syria for an Asian seat on the council starting January 1st.

Only one U.N. member, Israel,

opposed the bid. Israel's U.N. Ambassador, Yehuda Lancry, said that "it is really a sheer absurdity and a sheer nonsense to have Syria as a member of the Security Council."

38 members of the U.S. Congress wrote to President Bush on Friday asking him to oppose Syria's election, apparently due to Syria being on the U.S. list of nations sponsoring terrorism.

However, Syrian Ambassador Mikhail Wehbe said that Syria would act "to preserve the peace and security in the world." He also said that the election is a "very excellent message to the world."

Pakistan

Anti-American protestors have been voicing their displeasure with Pakistan president General Pervez Musharaff since September 11th over his recent support of the United States.

In Quetta, a Pakistani city where support is high for the Taliban, protests are raging. On Monday, protestors burned an effigy of the President in the streets and Pakistani children chanted, "Bush Die!" in the streets. President Musharaff says, "As far as Pakistan is concerned the vast majority is with our decision. There are some extremists who are trying to have this agitation."

learning. Those few who can afford to go to school now are forced to study texts that are as old as the Gulf War.

Arbuthnot then opened the floor to questions from the audience. One student inquired about position of the Canadian Government in regards to the sanctions. Arbuthnot replied that although all Canadian parties called for the sanctions to be lifted, they have had no bearing on the position of the authoritative faction, which is the United Nations.

Concern was also raised over the naming of Iraq as a potential target for America's "War on Terrorism." Dr. Neil Arya, the National President of Physicians for Global Survival responded by stating that, "the U.S. will use bombs to further debilitate Iraq, and potentially produce more suicide bombers."

Concluding the forum, Arbuthnot emphasized that it is essential to probe beneath the omnipotence and bureaucracy of the U.N. and the U.S., and view the human implications of the sanctions. To Arbuthnot this was typified by a young Iraqi boy stricken with leukemia who "had taught himself not to cry, because it hurt too much."



World Watch



However, due to increased risk of violence, all schools and most colleges in Karachi are closed. The area around the American consulate has been cordoned off.

Seoul

A South Korean ship's crew, who dumped 25 Chinese "illegal immigrants" into the sea after they suffocated in a storage tank, is being arrested, police said. 60 people were attempting to reach the port of Yosu on the southern tip of South Korea to look for work.

The 35 survivors were reportedly detained in good health and will be deported after receiving new travel documents from the Chinese embassy in Seoul, a police official said. Several media reports claim that the group left Ningbo, an eastern Chinese port on October 1st and got aboard the South Korean ship at sea last Saturday.

Warrants for the arrest of the South Korean ship crew are soon to be issued on charges of involuntary homicide and abandoning corpses. Police say that 11 of the survivors were ethnic Koreans from China. The search for the bodies is still ongoing.

Compiled by Moez Bawania

Pakistan's President

Kiran Kharaud

As military action begins in Afghanistan, Pakistan is an important nation to watch.

Sharing a 2,500 km border with Afghanistan, and lying between them and the Arabian Sea, where British and American forces now sit, Pakistan is now in a critical position geographically and politically.

Their president is General Pervez Musharraf. He is an important figure in the only nation that still officially recognises the Taliban.

Given these factors, Pakistan's actions are critical to the course of action that the U.S. is taking. Musharraf has been extremely cooperative and is thus seen by many of his people as giving in to a despised foreign power.

Since taking over from President Sharrif in 1999, Musharraf has sought to make Pakistan a powerful player on the world stage. Sharrif took the presidential oath June 20, 2001.

The General gained control of the country of 145 million people after Sharrif tried to extradite him. This botched operation resulted in the military take over of the nation through a relatively bloodless coup on October 12, 1999.

1988-1999 was the only period where there have been democratically elected governments in Pakistan. It has been ruled militarily for 25 years of its 52 years. As such, people were not too threatened by the military re-establishing rule once again.

What helped make the transition so smooth is that Pakistan has had the habit of not re-electing governments for a second consecutive term.

Former Presidents Bhutto and Sharrif were taking and leaving office in tag team style for the short period of democratic rule Pakistan has had. Most Pakistanis were actually happy to see Sharif go, as he had not fulfilled the economic restoration as promised during election his campaign.

General Musharraf made

Pakistan the first nuclear-armed nation to have its government overthrown by the military, and did it in an impressive 17 hours. This extraordinary feat was quickly questioned by the international community, given the resulting suspension of democracy.

Since then, the President has established order within Pakistan and alleviated some of the fears that arose within the Indian government upon him coming to office.

However, he has been trying to gain respect within the international community. He has operated to the best of his capabilities under the sanctions that were placed on the country, when Pakistan pursued a nuclear arms program and conducted several tests.

Through the September 11th tragedy, his credibility and style of government have been tested by his people and international leaders. His actions in the near future will either allow him to maintain power and the respect of world leaders or lose control of his nation.

His full co-operation with the U.S. government has proven to be a smart move as his country's sanctions were instantly eased. Canada has even forgiven the \$447 million (Canadian) debt that Pakistan owed it. Pakistan-British relations have also been ameliorated. These contacts are direly needed by Musharraf himself in order to enhance his credibility and strengthen his presidency.

If he had chose not to co-operate, then the country would not be in any better position than the Taliban. Pakistan is the only nation to recognise the Taliban as the governing body of Afghanistan.

Why does Pakistan still recognise the Taliban? Pakistan is currently hosting about 2.5 million Afghani refugees and the border is still busting at the seams regardless of it being closed and monitored by armed forces. Ever since the Taliban came in to power there has been a significant increase of people migrating to border cities in Pakistan.

There are also many Taliban supporters in Pakistan. They are a minority who have proven their capabilities of organising, demonstrating and attracting international attention. Closing all communication would be a catalyst for a violent backlash. Musharraf has stated several times that his government will maintain some form of communication with the Taliban.

So even though some Pakistanis feel that their president is giving into U.S. demands, keeping this window open shows that Musharraf is well aware of, and sensitive towards, all players involved in the crisis.

If Musharraf wants to last as President, he needs to demonstrate that he is in control and able to run a country without it erupting into chaos.

His military rule however, is becoming more apparent as there are armed soldiers in the streets to control any violent outbreaks as the U.S. proceeds to attack targets within Afghanistan. He has even had Taliban supporter Maulana Fazlur Rehman placed under house arrest.

The President has made it clear that order will be maintained and will be using strict methods if necessary.

The Cord's International Notices


1) Laurier International will be hosting several international exchange information sessions over the next few weeks. The next one will be Tuesday, October 23rd from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. in room SM127 at St. Michael's. Applications and information on possible destinations will be available. Call 884-0710 ext. 3784 for more information about the session or for general exchange program information.

2) The Laurier World University Service of Canada (WUSC) branch is recruiting new members for its local committee. WUSC is a charitable, non-profit organization that sends Canadian volunteers overseas, sponsors student refugees, provides development education, implements CIDA development programs overseas and manages scholarship programs. More information is available by visiting <www.wusc.ca>, or by contacting Karen Strang, International Student Co-ordinator at 884-0710 ext. 6840 or <kstrang@wlu.ca>.

3) The Global Studies speaker series continues Monday, October 15 at 5:30 in the Seminary. Project Ploughshares will speak about their work concerning land mines and about the attacks of September 11th. Also talking will be Eliseo Martez, a doctor from El Salvador who is currently working in Kitchener. He will be speaking about politics there and life during their civil war.

The Cord welcomes submissions to this magical box of information. Examples of suitable submissions include guest speakers, trips to conferences and other opportunities for students with an international focus.

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Fight for the finish

Doping and the disintegration of sport

Mariana Hrkac

The glory and honour of sport, the exhilaration and satisfaction of participation and the pride and joy of excellence are sadly left at the mercy of unfair play and doping practices of athletes far and wide. How can something that finds its origin in the notion of development and growth, contribute to such a lack of integrity and justice?

The very essence of the word sport, conjures up images of vitality, effort, exertion, and a competitive spirit, arguably unidentified in any other avenue of life. The challenge, personal or otherwise, is something only athletes can describe in its entirety and give its due justice. Their summit is the quest for personal excellence, but problems arise in the form of external pressures. With their obstructing presence, the lines of fair play and reaching the top are sometimes obliterated, and the ensuing results can be disastrous. The act of doping goes against virtually every underlying and intended belief in sport, and undermines the very legitimacy of sport itself.

In light of a recent two-day Olympic Roundtable discussion at WLU, the World Anti-Doping President and member of the International Olympic Committee, Richard Pound, as well as former Olympic athletes Marnie McBean and Johann Olav Koss, provided insights from an administrative privy perspective, as well as a sport participant's viewpoint. Each made valuable contributions and shared personal experiences about the destructive nature of doping practices in the Olympic milieu.

Given the recent flood of doping cases, it is clear that the fight to eradicate these abominable practices has not been won. The fight is arguably being inhibited by society imposing its ideals and standards on sport participants to perform flawlessly and superhumanly. These expectations are embedded in the society in which we live; athletes internalize them, and then feel the need to live up to them. Societies' interests lay, quite frankly, on the side of the needles, bottles, and inhalers used to administer such inconceivable procedures.

In a recent opinion poll, people were asked how they feel about doping in sport. "45% of the opinion poll would rather see doped-up winners, than clean losers." Apparently, the end does justify the means! So how can we change society? We can't, at least not in this lifetime. Athletes, however, can be instigators of change. After all, communities look up to athletes as role models

and enthusiasts of life.

There is no more powerful message than one coming first hand from former successful Olympians. The 'Marnie McBean's of the world, who are speaking from the heart, describe the journey and the feelings that come with "the spirit and excitement of sport." It gives us great pride to know that she did it clean. Knowing full well, that despite the idea of a level playing field, she was able to triumph and defeat the efforts of the dishonest. This level playing field, that is both expected and necessary for competition, disintegrates in the ugly face of performance enhancing drugs.

The pride and joy that exude the athletic spirit are suddenly washed away when the toxins enter the body. A body once empowered with strength, energy, determination,

endurance, and confidence, is now subjected to shameful deceit, dishonourable intentions, and unfair manipulation. It is imposed

on us by society, but the reality of doping is then concealed exhaustively from the public view to avoid ridicule and embarrassment. It doesn't make any sense!

Another topic receiving due diligence during the Roundtable discussion: what makes an athlete, who trains countless hours, sacrifices endless activities, and devotes relentless heart, put it all on the line? After all, not only does the athlete suffer the obvious health risks, the negative perception an abuser of performance enhancing drugs carries with them can be shattering. It is something that haunts athletes for the rest of their lives.

WLU Athletic Director, Peter Baxter,

brought the matter closer to home in a subsequent interview on the prevalence of doping issues at the inter-collegiate level.

"Although there are currently no flags, it doesn't mean that the problem does not exist," he said.

His faith resides in the staff he acquires to examine the current system, evaluate performances, provide education and give proper support for fair training and nutrition to achieve results.

He spoke of the importance of education and intervention at a very young age. "The root of the problem is a whole realm of social problems. Self esteem is a big one, the fear of failure, and the infamous peer pressure." All of these phenomena occur at an earlier age than common wisdom would have us believe.

"Getting in there and giving kids a chance to be educated is the key to prevention. Having them understand how to make the right decisions - because ultimately you won't be there when they actually make the decision. Being vigilant in the education component is absolutely necessary on our part," he said.

Baxter continued, "The task doesn't end there. Athletes are people first, and people make mistakes. It's more than the reputation and image of the athlete, the Athletic Department, and the University. There is the burden that continues to torment the individual. This is a problem that should and needs to be addressed."

A delicate issue to say the least, administration is faced with a double-edged sword. Dealing with the issues of accountability, yet remaining sensitive to the individual athlete's predicament.

On a positive note, WLU Head Athletic Therapist, Jamie Carlson, had informed and encouraging words to offer in regards to the "cleanliness" of sport here at Laurier.

"It's not much of an issue. In view of the highly publicized health issues involved, the risks of getting caught, and the level of ethics of the student-athletes, we're doing well. There will always be people trying to get an edge. All we can do is educate them and make them understand that the risks are not worth the gains," noted Carlson.

"The athletes have this idea in their head that they're not strong enough, big enough, fast enough, or good enough. They see where they want to be, and they see performance enhancing drugs as a way of closing that gap."

His conclusions, based on first hand experience with thousands of clean athletes, and a small handful tainted athletes, is that



This guy thinks he is number one, but can we know for certain?

drug education and doping control must start earlier.

"The curriculum must address the appropriate issues - body image, self-esteem, physiological effects, training and nutrition, and peak levels of performance," explained Carlson.

A common area of agreement among all: address aspiring young athletes and the grass root organizations that support them. After all, it is from here that future Olympians will flourish. Being proactive in the approach to education and control can instill the proper value set and belief system in a young athlete.

Laurier's success rates over past years have been fairly good, but the problem is in need of address in light of increased doping cases throughout the Canadian Inter University Sport. Testing everybody, at every University, at every event, is obviously cost prohibitive. The IOC and WADA face similar obstacles at the Olympic level of competition. This is an area in definite need of examination and reform at all levels of competitive sport. The fact remains that the athletes who play clean are the ones who stand to lose the most. They are at the mercy of those abusers who can find a way through the system and compete while maintaining the impression of a level playing field.

With the idea of sport, come the adventure of successes and the exceedingly familiar failures. As athletes, an important part of understanding sport, comes with accepting the reality of defeat. It is inevitable, we will

be defeated, we will work harder, we will be defeated again, and if we are lucky we may eventually experience success. This process is all too often not an option for the competitive athlete. The notion of fair play and competition are devalued, and thus elimination of the journey is the quest in sight of the ultimate goal of winning. Whatever happened to the notion of, "competing for the love of the sport?"

Another common theme, and a more positive one during the Olympic Roundtable, was "Never give in! Nothing is nor great nor small, petty or not. It is not a hopeless pursuit!" asserted President Richard Pound. Great words that offer both purpose and prospective. The battle against doping in sport is undoubtedly an uphill fight that seems unworkable at present.

But, as we attract additional allies, change perceptions of the public about doping, and instill the proper values in our athletes, we can, and have made small strides in the hope of a sport's world that represents the virtuous ideals it was originally intended to serve.

Just as the origin of sport is in everything we do in life, so may these words serve as a message in the greater game of life. My grandmother once said, "only what is earned is worth sweating for!" An athlete's honourable journey towards the summit is one worth celebrating. An athlete's unmerited culmination to the top, is worthy of nothing but despair and disgrace.



Thanks to drugs, it is difficult to say if matches like this are actually fair.

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Revitalizing sport - the Canadian way

Caitlin Howlett

The effect of cutbacks on the funding of sport can be seen at all levels, especially at the Olympic level - remember Sydney? If Canada has fallen so far behind in funding athletes, where do you begin to fix the problem? - from the bottom up?

Bruce Kidd, Dean of the Faculty of Physical Education and Health at the University of Toronto, two-time Canadian Athlete of the Year and gold medalist at the 1962 Commonwealth games in the 10,000 m, explained how to revitalize the Canadian sport system during the Olympic Roundtable hosted by WLU.

"The most damaging cutbacks and the most consequential have been in school phys. ed. programs, after school sports and municipal recreation programs," said Kidd.

In order to improve sport at all levels, Canada must focus on these areas, which have been left in the cold. This is not to say that all remaining levels of sport, including university, amateur and Olympic will be left in the cold. These groups will reap the benefits of increased funding and more time dedicated to the athletes of tomorrow.

Much emphasis during the discussion was placed on how to improve the Canadian system of athletic funding.

Kidd stressed the dire need to revitalize all levels of sports, with more attention directed toward the "grass roots" level. He acknowledged the setback of cuts to sport funding, the inequality cuts produce, and how the effects of cuts are clearly illustrated at the Olympic level.

Ask any Olympian who has competed in the last 10 years how to improve Canada's performance at the Olympics and they will tell you to focus on the developmental stages or the so-called "grass roots" level.

Simon Whitfield attributes his success as an Olympian predominantly to his developmental involvement. So if Canada wants to be more successful in competition, those funds must be directed toward the roots of sport and not just the upper levels.

Improved female participation and more of an ethnic balance, Kidd boasted, were the only two improvements in Canadian sport the last ten years. However, others out there would disagree. In 1998, of the 32 most popular

sports in Canada, only 6 were dominated by female participation - less than 25%.

So why has the Canadian system of sport fallen behind, in not just funding, but all areas? "A lack of public support for starters - privatization, and even international agreements," suggested Kidd. His only solutions to alleviate the fallback in Canadian sport were changing public opinion (although he never really did say how), better opportunities at the grass roots level, and volunteerism.

There is no doubt that volunteerism keeps the amateur

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sector afloat, not to mention athlete volunteers, who are one of the largest volunteer factions, second only to religious volunteers. So how do you get more?

One suggestion to help increase funding was through annual memberships. Although no other explicit solutions were offered, a great deal of ambiguous claims were made "We can do a lot better," proclaimed Kidd.

When sport gets too serious, Mark Lowry is there to explain it. Lowry, who is the current Executive Director of Sport and Programs for the Canadian Olympic Association, believes Canadians need to step back, take a look at the funding system in Canada, and devise a plan to restructure, or even reinvent it.

Lowry noted during the Olympic Roundtable that cost and education were two of the most prominent barriers for athletes.

Revitalizing the carding system appears to be of utmost importance to Lowry. He asked, "With 1,300 card-

ed athletes, where do you find your athletes of tomorrow if the next 1,301 to 1,400 are not able to receive funding, but are at home trying to contemplate different ways to fund their athletic dreams with the money in their back pockets?"

"We have to start looking at the effectiveness of the carding system...we don't have enough funds to support everybody, so some choices need to be made," commented Lowry.

He also touched on the issue of preserving Canada's athletes. Too many times have successful Canadian athletes dropped off the face of the world after their athletic career is over. He believes it is "Canada's responsibility to maintain such a cultural phenomenon."

Directing more efforts and cash to this issue is another way to illustrate to younger athletes what is available to them after they make that last run, the last jump or the last breakaway.

Neither Kidd nor Lowry offered their insight on the effects of decreased funding within Canadian universities, except when prompted by a student attending the Roundtable. The question that was directed to both speakers was 'how do you create a level playing field (in university) between all sports in terms of funding allocation?' Lowry quickly jumped at the chance to reply.

"The problem exists because there are designated elite sports within various universities." He agreed that funding allocation was indeed unequal among sports teams.

Kidd, on the other hand, gave a somewhat confusing response to the question. He relayed some sort of a message implying that athletes will reap the benefits when the outcome is uncertain.

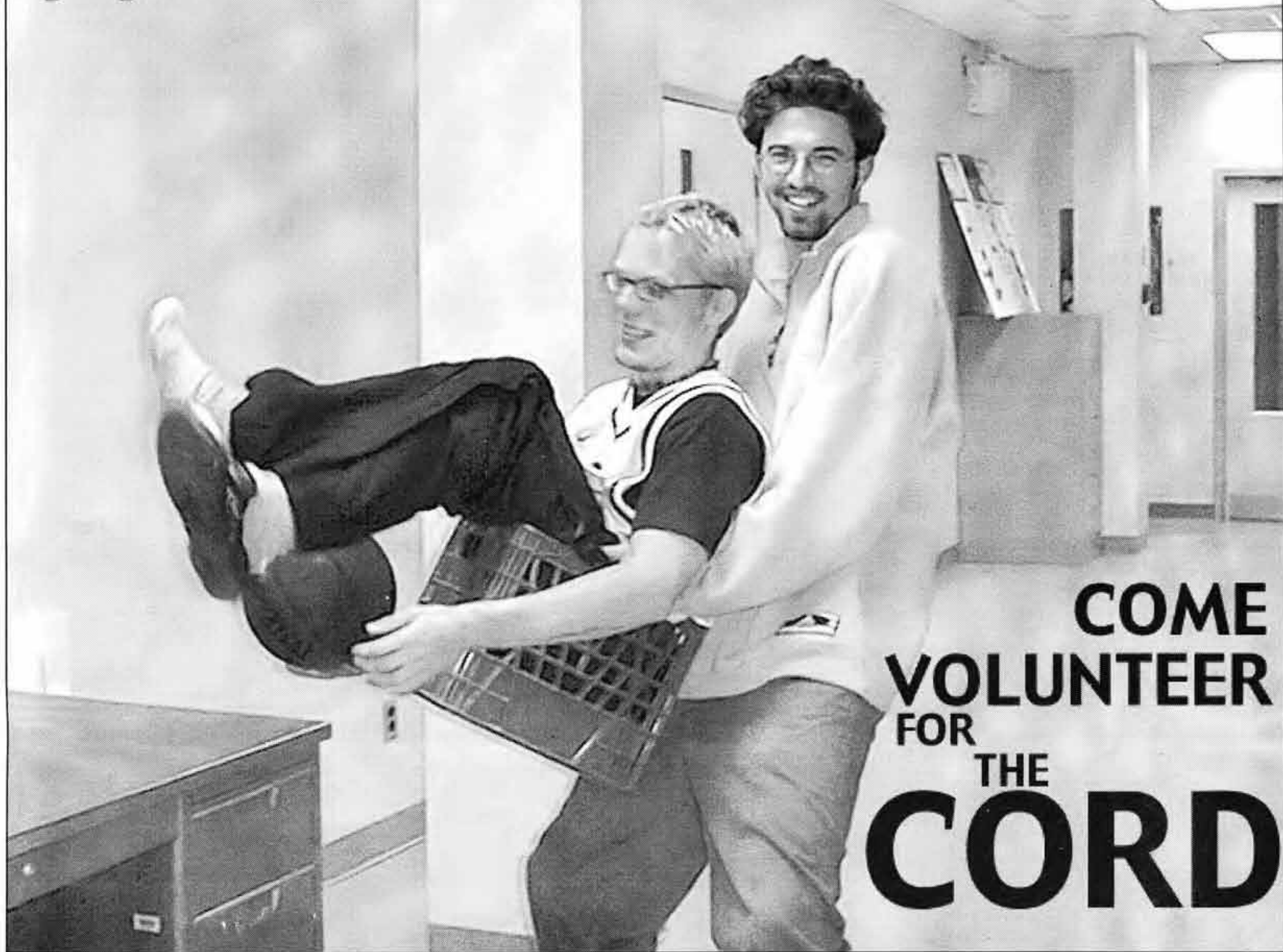
Maybe he was referring to the sports teams within a university who don't have a predestined path of success; those teams not deemed "elite" who have to work harder and longer to achieve success.

With little talk about university funding, Canadians might want to take a closer look at just how funding is allocated to universities and teams. Where does that chunk of money called the "athletic fee" on your tuition bill go?

One would hope it is not all going to the design and decoration of the football team locker room - since other teams do not even have proper playing fields or dressing rooms to decorate. Just a thought...

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Hawksley's a working man

A man in search of the truth, Hawksley Workman is a Canadian artist who is making headlines all over the world.

Dara Hakimzadeh

Last May I saw Hawksley Workman at the Phoenix Concert Theatre in Toronto. Back then I knew little about the man and the myth. Recently, through the power of electronic technology, some answers surrounding this Canadian star were sent to the Cord office.

On stage, "Hawk" sways to the notes and visually expresses emotion between each lyric.

Explaining his on-stage persona, he wrote: "it's really just me on stage. I don't talk about my phone bill or the fact that I have only a days worth of toothpaste left, but I do try to show off the interesting bits of myself as I see them. I don't think I could be anybody other than myself on stage."

Influenced by both his mother, an artist, and his father, a drummer, Hawksley found growing up "quite nice...my dad was often away on tour, my mom would paint little paintings on my brother and my toenails and we would dance barefoot and show off her works in the town-square. When my dad was home we would play together and sing Christmas carols."

With such showmanship Hawksley's live presence could be

described as rock 'n' roll mixed with a dash of Broadway. Workman is the kind of individual who does not like to sit back and let other people create; he'd rather grab the reins of creation and head off into the sunset himself. "I have considered and intend to write a musical. I have acted and played in many. I know a lot of people really dislike musicals. I just think that it is great when people sing right in the middle of when they are

— talking. I think the world would be a better, happier place if we did that more in day to day life."

His current video, "Jealous of your Cigarettee", has been receiving

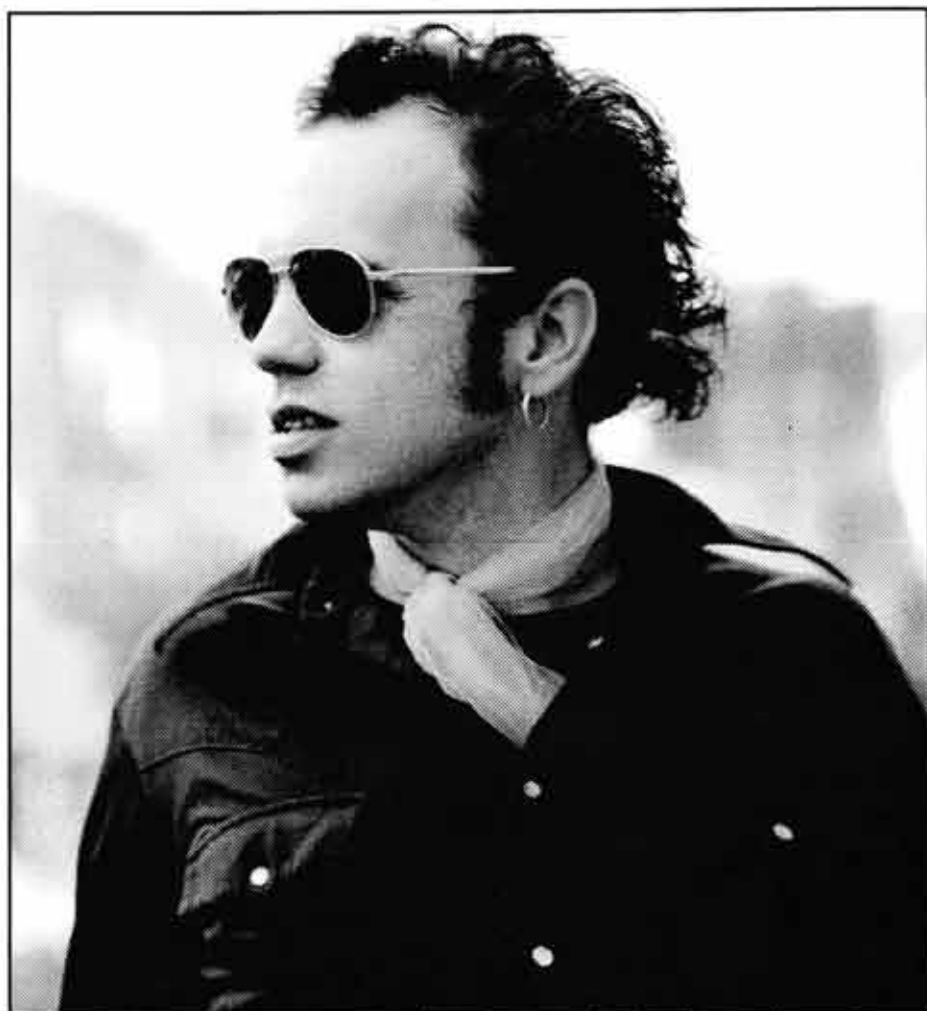
steady amounts of airplay on both Much Music and MuchMoreMusic. It is inspired by the fact that Air France passengers who smoke tend to receive superior service. Hawksley is a fierce lover of chocolate, (which is not offered on his flights to Europe) while nicotine gum is readily available. My vote is with Hawksley; flight meals should include chocolate.

For future videos, Hawksley and his video man Equinox are thinking about a "mini movie style video but we are both so busy that it is hard to say when we will do

that. I love doing videos except the time I broke my guitar out of carelessness during a very late night shoot. I was quite disappointed with myself that I couldn't see into the future and avoid doing that."

With stardom comes a serious decline in free time. "It is lovely and even the days that are hectic I am learning to appreciate and embrace. I don't think I realized what I was getting myself into... there are many sacrifices...they don't seem like sacrifices but sometimes they do. It is thrilling. The most important record of my childhood without a doubt is Michael Jackson's Thriller," Hawk wrote.

Desire and persistence seem to be key aspects of Hawksley's creative existence. His manifesto on music is to "try and make the finest music that you have ever heard, work hard, and persue inspiration. Don't wait for it. The house never gets built if you are just daydreaming about it. Although perhaps in another dimension the house does get built. It would be interesting to know if daydreaming about building houses actually builds them in other dimensions because I will bet the property values are still quite reasonable. Be very good and be very persistent. There are many moments of sacrifice ahead. I also recommend learning a practical skill. I would do some con-



FILE PHOTO

Hawksley is seen here imitating his favourite bird of prey: the eagle. My favourite bird of prey is the pelican.

struction and carpentry when times were lean in the beginning."

If you have been around Waterloo long enough you would know that Hawksley Workman is a regular performer at the Jane Bond Café. Will he be returning anytime soon? His answer: "I love the Jane Bond and the people who run the place. I would love to come back but I don't know when I will. Oddly enough my mother told me that if

I was born a girl she was going to name [me] Jane Bond. That is another reason why I like playing there." Hawksley will be entertaining Canadian audiences October 11th, (Government, Toronto), October 12th, (Barrymores, Ottawa) and October 13th, (Cabaret, Montreal) before heading off to France for November and December dates.

Taste of the masses

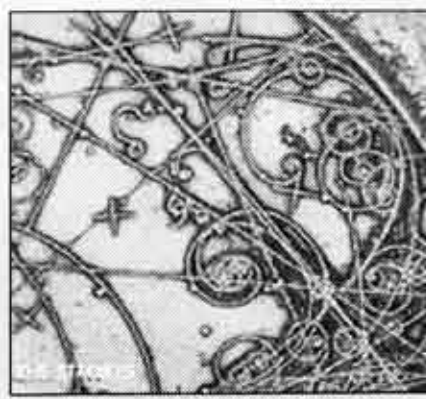
Justin Sharp

Even though an album hasn't been in North America, the Strokes are already making headlines. Their debut album, *Is This It*, to be released October 9th, had two major modifications when the North American version was released: the cover art and the replacement of a song.

Originally the cover art to *Is This It* contained a black and white photograph side shot of a woman touching her naked behind while wearing a black leather glove; this was the European and Australian release cover. However, the cover was changed for the American release of the album because of the controversy received overseas.

The picture itself isn't explicit but does borderline sexual boundaries with the very exotic image. In Britain the sleeve worried executives at Woolworths and sent them into a wonder of whether or not they should stock the shelves.

A spokeswoman told nme.com "The Strokes' album has been queried, because we are a company that promotes family value. It could be embarrassing if a child was buying Bob The Builder's single and saw The Strokes' album next to it. It is not explicit in any way but we do have to think about who our customers are — we don't want to upset



The original album art (left) had to be changed to the new version (right).

any parents." It was decided that the album would be stocked as normal but promotion wouldn't be on such a grand scale with the current cover.

For the US release of *Is This It* the band has changed the cover to an abstract blue/green and orange/yellow gothic arrangement. A band spokesman explained that the change was to have nothing to do with the controversy in the UK. Simply enough "the band just wanted a different sleeve for their US release. They really liked this image. It's nothing to do

with their record company or the Woolworths controversy."

The second change the album will receive come Tuesday's release is the removal of the track "New York City Cops" and its replacement "When It Started."

Reasons for the change were explained by the band's spokesperson who stated (in light of the events that occurred on September 11th)

"It is not explicit in any way, but we do have to think about who our customers are."

that the timing was wrong to release it during these highly sensitive times." The Strokes explained that "it's not an anti-cop

song, it's a third person narrative about a girl escaping the police" however since it contains the lyric "New York City Cops, they ain't too smart," it was removed.

But, the Strokes have refused to remove the song from their live set which also happened this past week at the Horseshoe Tavern in Toronto. Julian also stated his opinion during the Toronto show: "I liked this f**king song and it's ruined. We live in New York. It's f**ked up. The cops have killed a lot more people that they're saying and that's the f**kin' truth."

The Strokes aren't the only band that's had their art changed because of the WTC tragedy. The Cranberries' video "Analyse", from the album *Wake Up and Smell the Coffee* was pulled from both television and their website. The band stated that the images shown in the video were "too closely related to images of the recent tragedy in New York." A new re-edit of the video should be out shortly. Coup's *Party Music* and Theater's *Live Scenes From New York* were pulled from album sleeves because of their cover art portraying destructive images of the New York City skyline. The Dave Matthews Band's next single from their newest album was changed from "When the World Ends" to "Everyday".

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ear candy



pointed that the album didn't contain anything written by Tori, but the arranging is (for the most part) such a departure from the original that many songs seem almost rewritten. Although it's not my favourite Tori album, it is definitely worth checking out. *Strange Little Girls* undeniably showcases the talent and unique penetrating style that has become synonymous with Tori Amos.

Tori Amos
Strange Little Girls

Like any true Tori fan, I was eagerly anticipating the release of her sixth solo album *Strange Little Girls* late last month; and with good reason.

The album is a compilation of twelve cover tunes, all written and originally performed by men. On this disc, twelve different women perform them.

With a deep respect for each song's individuality, Tori created a unique female character to perform each track. The result is an eclectic and often haunting album.

Tori lends her interpretation — often slower and mellower — to such tunes as "Enjoy the Silence" by Depeche Mode and "Happiness is a Warm Gun" by the Beatles. The track that stunned me the most was Tori's cover of "97' Bonnie & Clyde" by Eminem. Here, Tori uses trademark whispering tones, and inflections which add layers of meaning and depth far beyond its original performances. I was disap-

Deborah Seabrook



Garbage
beautifulgarbage

Garbage's first album sold more than four million copies worldwide. Their second album was a slow starter but nearly echoed those numbers. The third album is now here, and only time will tell how it will fare.

According to their bio, *beautifulgarbage* is dirtier and clearer than either of their previous efforts. This album may sound like a departure, but their signature sound is still there even if the

material heads in new directions. Garbage continues to mix elements of pop with abrasive rhythms and eerie treatments, but it is how they choose to strip down their typical full sound that gives this record a different feel.

"Can't Cry These Tears" sounds like it could have been produced in the girl band era, except for a haunting feel that permeates throughout. The track shows that Garbage is not content to rely on cookie cutter formulas to produce their songs.

This would be my pick to release as the next single because its haunting melody sticks with you well after the track has faded. Therein lies the strength of this band; they know how to construct radio friendly songs without compromising their artistic creativity.

"Drive You Home" moves into a slow ballad, and Shirley Manson's vocals do not disappoint. The lyrical themes remain dark, even though the production takes us in some new directions. But fear not fans, there are still heavy songs on this album that fully employ that wall of sound technique we have come to expect from Garbage.

For fans of the last two albums, this effort may take some by surprise. It's a little jarring at first, but it improves with each subsequent listen and grows on you. I think Garbage needs to grow on people, and I believe that is why Version

2.0 took a little while to take off.

This album may follow that pattern but without a doubt, it will produce a slew of hit singles that will make people stand up and take notice of this *beautifulgarbage*.

Uncon Valjean



Sloan
Pretty Together

It's hard to imagine a better cover for this album. *Pretty Together* just may be Sloan's most mature and accomplished work. Influences can be traced to *Magical Mystery Tour*/White Album-era Beatles, but Sloan has definitely created something unique to their own sound. The album is also very much like Teenage Fanclub's *Songs From Northern Britain*, with its rich harmonies, subtle melodies and unique instrumentation.

Sloan has rarely used the instrumentations found on *Pretty Together*. Synthesizers and organs are used to great effect on about two thirds of the tracks. Although it gives it a slightly psychedelic feel, the synths are use subtly, creating a rich sound. Also used are violins, most prominently on the track "Who You Talkin' To?" which is very reminiscent of the classic, and my personal favourite, Smiths'

song 'There Is A Light That Never Goes Out'.

While on the topic of favourites, 'The Other Man' is a downbeat, haunting song, something rarely performed by the band. Lyrically and musically, it is easily one of Sloan's finest moments.

Despite using a variety of sounds and influences, there is an overwhelming feeling of calm running through *Pretty Together*. Unfortunately, the entire album does not follow the relaxed feel of most of the tracks. These other tracks seem to interrupt the calm feel of the rest of the album and are like that idiot who throws a basketball into otherwise serene waters. And although these other tracks are good songs, they simply bring down the cohesion of this album, which could have been their masterpiece. Nevertheless, in a few years, *Pretty Together* most likely will hold up as another minor masterpiece in the Sloan catalogue.

For one weekend this past summer, The Cord's editorial board had the opportunity to visit Editor-In-Chief Matt Cade's cottage near Muskoka. The music and cover of *Pretty Together* is so reminiscent of this weekend that I can't imagine going back without it... Take us back, Matt!

Sir Maneesh Sehdev

Editor's Note: Apologies to Kevin Wilson for the changes to his cd review last week. The first song is indeed not the single and we will endeavor never to make such a mistake again.

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Royal beating for Hawks

Wilbur McLean

In this season full of highs and lows, Laurier's men's football team may have just hit Death Valley.

The Hawks were defeated handily by the Queen's Golden Gaels in a 30-8 rout, sinking Laurier's record to 2-4 on the season and placing the team's playoff hopes in jeopardy.

The news wasn't good from the outset of the game as Laurier's most skilled secondary player, Kevin Taylor was

scratched due to personal reasons.

The game began slowly for WLU. Early in the first quarter Queen's kicked a field goal putting the Gaels up 3-0.

A few minutes later, the Hawks came up short on a 3rd and 1 situation on their own 15. Queen's scored another three points and Laurier was down 6-0 after one quarter.

The second quarter featured up and down play and missed opportunities by both teams.

However, late in the quarter, the Hawks drove down the field and eventually scored a touchdown on a 2-yard pass from quarterback Ryan Pyear to fullback O.J. Tasse.

On the first play of Queen's following drive, rookie cornerback Connor Healy intercepted a pass by Gael QB Tom Denison and returned the ball to the opposition's 45-yard line.

Unfortunately, Healey, who has been a pleasant surprise for the Hawks this year, injured his ankle

on the play.

After the game, it was determined that Healey would be out for at least two weeks, leaving WLU's secondary further depleted.

As Coach Rick Zmich said after the game, "With Taylor and Healey out, we're getting down to even greener guys in the secondary."

Before the half ended, Punter/Kicker Ed Becker added a single, giving Laurier an 8-6 lead heading into the break.

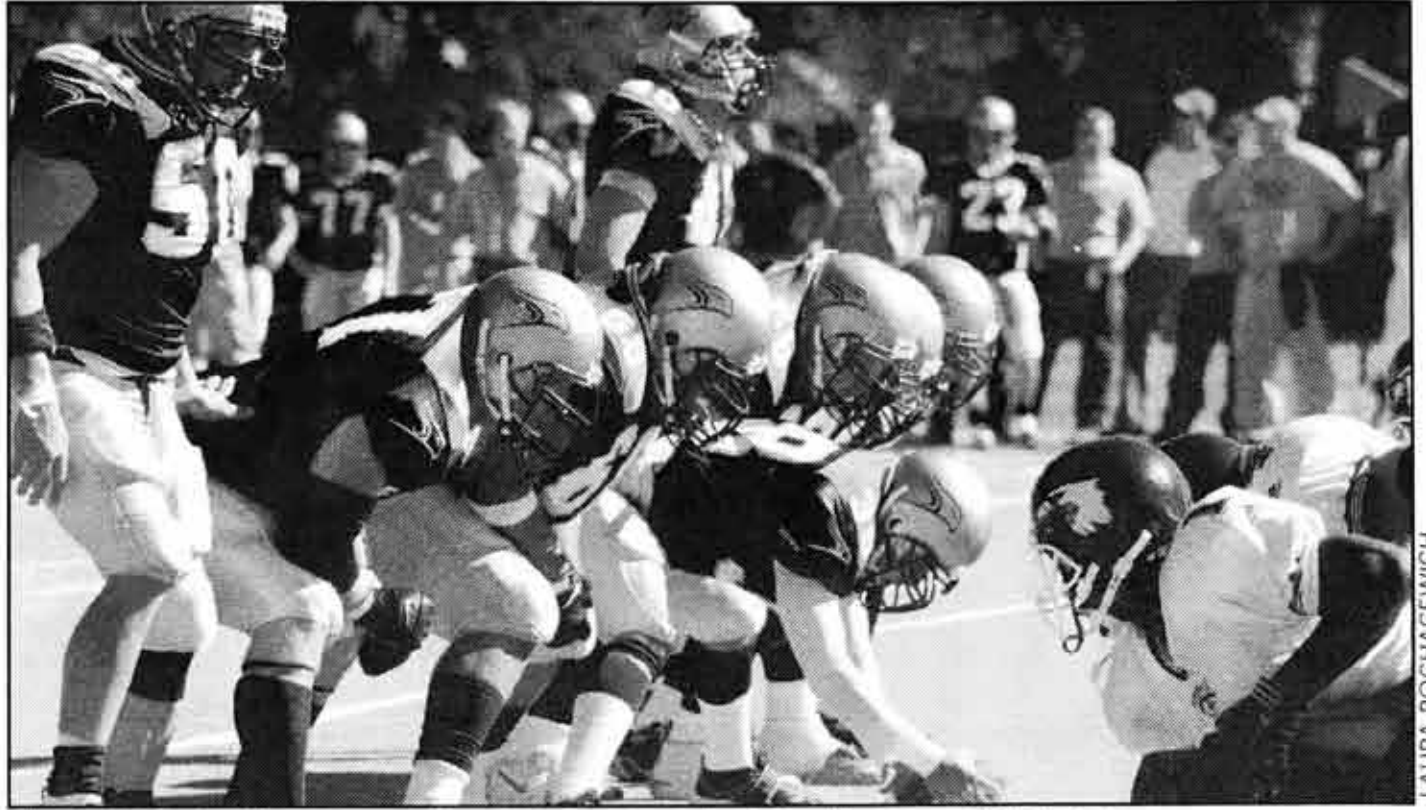
Things fell apart in the second half.

In the third quarter, on a commanding 8 play, 57 yard drive, Queen's scored on a touchdown pass from Denison to Sean McKinnon.

Up 13-8, the Gaels would not relinquish the lead as Queen's passing game took advantage of Laurier's depleted secondary.

At one point, Denison converted on twelve consecutive passes in a masterful performance.

Later in the third quarter, Queen's removed any doubts when the Gaels scored a touch-



The Hawks fell miserably to Queen's this past Saturday, a team they defeated by a score of 67-7 last year.

down on a 7 play, 64 yard drive.

This time, all-Canadian James MacLean scored, dodging numerous Laurier defenders and breaking a tackle to get into the end-zone, making the score 20-8.

Soon after, Becker took an intended safety to put the Hawks

down 22-8, which would be the score after three periods of play.

Early in the fourth, deep in his own end, Pyear had a pass in the flat intercepted by cornerback Curtis McLellan who returned the ball 17 yards for a score.

With the game out of reach,

Laurier attempted to bolster the offence's confidence, but to no avail as the game would end with the Gaels on top by a score of 30-8.

Zmich discussed his disappointment with the team's performance after the game.

"It's really a double whammy. Last week, we made such great strides against Mac and then here, we were up 8-6 at the half, and to be outscored 24-0 in the second half is disappointing," said Zmich.

Zmich discussed next week's game against defending national champion Ottawa.

"We have to play a lot better than we did Saturday," said the coach. "Let's get more done offensively. We have to score more."

Game Preview: Laurier (2-4) vs. Ottawa (5-1) Saturday October 13th @ 2:00 pm

Ottawa

Strengths:

- Extremely potent offence has averaged 36 points per game thus far.
- Young quarterback David Azzi has been phenomenal. Has averaged 3 touchdowns and 208 yards per game with a 47% completion rate.

Weaknesses:

- Have looked lost at times this year, being called for silly penalties and mentally breaking down
- Defense is penetrable if holes are found

Laurier

Keys to Victory:

- Need to score. Have to establish pass from the beginning and not let up.
- Receivers Scott and Babel have to have big days

Outlook:

Ottawa will be looking for blood after last week's disappointing loss to Mac. Laurier's defence will be hard-pressed to stop the Gee-Gee's offence and won't do it.

Prediction: Ottawa 34, Laurier 9

Rugby team earns playoff berth

Colin Duffett

On a day that got colder as it went on, the Wilfrid Laurier women's rugby team were everything but cold. They handily defeated the University of Toronto Blues 32-10, in a must win home game in the presence of a sparse, yet enthusiastic crowd on Willison Field.

The final playoff spot in the OUA Shields Division was on the line during this game, as fourth place Laurier hosted fifth place Toronto, in what turned out to be a strong win for the lady Hawks.

A pumped up women's team took the field knowing that a strong start would be necessary in order to win the game. The ladies quickly put pressure on the Blues, which resulted in a quick field goal and try, both by Sandra Pinelli.

The first half was all Laurier, as they racked up 27 first half points putting the game out of the reach of the Toronto Blues. From the sidelines, we saw Toronto and Laurier running up and down Willison Field with Toronto coming close on many occasions, only to



The women's rugby team is a far cry from their poor 1-1 record from last year.

be stopped by a tough Golden Hawk defense.

The second half was a completely different story. The Hawks were met by a revived Toronto squad. The Blues in the second half were the type of team that the Hawks were expecting to see in the first half.

The sloppy play of the first half cost the Blues in the end though.

Player of the game honours went to center Christine Carruthers, who intercepted a Blues pass in the Laurier end and ran the length of the field, eventually hobbling into the end zone for a well-earned try.

Another notable performances came from centre Pinelli, who racked up another 10 points for the Laurier girls. Also flyhalf,

Maddy Tortolo, played a great overall game and gave the Laurier Golden Hawks incredible field positioning throughout the match.

An interesting fact worth noting as an aside to the match. The

Laurier 32, U of T 10

women's rugby team had kept their opponents scoreless for 215 straight minutes of play.

This feat originates back to their contest against Western on September 22, and continued until the second half of the match against Toronto.

The Laurier Golden Hawks finished the season with two wins, two losses, a tie, and above all, a berth in the playoffs. An accomplishment that is worth more than the statistics recorded on the stat sheet.

The Women's Rugby team looks ahead with enthusiasm to the playoffs. If they can bring the same spirit of the past couple of games into their future contests, their success is likely.

Confidence will no doubt play

a major factor for the Rugby Women. Going into the playoffs against Guelph, the OUA champions six of the past seven years, the intimidation component can fancy huge influence.

This factor is what the Hawks must work to defeat, in preparation for stepping foot on the field with larger issues at hand.

Despite the overwhelming task ahead of them, the Laurier women's rugby team is thrilled to be heading to the playoffs. As Coach Dawn Trussell put it, "This is exciting!"

The women's rugby playoffs begin on Sunday October 14, when they travel to Guelph to face the Gryphons. Although they are definitely the underdogs in the contest, it wouldn't be completely out of the question to expect the Laurier team to give the Gryphons a run for their money.

If the team shows up in the right frame of mind, equipped with their game faces, the team could find itself in a position to do the seemingly improbable and win the match.

Men's soccer whips wiped Waterloo

Hawks overcome to defeat previously unbeaten Warriors

Wilbur McLean

If potential were an apple tree, the fruit may finally be ripe for Laurier's men's soccer team.

After underachieving, but still getting by for much of the season, the Hawks finally realized their potential this past Friday as they handily defeated the previously unbeaten Waterloo Warriors 2-0.

The Hawks, who despite having a 4-1 record on the year, had not played as well as they are capable of, finally played a complete game and the rest of the CIS must be worried about what the Hawks can do.

The game began quickly for Laurier. Only three minutes into the contest, rookie Sean Wigger scored a spectacular goal.

With possession of the ball five yards outside the box, Wigger blasted a shot into the far corner past the Waterloo goalie, giving WLU an early 1-0 lead.

From there, the game became an up and down affair, but the Hawk defenders were able to prevent the Warriors from receiving any chances.

Midway through the first half, the game took a dirty turn as Waterloo's players appeared to resort to injuring Laurier's players in an effort to gain an advantage.

Standout midfielder Wojciech

Cwik found himself being knocked down a number of times.

As well, 2000 CIAU rookie of the year Pieter Meuleman, who recently started for the Under-20 National team, received vicious and illegal blows from Waterloo's players.

Despite this, the Hawks held on to their 1-0 lead at the half.

Laurier continued to stifle Waterloo's offense while managing to garner a few chances for themselves.

It wasn't until midway through the half, however, that WLU's offense broke through.

A Laurier corner kick by CIAU All-Canadian Kenny Nutt landed in front of the net. Cwik took a shot that was initially stopped by the Warrior keeper, but Cwik made no mistake about the rebound and stuffed it into the goal, giving Laurier a 2-0 lead and putting the game away for the Hawks.

The final stat sheet was very telling as Laurier managed to put together 10 scoring chances while Waterloo had none.

Head Coach Barry MacLean noted that the "team turned up the intensity" for this match with Waterloo and said he "felt very good" about the team's performance.

When discussing the remain-



This is not a picture from last week's game between Waterloo and Laurier. But we can pretend it is.

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der of the season, MacLean noted the importance of this Saturday's game against Western. The Mustangs are the only team to beat Laurier thus far in the season.

MacLean also mentioned the importance of each game, as he believes his team is in the toughest division in Canada.

"We want to fight to finish

first," said MacLean, in his fourth year of coaching the men's soccer team.

"Hopefully we can win the Ontarios and make it back to the CIAU's. It would be good to make it back."

The Hawks are currently ranked fourth in the CIS behind only the University of Toronto

Blues in the OUA, who are ranked second nationally.

In the next few weeks, it will become evident whether the Hawks' tree is ripe for good, or whether the fruit will rot at the most inopportune of times.

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Turkey, turkey, no turkey

Thanksgiving is a time for family and friends and the Turkey Drop. But don't forget the international students who wonder where everyone went

Kevin Klein

"Love to eat turkey.... love to eat tur-ur-key..... Love to eat turkey, cuz it's good... love to eat turkey like a good boy should...."

As Adam Sandler said, Thanksgiving and turkey are one of the highlights of the otherwise dismal month of October. Seriously, let's take a look. What does October have to offer? Colder weather, your first realization that you can't live on \$25 until Christmas, assignments out the wazoo, not to mention midterms. But during this otherwise depressing and horrible month, there are two bright spots. (Well, maybe three but read on for the third). At the very end, comes Halloween, the day we all succumb to our inner-children, dress like Pokemon characters or some equally creative costume in an effort to collect candy treats which last a grand total of two hours. And how wonderful do you feel with a belly full of sugar? Mmmm..... almost makes me wish it was here already!

But Thanksgiving and its bountiful turkey, oh, how it puts a smile on your face! For weeks in advance, you crave the taste of gravy-covered mashed potatoes, the moist turkey. And who can forget the pies for dessert! Oh, turkey truly is good!



"I really didn't see that one coming... first the Turkey Drop, then the oven. An all around bad weekend for Tom," reflects Mr. T. Key.

But aside from the turkey, Thanksgiving is also a time to think about the year that has passed, give thanks for what has been good, forget about what has been bad, and move on. For some students, this will be their first trip home since September, so it is a

time of family and friends. And upon return to school, who among us didn't bring back another week's worth of turkey and all the fixings?

To quote my good friend Mildred: "Thanksgiving is more satisfying than watching naked ladies

at the Y!"

But let us keep in mind that there are those among us for whom home is more than a car, or train ride away. There are a number of international students who are in our classes and live beside us, for whom a trip home is impossible, not to mention that Thanksgiving is just another day.

Bricker Residence is home to approximately 20 international students this year, and although nothing is formally done, many students take advantage of the long weekend.

"Some international students actually go home with domestic students for Thanksgiving," said Joel Lynn, Residence Life Area Coordinator. "Or this is their first opportunity to travel off campus on the long weekend."

This year, Christine Cherry is the Residence Life Don for the international students in Bricker and she organized a pot luck dinner for those who stayed for the weekend.

Jeyas Balaskanthan was the Don last year, and he said that no one stayed for the weekend.

"Every weekend in packs they would go and travel," he said. "They would go to New York, Quebec City, Montreal, Vancouver, Detroit...."

Balaskanthan and another Don

last year planned a number of activities for the international students throughout the year, including a Toronto 101 trip, where they got the students acquainted with Toronto and Niagara Falls, as well as various other trips and events in the building.

"Everyone travelled a lot. It was rare for anyone to stay home. It was all about travelling," said Balaskanthan.

He explained that one group would go somewhere one weekend, and another group somewhere else the next weekend. They would also talk to their professors and re-arrange midterms so they could travel.

So next time you decide to go home for a weekend visit, think about the people for whom a weekend visit is a plane ride. As you polish off your leftover turkey and pie, savour it. You are lucky enough to have some.

Editors note: I would like to take this opportunity to say how deeply sorry I am for those who were the unfortunate victims of the Annual Turkey Dump. My office hours are a time for discussing the hate you feel for the opposite gender and one-on-one counselling. Stop by. No appointment necessary.

K-W goes Bavarian baby!

Oktoberfest: time to chug, chug, chug. Oh...and to celebrate our heritage.

Julie Pong

"Eins, Zwei, Drei....Zoofa!!!" Good old Kitchener-Waterloo plays host to North America's largest Bavarian Festival - Oktoberfest. It's the time of year when German men chug beer standing on their heads, barrel races rip through Kitchener's downtown, lederhosen comes out in full effect, sausage and schnitzel is everywhere, and yes, you may see university students losing inhibitions and polka-ing the night away with thoughts of neither assignments or midterms.

Oktoberfest originated in K-W in 1969, when the founding fathers of Oktoberfest were at the K-W Concordia Club for a traditional Bavarian fair and celebration. They saw the potential for a civic festival that celebrated our local German-Canadian heritage. Oktoberfest has since developed over the past three decades into a nine-day celebration which attracts over 700,000 visitors, German or otherwise.

This year's installment of K-W Oktoberfest began Friday, October 5th, with the traditional tapping of the keg and Official Opening Ceremonies at the Kitchener Civic Square. The weather played a factor though, as the rain limited the crowd to about a around a hundred people, compared to a normal audience of 1,000.

The rain didn't stop everyone as there



There's nothing like two guys tappin' together.... Oktoberfest spirit!

was an older woman dressed from head to toe in Oktoberfest wear singing "Adele Weiss" for the crowd gathered.

Spirits were much higher, though, in the beer tent set up in the middle of a side street in downtown Kitchener. There was a line up outside the tent of people covered in Oktoberfest pins, wearing the traditional green felt hat with a feather. The polka band set the mood for the crowd, playing German music and although it was only noon, the

dancing started early as the Festival was officially underway for another year.

That night the ever popular Heidelberg Haus (Moses Springer) was the destination for huge numbers of people, which generated a line up at 7pm of a crowd hoping to be able to partake in the German celebration. Once inside, partygoers became one of the 1,200 people between the ages of 20 and 30 that congregate every year at this Festhalle (festival hall). By 8:45pm, the festivities

were well under way and the place was filled with young folk, beer in hand, enjoying the lively atmosphere.

Oktoberfest is not just about the bird dance and hokey-pokey. It is also a time when Kitchener-Waterloo gives back to the city: Most of the Festhallen are run by non-profit volunteer organizations and their revenues are put back into the community to make it a better place to live. The Lions Arena, the Twin Ice Pads (the Aud), the Fountain and Skating Rink at Kitchener City Hall, the K-W Habilitations Centre, the many active youth Organizations, and many other facilities and causes have benefited from the more than \$1,000,000 K-W Oktoberfest generates every year.

Oktoberfest is now more than half over, but there is still plenty of time to take in this year's festivities. Before the closing ceremonies on Saturday in the Willkommen Platz, (King and Frederick in downtown Kitchener), don't be afraid to stop by one of the 18 Festhallen's throughout K-W. These festival halls range in size from the largest, being Concordia Club, to the more intimate gatherings at the Alpine Club or the Continental German Canadian Club. Without a doubt, all the Festhallen's cater to both those who want to absorb the spirit of Gemuetlichkeit, and to hear the infamous words: "ziga zaga ziga zaga hoi hoi hoi. Ein Prosit!!!"

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So please, come to the WLUSP office, directly behind the 24-hour lounge on the Third Floor of the Fred Nichols Campus Centre. Ask for Kevin. Hand him a calendar of events that you think would be of interest to your fellow students. If Kevin is not there, put the aforementioned calendar in his mailbox. Wait and watch. You will be spending your time hearing praise from your peers for telling them about your events. Oh yes, you will be praised. And doesn't that appeal to you?



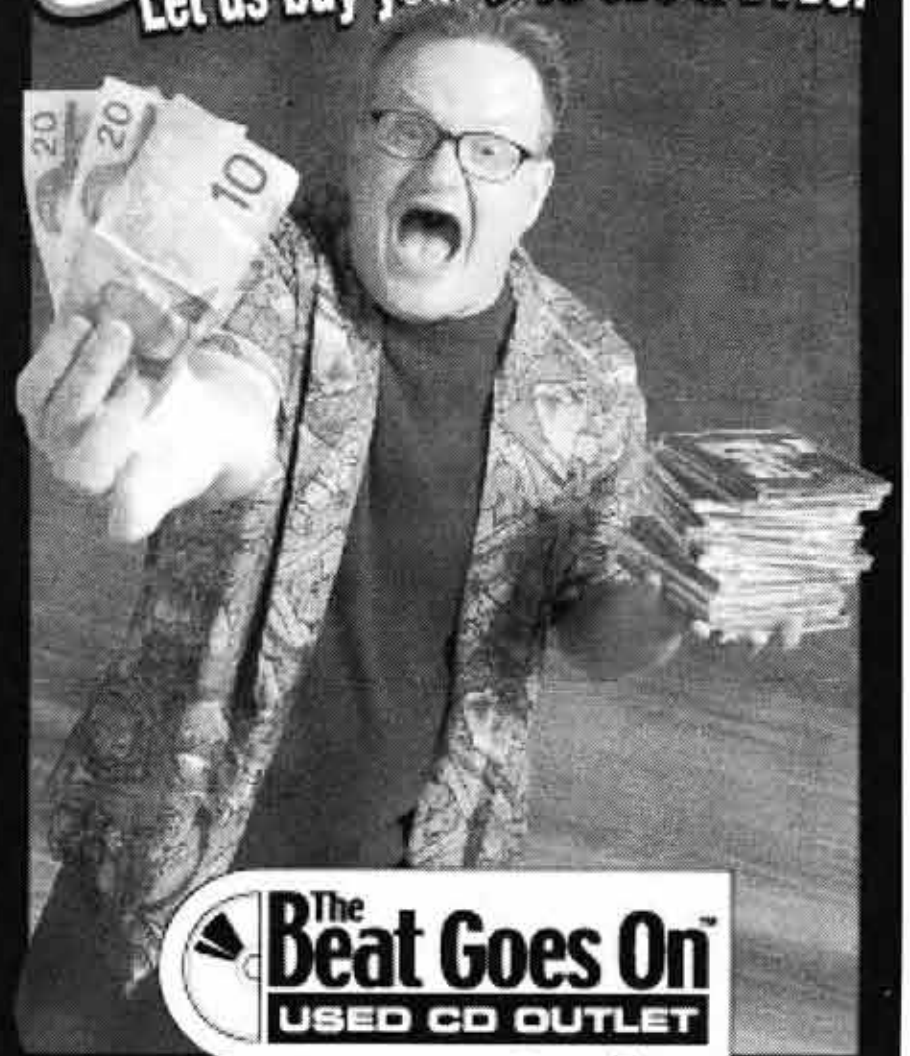
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-Maneesh

Mitesh

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