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Welcome to O-Week



Shinerama, one of Orientation Week's greatest traditions, has been around forever.

TARA MILNE

ORIENTATION WEEK CO-ORDINATOR CORD FROSH SPECIAL

The transition from home life to university life can be a tough one. With so many new people to meet, so much information to gather and so many things to do, university can seem a little overwhelming at times. That is where the Orientation Team comes into play. This team has

done their best to put together an Orientation Week that will instill confidence and familiarity within you for your first day of classes.

The Orientation Team, which is made up of 17 energetic individuals, has been working hard all summer putting together a fantastic week filled with activities, food, academic seminars and entertainment. With hundreds of energetic and enthusiastic volunteers working together to bring you this week of fun and information, you are guaranteed to feel right at home after only a few days. This Orientation experience is bound to leave you smiling!

This year's Orientation Week theme is Laurier's Treasure Island: The Greatest Adventure of All! This theme represents a journey into an unfamiliar land

filled with opportunity and hope: the Island of Laurier. On this Island you will uncover treasure chests of opportunities to develop new friendships, to meet with faculty members and to discover the hidden riches of involvement within the Laurier Community.

The team has put together a full schedule of night-time events, daytime activities, and academic seminars. To find out

You are

about to begin the greatest adventure of your life.

more about the schedule of events for the week check out our web site at www.wlusu.com or take a peek at the Orientation Week Package included in this mail-out.

With all the energy of the summer welling L

that there are plenty of chances for you to expend that enthusiasm in such events as the Cheer-Off and SHINERAMA, a charitable event that raises money for Cystic Fibrosis. We've also lined up some evening entertainment that will

keep you dancing all week long! This is one party you won't want to miss!

So much excitement in one week! To me, a senior student who is experiencing her last Orientation Week, this week means so much more than just activities and entertainment. It means new-found friendships, laughter, and energy that will keep me pumped for the whole year!

> On behalf of entire Orientation Team, we'd like to congratulate you on all achievements! You are about to begin the greatest adventure of your life, and we are thrilled to be

up inside, we have made sure sharing this experience with

Welcome to the Island.

I can't wait to see you all in September,

Tara Milne Orientation Week Coordinator, 2000

A letter to Frosh from your Head Icebreakers

This will

be a week

you will treasure

forever!

You might be asking yourself why the heck you're reading this article. The answer is simple: this is the most compelling article you will ever see! Greetings from your Orientation Week Head Icebreakers in the world of Treasure Island.

Exactly what is a Head Icebreaker?

Some say that we are we [are the kind of people that sit around in warm mayonnaise, and make shadow puppets on a wall of Blue Cheese, Others say are intellectual dynamos, with the bodies of Greek gods and goddesses. Well close, but we Head Icebreakers are much, much more!

leading the four colour teams (Red Pirates, Blue Islanders, Gold Trailblazers, and Green Adventurers) to the secret that awaits deep inside the heart of Laurier's

Treasure Island. We are here to answer any of your questions, and ensure that this is the most mind-bogglingly amazing week of your entire existence!

Each guy-girl pair of Head Ice leads an incredible crew of Icebreakers. An Icebreaker is an old Laurier term for frosh leader. These skilled Icebreakers have

devoted themselves whole-heartedly to serving you this upcoming Orientation Week. They have undergone rigorous training to ensure that your transition to Laurier life is a smooth one. It is their sole responsibility to guide you through a fantabulous week of meeting

We, the Head Ice, are responsible for new people, having fun, and getting you settled into your new home. Icebreakers and Head Icebreakers store a wealth of information in our oversized skulls. Be sure to use us as a resource to learn more



The Orientation Week Committee gets set to welcome Frosh

about Laurier life.

On the first day, your Icebreaker will introduce you to your colour team, where you will develop bonds in pursuit of the treasure that lies ahead. Along with the other colour teams, you will create memorable moments that will be a valuable asset for years to come. The week is capped off with Shinerama, a nationwide fundraising event that began at Laurier. Its purpose is to raise money to win the fight against Cystic Fibrosis.

So get ready for days of action packed activities, and nights filled with concerts, movies, and a whole lot more! This will definitely be a week you will treasure

Counting down the days until excitement,

Your Head Icebreakers:

Brian Costello, Aislinn Clancy, Mike Semansky, Erin Konkle, TJ Kanaris, Alison Haffey, Jaime Miller, James Gang

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THE CORD A Tradition Worth Noting

ASAD KIYANI

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

This is the Cord Weekly and it is Laurier's only official student newspaper. It is also your best source for information about what's going on in Laurier, what's important to know, what affects you and what you can do about it. More importantly, this particular issue of the Cord, the infamous 'Frosh Mailer', is the most realistic introduction to Laurier life you're likely to

The Cord, in existence in various forms since 1926, is published usually every Wednesday during the school year. If you do nothing but read The Cord all year, you will be (a) a true Renaissance Man or Woman, whatever your special case may be and (b) damned hungry.

Truthfully, though, the Cord will be your constant companion throughout the year. This year, we've started several new little ideas, including the introduction of a Finance Page in lieu of our traditional Arts section. What has become of the Artsies at Laurier? Well, we have special plans for them. The rest of our sections - News, International, Opinion, Sports, Student Life and Entertainment continue to be indispensable parts of our weekly paper.

This particular issue - the Frosh Mailer 2000 - is probably the best introduction to the aspects of university life that you haven't heard too much about. In these twenty pages you'll find out about lighter fare such as 'romance', universitystyle and K-W nightlife. More important, though, are the features on who's in charge of your student government, the notes on how homogenous everything at WLU can appear to be, and exactly how safe your new community really is.

Memorize this issue and keep up with The Cord through-



Chief Asad Kiyani...lookin' like a bad-ass.

Welcome to your student leaders

Jeffrey Kroeker, Students' Union President

MATT CADE

Same, same, same. Food in the Terrace, for those of you who've not been on the meal plan as of yet, tends to get boring pretty fast. Fear not though, young souls. Recognizing this as a major concern, WLUSU has set out to improve the situation.

Come September, new food and a new look in the Terrace will be some of the first results of the Union's spring and summer efforts to improve the meal selection for students. Among the major alterations to the Terrace are the introduction of an internet café on the lower level as well as a new food outlet on the upper level. The café will sell health foods while on the upper level a rotating menu will be provided to students and will include Chinese, Japanese, Thai, and Mexican foods.

The planned changes will be a bonus for first year students, most of whom are on one of WLU's meal plans, more than anyone else. However, the renovations have been delayed and classes will be between

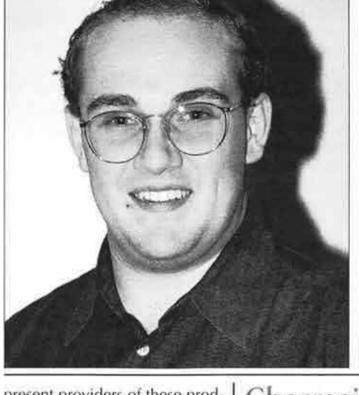
three and four weeks old before the project is completed.

"What's happened," says Student Union President Jeffrey Kroeker, "is that the construction industry has

become extremely busy. Right now they're simply not taking jobs. We're having to compete to get their business, and it's taking longer than we had hoped." This, however, does not seem to be of major concern to the Union.

The President added: "The most important part of the project, the 'food operational level', will be ready to go following Orientation Week." Therefore, although construction on the lower level will still be in progress, the plan is students will be able to buy their meals in the Terrace by the time classes begin.

Regarding food, other than the two new additions, at this point not much is certain. Pizza Pizza will replace Domino's, and in some form or another burgers and pasta will still be available, although there is a possibility that some of the



Charmaine Cunningham, Vice-President: University Affairs **DAVID FIELD**

University Affairs is

one of

the best

resources to

students.

During a student's lifetime at Wilfrid Laurier University, it is guaranteed that they will be involved with the Students' Union (WLUSU). The Department of University Affairs is one of the best resources for students. The person in charge of this department Vice-President of University Affairs, Charmaine Cunningham.

resents all students on the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA). As the OUSA representative from WLUSU Cunningham is a voting member of the

Steering Committee. As an representative. external Cunningham said she wishes to be an approachable resource for all students of Wilfrid Laurier. She stated that she plans to stay on top of the issues so that students can ask her any questions that they might have.

Regarding her internal responsibilities, Cunningham has the same sentiments. She reiterated that she is a voting, elected member of the Students' Union Board of Directors and she can bring forth concerns of all students.

Cunningham is the only female member of Management Committee within the Students' Union, in spite of the fact that 56% of the undergraduate population is female. Despite this apparent aberration, Cunningham said that there is a lot of female leadership within the Union, especially among the various coordinators. She also said she does not feel intimidated by this ratio and encourages other women to take the next step and become a part of Management Committee.

To find out more information about getting involved in University Affairs, booths will be setup for all committees during Frosh Week on Willison Externally, Cunningham rep- Field. The coordinators and

> executives of all six committees will also have booths in the Concourse during the first week of classes.

There is also the Academic Council, formerly known as the Academic Affairs Board.

This council contains one student representative from each faculty at Wilfrid Laurier, and deals with various academic issues. Cunningham said one issue is teacher evaluations and she wants results published to help students choose courses.

The VP:UA said that she encourages the new students of Wilfrid Laurier to spend time to find out about all the clubs. She said although UA is not as publicized within the Union, there is a lot of value within the Department. Cunningham said she encourages any student who has questions about both the external and internal responsibilities of the University Affairs to contact her during the summer or throughout the academic year by telephone (519) 884-0710 extension 3434 or by e-mail ccunning@wlu.ca.

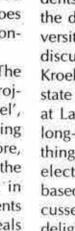
present providers of these products might be different come September. To ensure students are satisfied with the new Terrace, Kroeker has organized a forum where concerns and complaints can be heard.

"The idea is to have a university-wide chat to collect student opinion, to see how we're doing and to address any concerns students may have." Assuming a good turnout, these forums could prove beneficial. This talk will be the first in a series of four assemblies designed to measure student opinion. The first, to be held in

late-September/ early October, will cover food services, while renovations others touch on a variety of topics. The privatization of Ontario universities, a hot issue right now, is on the

> agenda, as is a forum on what Kroeker has called "responsible growth". Here, the Union will provide an opportunity for students to voice their feelings on the direction in which the university is moving. The fourth discussion will cover one of Mr. Kroeker's favourite subjects: the state of information-technology at Laurier. Investigations into a long-term plan which includes things such as new labs, an electronic library and webbased registration will be discussed, much to the President's delight.

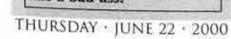
> It is clear that Kroeker has both a keen mind and forwardthinking personality, especially if he thinks he can improve the IT situation at WLU - some of the technology 'round these parts has been around since Wilfrid himself was in office. And you thought the food in the Terrace was getting old.



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delayed.





Newsbites

PROVINCE TO HAVE MORE TEACHERS

June 13, Dianne Cunningham, Minister Colleges Training, and Universities, and Janet Ecker, Minister of Education, announced that the Government of Ontario will fund a further expansion of spaces for teacher education programs. The government has promised that by 2001-2002 they will increase spending on these programs by \$11.25 million dollars over 1998-99 levels.

BANKER REMAINS CHANCELLOR

On June 2, John Cleghorn, Chairman and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada was appointed to his second term as chancellor of WLU. The appointment, which will see Cleghorn remain in this position for another four years, came as a unanimous decision from the Laurier Board of Governors and Senate. Each year since 1996, Cleghorn has helped organize a Chancellor's Summit which hosts some of the countries top CEO's. John Cleghorn holds an honourary degree from Wilfrid Laurier University.

canada's HEALTH NOT SO

According to a World Health Organization study released yesterday, Canada's healthcare system ranks 30th of 191 countries. Canada is behind many European countries apparently because it requires more cash upfront from taxpavers. The study, released in Washington and Geneva, found France to have the best overall system. The United States, which spends \$3700 per person on health care, the most in the world, was ranked 37th.

more dead in WALKERTON

The fallout from the E. coli tragedy in Walkerton, Ontario continues as 4 more deaths are being probed in a coroner's investigation. Seven deaths were confirmed to have been related to the outbreak, and with these new four persons now being examined, the possible death total has risen to 18.

CONTROVERSIAL BILL PASSES

The Education Accountability Act, also known as Bill 74 passed a third and final reading yesterday by a vote of 52-42. Opposed by teacher unions and board officials, the act will likely force teachers to supervise after school activities and also potentially could force teachers into an extra class next year. The act also will see the average class size drop from 22 to 21, and \$162 million has been provided to ensure this happens.

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Opening the Office Student Publications looks to grow

DAVID FIELD

As its own corporation, Wilfrid Laurier University Student Publications (WLUSP) produces many well-known and highly read publications such as The Cord (the weekly newspaper you are currently reading), the Keystone and the WLU'er. The Keystone is Wilfrid Laurier's yearbook and the WLU'er a personal organizer; both are published annually. Under the direction of President Chris Pearce and Vice-President: Finance & Administration Dharm Makwana, WLUSP is looking to enhance and expand the services it offers.

Pearce's main goals for Student Publications this year are to support and improve The Cord - WLUSP's "bread and butter" - and continue to expand into other publishing ventures, particularly a new magazine.

Makwana has a slightly different aim for Student Publications. He said that he hopes to make students, especially those in first-year, aware that the distribution of The Toronto Star is now permitted on campus and that it could have an important - potentially negative - impact on campus publications.

Pearce stated that the corporation is looking to publish a magazine, allowing many school organizations to publish their own information readily available to those on campus. *

He emphasized that there are many opportunities for stu-



Despite their high pressure jobs, Makwana (right) and Pearce still have time to goof it up.

dents to volunteer within Student Publications' various products. Although not defi-

Student Publications newest addition, then a number of new positions and opportunities for volunwill teering become available.

Students, especially those entering their first year, can become

involved in areas such as photography, writing, editing, distribution, or even administration within all of the publications.

A new

Finance

department will also be

created in

WLUSP.

According to Makwana, volunteering and working with nite, if the magazine becomes Student Publications provides a

> "good opportunity for professional development." went on to say that everyone within Student Publications uses industry standard materials, particularly the computers and software.

Makwana also added that WLUSP is the only organization on campus that can provide students with the publishing skills that can be

transported to life outside the University.

A new Finance Department will also be created within WLUSP. Makwana said that he is looking to hire 3 or 4 students to fill these new volunteer opportunities. Their input will be sought when the corporation investigates both major and minor expenditures.

All students interested in more information on volunteering or to find out what else is available in Wilfrid Laurier University Student Publications may contact Chris Pearce anytime by telephone at (519) 884-0710 extension 3565 or by visiting the WLUSP offices on the 3rd Floor of the Fred Nichols Campus Centre.

Laurier: The Next Generation? JUMP program enlightens the children

Our more

hesitant

learners

became so

involved."

JOSH BERMAN

If you have been walking around Laurier's campus lately, you may be thinking university students are getting younger than ever before. In fact those kids walking around the school are attending Laurier's JUMP 2000 program. JUMP (Junior University Multi-disciplinary Preparation) is designed to give kids a taste of higher education at a very young age. In its sixth year, JUMP is run through Laurier's Conference Services and is geared towards students throughout Ontario in grades six, seven and eight.

Laurier's Arts, Sciences, Social Work and Music faculties, as well as the School of Business and Economics participate in JUMP. The program's subject matter includes classes in Archaeology, Athletics, Biology, Political Science,

Chemistry Computers, Fine Arts Math Music Psychology Social Work and Theatre. The courses are developed by Laurier faculty and are taught by professors, teaching assistants and graduate students.

The students attending JUMP 2000 get more than just a heavy course load - they get a realistic portrayal of university life. Not only do they take actual classes, but they also spend

two nights in Willison Hall, eat meals in the Cafeteria and spend free time at the Hawk's Nest. Each group receives their own JUMP Ambassador, a current Laurier student who represents the JUMP program while

giving campus tours and chaperoning the students' stay at Laurier.

One of the benefits of IUMP is that it is fun as well as educational. According to one grade

seven student, JUMP 2000 gets high marks. "This program was awesome, I know more about the kinds of subjects you high take in school and University. li gave me some ideas about what I want to

be." Another student in grade eight enjoyed science the most, saying "I really like chemistry and biology. The experiments were really fun, interesting and informative."

The program is also designed

to offer schoolteachers new ways of teaching, JUMP allows teachers to integrate different aspects of learning into their curriculum. One teacher who attended JUMP 2000 was amazed at how so many students really embraced the alternative teaching style, "What pleased me the most was how our more hesitant learners became so involved and confident in the university labs and classes."

Attending JUMP 2000 is a great way to get students interested in higher education while they are young. It is a fun threeday field trip and an educational experience that allows students the opportunity to take something back to their classroom. Possibly, in a number of years, some of these kids will come back to campus as part of Laurier's next generation of students.



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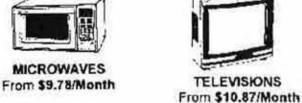
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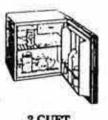




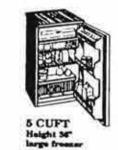




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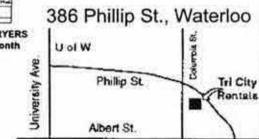
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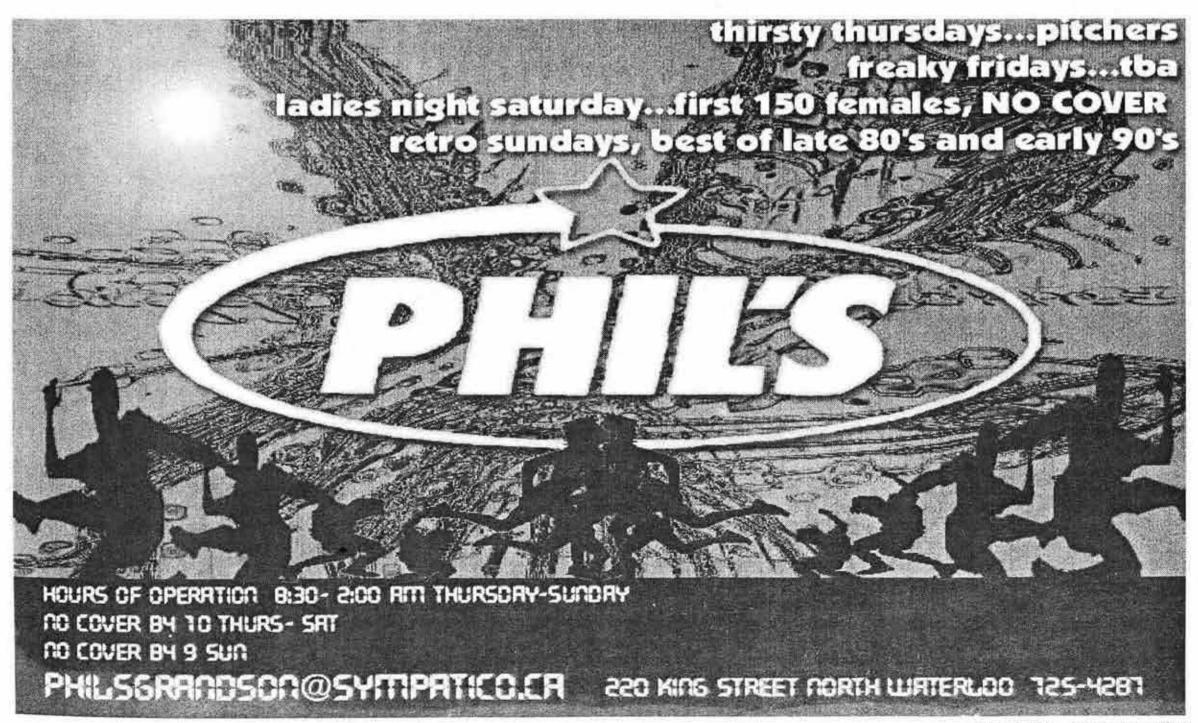
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Ignorance is bliss

I'm sick of Laurier. Everywhere I go, I see the same people doing the same thing, saying the same thing, wearing the same thing and thinking the same thing.

I don't get enough booty and I don't get good enough marks to justify not getting booty. My friends seem to get screwed more and more by the day, and it's only a matter of time before I'm no longer in the eye of the storm but instead caught in the downpour.

People still point and stare and say silly things about me without even knowing me'or my non-normal name. My house doesn't have a vacuum cleaner so whenever we drop food on the floor, it stays put because there's no reason to pick stuff up when the ten-second rule has been made null and void by a three-inch layer of dirt, leaves and squished ants...and rotting food. Laurier sucks.

I'm not really sick of Laurier - I'm sick of life in general. It just happens that my life is at Laurier - it's where I work, where I go to school and I live right across the street - so I'm easily confused. Still, I'm pleased to notice that I think Laurier isn't paradise, because there are enough people here who do.

Too many people at university are far too content with the situation they find themselves in. They focus on the narrower picture of their lives and for the most part ignore the wide-screen director's cut that is reality because, despite it's size, it's easier that way.

While there's nothing evil about partying or studying or sitting at home, it seems a wasted three or four years if you don't involve yourself in university life in a broader sense.

Every year, tuition fees go up. The year I came to Laurier, they were jacked by 14.6 %. If you sit back and don't say anything, then you can expect them to rise even more in the future.

ment, but one hundred percent will complain about something that student government can and probably should fix. If you walk past the voting booths and don't vote, you're saying that you don't care about what happens to you. If you vote without bothering to educate yourself first, then you're lazy and trying to alleviate the sense of guilt you would feel by not voting. Oh, and you don't care either.

Every year, Laurier brags to high school students, future WLU frosh and everyone else within earshot that it is a "small school". Well, this small

If you shut your mouth and say nothing, then you're sadly lost.

school is getting bigger and bigger. Student housing - both on and offcampus - is at the breaking point and classrooms can no longer handle the overflow of students. If you sit in the aisles of lecture halls and take notes on your knobby knees and still don't say anything, then pretty soon you're going to be sharing that aisle with those other poor suckers who only got to class ten minutes early instead of

Every year, someone makes the mistake of using a school toilet for the first time and finds obscene graffiti scrawled all over the place. They learn what's wrong with blacks, gays, Jews, women, immigrants, the poor, the disabled and my digestive system all at once. If you sit and just think, "Wow, that's the last time I eat three-day old Every year, barely twenty percent of Kraft Dinner," don't be surprised to go the school votes for its student govern- back later on and find out exactly

what's wrong with you.

Every year, varsity athletes, student leaders, alumni and friends of friends get special treatment that ends ups screwing over the rest of us. Whether it's having fights and domestic assaults hushed over or abusing volunteer organizations to aid their drunken romps, this school sees, hears and speaks no evil. If you just say, "Oh well, they're better than me anyway," or "Oh well, it doesn't affect me anyway," then I guarantee that soon enough you'll have to bribe Foot Patrol just to walk you home.

Don't get me wrong. I've met so many amazing people here, it's ridiculous. I've had so many unique and exquisite experiences here, it sometimes seems unfair. I've grown so much as a person, I can barely recognize myself. However, I don't let that cloud my judgement. Laurier is not perfect - no place is. If you close your eyes and see stars, if you cover your ears and sing to yourself, if you shut your mouth and say nothing, then you're sadly lost.

There is a picture in my head, that I see on a daily basis, that haunts my dreams and disgusts my senses and scares me more than anything else even more than Mike Harris and black licorice and Pokémon. There they are, rows and columns of thousands upon thousands of monkeys that choose not to see or hear or speak of what is wrong at Laurier and everywhere else.

Only when I look closely, I see they're not monkeys - they're people. They're my neighbours and roommate and best friend and his girlfriend. And, kinda' hidden in corner, hoping no one sees, if I take a deep breath and concentrate and look really closely, is

That's why Laurier sucks.

ASAD KIYANI **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

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Gender Politics at Laurier

AMY WRIGHT

The politics of gender readily exist at Wilfrid Laurier, albeit more subtly than in other facets of life. This is a fact that most would not be inclined to admit, which is probably what prompted me to write this article. I can guarantee that you will have at least one experience with gender inequality this year and it might be in a place you would least expect.

I experienced it with a student in one of my tutorials who firmly believed that no woman could possibly have anything to contribute to a concerning politics. Throughout the term I heard him justify his reasons why abortion should not be a woman's right. He spoke of how women are naturally less intelligent, therefore could never be effective Prime Ministers.

I suppose I was surprised because, in my naïveté, I never expected that anyone even remotely interested in furthering his or her education could possibly be so close-minded.

WOMYN'SWORDS

A warning: you're going to become

You will have at least one experience with gender inequality this year.

so immersed in the "university experience" that it will become difficult to believe life actually exists beyond the realm of University Avenue and King Street. Perhaps this is why it was such a rude awakening when a problem I thought existed only in the "real world" reared its ugly head in the most surreal of atmospheres.

Gender inequality is pervasive, ever present and unaware of any and all boundaries.

I can offer you a simple piece of advice for dealing with situations concerning gender-related issues: take action. While student protests are not something you are likely to witness on the Laurier campus, don't be discouraged by a seemingly apathetic student body - a social conscience does exist. If ranting and raving is not your scene, then fight back in any way you feel comfortable.

Female students outnumber male students on the Laurier campus, so use that to your advantage. This is one of the rare occasions where women form the majority. Should you experience gender inequality, talk about it. Yell about it. Run up and down the escalators in the Woods building. Find an editor who appreciates your opinion enough to let you write about it. And if it's not appreciated, well, write about it anyway. Do whatever it is you feel might encourage one iota of change. But do something.

Oh, and one final word. Welcome

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WELCOME TO LAURIER

EDITOR'S NOTE TO THE FROSH:

Last March, a display at the University of Waterloo protesting the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon prompted criticism from both Waterloo and Laurier's Jewish Student Associations (JSAs). Excerpted below are the first letter from the WLU JSA and the response from the Waterloo Arab Students' Association (ASA).

The important thing to take from this is not which side is right or wrong or partially right or partially wrong. The important thing to note is the bitterness and vindictiveness that is all too often found in university politics.

When you arrive here, there will be strong pressure to continue such a trend. Perhaps the JSA, the ASA and the rest of us should heed common sense and just talk nicely and honestly to each other. -A.K.

LETTERS TO THE EDITC ANTI-

SEMITIC?

Dear Editor:

Many people, including both members and non-members of the Jewish Students' Association, have expressed their disgust and indignation concerning what was shown at the presentation. The so-called 'facts' presented were not only blatantly biased against Israel but were also, to a certain extent, hateful to our people and even anti-Semitic.

People do not come to the University of Waterloo to see symbols of their faith draped in blood (pictures of a star of David were shown dripping with blood - a very hurtful image to Jewish people) nor do they wish their brethren to be called baby killers.

We believe that the presentation by the MSA promoted hatred and intolerance towards Jewish people. Such presentations run against the multi-ethnic culture of University of

Waterloo.

We urge the administration of UW to adjust its policies regarding what can and cannot be permitted in a university setting that is supposed to stress tolerance towards all. We should work together to prevent one-sided presentations of hatred and intolerance, and to encourage the multi-sided exchange of ideas.

In addition, we would most appreciate an apology from the Muslim Students' Association to both our members and to the Waterloo community. We would like to stress that we bear no ill will towards the MSA; we only wish they felt the same way towards us.

WLU lewish Students' Association Executive

UNFAIRLY ACCUSED?

Dear Editor:

Regarding the unjustified letters that were written by the lewish Students' Associations of UW and WLU on March 31. Here are the undisputed facts:

Israel invaded Lebanon in 1978 (not in 1982 as implied by the WLU letter). Immediately after this invasion, the UN Security Council issued Resolution 425, among many others, which ordered Israel to withdraw all its forces immediately and unconditionally and to cease its attacks and threats against Lebanon.

The US Ambassador to Lebanon, David Satterfield, recently noted that "We make a distinction between resistance and terrorism, and we do not view this (Lebanese) resistance as terrorism."

In a recent statement filed with the Supreme Court of Israel, the Israeli military authorities admitted they are directly involved in the "Khiam" torture camp operat-

ing in South Lebanon (which holds Lebanese civilians of all ages without charge or trial) by training interrogators and providing financial support to the South Lebanese Army, This camp was the main focus of our exhibit and our goal was to raise awareness and help shut it down through various Amnesty International petitions:

There was no portrayal of the Star of David dripping with blood at our exhibit. There was a picture of a bomb with the Star on it. Israel, which uses the Star as a national symbol, displays it on all its warplanes, bombs and army tanks. If you have a problem with this fact, please address it to the Israeli government.

In light of these facts that were presented at the exhibit, the JSAs of UW and WLU preceded with name-calling and false accusations calling the organizers of this event "anti-Semitic" and "racist" (by the way, the Muslim Students' Association did not organize the exhibit). Our exhibit received much support from students on campus, and we collected about 200 signatures for the AI petitions calling for the release of Khiam detainees.

Your attempts to take away our rights to freedom of speech by labeling us "anti-Semites" and going to the FEDS to stop any future exhibits highlighting oppression committed against innocent civilians will be futile. You cannot stop us from criticizing Israeli foreign policy, or the policies of any other government in the world for that matter.

The authors of the 2 letters on March 31st have equated criticism of the Israeli government with being anti-Semitic. Please visit this site: http://members.tripod.com/outofkhiam. It's a website made by Jews living in Israel who have taken action in condemning Israeli human rights violations. We recommend the ISAs of

UW and WLU follow this example.

Nahar Fityani Rayan Yahfufi

Dear Editor:

I never really went to Wilf's on Wednesday night before, but one night I thought I'd check out the scene. I gotta say that I loved it. And the only reason why is cause of the suave stylings of the great DJs known as Jeff Carver and Geoff Coene. Those guys know how to rock a joint and take no prisoners! But now they've been replaced by the Top 40 stylings of Wheels and Scully!? Someone tell me, cause I gotta know: What's the deal for real?

Tracy Morrow

Drinkin' AIN'T BAD, YOU ARE!

Dear Editor:

I don't know why the Cord keeps dissin' drinkin'. Don't you people understand that drinkin' is what makes this school go 'round. Without drinkin' there would be no Wilf's or Turret. How would students fill the void in their lives? This would surely be catastrophic. There's nothing more satisfying than drinkin' a brewsky and listenin' to the sweet sounds of perma-DJs Wheels and Scully at Wilf's. What will become of Laurier's music scene if our cultural hubs were gone? I dread the day when we have to contend with DIs who refuse to play Top 40 music. May Britney Spears live-on forever.

Duke Lartyn

AGAINSTTHEGRAIN

Your new

favourite

song is "Home for

a Rest".

Survival Tips

MANEESH SEHDEV

Since just about everyone else is doing it, I have decided to give my own pointers for success to this year's Frosh. Just read this over and soon you'll be among the elite here!

Only drink Canadian beer and constantly talk about how great it is. Make sure you wear

the free shirts and hats you get everywhere Attend a keg party - there's one on Ezra Street almost week. every Memorize the words from Molson's latest advertising campaign and yell

them at everyone. Why? So everyone else will think you're cool! That's the key to acceptance at WLU.

Buy some khakis, golf shirts, sweater vests, hospital pants and tearaways. But make sure they have 'Laurier' written on them somewhere. In fact, make sure EVERYTHING you wear has 'Laurier' written on it somewhere. Everything else should be Mountain Equipment, The North Face and Nike clothing. Make sure all other clothing is bought from The Gap.

Develop a love for Top 40 music, as it's the only thing you'll hear on campus. Will Smith is as hip hop as it gets around here. Buy only Dave Matthews Band and Tragically Hip CDs. Become a Wilf's or

Turret DJ: buy 12 CDs and play them every night. Make The Black Water Trio your new favourite live band, because it's all you'll ever get here. Your new favourite song is "Home for a Rest" by Spirit Of The West, even if you don't like it.

Don't go anywhere off campus because there isn't anyone interesting outside these WLU boundaries. Only venture off campus to go to Frat parties, as they offer the most interesting

> people here. Get a cell phone to make people think you're popular. Develop a hatred for Western even though you don't know anything about them. If you're Business

major, make sure everyone knows it.

Start watching and playing golf and tennis. Get a subscription to Maxim because you need to be told how to think. Make sure you dye your hair, or get 'frosted tips' - that's so in! Don't forget to learn to love pitas - the rest of us have. Finally, don't walk on certain parts of the floor, even though that's what floor is there for.

Here at WLU - as with virtually everywhere else - people are often unwilling to think independently. But not everyone has bought into that lifestyle. There are those who have broken out of the mold and think in different ways. Try it; it'll make you a lot happier than a Molson shirt ever could

HEY, CORD OPINION FANS! (EH, LES FANS DU CORD OPINION!)

BORED?

WELL THEN, MY FRIEND, DO YOURSELF A FAVOUR AND WRITE A

LETTER TO THE EDITOR!

DON'T KNOW WHAT TO WRITE? HERE ARE SOME IDEAS:

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Purvue of the Privileged

The university education we take for granted is far from secure in the rest of the world

JULIUS JONES

As the fall approaches, high school students from around the world are preparing to seize their hard-earned and longawaited opportunity at a university education. Though nationality, language and culture may vary extensively between students making the transition to the post-secondary level, the feelings they experience at this crucial stage in their lives are much the same.

On the verge of a university career, freshmen from around the globe will begin to share in that feeling of keen optimism while taking their first adult dose of that welcomed apprehension that signals an oncoming of the university experience.

Such anxiousness is to be expected when one steps back to take a look at the importance of this stage in an individual's

It is this point at which one determines their area of specialization, their direction in life, and as a result their place in the world. With all the pressure placed on students upon their passing into university, it comes as no surprise that the real importance - rather, the true responsibility that comes with university - is often ignored in the minds of students.

Between registration, searching for a place to live, and the seemingly infinite number of other tasks that students are obliged to complete prior to the



These are high school kids

start of the year, there leaves little time for putting into perspective what the opportunity to attend an institution of higher learning really means.

A university education is a blessing bestowed upon those who have demonstrated academic excellence through- L

out their lives, but that's only one aspect of the experience. As Canadian university students we should begin to guard our rising tuition costs against cuts to the excellent, but highly may find that as hard as they've that many students - nurtured by

exclusive, American system, in which students can find themselves confronted with first year costs in excess of \$30,000 upon

while text books have long graduating from high school. since become outdated. This Freshmen must begin to throw out the old ways of thinking.

> We should also consider that with our relatively low tuition costs we have also been able to establish a system where we have access to peak books and

supply. Above all else however, we must consider that while university gives us the opportunity to dive head first into the sea of that have brought us ever closer technology. Cuban students free thought, the sad reality is

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are still limits on basic school

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the wading pool of education known as high school - enter university without the ability to academically swim far too often and are thus thrown quickly by the powerful waves of conformity back onto Status Quo Beach.

Students around the world, if they choose to accept the responsibility that comes with a gift given to less than ten per cent of the world's population, may quickly learn the basic strokes of critical thinking required to change the structures that have produced such grave inequities in the global society. This is possible if, and only if, they begin to stretch the limits of their understanding of reality. As the new (and perhaps most important) generation of free thinkers, freshmen across the globe must begin to throw out the old ways of thinking.

To start they must begin to empathize with poverty and suffering, as passive sympathy has only drained us of our own humanity. They must also in to see past our quick-fix solutions to race relations as another example, while they should look at the long-term impact our current destructive cycles will have on the global environment.

We are all responsible for ensuring our survival into and throughout the next millennium. However, those of us in this world who will have the opportunity at higher education acquire that much greater of a responsibility - are you ready?

Russians nab suspected Canadian spy Researcher in detention since last October

of Sutyagin,

there was no

apparent

opposition to the project.

YVONNE FARAH

An academic study that was conducted in Russia by two Canadian universities, has left a Moscow researcher in prison and the Canadians in the midst of a Russian spy scandal. Igor Sutyagin was hired by a team of researchers from York University in Toronto and Carelton University in Ottawa to examine military -civilian relations in the former Soviet Union in a project financed by the Department of National Defence. However the FSB, Russia's secret police agency, suspects the Canadian military actually wanted Mr. Sutyagin to uncover classified information from those people he interviewed for his research.

Both universities involved deny they had any motivation of espionage in conducting the research. They also warned that the allegations could have chilling effects on further academic exchanges between Canada and Russia.

The FSB, which is the former KGB, arrested Mr. Sutyagin in October of 1999. He is 35 and a staff member of the Institute of USA and Canada Studies, a respected Moscow think tank. His arrest came nine months after he completed

the research for the [universities, and the findings of the study were already published.

The study was conducted in a total of twelve former Soviet countries, including Russia. universities hired individuals in each nation to conduct interviews over

a period of a few months with military personnel and experts. The questions asked of those interviewed focused on the relationship between the civilian

population and military personnel. The series of questions asked were composed by the Canadian researchers.

The project was funded by the Department of National Defence as a step to help Russia and other Eastern

European nations to Until the arrest form a military that is governed by a civilian government, such as exists in Western nations. Until the arrest of Mr. Sutyagin there was no apparent opposition to the research project or the people behind it.

> The FSB, alleges that the uni-

versities were a mere smokescreen for the Canadian military in their attempt to steal nuclear secrets from Russia. That is why the FSB alleges the Department of National Defence is financing the research project. However it appears that the Russian secret police are the only ones to believe that because none of the other eleven countires involved in the project showed any opposition.

Mr. Sutyagin is being held in prison in central Russia, and has been officially charged with espionage and treason. No more details are being given to his family or lawyer.

The case is yet another in a series of severe actions being taken by a government that is grasping for as much control in the free Russia as they had in the old Soviet Union.

Recently elected President Vladimir Putin has come under severe criticism for his authoritarian actions, including the recent detention of a local media mogul whose television outlet capitalized by satirizing former President Boris Yeltsin, Putin and other notable Russian politicians and public figures.

WORLDWATCH

Bolivia

Tens of thousands of students and parents marched through the capital La Paz, demanding that the national government help create new university. Traffic was paralyzed in the centre of the city for much of the day in the cry for the creation of an independent post-secondary institution. This is only one of several major demonstrations that has disrupted the Bolivian capital over the last few months.

Britain

The government has announced that it will make legislation prohibiting fox hunting with hounds a priority in Parliament. Surveys taken in the country show widespread opposition to the centuries old practice. The action, permits a free vote on a series of options ranging from no ban to a full ban, is guaranteed passage by the House of Commons and will help the bill overcome expected opposition in the House of Lords. The bill will be introduced this fall.

Israel

Although the United Nations has said that Israel has totally pulled out of Southern Lebanon the BBC says that it was not without major incident. The BBC is accusing the Israeli government of War Crimes. The internationally renowned network has footage of Israeli missiles bombing a car with one of their producers in it, killing him instantly. The

Israeli government has tried to downplay the incident by explaining that they were targeting Hezbollah rebels at the time and the BBC producer's death was a mistake. However the BBC is not buying that explanation because of other footage they took from the Israeli side of the border, shows Israeli settlers casually watching the bombings and enjoying the spectacles as a source of entertainment not a group of people waiting for Hezbollah attacks. The BBC has said that it will not forget the killing and will pursue the matter to the fullest.

Iran

In an attempt to fulfill promises that helped them win parliamentary elections, more than 100 reformist legislators have drafted a bill calling for lifting rules on the news media imposed by their predecessors, a journalist and leading reformist lawmaker said. The bills would be the reformists' first legislative sign of change for the country in over twenty years.

Indonesia

At least eight people, including two police officers, have been killed in the eastern province of Mluku in more Muslim-Christian fighting. In the provincial capital an official at the main mosque said four Muslims were killed in a clash with a Christian gang near the city. Two Christians also died. The nation has had a long history of religious violence in the last few decades.

Want ammo' on the side?

"Shooting has been a sport in America since

there was an

American."

YVONNE FARAH

If the National Rifle Association has it's way, in the next few months it will be opening a gun theme restaurant in the middle of New York's Time Square. The planned restaurant would include computer simulated shooting games, a menu of wild game meat and a gift shop of weapons-related trinkets and gadgets.

The NRA announced the plans for the café in early May and was met with a cool reaction from New York State polit-

ical leaders. Mayor Rudolph Giuliani simply responded, "I don't think it's going to happen." Senator Charles Schumer said the opening of the restaurant would send the city back toward being Dodge City.

The New York city council passed a resolution saving

the theme café should not be allowed to take root in the very busy Time Square area. The city council resolution went on to say the NRA was taking the unconscionable step of promoting guns and gun use in the city. The resolution does not have any legal clout, and it does not seem to have deterred the NRA from their commercial plans.

"Political correctness run amok," says NRA member Bill Powers, "will not stop the creation of the café. This is as much an American sport as golf or tennis or baseball," Powers said. The NRA will not divulge information regarding where they plan to set up their venture into dining or which development company will assist them. This has led to speculation that this could be nothing more than a publicity stunt.

Brendan Sexton, president of the Times Square Business Improvement District, which is responsible for the marketing of the new and improved Times Square says he knows nothing of the NRA's negotiations with anyone for real estate or development.

"I think it's a stunt," Sexton said. "I can't say for sure, but I just can't find anybody who's been talking with them."

In the meantime, however, the NRA is in the midst of developing a logo and a sports brand name, NRA Sports, which will be sold at the new café,

dubbed the NRA Sports Blast. Hunting with guns, competing with guns, and guns as an All-American sport are what the theme of the restaurant will be.

Bill Powers said no real guns would be displayed or sold in the Times Square restaurant.

"It's about the shooting sport, which has been a sport in America since there was an American." However, opponents still believe that the café is yet another way a for the NRA to advertise its views to entire families.

YOUR FINAL EXAM:

Which is better?

- a) processed meats & cheeses, no discount, limited menu
- b) freshly sliced meats & cheeses, 10% WLU discount, smoothies and breakfast
- c) processed meats & cheeses, 10% discount, limited menu

If you chose "b," check out our FROSH pack in September for valuable stuff and watch for FUN EVENTS during Orientation-Week!

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TUFF THAT GOES WRONG k a "Tocal Horror Stories

BEING SAFE AT LAURIER

There are a lot of big kids here.

And there's no reason to think big kids can't be big bullies and have big problems too.

ASAD KIYANI

Shortly after midnight on January 5, 1990, a Laurier student was kidnapped and sexually assaulted while waiting for a cab at school. She managed to escape and run back to Laurier, where she contacted security. The incident occurred ten years ago, but the image of a student being grabbed and thrown into the back of a car where she is assaulted is, in a sad and depressing manner, timeless. The question is: how isolated an incident is this and how safe a campus is Laurier?

In a far from scientific analysis, Laurier is a fairly safe place. It's small, well-lit, there are usually a lot of people around, security isn't far away and people usually see people they recognize and know everywhere they go. That reputation – combined with the general misconception that schools are safe – contributes to a lack of respect for the very dangerous, if relatively small, number of incidents that occur on and around campus.

Late October last year, at the University of Waterloo, a student was walking a well-traveled path that shortcuts through a park when he was suddenly attacked and stabbed by a fellow student. There was no apparent motive for the random assault, which was carried out by a first-year student.

From September through April,

the entire school year, local papers were filled with reports of serial rapists haunting the Tri-Cities area of Kitchener, Waterloo and Guelph. Local police were hunting for no fewer than three rapists at one time. One purported suspect spent several hours hiding in front of an apartment building that is home to a number of students living off-campus.

University Place, one of the offcampus residences, has had a his-

tory of break-ins over the last two years, with large amounts of property having been stolen. As well, Laurier Place, the other off-campus residence, which was acquired to handle the overflow from Clara Conrad Hall has serious

safety concerns. It is accessed easiest by a backdoor cut through the yard of a fraternity house and down a hill that lands you in the back yards of other, non-university residents. If that isn't bad enough, the residence had no locks at the start of last year, was atrociously lit and first-years – all female – shared the buildings with non-university residents.

At a local party, a friend of mine who is a Laurier student was given

some water because she was extremely dehydrated. She didn't know the man she accepted the bottle from, but he seemed harmless enough. She left shortly thereafter, but spent the night immobile, unable to move her muscles for hours at a time, and unable to remember much of anything from the time she was asleep. The diagnosis? The bottle of water, so kindly offered to her by a nice young man, was spiked with GHB, proba-

bly the most dangerous of the 'rape drugs' there is.

Add to all that the two on-campus brawls of this summer, the assault of two Discover Laurier staff, the wrecking of the tennis court fence by a drunken driver

and the break-in on Bricker Avenue – right across from the school – plus the educated opinion that one in six women will be sexually assaulted in their lifetimes, regardless of whether or not they are WLU students, and Laurier doesn't seem like quite the haven it may be advertised as.

Yet this is obviously a loaded perspective. To characterize Laurier as unsafe is dangerous and tantamount to fear-mongering. The reality is simple. Laurier is a safe place. There are people you know, and people you can trust everywhere. However, this knowledge lulls many of us into a false sense of security, where we start to trust too many people and we let our guard down when we ordinarily wouldn't.

So what to do? The answer seems obvious enough - don't let your guard down. Don't let strangers into the building. Don't let people buy you drinks and don't leave your drinks sitting around at the bar. Take Foot Patrol home. Tell Security when you see something dangerous. Go the Women's Centre or call Peer Help Line when you need someone to talk you through a tough time.

It's hard enough to deal with the physical reality of being transported to an entirely alien environment and expected to flourish as you did in the past without having to deal with security concerns or personal safety issues. So make life easier for yourself. Read the report on the next page and then read about the various services you'll find in and around WLU to help you.

This is far from being a comprehensive review of safety on campus. For more information, speak to your Don or any of the resources listed on the next page.

VOCAL

What's the most dangerous thing that's ever happened to you at Laurier?



"One time, a squirrel was chasing me through Waterloo Park. It almost got my lunch."

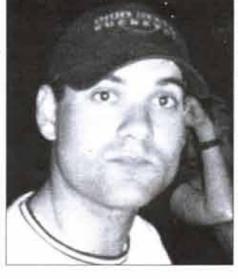
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with GHB.

Jill Klepacki 3rd Year English



"I was tearing down a sound board after a Tea Party concert and it almost crushed me."

Geoff Cossette Graduate, Communication Studies/Barfly



HOW TO KEEP IT FROM GOING TOO WRONG

ARMEN ASHEKIAN

The life of a first year student is a constant frenzy. The lightening-fast pace and enormous amounts of released energy can be likened to a thunderous riff from a masterpiece by AC/DC, or an electrifying thumper from the Backstreet Boys. But, as any music afficionado will tell you, a good rock record or boy band album must have its ballads. They remind you that you have a shoulder to lean on when you need company, a body to hold when you need affection, and a navel to lick when you get bored.

In many ways, the various services offered to the students of Wilfrid Laurier University can be seen as the ballads of our school. These services provide many of the intangibles discussed in these sometimes-cheesy-but-always-heartwarming ditties (well...except for the navel licking. Go to the Turret for that, you horny freak).

Safety on campus is perhaps the most overlooked yet most important issue. And it doesn't just mean physical security. While bodily harm is the most obvious fear we may have, our minds and sanity are also extremely vulnerable.

Protect Your Body

Campus Security (extension 3333)

Campus Security is out to make our campus a safe and secure environment for its community. To see this accomplished, the Security Services Department (SSD) has taken measures to see the university grounds safeguarded. Their main goal is not to catch hooligans in a crime spree; rather, the SSD strives to prevent such immoral acts from taking place by providing education and information about safety and security issues.

Foot Patrol

(886-FOOT)

Established in 1992, the primary goal of Foot Patrol is to get students home safely. Over the past eight years, Foot Patrol has grown to include a van and a staff of over 120 volunteers. Foot Patrollers are scrupulously selected from a pool of thousands of hopeful candidates, ensuring that only the most outgoing and amiable volunteers are chosen. Your walk home will be safe, secure, and entertaining

BACCHUS Laurier

BACCHUS Laurier is an awareness group out to promote responsible behaviour. Contrary to popular belief, Bacchus is not anti-drinking or anti-sex. Rather, it is their duty to see that some of these finer pleasures in life are preformed responsibly, with the best interests of everyone in mind. To accomplish these goals, BACCHUS puts on many awareness campaigns throughout the year, which effectively remind us that taking sex and alcohol past their limits could have dire consequences. As well, they always have handfuls of free condoms to prevent those embarrassing trips to the pharmacist.

ERT

The Emergency Response Team is run through your own Students' Union. Every weekend members of ERT can be seen combing the campus in the prime time of bar nights. The trained volunteers are prepared to treat minor injuries, and will assist anyone in need until Emergency Medical Services arrive. Aside from treating our wounds and wiping our tears, ERT's volunteers vow to share their knowledge by holding instructional First Aid Training sessions. Whether it's helping us learn first aid or providing bandaids for our boo-boos, ERT can help us feel more secure and safe on our campus.

Health Services

If that breakfast burrito you wolfed down for breakfast is making you see kinda funny, Health Services is the place to go. Centrally located on the campus, they will offer advice and treatment to the students seeking it. While Health Services provide the ambulatory care and consultation with physicians or Registered Nurses one may expect, they also strive to go beyond basic care. Pamphlets concerning student health are provided, and the resource library can offer in-depth information on a wide range of topics. The staff can also be seen around the school, with monthly displays in the concourse and residence presentations on important topics such as STDs, responsible drinking, and many others.

Protect Your Mind

Peer Help Line

If you feel that there's nobody around to hear you out, give Peer Help Line a call. Whether it's simple information or an ear to hear out your problems, simply dial 884-PEER. The student volunteers have a wealth of training at their disposal, with their expertise ranging in active listening to suicide prevention. Phone calls can be made evenings seven days a week, and are completely anonymous and strictly confidential.

The Women's Centre

(extension 4444)

The Women's Centre was established because it was felt women's issues and gender issues were not being adequately addressed at the university. It was originally intended to deal with sexual harassment, rape, abuse and a general lack of counselling for women's specific physical needs, as well as issues such as male dominated organizations in a campus with a positive female-male ratio.

Now located at the overpass connecting Macdonald House to the Theatre Auditorium, the Women's Centre also acts a resource centre for both men and women, although it is primarily intended to be used by women.

Anselma House, a women's shelter, can be reached at 742-5894. The Sexual Assault Crisis centre can be contacted at 741-8633 and the Crisis Pregnancy Centre can be reached at 743-2470. You can also try WLU Counselling Services at extension 2338.

Legal Resources

Ever wonder if you can legally urinate on a sidewalk? At long last, legal advice at your fingertips! It should be noted that the volunteers of Legal Resources specialize in the Landlord-Tenant Act. So while they may not know if you're allowed to harpoon chickens in Waterloo, they will be able to answer questions about your crooked landlord.

Again, this list is far from comprehensive.

shortly after the doors were locked.

Jan. 5, 0015 Hrs.

Abduction and Sexual Assault
A 21 year old WLU student was waiting for a taxi at the
corner of University Ave. & Hazel Street when a red compact
car, going South on Hazel Street, stopped and one of the
four passengers asked her if she wanted a ride. When she
refused, one of the four miscreants alite from the car and
seized her by the arm. She attempted to run but fell on the
icy sidewalk. The assailant then picked her up, carried her
to the car, and forced her into the rear of the vehicle
where assisted by an accomplice, she was held and sexually
molested. The driver of the vehicle had made a U turn and

VOCAL CORD

What's the most dangerous thing that's ever happened to you at Laurier?



"I passed my Calculus exam and crapped out my pancreas in disbelief. Then, that night, some girl at Phil's stepped on my foot, so I tore out her weave."

Colleen Nichol 4th Year Business Co-op



"I almost lost this stupid hat."

Thad Unroh 3rd Year Business Co-op

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Golden Hawk Preview

What Laurier's teams did last year and what to expect from them this coming season

CORD STAFF

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

When Coach Stu Julius was brought in from Laurentian last year, expectations for a floundering Lady Hawks basketball program were high. The new coach delivered the goods, as Julius led the Hawks to an alltime high of 6 wins and 14 losses. Although this may seem upsetting, it is actually quite impressive. Laurier's female basketball team worked hard last year under Julius' leadership and hope to significantly improve on their record-breaking season this year.

The team needs to work on keeping their lead and staying healthy, a problem that has plagued the team for the last two years. Laurier is one of the best first-half teams in the league, often leading or sticking close to their opponents coming into half. However, the second half often bears witness to collapse, and the Hawks received little help when injuries and illness hampered the team in the second half of the season. Standout Christa Lodge was a large part of the Hawks' success, consistently scoring points in each game.

While the Hawks lost early in the playoffs, Julius has now had a year to adjust himself to the team, and the squad is also used to his style. Making the playoffs this past season was a feat that they will most definitely improve on this upcoming year.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

If there's been a traditionally strong team at Laurier the last few years, it has been Women's Hockey. The former OUA champs are coming off a Bronze



Much more maniacal fan support is desperately needed for all Golden Hawk teams.

medal finish in the OUA last year and again have a lot to live up to. New Coach Bill Bowker led the team through another excellent campaign, finishing with a 14-7-2 record.

Standout players included Lisa Backman, who scored 37 points during the year and finished the season as the second leading scorer in the CIAU. Joyce Torrington was solid in net for the Hawks, and was often referred to as the team's backbone. Both players were elected to the OUA's first all-star team. The team was able to overcome its arch-rival Toronto opponents, but could not quite make it all the way.

Improving on the previous year's gold medal victory at the OUA Championships seemed to be a difficult thing to do, but the Hawks performed admirably and look to continue their trend

of excellence. The return of Backman will no doubt aid the cause, as will the team's depth and the continued presence of an excellent cast of first-line players.

MEN'S SOCCER

Following an inconsistent season, the Hawks made it to the OUA West final last year. They were defeated however, missing what seemed like a certain shot at the national championship.

The Hawks will be losing four key players that performed very well in their years at Laurier and will be missed. Tim Labar will be missed for his toughness and determination. Mark Mathies brought a sense of pride and provided quiet leadership to the team. Mark Ignor is one of the top goalies in the country, winning the OUA Rookie of the year award and

earning three all-star game appearances. Ken Cartmill was a very hard worker for the Hawks, never missing a practice in all his years with the Hawks. Most considered him to be the heart and soul of team.

With players like this leaving, the Hawks may have a lot to prove. But this year's team promises to live up to the legacy that these players have left behind.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

New Coach Dave McIntyre hopes to lead the Hawks to their fourth straight playoff berth. The team's determination has earned them a solid reputation as fighters that refuse to lose.

Most of the team from last year will be returning and several talented new players have been recruited. The team looks to be a very strong one heading into the new season and they are looking forward to September.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The past season was a dismal one for the Golden Hawks, culminating with the firing of Head Coach Mike Kilpatrick. His replacement, former Laurentian coach Peter Campbell, brings a stellar record and instant credibility to a floundering program. The six-time coach of the year is confident the team can make the playoffs for the first time in three years.

The task, however, will be difficult. A young squad faced an uphill battle this past year, and the loss of veteran Bob Papadimitrios will do little to help the team next year. Papadimitrios, an excellent leader and shooter, will be sorely missed.

The Hawks struggled last season, often finding themselves overmatched against traditional powers such as McMaster, but the introduction of Campbell means all bets are off. He has made it clear he is looking not necessarily for the most talented but the most dedicated players he can find. If he finds that commitment, then the Hawks will be a team to watch out for.

MEN'S FOOTBALL

Football enjoyed a tremendous season, making it to the Yates Cup before losing to Waterloo. The return of star running back Justin Praamsma and OUA Rookie of the Year John Katsaouni bode well, in spite of the loss of OUA Outstanding Lineman Kojo Millington and Mr. Romance Harvey Stables.

IN SHORT

LAURIER SWIM COACH NAMED TO OLYMPIC SQUAD

Laurier Swim Coach Dean Boles was recently named to the Olympic team. Boles acted as a personal coach to Laura at the 1996 Games in Atlanta, but this time is considered a full team member with because he has been elected by his fellow coaches. The honour has been in the works for a while as Boles has participated on every national tour team since 1996.

"It was an honour for me because I was voted on, and I feel honoured that my peers are confident enough in me in the Olympic arena," said Boles

Boles also received an a OUA coaching award for his work at Laurier.

ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT ARRIVES

This year's Alumni Golf Tournament is will be played at Kitchener's Doon Valley Golf Club on Saturday. July 8.

This year's tournament will be played to honour Mike Belanger, one of the longest serving coaches at WLU. Belanger came to Laurier as a student in 1970, and is still here. For all of his dedication and hard work, Mike received the Unsung Hero Award in '98 and was the OUA Golf Coach of the Year in '96. Mike Belanger, currently the Director of Residential Services at Laurier, has also served as a WLUSU Liquor Services Manager.

If you would like to sponsor a hole, contact Gary Jeffries at extension 2180.

HAWK LANDS IN Winnipeg

Defensive end Eric Schwab and offensive lineman Matt Sheridan signed with the CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

Schwab comes to the Winnipeg Blue Bombers after a solid five-year career at Wilfrid Laurier University. The Bombers selected Eric with their fifth-round pick (32nd overall) in the 2000 Canadian College Draft this past April.

Eric led Wilfrid Laurier in sacks for three consecutive seasons and was a two-time OUA All-Star in 1998 and 1999.

"I'm really excited to be in Winnipeg," said Schwab. "This is a fantastic city and it's going to be a fantastic season for this team."

ROMANIAN WIN SPARKS CELEBRATIONS

Yesterday's defeat of England by Romania in the Euro 2000 soccer championships sparked wild celebrations as Romanian supporters hurtled through downtown Waterloo.

The fans, in a five-car caravan, screeched to a halt at the intersection of King and University Avenue, honking and waving Romanian flags in front of the Royal Bank for the duration of the red light.

They sang anthems in the street as they celebrated Romania's unexpected passing into the second round. It has already been a victory for the underdog Romanians, who passed favoured group rivals England and Germany.

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It's Saturday night. Where are the children?

A li'l off-beat, a li'l out there: nightlife in K-W



Anthony claps to the beat of his favourite song, "Detachable Penis" by King Missile.

CORD CREW

It's Saturday night and I'm feeling kind of fun. The Will Smith's jammin' in my ear, the khakis are pressed, the hair is dressed and Lord knows I'm the best. So what am I up to?

Theatre? Yeah, right. Movies? For the kids, Coffee houses? Pshhh! As much fun as those places can be, they are all things you can and will do during the week. But when the weekend rolls around, when there's nothing but the synaque to look forward to the next day, you know what's up and what to do. There's no doubt you and all your friends will spend enough of your university nighttime lifetime at The Bar, probably in search of The Booty, usually with the aid of The Booze. The question is, where to go?

In a university town like Kitchener-Waterloo, the choices are seemingly endless. In an attempt to enlighten you, the newest of K-W's barhoppers, we decided to sacrifice one Saturday night to sample six bars in the Twin Cities, in the hopes of providing insight into the wide variety of after-dark entertainment - and Booty - to be found in K-W.

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rave fiend Anthony "Bubble Tea, Bubble Me" lantorno, Cord Scott "My Dad's a Cop" Cairns. Devan "Devo the Peasant Ho" Hambrock, provided an insightful female perspective while Opinion Editor Maneesh "Manny Weirdo" Sehdev provided the muscle. Lastly, and probably deservingly so, I, Asad "I Think I Wanna' Be a Gino" Kiyani took the wheel of my brother's car in an obviously insane attempt to safely transport us on our journey. First stop Phil's.

PHIL'S

Scott Cairns (maybe?)

Coined "the best place on Earth" by Luke and Maneesh, Phil's never disappoints. Some people go for the music; most go for the cheap drinks. With drinks running at a way too affordable \$1.50, ten dollars will often suffice, twenty dollars would get you hospitalized, and thirty will get you seeing god. How can Phil's charge so little you ask? It's explained through the reasonable cover charge of \$4 after 10pm. However, I have seen some of the ladies enter the bar without paying. I don't know if this is official policy,

charge was led by long-time but I suppose this keeps the male population happy.

For those who go for the Entertainment Editors Luke music, a wide variety is played "Sweet Bosom" Martyn and and available at your request. Luke and Maneesh wouldn't stop making requests for The Stone Roses, Charlatans and Primal Scream. I'm not familiar this limey stuff, but Luke and Maneesh claim that they are indeed "da' bomb." Be warned,

hair-do (the reverse mullet). Overall Thoughts: If you can

Bonus Points: Seeing Ross

Meadows with his styling new

we'll buy you a drink.

overlook the sticky floors (from what?), then you can love it, as it loves you.

THE SILVER SPUR Luke Martyn

This is the prime location for mullet hunting. That short hair on top combined with flowing locks down the back is irresistible for this hip crowd. Don't think the only karaoke you can sing here is country music, because they offer a wide range of singalong classics, such as "Truckin'" by The Grateful Dead and "American Pie" by Don MacLean. This just may be the only bar in Waterloo without a hip hop night as it's karaoke all night, every night.

An added highlight of our stop here, and whole experience, was our encounter with the fine Dons of WLU's residence system. Dave Prang, 2nd floor Mac House Don, and an unidentified accomplice provided a very entertaining (drunken) rendition of "I Got You Babe," soon to be available online in mp3 format... Look for it on Napster. Even more entertaining was their drunken attempts at dancing. These Dons were clearly of the "we're at The Silver Spur but we're still cool" variety. Unfortunately they did not contribute to the "hometown" (for most Laurier Students) atmosphere that is the main attraction of The Silver

I felt more like a piece of prime rib than a human.

there have been some unfortunate occasions in which Top 40 and Creed somehow slipped into rotation. But overall, the music is geared to an audience looking for something other than the Turret Top 40 Countdown CD (mixed like a masturbating monkey with one arm and no rhythm).

Phil's is conveniently located close to campus and has a strange atmosphere that makes you feel like you're in a Bauhaus video. But once the haze of the drunken hour overcomes your senses, you will soon discard that thought and focus your attention on hitting the dance floor. Look for us,

As Devan began to look through the song book for something for Maneesh to sing, several favourites appeared, such as "These Boots" by Nancy Sinatra and "I Want You To Want Me" by Cheap Trick. Just as Maneesh was ready to climb the stage to belt out "EMI" by The Sex Pistols, we realized it wasn't in any of the books, and quickly made our escape before the redneck he spat on pulled out his shotgun.

Bonus Points: The Reba Macintyre poster on the wall.

Overall Thoughts: If you love the karaoke, this is the place for

you. But if you're like me, stay away...stay far away.

TIME SQUARE Maneesh Sehdev

After conceding to Luke that our waitress was clearly hitting on me at the Silver Spur, we overheard a Don outside the Spur ask, "Isn't that the guy with the skirt?" Yes it is, and his name is Asad. Unfortunately Asad decided not to wear his skirt on our magical mystery tour maybe next time.

We proceeded to cross the street and try our luck at Time Square, a local hangout for the pseudo-intellectual types. So pseudo in fact, that the graffiti in the washrooms was written in French. Anthony and I spent a great deal of time in the pleasantly aromatic washrooms deciphering our country's other official language.

Upon our re-entrance into the philosophic scene, the rest of the posse was primed to leave. I was hesitant however, as the waitress approached. I licked my lips in anticipation only to find that the other five members were on their way out. I turned. I left. I didn't have the nerve to make the final cut.

BONUS POINTS: There was nothing bonus about this place, it had nothing in terms of eye or ear candy.

OVERALL THOUGHTS: If you like to sit at a table all night and pretend to know what a wallydraigle is, I suggest you frequent Time Square.

ABSTRACT Devan Hambrock

Our fourth stop of the night was Abstract. Not my favorite spot, as the mulletude was far too high. The pulsating beat of GWAR mixed with the sweet scent of OV spilled devil-maycare down the mullet's leather vests (the skid's response to the Gino sweater-vest) assaulted my senses and left me feeling slightly violated.

The mullet population was joined by their younger counterparts, the goths, and the coming together of these two powerful forces marginalized our group into a tight-knit circle, fearing for our lives. After leaving the group for a walk around the bar, I was hunted down by a frantic Asad and Anthony, scolding me to never leave the group on my own.

Having cruised the bar once to get the overall feel for the atmosphere, I felt more like a

Sticky floors and broken hearts....

piece of prime rib than a human bar-goer. Curious about the power of my feminine wiles in such a place, Asad left me alone at a table with three boneheads. Maybe they weren't Nazis, but they were white, that's for sure. I turned to the three victims, unsure of my first, and perhaps final, move. Stunned into silence by the sheer power of their manhood, I fled to Asad's side, interrupting his attempted pickup of two luscious pieces of jailbait.

Favourite characters from this particular Alcoholic's Disneyland included Latex Girl and Red Dress Girl and a special appearance by an overtanned and underfed Fabio (that hair! It's dreeeamy!).

Although the dance floor was roomy enough to rock out to all your favorite Dokken tracks, it was the reasonable drink prices that made rockin' out to Dokken seem like a rational thing to do. Nevertheless, we only narrowly escaped the lure of liquor and latex to continue our odyssey in search of the best booty joint in Waterloo.

BONUS POINTS: The Goth-girl snarling at me from behind blackened eyes, the guy in a Confederation bandana singing into his beer and EMF (britpop rules!).

OVERALL RATING: If I were desperate this would be my favorite bar. But I'm not. So it isn't. The floors were sticky, the people were sticky, hell, I was sticky when we left. We escaped from the bar in a whirl of smoke and disillusionment...the hetero vibe was in overdrive. Good thing we were off to Renaissance.

CLUB RENAISSANCE Asad Kiyani

If Abstract was Devan's pickup playground, then there's no doubt Club Renaissance was mine. Kitchener-Waterloo's premier gay and lesbian club was packed after the Pride Parade earlier that afternoon and the atmosphere was pure happiness. Cruising through the crowded bar, I found I was the one actually being cruised. And, for the most part, there was nothing disappointing with being pursued by the regular patrons, as the dance floor was loaded with an arsenal of absolutely beautiful boys ready to fire.

The energy inside the club was amazing. Pumped up by the music - a mix of mainstream house and Top 40 - and large quantities of Ecstasy, the crowd was pulsating and the entirely positive vibe picked you up and put a smile on your face the minute you entered.

Not for everyone though.

While cover was only two dollars, drinks were pricey at four dollars apiece. Moreover, Maneesh admitted to being uncomfortable with a club that was absolutely packed (by far the most crowded place we went) with Ginos and even several Mullets. In an effort to enhance his discomfort, we twice tried to desert him and see what would happen. Unfortunately, he was too quick and, like a starving cheetah, caught us both times.

As we slowly moved through the crowd in our six-pack, little attention was paid to us. But as soon as I took off on my own, the fingers were flying. Four assgrabs, several cruises and two absolutely daring frontal 'glides' later, I left as an entirely exhilarated young man reveling in the glory of a night at Renaissance.

As soon as I took off on my own, the fingers were flying.

BONUS POINTS: That big sloppy kiss from Marlon, the appearance of three Village People and Maneesh's discomfort - thank God for the weed.

ped from the most exciting place we went all night. Renaissance gets high marks for its atmosphere, music e. Good and pretty boys, but wins out for off to its pure energy.

REVOLUTION Anthony lantorno

The last stop of our evening was my personal favourite club to waste my weekends away at – The Revolution Nightclub, located on Marsland street in Waterloo. The Rev never fails to provide an entertaining evening of drunkenness and dancing, all for just \$5 cover. The line-ups tend to get quite long after 10pm, so a little hint is to get there early and stay the entire evening.

With two rooms of music to choose from, the Revolution offers something for every musical taste. Fridays are kicked off with Hip-Hop by Mastermind and Classic house by DJ Mattlok in the Purple Room. Saturdays offer a stunning mix of Top 40 in the main room until midnight, then the night is finished off with a mix of trance, house, and hip hop. In the Purple Room DJ Mattlok and various rotating DJ's spin the best of techno and house.

Unlike most of the other bars

we ventured to, the mullet factor at the Rev was quite low, but that may just be attributed to the Dokken concert that evening in Cambridge. On the other hand, though the number of Ginas and Ginos rockin' the joint collectively had enough grease in their hair to fuel Mongolia for a year, and had enough skin exposed to make your mother blush.

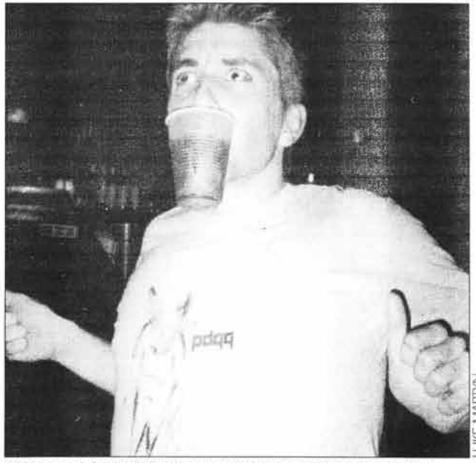
Worth noting is my personal favourite style of the evening, the sweater vests with no shirts. The word is that this is the must have style for the coming school year at Laurier.

If you are looking to get lucky, the Rev is definitely the place to be with an impressive rating of 4/5 for both hot girls and guys, and a stunning pick up factor of 3.5/5. With drinks at a reasonable \$3.75 the atmosphere is one of good drunken fun and stupidity.

Bonus Points: Maneesh for his stellar performance in harassing girls in the parking lot, and to Devan whose stunning imitation of Britney Spears had heads turning.

OVERALL RATING: All in all, my personal opinion, although biased, was that the Revolution provides the most entertainment for your money. If you are looking for a night of heart breakin' and booty shakin', the Rev is definitely the place for you.

Having finished up at the



Wide-eyed Scott Cairns must always have both hands free.

Revolution, we set off on our journey home, one that threat-ened to provide even more entertainment than the ride there, what with Maneesh demanding (and apparently receiving permission for) slop-py-seconds from two couples walking down King Street. Alas, we were- all exhausted and looking for our own, unoccupied beds and had to deny Maneesh his chance at immoral immortality.

Still, we had all gained a legitimate piece of K-W immortality simply through our efforts. We may have skipped over the traditional university haunts such as the campus bars, we

may have passed up the devilish temptations and enticements of Louie's, we may have declined the opportunity to posture in preppy poses at Philthy McNasty's, but we still managed to conquer perhaps the thickest jungle of Waterloo watering-holes.

Lest our message be lost amidst the ocean of libation we traversed, remember one thing: There may be other bars out there – bigger, better, bolder – but for sheer mind-boggling, noodle-bending, head-spinning, bad-ass Booty Knockin', you're guaranteed to find something you like somewhere we went.

Go on - nutt it.

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Celibacy and First Year There's more to school than getting a degree

FARQUAR EL HASHISH

In the process of getting to Laurier, odds are that you will hear many words of wisdom. Some will be from your parents saying not to drink too much or to focus on your studies. Some will be from the Burger Pimp, telling you he needs a nickel to drink a bit more and study the bottom of that Ole E' bottle a bit harder. Naturally, Icebreakers and floormates and classmates will have even more advice to share with you on subjects as varied as good night spots to great study areas. But who's going to give you advice about romance, the most important thing?

Most of the advice that will

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want to

come

across as

the flo'ho.

probably futile attempts to warn you off Salisbury steak. However, there seems to be one unspoken rule and that is not to around with someone on your floor. Now there are

creative ways of expressing that but I think we're all better off not knowing those terms.

Always remember that there is no such thing as leagues in. university. The only real deterrent from getting The Booty is a hometown girlfriend boyfriend who in all honesty will be dumped by the time Thanksgiving rolls up.

Don't be afraid to start a conversation with a stranger because I'm sure that he or she came here with as many friends as you did - none. That's not to say you're a loser or anything.

Now, I've gone through firstvear myself and I can attest that

fooling around with people on your floor isn't necessarily a bad thing. I won't get into my bidness, but I will give you some key things to remember when you see that person you want to go to the dining hall with for breakfast on the first day you

The first thing to know is that you should never make your private business public so your floor can pass judgement on you. If you're eyeing up a sweet young thang, do it in a discreet way. You don't want to come across as the flo'ho. Usually both parties involved appreciate that method, as discreetness is the industry standard around

Location will play a big part come from your friends will in the initial mating ritual.

> Bedrooms right apartment style residences because can always shut your door. In a traditional dormitory setup, being creative is key. Bumping your prospect in the

laundry room is a good way to gauge how receptive he or she might be. If you bring in some draws, you reveal a lot about yourself and you show that you are willing to be open. Mind you, this method works better for women rather then men because no one really wants to see a guys stank ass boxers but it's easy to be impressed by the right combination of lace and

Usually people will say that gettin' wit someone on your floor is a bad thing because a. breakup will take a great toll on the rest of your floor. The person who says this is a crackerhead.



Farquar worked for these two - can you afford to ignore him?

There isn't anything wrong with dating people on your floor. If there is a messy breakup, don't worry about it affecting others, because you should always remember rule one - it's your life, not theirs and none of their business. Besides, by then you will have friends who will let you stay on their floor until the storm dies down, providing even further opportunities for knockin' boots.

Another key point is that infidelity is not necessarily wrong. In other words, being the flo'ho isn't all that bad if you can pull it off. If you choose to lie to your boo then keep your stories straight. Write down little notes or create a schedule where you can balance your time with all of your peeps. I remember an influential Laurier-type telling me that "it's not wrong until you get caught". He was right and I feel it's my place to pass on that

For parents who are reading

Do you like The Learning Channel?

Well, you

this, don't worry too much. Laurier has a residence staff trained to defuse the hormonal bombs that are your children. They are well trained and will check up on your kid regularly. If you suspect something, call your trustable son or daughter in the middle of the night and make them hold the phone up in the air so you can hear if someone else is in his or her. room. If your child says the noise is their roommate, flip out and tell them when you went to college in the 1970s, higher learning was a much more wholesome environment with mary jane and bra burnings.

Things always work out, so don't worry if you aren't doing the no no cha cha within the first few hours you're on campus. It's good, but not the most important thing about the university experience. If you need more advice, come find me, Farquar, resident WLUSP fling expert.



Farquar's Jive Translator

Burger Pimp - a student who oes through university asking people for spare change. He nanaged to fund his tuition rom empties he returned to

boo - significant other Booty, the - pronounced boo-

av, a Laurier reference to an ittractive male or female. crackerhead - an idiot who acts like he/she is on crack but since they can't afford it, must ettle for a cheaper, less effec-

ive subsitute draws - male undergarments, specifically boxers or tighty

flo'ho - a person who decides to have conjugal relations with he majority of his/her floor

gettin' wit - to be in the process of beginning a rela-

knockin' boots - the process of

mary jane - also known as cannibîs, pot, reefer, ganja, herb, chronic, buebonic chronic, the good stuff, weed.

Salisbury Steak - a piece of meat that seems attractive at the time but when consumed eaves a burning sensation in your mouth

stank ass - something that smells like your mama's nasty casseroles

peeps - a bonded group of people

no no cha cha - the process of fernication to a salsa beat

What's hot and what's not: A guide to TV at WLU

MANEESH SEHDEV

A popular spot on campus has always been the 24 hour lounge. Located on the third floor of the Fred Nichols Campus Centre, the lounge provides entertainment to several bored students. And it's only gotten better with the installation of the all-new Millenium Lounge! But just what are the popular shows, you ask? Well, as a new student, you must be wondering just what you've gotten yourself into. So let's dive into the wide world of TV habits at WLU!

The first thing to remember about the 24-hour lounge is that if The Simpsons is on, at any time, in any language, someone will want to watch it. So if there was a warning of an impending air strike on Waterloo by the Cossacks, you wouldn't know about it, but you'd sure know about that adorable little Maggie. You'd

also learn a few jokes to tell, but don't among 24-hour Loungers. Soap operas tell them here because everyone knows them already.

Do you like to watch The Learning Channel? Well you better stop, cause it's never on here. When you're in the 24-hour lounge, the key is to make sure you don't learn anything. Keep education mumbo-jumbo where class, belongs.

even get The Simpsons on. This is soap opera time, so either find one you like or stay away. Try The Young and the Restless. It's a favourite of mine and has earned me the nickname of "Y&R Guy"

can be quite entertaining, especially during lunch time, when people sit down to

eat a nice meal while watching their favourite soap. Soap fans are very nice people, so don't be afraid to strike up a conversation with someone about Brad Carlton's latest scheme or Victor latest Newman's wife. There's always room for one more,

From about 12pm to 3pm, you won't folks, so if you're a Y&R fan, I'll see you there!

> Can't get a real date? Neither can most people here, so just watch Blind Date with them! The lounge is always full of people who need to be told how

to act on a date. It's also popular among the WLU crowd for its complete superficiality, a favourite subject among students here.

If you're not a sports fan, it would be wise of you to stay away from the 24hour lounge during any big sporting event. Even sports that aren't really. sports, like golf, have popular followings here. So whenever the next (insert geographical location here) Open occurs, remember that you won't be watching Friends that night. With the Olympics starting in September, the 24-hour lounge is bound to be packed all day with cheering revelers counting medals for their country of origin.

Keep in mind that this is only a rough guide to TV habits in the 24-hour. lounge. Stop by to find out even more. You won't be disappointed. Unless Rosie

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Living Cheap

Do not

visit your boyfriend until after

the 'Turkey

Dump'.

CATHY SWEET

I'm no expert in finance or investing, but University has taught me a few things about student budgeting.

In my first semester at Laurier, I discovered the phone. It was my only connection to the people I left behind. I started making long-distance phone calls, not realizing that the bill would be addressed to me, not my parents. After receiving my third phone bill for \$350.00, my friends taped a 'collection jar' to my door, where students

walking by could contribute spare change. second semester, I had to get a parttime job and work nights to pay off my debt. Don't let this happen to you!

By following this simple guide, you can avoid the traps

many students fall into. The best defense is being well informed, so ask questions and know exactly where your money is going.

Do not think you can 'grab a beer' with your friends every day after class because it really adds up! (\$4.75 a pint, that's \$332.50 a semester, or \$665 a

Do inexpensive activities with your friends. Chess is always a crowd pleaser!

Do not spend money on bus occasion. trips to visit your boyfriend/girlfriend until after the Turkey Dump' in October.

Do check the "Wanted Rides" list upstairs from the food Court when you want to

go home. If you're lucky, you might catch someone on their way home and be able to hitch a ride.

Do not spend all of your time on the phone. Even if it sounds strange right now, Waterloo has a lot to offer.

Do sign up for the Bell Canada \$20 monthly plan. Better yet, look for those noname brand companies that charge you 7.3 cents an hour.

Do not spend money on expensive gym memberships.

Do use our gym - it's free. Do not spend too much

> money at the poster sale.

> Do get your friends to draw funny pictures and put them up around your room. Tell people you're in 'Fine Arts.' Do not spend money fancy brand name clothes. If you wear

anything but jeans and a baggy sweatshirt your friends will ask, "What's the occasion?"

Do invest in a suit. You'll need one for co-op interviews and job fairs.

Do buy used books, you can save over 50% on textbooks, check the lists posted in the concourse.

Do buy Christmas or Birthday or Barmitzvah presents at the Cafeteria. A box of chocolates is a great gift for any

Do have fun, go out, treat yourself, but remember we each have to set our own limits. My limit is now one long-distance phone call per week. Find out what works for you!

OSAP: A virgin's guide

SCOTT HARRIS

FROM THE ARCHIVES

OSAP. At last, free money to do with what you will. Imagine, the government giving you money to go to school. Not bad, eh? Unfortunately, you're going to have to pay it back one day. But since that will be many years from now, we're not even going to think about that. You have to figure out how the get the money in the first place, right? You may be thinking that it will be a huge pain, but to tell you the truth, it really is simple.

APPLY EARLY

As long as your application has been sent by mid-July, your loans should be waiting for you when you get here September. If you haven't applied yet and need to, DO IT NOW! Y or your loan probably won't be ready in the fall.

"SHOW ME THE MONEY..."

When you go to pick up your OSAP loans, be sure to have the proper documentation with you. This would include your Social Insurance Card, proof of registration (your "pink slip" and student ID) and, very importantly, your proof of summer earnings.

Your best bet is to bring your last or second-last pay stub of the summer. It will have your net earnings on it. It is not enough to just have a rough estimate of what you made in the summer. It is also not enough to simply know your SIN by heart you need the proof. These people are giving away massive amounts of coin, and they've seen every trick in the book. Having these things prepared will save both you and the lovely workers at the Student Awards Office time and hassle.

APPEALS

If you feel you didn't get enough money from your loan to get by during the school year, you can apply for an appeal. If you see the need for an appeal, let the Student Awards Office know as soon as possible. If your income was not as high as

you estimated it to be, or if you had unexpected expenses, you can make a student contribution appeal. This is the easiest of all appeals. All you have to provide is a report explaining your situation and a budget summary of your summer expenses. But beware, your budget requires receipts..so if you think you may have problems in September, start saving your receipts now.

Finally, the other form of appeal is the family inability appeal. This would be used when the income of your family cannot be directed towards your education because of other

These people are giving away massive amounts of coin.

expenses. Remember, if you are in need, there are always bursaries available. Contact the Aid office for details on what's out there.

The best time to make an appointment for an appeal would be around the third or fourth week of September, after all the hustle and bustle of handing out OSAP documents has slowed down.

COURSE CHANGES

It is VERY important to keep the Student Awards Office informed of all changes in your course loads. Contrary to popular thought, Student Awards does not automatically know when you drop or pick up a course. If you fall below a 60% course load, you are not longer eligible for Canada Student Loans and may be forced to pay interest on the amount that you did receive. If you end up dropping a couple of courses, and notice you have some money

credited to your account, do not take it. Tell Student Awards that you dropped the courses. If you don't, they will find out (trust me) next year and adjust your loan accordingly. A "friend" of mine did this unknowingly, got about \$200 back, but than had \$1000 deducted from his OSAP the next year! Not a very fair trade: be careful.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A friend of mine actually lost his entire loan and had to drop out of school because of mass confusion over adding and dropping classes. Be very, very careful.

For those of you who have sent your applications in on time, OSAP will be handed out in the Paul Martin Centre during Frosh Week. If you want to avoid the soul-crushing threehour lineups, and don't need the cash to get you through the first two weeks of school, wait until after Frosh Week. Later, you can go up to 202 Regina Street and wait in a slightly less soul-crushing lineup.

Before you line up anywhere for OSAP, check the big list on the wall to see if your name is

When you go to pick your loan up, you won't actually be picking up cash or a big giant cheque. What you'll pick up is a big hunk of paperwork to take to the bank. You should note that there are only four banks that you can deposit your loans into: The Royal Bank, CIBC, The Bank of Nova Scotia and the National Bank of Canada. If you don't have an account at one of these banks, get one. The closest banks to campus are Royal and Nova Scotia and they are used to people coming in and saying, "I have loans!" They'll steer you in the right direction.

That's about it. If you are having problems with your loan, don't worry. Hundreds of people have experienced the same thing, and the people at Student Awards know how to solve them.

BUSINESS BITES



Roots Canada, in partnership with Skyservice Airlines, will launch a new airline in early November, 2000. RootsAir is their newest creation that aims to target the growing segment of business travelers. As the Roots brand becomes increasingly diversified, the company waits to see if the idea will take-off.

TD REACHES INTO WIRELESS BANKING:

Toronto-Dominion Bank launched a new wireless service enabling customers to complete routine transactions or manage

stock portfolios from a digital phone. This new service is available to customers using a digital phone with mobile Internet browser capability on the Bell Mobility network. Royal Bank is remaining competitive with their own wireless initiative.

ROYAL BANK UNDER OSC INVESTIGATION:

The Royal Bank is currently being investigated by the Ontario Securities Commission and the Toronto Stock Exchange, for its involvement in possible stock manipulations. The bank's traders and senior executives have been accused of artificially inflating stock prices to appear more profitable.

INTERNET USERS WANT CANADIAN SHOPPING SITES:

Canadian online shopping has doubled this year from 28% to 58%. Studies show that Internet users who have been 'surfing' for a minimum of two years, now feel comfortable making purchases over the net. The increase in online shopping can be attributable to new interactive web sites and links from retail chains, that make shopping an enjoyable experi-

E-bay, a major U.S. competitor, has recently opened a Canadian form of its auction site that caters to our unique tastes.

OPEC'S OUTPUT **INCREASE OFFERS** LITTLE RELIEF:

OPEC, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, has agreed to increase the production of crude oil by three per cent, in an effort to stabilize prices and demand. Analysts confirm that OPEC's increase will stabilize the prices of crude oil but will not lower gasoline prices in Canada or the States.

No one, however, has yet analyzed the cartel-like practices of the downstream gas retailers in North America. The mass conglomerations that now dominate gasoline sales to consumers have long been suspected of collusion and collective pricing.

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PERSONALS

I see you every few days in the computer lab. You're so cute... Guess Who ...

James Muir:

I've still got your jacket. Wanna come pick it up in your limo, now that you're a hotshot Hollywood bigwig? Or just send your lackey Baker. -The Franchise

Hey, Redhead Girl

Thanks for the nice comments on my smoking column! -Maneesh



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Tuesday,

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Friday,

September 22 - Post Turret Breakfast

Friday,

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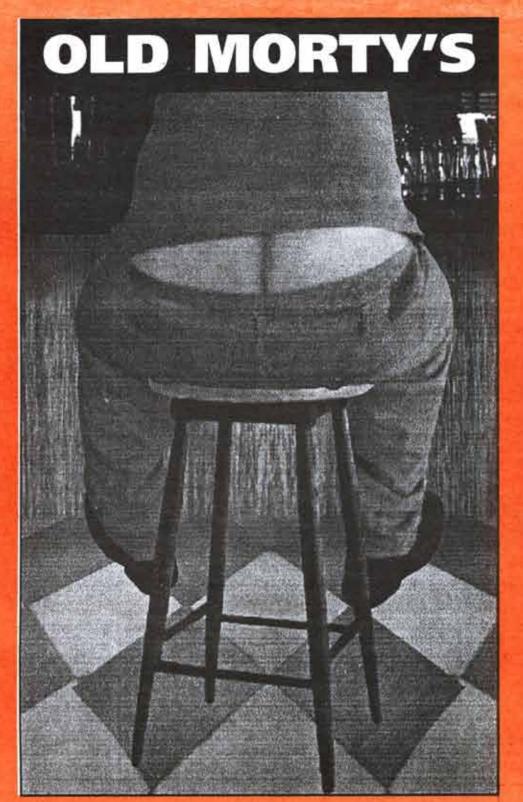
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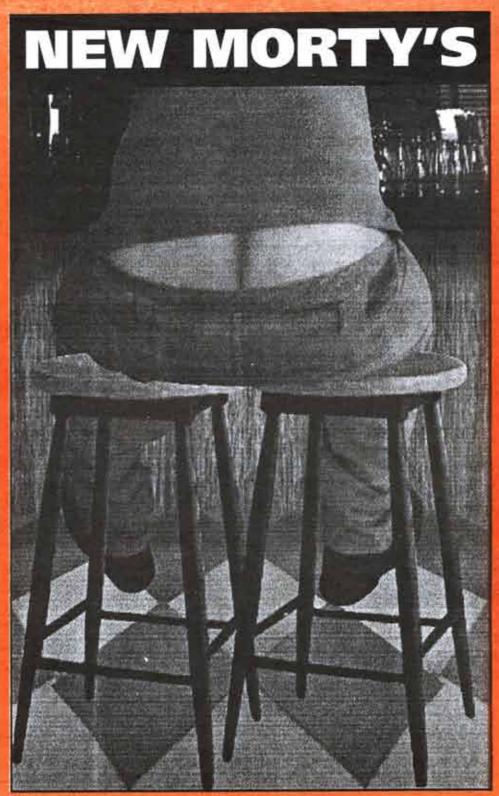
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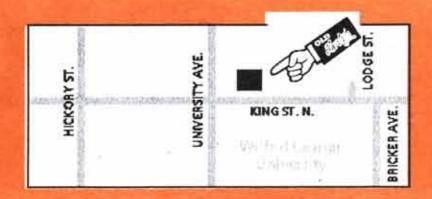
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