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# AIDS Walk sets record



The Laurier participants raised \$450 for the K-W AIDS Walk

DAVID FIELD

Victoria Park in Kitchener was the central location for local residents to meet and participate in Waterloo Region's 8th Annual AIDS Walk Canada 2000 on Sunday, September 24, 2000.

The walk was 10 kilometres in length and all proceeds benefited the AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and Area (ACCKWA). There were 12 students representing Laurier, and most of them were from the Equality Awareness Committee.

Equality Awareness Coordinator Heather Mendes said that the committee, "strives to bring social inequalities to the attention of Laurier and Kitchener-Waterloo area residents."

Between the 12 people who participated from Laurier \$450 was raised.

"This year was highly successful because there were more people involved than in the past," added Heather.

Over 60,000 Canadians participated in this year's walk, raising 2.6 million dollars for AIDS Walk Canada. Over 120 communities were involved and it was the first time walks were held in every province and territory.

"Without your support, many community-based HIV/AIDS organizations would not be able to provide prevention education, treatment, support and research programs in their respective communities," stated Chair of the Canadian AIDS Society Paul Lapierre in a news release.

"Over 50,000 Canadians are living with HIV and an estimated 15,000 Canadians are HIV positive and are unaware of their infection," added Lapierre.

Music played, people with their dogs (some dogs wearing T-shirts), and others had bikes and inline skates, while coffee, donuts and bagels were also provided.

Chairman of the ACCKWA Board Wayne Rush addressed all the volunteers and announced that over \$10,000 was raised locally, with all proceeds remaining in the area. Then, the good people from Good Life Fitness helped warm all the volunteers up for the long walk.

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This was the most money ever raised for AIDS Walk by Laurier students. A rough count at the walk showed that the University of Waterloo had only four participants in the event.

The funds will help provide needed services to men, women and children who are

infected with HIV/AIDS or affected by it in the Waterloo Region. ACCKWA helps provide support services, AIDS prevention education programs, and policy and advocacy services. Since 1995, the AIDS Walk has raised 17.6 million dollars since 1995 thanks to the tens of thousands of walkers who have participated all across Canada.

were also out covering the event. Throughout the entire walk, the Record van drove by walkers, throwing key chains and other gifts to the volunteers.

The route of the walk went from Victoria Park towards King Street, north along King Street to the Clarica building, down Union Street and back around towards Victoria Park.

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# Hawks edge Western in soccer thriller

## Men's and Women's teams earn narrow wins

WOODIE BROWN

Laurier's men's soccer team came into the game on Sunday against Western unbeaten in their last three games but they were up tough against the #7 ranked team in the country and the defending national champions.

However, the Golden Hawks knew exactly what to do and their stellar defense was too strong for the Mustangs who failed to score a goal in their 1-0 loss.

The game started out with several Laurier chances and the Hawks were controlling the game, especially in midfield. The Laurier defense didn't allow any good chances for the Mustangs to score and the game seemed to be going Laurier's way.

Then, just before the half Western had a couple of chances but were finally shut down by Laurier to keep the game tied.

The second half featured more offence and scoring opportunities for both teams. Each team traded control of the game and chances to score before Laurier's Joel Abwunza netted the winning goal.

Abwunza had the ball in the box several times but was unable to get off a shot. Finally, he had a shot blocked and then was able to put the rebound in the far corner.

The Hawks had a couple more serious chances to score again including a perfect cross from Kenny Nutt to Ken Cartmill, but the Western keeper made a great save.

As Western continued to

press for the equalizer, Laurier's defense held on in the final minutes to secure the victory.

After the game, Coach Barry McLean was impressed with his team's win.

"We are playing exceptionally well right now. Western has been our nemesis, and beating them was key," noted McLean.

According to McLean the entire team is playing very well right now, especially the

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defense and goaltender Pieter Meuleman who have not allowed a single goal since their first game of the season.

The key now, according to McLean, for the team to continue winning is to "keep things

on an even keel."

Meanwhile, the women's soccer team also continues to play well. Over the weekend they played to a draw against Windsor, 1-1 and then beat Western 1-0.

Coach Barry McLean commented that overall everything is positive about the team who has three wins and two ties for the season. He is concerned though, with the up and down play of the team, and is confident that they can play better.

After playing in last year's national championships as the host team the goal for the Hawks this year is to make the championships by earning a position.

McLean admits that right now it is a long shot but if they continue to play well they certainly may get there.

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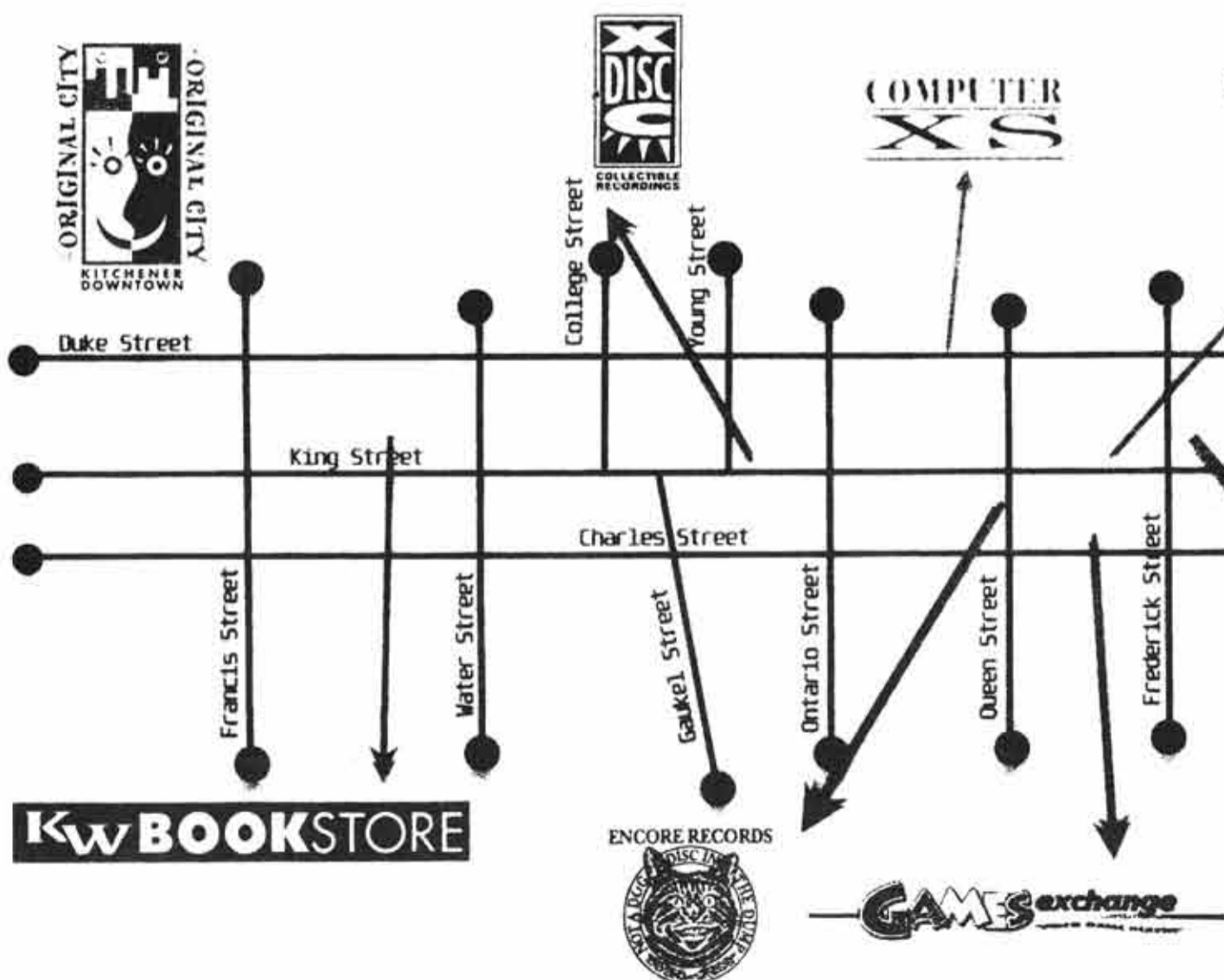
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# SBE plans 100% Co-op Forums to be held this Wednesday and Friday

**MATTHEW CADE**

In an effort to improve the School of Business and Economics at Laurier, a proposal has been made to move the Co-op program to Automatic Entry.

If everything goes as planned, the program, affectionately known as 100% Co-op, could be in place and fully operational as early as next September.

"Right now the proposal is going through due process," said Mitali De, Associate Dean of the School of Business and Economics. "Ideally we'd like to have it ready for September, 2001. But if not, then it will work the following year, absolutely."

The uncertainty surrounding the proposal's timeline has to do mainly with "resources", a term which includes issues of both people and space. First of all, more counsellors are required to service the greater number of students who will be involved in the program.

One officer has already been hired and is working out of Toronto specifically in search of placements for students. More will be brought in to fill similar positions as numbers begin to dictate their necessity.

Space is also a major consideration for organizers. The expansion of the program requires more room to house these new employees and also to carry out much of the interviewing and other processes.

On the surface, the Automatic Entry Co-op Program is fairly straight forward. Any and all students who wish to be involved in it will be accepted as long as he or she can maintain a B- (7) average. If they wish, students can also opt out of the program.

When asked why she thought

the proposal for automatic entry was necessary, De said that she believed it was "an extremely good opportunity," for the students.

"It is a more concentrated effort on preparing our students for the real world," she then added. "It's purely based on the academic value of a co-op program for students."

"Many businesses in the area are technology-based," said De, explaining that a demand existed for more Co-op students from

"Ideally, we'd like to have it ready for September, 2001."

Laurier. "They have the technology expertise, but they're looking for the business expertise."

However, major concerns have also been raised about whether or not the move is a necessary one, or even if it is a good one.

Derek Simon, a 2000 business graduate, has expressed his concerns about the change.

"There is some concern as to whether or not this is something that everyone will want," said the business grad. "We have to ask ourselves if Co-op is the best option for every business student."

Simon said that he believed other students shared some of his concerns. In his comments he referred both to students who were still involved in the program and others who had grad-

uated.

"I know that, as things stand, employers really value the pre-screening process," he said. "If that process is eliminated, it might be perceived as a negative (and therefore weaken the program)."

More important, however, were Derek's comments on the differences between how Co-op and non-Co-op students are treated within the school of business and economics.

"The way things are now, non-Co-op students are already marginalized," said Simon. "If the number of students in Co-op grows, this marginalization can only increase. There is a real concern for this."

Clearly there is much to be discussed before the final decision is made. Jeffrey Kroeker, President of the Students' Union is encouraging students to voice their opinion before it is too late.

"This is something that will have sweeping ramifications across faculties and across Laurier," said Kroeker. "We knew the process was at work, but we didn't know the ends were going to come so quickly. Primarily it came too fast with too little consultation."

Now the opportunity for students to voice their opinions is being made available. Forums will be held on Wednesday September 27 at 2:30pm in room 2-201 and again on Friday September 29 at the same time in P1025/27.

Their purpose is to further inform students about the ins and outs of the proposed program, but they are also there so that the committee can get some sort of feedback.

"We are trying to present the program in the way we think it will operate," said Mitali De, "both with benefits, concerns and issues we'd like to address."

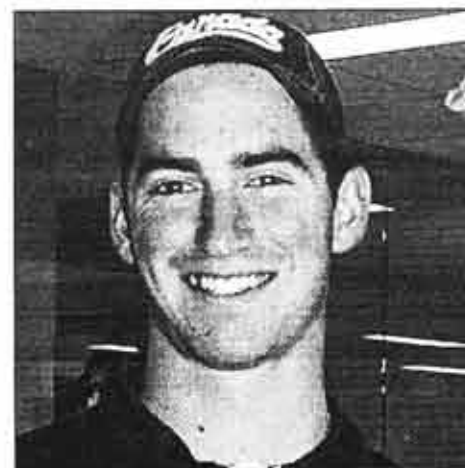
## VOCAL CORD

Do you feel that 100% SBE Co-op will further isolate business and economics majors from students in other programs?



"Yes, because they would be on their own stream. I think every department should get as much attention as the SBE Co-op program."

**Cory Gaber**  
1st Year Computer Science



"I think it might deter those kids who may want to get involved in extra-curricular activities from choosing Laurier."

**Walt Podubny**  
5th year: undeclared major



"Yes, definitely, because of the summer term structure."

**Michelle "Meesh" Watt**  
4th Year Non-Co-op Business



"Yes. People in other programs may feel that business students are getting preferential treatment."

**Clay Charters**  
4th Year Women's Studies (being strangled by Laura Meyer)



"Yes because they won't be as involved with their fellow students at Laurier as they otherwise might be."

**Fawzya Khairullah**  
4th Year Psychology

## 100 % Co-op Round One

The plan was first presented publicly in the spring and intended to be implemented for September 2000, a date many felt was too close to the proposal's introduction. Yet aside from fears the project was being pushed through too quickly, a number of other problems became rapidly apparent as the idea was examined in detail.

Chief among the problems was the question of funding. The introduction of full co-op would require an investment of at least \$300,000 to \$400,000 by the Co-op Committee's own estimate. While the university does have enough money in a contingency fund, other faculties would have been up in arms had such an enormous amount gone to one division.

According to Student Senator Jeffrey Kroeker - who is also the Students' Union President - the plan had "countless problems" that led to its at least temporary derailment.

# Take back the night march a success

MICHELLE SCARFONE

Hey girls, if someone once told you that you shouldn't go out at night because it was too dangerous, what would you do? What if you couldn't go outside because you were paralysed with fear? What would you do then?

It's one thing to be able to make a decision for yourself and another to be forced into a decision that others have made for you. It's sad to say but the decision has already been made for too many women across the world. Violence against woman has placed fear in the hearts, minds and bodies of thousands and has made them prisoners in their own homes. Thursday September 21st, 2000 gave freedom to women as they marched through Kitchener to "Take Back the Night".

At 6:30 pm, about 300

women united together at the Victoria Park Clock Tower to begin the hour and a half march, carrying signs, shakers and chanting powerful slogans such as, "Whatever we wear, Wherever we go, Yes means Yes and No means No!"

Guest-speaker and sexual assault victim Mary Anne Ept spoke following the march. Women were also given the opportunity to speak out about their experiences.

The night was arranged by The Kitchener-Waterloo Take Back the Night March Committee. Co-ordinator Michele Scott, a WLU alumni and former Women's Centre volunteer, walked amongst the women with personal intentions.

"It was personally meaningful and I felt safe with the women. I am an assault victim as well. I was marching to take

back my voice, self-respect, dignity and innocence".

Holly Wagg, one of the many attending volunteers from the WLU Women's Centre, has wanted to attend the march for

"I was marching to take back my innocence."

the past two years and was finally able to do so this year. Wagg said she found it "one of the most amazing experiences," and added that "the synergy between everything was powerful. My throat was hurting but I

kept yelling."

Volunteer Mary Hermsen feels that the point of the march is for women to stand together without fear. "It is about walking down the street and not being afraid".

Sarah Mooney found the march "phenomenal...the energy from everyone was powerful. It was a neat experience."

Laurier's support this year was strong. Between 50 and 60 WLU students attended. Michele Scott was very impressed.

"It was amazing, the response we got! We had two female floors from Conrad and a male floor from Little House. It was the biggest response we've had in the last 3 years! To see men come out to support us [on the sidelines] shows that times are changing."

Scott also felt that there were too many misconceptions about

the march being anti-male.

"It is not about angry woman against men. It's women who want safe streets and safe homes. It is to show that violence is a major problem in society."

The annual celebration of women's freedom is also a battle against injustice and inequality that women are still facing in their everyday lives. Take Back the Night isn't just restricted to the horrifying acts of rape, sexual assault or violence. Women are marching to show society that they are no longer going to remain quiet and live in fear.

Most importantly, this march brings support to the individual woman who has in some way been a victim and it inspires the entire group to stay strong and keep marching for their basic human rights.

## Sac de crime, s'il vous plait

### False Fire Alarm 2005 HRS Mon Sept 18/00

Two juveniles are suspected of activating the fire alarm@ MacDonald House. Officers gave chase but were unable to apprehend the two.

### Noise Complaint 0108 HRS Tue Sept 19/00

Officers responded to a complaint of a loud party at Laurier Place. The occupants of the unit were spoken to and the matter will be dealt with by residence staff.

### False Fire Alarm 0102 HRS Thu Sept 21/00

Person(s) unknown caused a fire alarm in the Science Building by activating a pull station.

### Non Reportable MVA 1530 HRS Thu Sept 21/00

A minor vehicle collision took place in lot 8 when an unoccupied car rolled across the parking lot striking another vehicle.

### Common Assault 2210 HRS Thu Sept 21/00

Officers responded to a complaint from a resident at Laurier Place. As a result of the investigation, two individuals were issued written trespass notices banning them from WLU controlled property.

### Medical Assist 2300 HRS Thu Sept 21/00

Officers responded to a call for assistance from Foot Patrol regarding a non WLU male displaying some bizarre behaviour. It is believed the individual may have been under the influence of some drug. He was subsequently taken to hospital by ambulance.

### Cause Disturbance 0115 HRS Fri Sept 22/00

Officers assisted in the removal of a WLU student from Wilf's who kept returning after he was evicted. The matter will be forwarded to the JAC.

### Mischief 0010 HRS Fri Sept 22/00

Two students were evicted from campus for the night after they were observed kicking the light standards in front of the Library. The matter will go before the DAC.

During this time period, one warning and one provincial offence notice were issued for Liquor Act violations.

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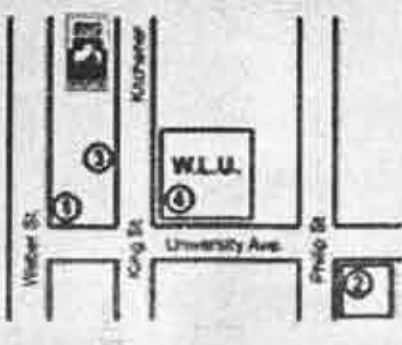
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EDITORS COMMENT

# Trouble At The Henhouse

It's taken me all of my first three years here at Wilfrid Laurier to figure things out, but I think I've finally seen the light. As the dust begins to settle around the chaos and controversy that has plagued this school over the past few weeks, it has become quite clear to me that students on this campus are divided essentially into two groups.

Perhaps 'group' is not specific enough for our purposes since the division of which I speak is quite unique. Students are not split by age or sex or race or even by program. The separation is a matter of their taste in music.

In one corner sit fans of The Tragically Hip. I am speaking here of your stereotypical university student who not only enjoys the music, but also somehow seems to derive his or her Canadian-ness from the band. We're talking about a sense of patriotism that rivals the national pride the average Canadian feels about the game of hockey. And be very careful when you combine the two. You should see how crazy these kids get when the Hip sing about Bill Barilko.

Furthermore, I know of no other group whose fans will rise for a raucous rendition of the national anthem before their show begins. Truly, it is a strange phenomenon. Show me a Tragically Hip fan and I'll show you someone who is proud to be Canadian.

On the other side of things stand those kids who seem to feel that if you own a Hip album, you don't know the first damn thing about music. "They're a high school band," they'll say, "and they haven't written anything good since New Orleans Is Sinking."

Students on this side make fun of the Hip, but really it's their fans, the

other group on campus, which they cannot understand. They want the Hip fans to realize that there's all kinds of stuff out there other than rock 'n' roll, and even rock 'n' roll has a lot more to offer than The Tragically Hip. It's the 'give me Hip or give me death' mentality that bothers them most of all, I think. They'd really just be happy if they heard a Hip fan admit that some of their music just isn't that good. Don't count on it, though.

I suppose what's been said thus far has not exactly been a breakthrough into the 'psychology of the student'

Show me a Tragically Hip fan and I'll show you someone who is proud to be Canadian.

here at Laurier. Certainly there are many students to which this does not immediately apply. But I have explained my thoughts here only so that I might speak to my own situation.

First of all, I am, in every way, a fan of The Tragically Hip. I have seen them more often than any other band, I do the national anthem thing at concerts, and I rarely travel without all nine albums that bear their name. Let's be honest: there's nothing quite like driving down the highway in the summer, windows down, and Blow At High Dough pounding on the car stereo.

Despite this, however, I do think outside the box. In fact, though it doesn't sit well with the stereotype, I listen to, and appreciate, all sorts of other music. I'll be the first one to tell you that a little variety and a little balance in my life go a long way.

And there's the fix I'm in. One group wants to blame me for liking the Hip and following the mainstream and not thinking for myself. At the same time, the other wants to punish me for departing from the party line and listening to a few songs that they don't approve of. It seems I'm walking a very fine line.

The problem is that we think our differences are bad when all along Arby's has been telling us otherwise. Things happen and all of a sudden everyone wants to be in full control of what music is played on campus. Students want to preach to each other and make fun and get upset, but the truth is just that our perception of things is unique and anger isn't about to get us anywhere. If students at this damn school would just realize that liking different songs is okay, people would be able to play their own music as loud as they wanted, even if they were right across the hall from one another.

Until everyone accepts that it's okay to swear by the Hip, and that it's also okay to swear at the Hip, things around here will not change. The important thing is to remember that even though the songs are different, it's all Music. It's just heard through different ears.

MATTHEW CADE  
 NEWS EDITOR

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THE 2000 OLYMPICS:  
 CELEBRATING HUMANITY?

MANEESH SEHDEV

## PROBLEM OF THE WEEK MANEESH SEHDEV

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## WOMYN'S WORDS

## Business As Usual

AMY WRIGHT

I had two diverse experiences today which have inadvertently inspired reflection on my status as an Arts student at Laurier. This introspection resulted from the varying use of audio/visual aids. In my English lecture, we watched a movie that paralleled with our current unit of study. During my Philosophy lecture, we were privy to a most splendid PowerPoint presentation. The relevance of this will soon be proved, please bear with me.

My Philosophy class (for whatever reason) is in the Peters Building. The lecture halls and classrooms are, to say the least, aesthetically pleasing. Each room appears fully equipped with state-of-the-art technology. Such innovation is new to me, but has proven an effective teaching aid. Conversely, the movie I watched in my English lecture was viewed on a combination Panasonic television/VCR unit circa 1985, rolled (quite

impressively) into the classroom on a cart. Where did this class take place, you ask? In the basement of the library - an area I happen to know quite well. Is it merely coincidence that as an English major attending a school recognized primarily for its Business and Economics programs I find myself crammed

Arts Co-op students conduct their own job search.

into the basement? For those students who have never ventured to the annals of the library (translation: directions for Business and Economics students), it's easy to find. And in the event you should find yourself lost, simply look for groups of sixty-five to seventy sandwiched students, absorbing the "intimate learning environment"

promised in all the glossy Laurier brochures.

Upon my recent acceptance to the Co-op program, I was somehow not shocked to read in the various handouts that Arts and Science Co-op students conduct their own job search, receive lower salaries and work fewer weeks than Business or Economics students. I was also very relieved to find out that Laurier Co-op had contacts with "employer associations such as the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants." As an Arts student, such contacts are sure to prove an invaluable resource in my finding a suitable placement.

I think I'm simply becoming bitter from the second-rate treatment Arts students receive. The grass is always greener on the other side, right? Maybe the Peters Building isn't the apex of architectural perfection. Maybe PowerPoint will prove a completely irrelevant teaching aid. Or maybe if they actually put some bloody windows in the classrooms of the Peters Building, the SBE students could witness the experiences of the "rest" of Laurier's population.

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## LETTERS

## PARKING WOES

I am writing in response to an inappropriate comment directed towards me by one of the administrators in the parking department at the business office. I am a student who commutes from Woodstock every day so I bought a parking pass in order to use Laurier's parking lot. I haven't been able to find a place to park since the beginning of classes. I have noticed that several transport truck trailers have been taking up many spots. I have also noticed cars with passes parked illegally have been towed away rather than those without passes.

Cars without passes should not be in the parking lot. In short, I was told that I must not be going to class in order to make all these observations. I guess I haven't been going to class in order to find the time to write this comment.

Jocelyn Gauvin

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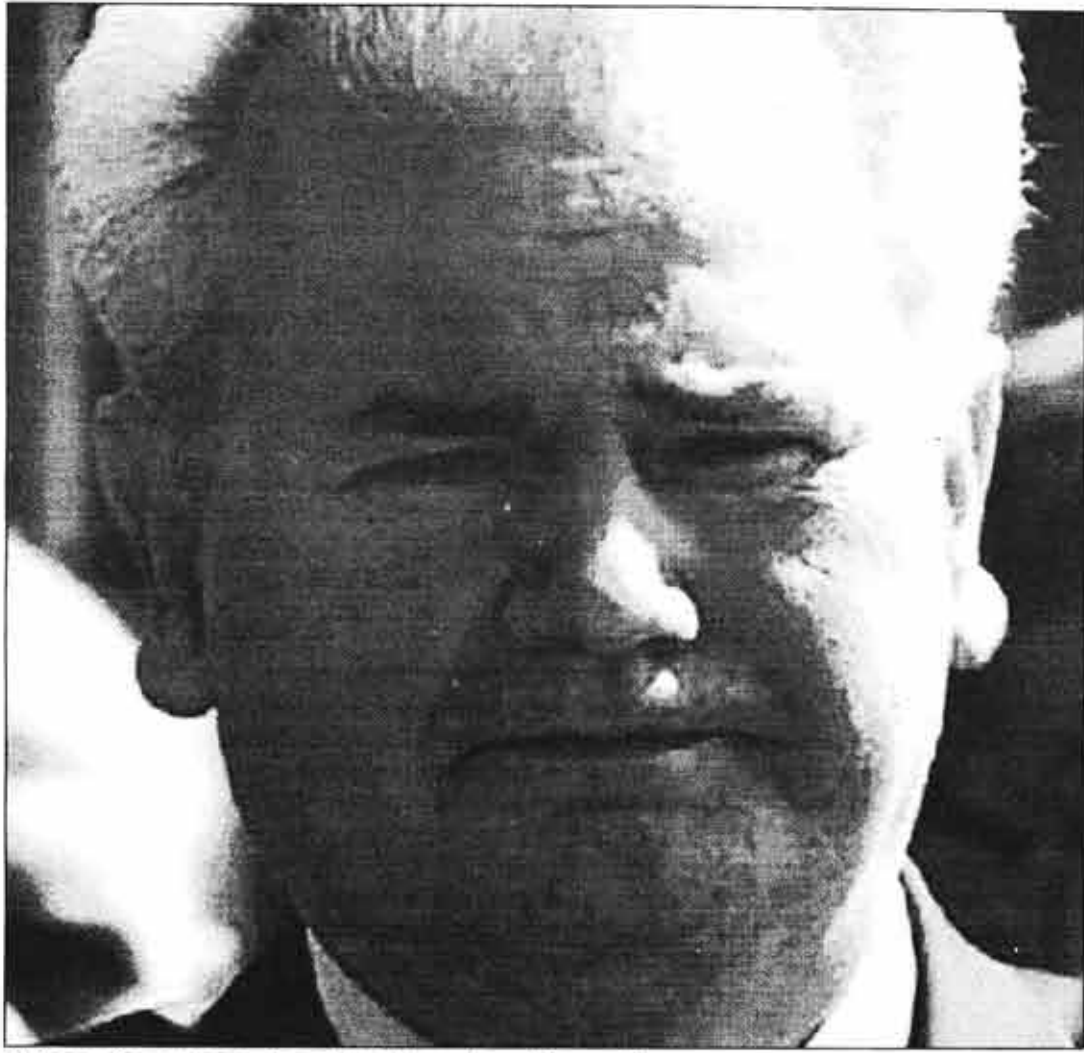
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# Milosevic Defeated?



Milosevic, whose head is almost as big as his ego.

YVONNE FARAH

In only a few nations of the world can there be two winners to a presidential election and one of them would be Yugoslavia. In an election that can only be called chaotic, the results of it are not at all shocking. The bitter election for Yugoslavian president was held on Sunday and brought out a record number of voters.

In Belgrade, thousands of opposition supporters declared victory in a central square near the site of a rock concert held to celebrate a win for President Slobodan Milosevic. Armed riot police kept the two sides apart, and there were reports of clashes between police and opposition demonstrators on a nearby bridge.

The people of Yugoslavia have been expecting some sort of change after this election but that does not appear to be happening in the near future. Milosevic and his main opponent, Vojislav Kostunica, low-key, 56-year-old lawyer have both

announced that they are the victors in this shady election.

Opposition officials and foreign observers fear that the President is so desperate to remain in power, and to avoid being prosecuted before the

“...let Serbia get out of the prison you have turned it into”

international tribunal in The Hague for war crimes committed in Kosovo—that it is alleged to have rigged the elections’ outcome.

It has been seven years since the people of Yugoslavia have gone to the

polls. That is when Milosevic won his second term as President of Serbia. Instead of stepping down when that term was over, he had the parliament elect him President of the Yugoslav federation, a position that suddenly became important because all governmental powers were transferred to that position.

Opinion polls conducted prior to the election by Mr. Milosevic’s group showed Mr. Kostunica leading by 41 per cent to 20 per cent in voter intentions.

However results of the election are as conflicting as can be expected; both sides are claiming victor by considerable margins.

About 7.8 million people were eligible to vote in this election but not all people chose to vote. The leftist government of Montenegro boycotted what they referred to a corrupt election, therefore only about 25 per cent of the population voted there the majority for Milosevic.

President Milosevic’s group says that he won the election by a narrow margin, 45 per cent to Kostunica’s 40 per cent. This would allow the president to call a run-off election, if he wished.

Kostunica’s supporters say he has won the election 55.3 to Milosevic’s 34.3. A third party, the untransnationalist Serbian Radical Party who ran an unsuccessful candidate, agreed that the results were close to those reported by Kostunica’s supporters.

Western leaders have issued statements backing the opposition lead by Kostunica and urging Milosevic to leave office quietly. British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said that all the “reliable evidence” pointed to a Kostunica win. Cook delivered a harsh message to President Milosevic: “Get out of the way and let Serbia get out of the prison you have turned it into.”

The next few weeks will show if Milosevic will accept his defeat or if more problems will develop for this long-suffering nation.

## Joined Twins Fate Decided

YVONNE FARAH

How does a parent decide to sacrifice the life of one child for that of the other? In the case of an Eastern European couple in Britain it seems the courts will make that decision for them. The fate of joined twins born in August in Manchester has been decided by the English courts and is being appealed by their parents.

Jodie and Mary – false names used by the court to preserve the infants’ privacy—are joined at their lower abdomens. Mary’s brain and body are less developed than Jodie’s and the Manchester medical team says it is highly probable that if left joined, both twins will die within six months as Jodie’s heart fails.

The Court of Appeal, unanimously upheld a decision in favour of the separation of the twins by surgeons. “Though Mary has right to life, she has little right to be alive,” Justice Alan Ward said summarizing the judgement. “She is alive because and only –to put it bluntly but nonetheless accurately– she sucks the lifeblood of Jodie and her parasitic living will soon be the cause of Jodie ceasing to live.

“Jodie is entitled to protest that Mary is killing her. Nobody but the doctors can help Jodie. Mary sadly is beyond any help.”

The court had struggled with the issue that by separating the twins they would or would not be intentionally killing the weaker one. The girls’ parents who are Roman Catholic believe that it is impossible to make a choice that would be intentionally killing one child while saving the other.

“Mary’s death would not be the purpose of the operation, although it would be its inevitable consequence. The operation would give her, even in death, bodily integrity as a human being. She would die, not because her own body cannot sustain her life,” said Justice Robert Walker.

The doctor in charge of the joined twins testified that Mary, who had once been completely passive is now beginning to open her right eye occasionally and had begun to suck, although she could not feed. Her brain was “extremely primitive,” he said. The lawyer representing Jodie has stated that doctors believe she “is expected to have a normal brain and normal intelligence.”

This is a case with compelling ethical issues but it has been for the most part very subdued. No pictures of any member of the family involved has been released and the parents have

# Laurier: An International Arrival

RAYMOND SUN KIT OH

I can empathise with those who are coming to Laurier as an international student. I know what obstacles we have to overcome. I would admit that I had many misconceptions about Canadians just like anyone who had never been to Canada. I had visions of igloos, lumberjacks and curlers. Guess I was wrong.

The first thing that struck me about Canada was the climate. The only time that I had ever seen snow was on television and when I opened the freezer. This is someone who came from the Caribbean, namely Trinidad and Tobago.

If the climate was not enough, we also have to deal with the Canadian culture. It was a huge culture shock to see things that you did not expect. What? No igloos! Although Canada and T&T have the same background — they were both

English colonies during the expansion of the English Empire — there are differences between them. For example, Canada has more luxuries than Trinidad and Tobago. You would not believe that I had to get myself accustomed to basics like going shopping, taking public transit

My first job in Canada was shovelling snow for the university.

and going to the bank.

Language can be a barrier to international students. Although I speak English, it is sometimes difficult to be understood. Just ask my roommates. It is just as trying to understand your professors and peers can be a challenge. It can be hard when you have courses that require class participation. I still hate talking in class even

though I have done it for three years. For those whose native language is not English it is very frustrating. I can imagine when the professor is giving a lecture and they are translating every word and thought just so they can understand. If that wasn’t enough, they have to deal

with slang like “eh”.

Being an international student can leave a huge dent in your bank account. Those who are on a student visa have to pay a huge amount in fees. When I first came to Laurier, I had to pay two times the amount what the average Canadian university student had to pay. That’s a lot of money! I also had to get accustomed

to buying textbooks. On average, students spend about \$800 - \$1000 on textbooks in a year. Again, that’s a lot of money! It is very difficult to get a job if you are an international student as you are restricted in your choices. International students attending a Canadian university can only work on campus. My first job in Canada was shovelling snow for the University. For me, being an international student is a learning experience. I have seen more things and experienced a lot more in the past three years here in Canada than I have growing up in Trinidad and Tobago. I know it can be unnerving, in that you are coming to new country and you have to deal with a lot in a short space of time. I understand the feeling of homesickness and not knowing anyone. But you know you will do what you came to here to do. That is to learn something new.



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For further information and applications, contact Dr. David Black, Communication Studies Program, ex. 3990 (Woods 3-213) or [dblack@wlu.ca](mailto:dblack@wlu.ca). Deadline for application is **Monday November 2**. Completed applications may be left in Dr. Black's mailbox c/o Communication Studies, Woods 3-215.

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# Telephone Chat-Lines – Almost Mainstream

Social interaction is a basic human need. People who are tired of the same old, same old can generally add a little excitement to their lives by meeting new people. Meeting new people can lead to the creation of another group of friends, new activities and even a new love interest.

When it comes to meeting new people, some take a wait and see attitude and rely on things like chance meetings through friends, the workplace, health clubs, or might even decide to heavy up on the bar scene. Other people who are tired of waiting and want immediate interaction choose to interact with people over the Internet or through a telephone chat line.

For many people the internet option works fine if pure boredom relief is the ultimate goal. The major downside to this format is not really knowing what the person at the other end of keyboard is really like or where they are from. They could be

young, or old or even male or female, and you wouldn't know it. It can be pretty emotionally upsetting to find out that you thought you were having fun with a 25 year old female when you eventually find out you were actually messaging a man twice your age. Even if an interesting relationship does develop, the chance of actually meeting an internet friend has been shown to be extremely slim.

To overcome some of the downside to internet chat, the last few years has seen telephone based chat systems become widely accepted. A telephone based chat system confidentially links both men and women primarily from the local area. It offers all the same interactions as if you were simply talking on the phone, but your true identity is not revealed to the people you are talking with – until you're ready to reveal it. Telephone chat is usually always free for women and can be a great way to meet someone

new. From the conversations, you will be able to easily identify that you are talking with someone of the opposite sex and also be able to get a good idea of their age. Then, if you do decide you want to actually meet face-to-face with someone, the telephone chat system is locally based, and the other person is likely from the same area as you.

One telephone system called the GrapeVine, actually combines the benefits of internet chat with telephone chat. In addition to being able to interact with local callers, it also lets you interact with other callers from right across Canada – if you choose to do so.

More than ever, people tired of things like the bar scene have turned to the fun and discreet world of the telephone chat system. Whether you're looking for your soul mate, or just to have a few hours of fun, check out the advantages of telephone chat.

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# BIG *brother*

## Laurier style

Meet Amy Pergolas and Ryan Burgio. One month ago both left the presumably comfortable and loving homes of their families, and were dropped off to live amongst the cinder block and concrete structures that make up Laurier's campus.

But, as any Laurier student knows, this school is about far more than architecture.

So how have two of the newest members of Laurier's community adjusted to their new environment? They survived O-Week, but what did it mean to them?

How are they doing now that some of the hype has died down and classes have begun in earnest?

The Feature Section of the Cord has asked these two first-year students to write about their first month at Laurier. What follows are their impressions of their new school and home.

The Cord will be updating the progress of Amy and Ryan as the year goes on, letting them share with you how their first-year is developing, and how they as individuals, along with their impressions of Laurier, have changed.



amy pergolas

It is amazing how much your life can change over the span of only a couple of weeks. A month ago, I was still at home in the tiny little town of Haliburton, Ontario where the weekend excitement consisted mostly of an outdated movie theatre, the Rockcliffe Bar and Tavern and the occasional bush party, where the boys went mud-din' in their old pick up trucks.

I lived on a secluded lake in the middle of a peaceful forest and my closest friend lived almost 20 minutes away. I knew everything about everyone in Haliburton and everyone knew me; yes, things sure have changed.

I arrived at Laurier with all of my belongings (much more than anyone else brought I might add) only to find that I would be living with my presumably evil Don for the next 8 months. As soon as I got over that little catastrophe, I set about unpacking my things while trying to ignore the embarrassing comments my mother insisted upon making.

Then I was thrown into a group of people I didn't know, led by a couple of crazy Icebreakers wearing purple. These people actually thought it was fun to yell, scream and make fools of themselves in front of hundreds of people. I wanted to go home.

Now, only a few weeks later, I love it here. I have met tons of great people, and learned that it

really is fun to yell and make a fool of yourself in front of a large crowd.

I will admit that it has been a huge adjustment to make, but one that I am thoroughly enjoying. I mean, partying 4 or 5 nights a week really isn't all that bad. Come to think of it, neither is sleeping in until 10:00 am rather than 8:30 am or eating nachos at midnight. Besides, I consider all of my late nights practice for when I really need to stay up late studying.

I can't say that all of this textbook reading is very exciting, but I haven't forgotten that it is the main reason why I am here; my introduction to business scared me into remembering that.

My goal this week is to get ahead of my work, rather than just keep up and since my first mid term is already next week, I plan to stick to it. This might be little bit difficult, however, since I am

Now, only a few weeks later, I love it here.

suddenly able to fall asleep at any time of day, and people are constantly stopping in to say "Hi".

But don't get me wrong, I am not

complaining. I have made some really good friends over the past few weeks, especially with the wonderful people on Bricker 7. My crazy Icebreakers turned out to be awesome people who I plan to stay in touch with, and I found out that my Don isn't so evil after all. She is not only a great person, but a great roommate as well.

Everyone here is so friendly, and though I no longer know the life history of everyone that passes me by, I am having fun meeting and learning about the people that do.



## ryan burgio

"There are few earthly things more beautiful than a university ... a place where those who hate ignorance may strive to know, where those who perceive truth may strive to make others see."

-John Masefield, British poet, (1878-1967)

Arriving into a new environment full of mystery and intrigue, my life has forever changed. The moment I stepped into the admissions line on that cold September afternoon, the person I thought I knew as myself was changed forever.

The first impression I had of Laurier was that it had an excellent economics program. I could have cared less about extra-curricular activities, student unions or sports teams. I was coming to this school for one reason, academics.

The first day here was, to put it mildly, shocking and in some ways

disturbing. Waiting in line and watching a group of people in orange clothes dance around made me rethink my decision about coming to this school.

"This school spirit isn't going to get to me," I thought "I'm way too cool for these dancing orange freaks."

But the school spirit did get to me, and quick. If I had to pinpoint the exact moment when it entered my soul, it was probably during the opening ceremonies.

I remember the spirit hitting me during Jeffery Kroeker's speech. I realized that there was indeed something special about Laurier. His speech was an eye-opener, making me realize that there is much more to Laurier than academics; it is a small university with big ideas and motivated individuals.

From that point on I haven't been the same person. School spirit is a part of my soul, something that no one can take away from me.

Mr. Kroeker's speech was not the only event that invigorated me. This new realization can be attributed to many factors.

However, the most dominating and awe inspiring group of people to leave a

lasting impression on my frosh week would have to be my Icebreakers. Never have I met such an amazing group of individuals full of energy and awareness. They have literally changed me from a snot-nosed freshman into a reflective and outgoing individual. Not once did I hear one negative word uttered from any of them.

The frosh leaders for my group (G3), were especially amazing. In most schools 2nd, 3rd and 4th year students would consider themselves too elite to mingle with any freshmen. Not only did G3's Icebreakers make every conceivable effort to help the frosh feel welcome during O-week, but they have continued to extend that attitude during this entire month, and will probably continue to do so. One thing that has struck me about this school is the lack of bigheaded and conceited individuals.

One weekend I had a few friends visit me. They expected the usual routine of a weekend-long party. We did our fair share of partying all weekend, and this alone would have satisfied my claims that Wilfrid Laurier University is the best school in Ontario.

However, this school, I'm proud to say, not only showed them a good time, it totally shook their perceptions of how a university should be. By the end of the week I was surprised to see them cheering for the Laurier Golden Hawks and

making serious plans about transferring to this school next year. But I'm fairly sure it wasn't the parties or the drinking that invigorated them; rather it was the affable looks of everyone in the school, the hospitality of all that live here and the tradition of excellence and camaraderie that lie within the boundaries of this school.

So what have I learned these past three weeks? Well, I've learned about the functions of the brain, supply and demand and Plato's philosophies. But more importantly, I've experienced things and ideals which cannot be taught within the confines of a lecture hall.

I'm a much more open, idealistic and well-rounded individual. The person who first entered the bounds of this university on a cold Labour Day has been transformed into a determined, and critically aware individual.

If this is all Wilfrid Laurier serves to achieve for its students, I'll be satisfied - however, I know there is much more to be experienced in the following months.



Candid photos from first year  
Clockwise from top left:  
Ryan Burgio  
Burgio doing the dishes  
Amy Pergolas and boyfriend Matt; he's from U of W so go get him!  
Opposite Page: Amy Pergolas



# A Perfect Farce

**Waterloo Stage Theatre kicks off its 2000-2001 season with comedy in *Perfect Wedding***



Aaron Solomon and Amy Neufeld listen to a cover up story enacted by Claire Porter and Randolph J. Johnston in the hilarious *Perfect Wedding*.

**DANIELLE FIELDER  
JENNIFER SMITH**

Coming off a great 1999-2000 season, the Waterloo Stage Theatre kicks off its 2000-2001 season with the comedy *Perfect Wedding*. This farce works in the tradition of many comedies of confusion, and is reminiscent of *Noises Off* and *Britcom* television programs.

The action begins with the upcoming wedding of Rachel and Bill, but in the opening scene, Bill awakes to find he is in bed with another woman in

the honeymoon suite meant for his wedding night.

Hilarity ensues when he tries to remember the events of his drunken bachelor party, and with the help of his best man Tom, to cover up the whole affair before Rachel arrives to get ready for the wedding.

Tom's girlfriend, a chambermaid, and Rachel's mother add to the general confusion as the play progresses.

Fast-paced action and high energy contribute to the laughs in the play, and the actors were well suited for their roles. All of

the players managed to keep up British accents quite well throughout the play, with very few slip-ups.

As the groom, Aaron Solomon is a great mix of panic and seeming composure as he tries to evade Rachel and to decipher his feelings in the wake of his situation. His ability to produce creative lies that become more and more involved also add to the comedy.

In the role of his best friend Tom, Randolph J. Johnston is absolutely hilarious. He is a

master at physical comedy, and his facial expressions keep the audience laughing even when he isn't speaking.

Claire Porter is excellent as the chambermaid who must pose as Tom's girlfriend, and moves swiftly from a somewhat lower class persona to perform a comic high society role in order to cover up Bill's affair.

Special mention must go to Danielle Younge-Ullman as Tom's girlfriend Judy, who plays a more serious role and interacts well with the comic confusion all around her.

Both Barbara Wheeldon as Rachel's mother and Frank Neary as the Porter provide strong comic support in secondary roles.

In the role of the bride Rachel is Amy Neufeld, a recent Laurier grad. She is wonderful as the indignant and demanding bride-to-be, and perfects a deliciously haughty persona throughout.

Neufeld was very active in theatre during her time at Laurier, performing and producing productions with the Laurier Theatre Collective and the University Players. She plans to pursue a career in the theatre, and found a good starting point at the Waterloo Stage.

"The Waterloo stage is a great place to start this kind of career because they are very accepting of my lack of profes-

sional experience, but at the same time they demonstrate a professionalism and work ethic demanded by this business. It's a great way to make connections, and ultimately keep working."

In terms of *Perfect Wedding*, Neufeld related that it was a great experience for her. "It was tons of fun and a great cast. The production was very smooth

The play is part comedy, part love story.

and I am so glad to be a part of it."

The play is part comedy and part touching love story, and while predictable at times as is the nature of bedroom farce, it

still managed to keep the audience on their toes. Leszlie Wade keeps the story light-hearted and fun, and also plays around with some very creative choreography.

The elaborate and quite beautiful set is a detailed reproduction of a hotel room and adjoining sitting room, but is not distracting.

The overall effect is a thoroughly enjoyable night of comedy that should not be missed. *Perfect Wedding* plays for only a few more weeks, so catch it before it is gone. Be sure to visit the Waterloo Stage this season and enjoy local theatre at its best. Call 888-0000 for ticket information.

# Bjork goes Hollywood with new film

**SCOTT CAIRNS**

Even if you despise her shriek, or are just completely baffled by her crazy persona, you have to give Bjork some credit for the scope of her personal vision. Lars Von Trier's new film, *"Dancer in the Dark"* plots Bjork in a post war industrial setting, where musical interludes and dreams of being swept away carry her life from day to day.

Bjork's main interest in the role is the good naturedness of Selma's character, "I felt like defending her; I think I'm very innocent as an actress, naive? The only way I could do this was from the love of this girl." Along with the new film is

Bjork's brainchild, "Selmasongs", which collects her musical efforts for the film *"Dancer in the Dark"* onto one seven track 32 minute album.

In the spirit of the movie's Czechoslovakian industrial setting, a factory sample theme has been created out of the clunks of the assembly plant. From the chug of the train on "I've seen it all" to the mechanical collage of "Cvalda" -it is clear that a great deal of time and ingenuity were put into the integration of the music with the film.

If you were at all uncomfortable with Bjork's past output on *Homogenic*, you'll be happier to hear a new orchestral warmth along with the cold and melan-

cholic rhythms of LFO's Mark Bell. Fans of Radiohead will definitely want to catch Bjork's duet with Thom Yorke on "I've seen it all" which will at the very least serve as a tasty hours oeuvre to the impending release of *Kid A*.

That said, Bjork always shines her brightest on those crazy over the top epics like "Oh So Quiet." Case in Point, "Like the Musicals", which came very close to making me cry with joy the first time (Note to self: You're such a wuss)

"Dancer in The Dark" will be playing in selected Toronto theatres on October 6, and hopefully *Princess...* within the next two months.



Bjork gets pensive about her funkstörung remixes.

# Ear candy for your brain



Baby Blue Sound Crew Private Party, Collector's Edition, Mixed CD



A big bad kick in the nuts

One of the first things I noticed as I placed the CD in the deck was the label proclaiming that this was a "100% DJ Mixed CD". I guess they either forgot or simply didn't have time to put the "100% Commercial" label below it. At various points while listening I forgot whether I was listening to the CD or Energy 108. If this is the crew's attempt to be embraced by pop culture, the selections are more than adequate. If you're searching for something to expand your hip-hop horizons, search elsewhere.

But let's not forget that the CD is named "Private Party". Some of the bumping, pure party style tunes include Nas w/ Ginuwine's "You Owe Me", a

tight remix of Angie Stone's "Everyday", Red and Meth's "da Rockwilder", and Baby Blue's own "Money Jane" featuring Kardinal Offishall, Sean Paul and Jully Black. Though all solid tracks, the CD loses momentum on several different occasions through either a lack of flow within the track selection or a lack of creativity in the mixes that is notable throughout. Though the mix from DMX's "What's my Name?" to Baby Cham and Bounty Killer's "Another Level" was notable and respect must be paid.

One magnificent thing about the compilation is the deftness that Kid Kut shows in the production role alongside Saukrates on tracks like "Only be in Love" featuring Glenn Lewis where the use of steel drums is just awesome and the ingenious beat they strung together for "Something to Love". Even "Money Jane" has a unique feel to it. If the crew's in fact capable of this kind of stuff I'd love to see more collaborations with artists like the Roots, Common, De La Soul and the Rascalz.

The last thing I notice as I remove the inner sleeve of the record is a sticker with the Baby Blue Sound Crew's logo on it. I wouldn't say that this album has made me want to place it on the front of my windshield but I won't throw it away, in hopes that the crew will give me more of their own talent and others like them and less Sisqo on their

next release.

Brent Reaney



At The Drive-In - Relationship of Command



One stroke short of an orgasm

I've been sitting in this chair for over 45 minutes, just aching to put At the Drive-In's music into neat and wonderful words. Is it New-Punk? Skunk? Neo-Metal-Indie? Buddhism, Old-Schoolism, or New-Schoolism? Hardly. At the Drive-In are the jaded audiophile's worst enemy because they're utterly fantastic, but utterutterutterly hard to pin down. The only thing that I'm really certain about "Relationship of Command" is the fact that it's the best album I've picked up in the year 2000, and I didn't have to think terribly hard about that either. "Relationship of Command"

opens with the chug and heavy breathing one would associate with death metal, but 10 seconds later you're standing in the depths of or some sort of revolutionary punk anthem splicing Fugazi with the planet Mars. If there was some sort of political system I despised, or some evil and corrupted empire that I romantically fought to oppose, then "relationship of command" would be the beat-up audio tape that I'd wake up to every morning to get my blood boiling. Quite simply, it rocks.

Twenty Minutes into the album, you wonder if ATDI is going to run out of steam, but by some whim it just keeps getting better. "Sleepwalk

Capsules" rocks like the Stonehenge, with its stuttering vocals and violent tempo changes; Invalid Litter Department acts like a slow and poetic mid-point to the album, but when you turn of the music, the chorus echoes like a cavern in your head.

45 minutes, and one epic funeral march ending later- I'm still trying to get my head around the conundrum that is At The Drive-In. I'm a cynical bastard, but there is always some weird Texans that manage to come up with something beautiful. Thanks boys, you made my day.

Scotty Cairns (resident badass)



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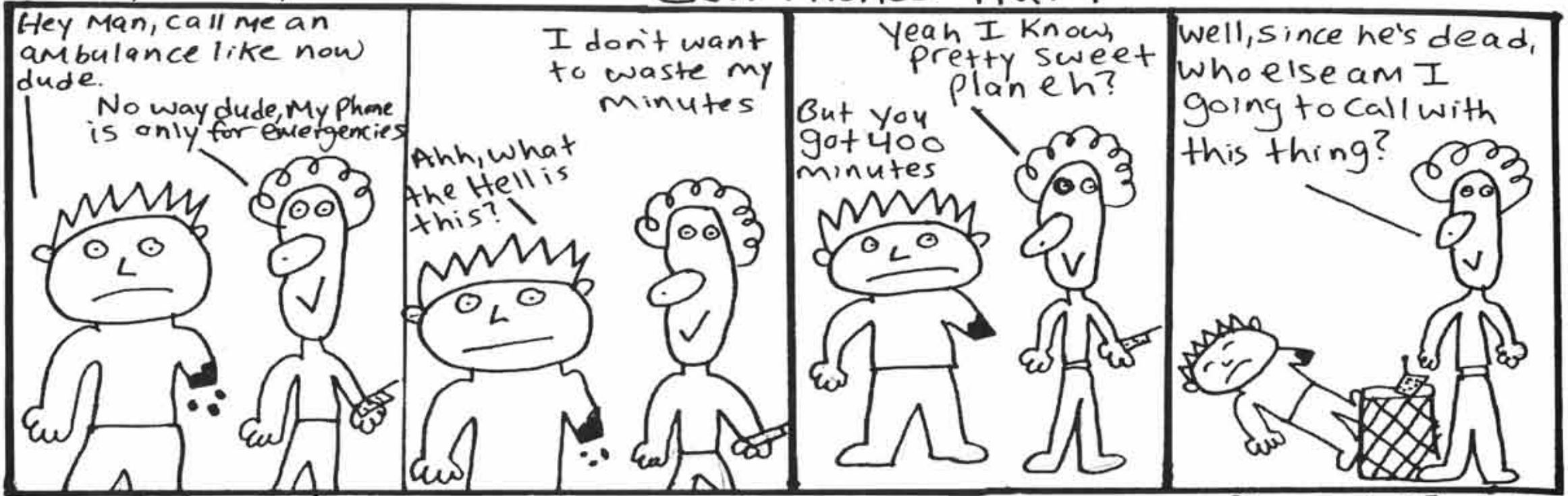
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# No Car Day!

KRISTINA SARAH

Last Thursday saw the arrival of the first global CAR FREE DAY. Numerous countries participated in what will surely become a day of note - for good or bad - on many calendars in the future.

Global Car Free day was established in response to a wide variety of concerns which are believed to be direct results of excessive automobile use.

According to the Environment Club, laziness, road rage, and pollution are chief among these.

Global Car Free Day was celebrated in Kitchener-Waterloo (K-W) by a variety of organizations that had previously participated in several similarly-minded activities.

Car Free Day's goal was to reduce individual reliance upon automobiles and promote the use of more environmentally-friendly transportation.

Ambitious individuals went one step further to spread the good news of Car Free day by participating in grassroots activities such as reclaiming a parking space from motorists, and participating in a Critical Mass bike ride.

A group of students associated with the Environment Club decided that a parking space take-over would be the ideal way in which to celebrate Car Free Day. Having agreed upon the plan amongst themselves, the students set up shop in a parking space in front of Waterloo Town Square, near the intersection of King and Erb streets.

They promoted their cause by shouting slogans, cheering non-car users and proudly displaying homemade signs.

They also spent a fair amount of time laughing at confused motorists who waited while signaling impatiently for the students to move out of the way.

Car Free signs advertising public transit, biking, and even crawling as healthy transportation alternatives were directed at the motorists and passers-by on King St..



Environmental Club members promote Car Free Day on King St.

According to the Enviro Club, the maneuver was fairly easy. For those of you who wish to have a parking space take over of your own the only materials needed are; yourself, a friend(s) (optional), bike(s), a sign(s), an optimistic attitude, and a costume (optional).

Reclaim the streets and encourage pedestrian power.

Following the protestations for Car Free Day, the first critical mass bike ride of the semester departed from the University of Waterloo.

The bike rides, which are aimed to encourage more people to use less environmentally-taxing forms of transportation, are usually scheduled for Fridays. However, with the congruence of Car Free Day, the decision was made to push the bike ride up by one day in order to gather greater public attention.

The bike ride left the University of Waterloo at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday afternoon.

The concept behind the bike ride is fairly simple. It consists of a group of cyclists who ride through the city as the 'critical mass'.

The aim? "Reclaim the streets and encourage pedestrian power," said Wellhauser.

The streets are reclaimed and pedestrian power encouraged, according to Wellhauser, by the promotion of the benefits associated with cycling as opposed to driving.

Perhaps most importantly, aside from the obvious health aspects, the bike rides seem to instill a sense of community and fun amongst the riders.

Thursday's ride climaxed at Kitchener City Hall where Luigi D'Agnillo delivered a brief speech, and the Raging Grannies hit a couple high notes while singing festive no car day songs.

"The importance of Car Free Day in K-W," says Wellhauser "is evident to anyone walking along King St. gagging and choking on the horribly polluted air."

"K-W is a traditionally clean and pleasant city that has developed some of the worst air quality in Ontario in recent years."

# queer

theory

"so i kissed a girl"

SAMANTHA KOHLI

So I kissed a girl...well, maybe on more than one occasion...and, maybe more than one girl, but I've also kissed quite a few boys.

Kissing falls into another realm, in terms of having kissed members of both sexes, as a kiss has the potential to define our relationships with others.

A horrible first kiss, one where it is forgotten that kissing should be limited to mouth to mouth contact or forgotten that tonsil hockey has not been arousing since the sixth

grade or even worse, an attempt at dentistry by licking your teeth clean of any after dinner debris, can instantaneously end any connection with the object of your lust.

But a kiss that is a real life imitation or even an emulation of how you kiss others, is one that has the ability to measure sexual compatibility in a relationship.

As a blatant generalization, women are better kissers than men - a comment that I can only justify from personal experience.

Although I wouldn't consider myself to be either entirely heterosexual or completely homosexual, I am unable to define myself as bisexual due to the limited nature of my sexual history with women.

I am one of a few women, according to some sex study I once read as a teenager, whom have never had a lesbian sexual experience. Call me a prude, but there are just certain aspects of lesbian sexuality that I can't quite visualize myself participating in, although I have participated in a couple of heterosexual activities out of the sheer thrill of experimentation.

Till this day I still occasionally perform 'fellatio' with no advantage to my own sexual desire. So why do I have a fear of sex with other women?

Limiting my sexual interaction with women to kissing

comes from my sheer will to be sexually adventurous and experimental in expanding without crossing my personal limits of sexual boundaries; boundaries that have been problematically constructed by our society.

I often hesitate to even kiss women in heterosexual bars due to the conflicting reaction of both sexes to such a public display of affection.

Women glare at women kissing women as they presume that it is an attempt to garner the affections of heterosexual males, while men drool and make lewd sugges-

Women glare at women kissing women while men drool.

tions of you and your partner joining them in the bedroom.

My difficulties with pursuing other parts of my potential bisexuality are mental in my incapability to transcend my predefined notions of

socially prescribed sexuality.

I wonder if I would question my sexuality with respect to women if I were to live in a world where I wouldn't feel shame for wanting to act on my sexual impulses.

To be openly bisexual is to live with a definite lack of understanding from both heterosexual and homosexual communities. You are marginalized for choosing an alternative sexuality, but do not fit into the alternative sexuality because you can still pass as 'straight.'

So right now I just kiss and try to kiss lots of women in the quest to find inner-confidence and the desire to challenge my mental conceptions of the woman I am.

I want to transform her into a sexually liberated female, one who has the capacity to accept aspects of lesbian sexuality that are socially stigmatized and eliminate those of heterosexuality that are unenjoyable.

*Queer Theory is a weekly column devoted to GLBT issues on campus. If you would like to write for Queer Theory, contact either The Cord or Luxmen because he's the middleman, which is cool.*

**strange but true...** Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different  
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Of all the words in the English language, the word set has the most definitions  
The blesbok, a South African antelope, is almost the same color as grapejuice!

# Mac Smacks

BRIAN THODE

A night of rain left McMaster's Les Prince field wet and sloppy for Laurier's game against the Marauders last Saturday. The conditions of the field foreshadowed a sloppy and lackluster performance by the Golden Hawks. Both the offence and defense struggled in the contest and the Marauders took full advantage handing the Hawks a painful 47-15 loss.

On paper, the two teams appeared to match up evenly. However, after years of mediocrity, the Mac Master had a chance to beat Laurier for the first time in over a decade in front of a homecoming crowd, and the Marauders showed from start to finish that they wanted the game more.

Mac's big time players made the big plays with receiver Ryan Janzen and running back Kojo Aidoo combining for over 400 yards in offense and 6 touchdowns.

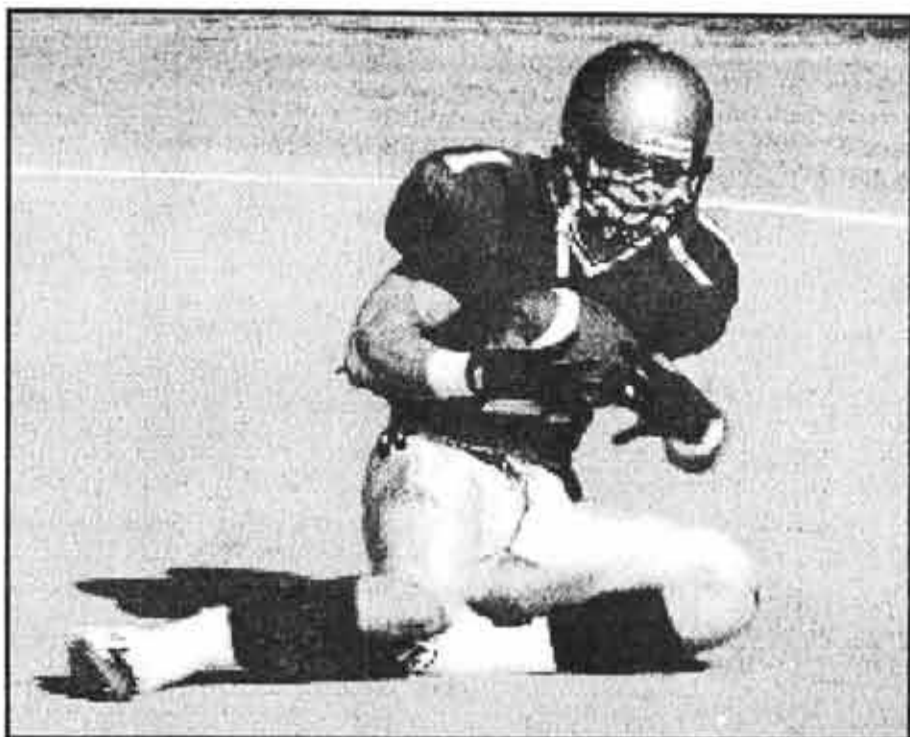
In contrast, Laurier's big play tandem of Andre Talbot and Justin Praamsma were held in check. Praamsma had a solid game with 131 yards rushing. Talbot, however, was stifled, catching 5 passes for only 54 yards.

Quarterback Adam Lane struggled in the contest completing just 11 of 25 passes and throwing 4 interceptions.

Coach Zmich was disappointed by Lane's performance but is confident his veteran quarterback will rebound.

Zmich was more concerned by the team "not executing the fundamentals", demonstrating poor blocking and tackling throughout the contest.

The game started well for the Hawks with the defense forcing a fumble on McMaster's first offensive play, giving the Hawks great field position to start the game. However, they weren't



The hawks should have held onto the ball tighter.

able to move the ball and settled for a 29 yard Ed Becker field goal.

The Hawks took a 6-0 lead on their next series. Settling for field goals, however, would prove not to be good enough as the Marauders scored two quick touchdowns and added a field goal to take a 17-6 lead early in the second quarter.

The Hawks came back with their only touchdown of the game a 40 yard pass from Lane to Chad MacAvelia. Talbot added a two point convert which closed the Mac lead to 17-14.

On the next series, Mac knocked the wind out of Laurier's sails, completing a 75 yard pass and catch on the first play of the drive to give Janzen his third touchdown of the half.

The game was never really in doubt after that point, Becker added a single to round out the scoring for the Hawks and Kojo Aidoo added a rushing touchdown for the Marauders to give them a 31-15 lead at the half.

The Hawk defense regrouped in the third quarter. After being picked apart in the first half they allowed only a field goal in the third period.

However the offence's inability to sustain drives and put points on the board deflated the defense and left them on the field too long. This allowed the Mac offense to wear the Hawks down and add two more touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

The Hawks need to regroup quickly as they face another tough test in the Homecoming game against Western this weekend.

The Hawks have the talent to compete with any team in the country. Yet, as Coach Zmich put it, the team needs a "reality check" and must ensure that they're "emotionally prepared to play."

The Hawks will also make adjustments on offense, concentrating more on ball control and avoiding two and outs rather than setting up the big play. By making this shift in focus Zmich hopes to avoid overworking the defense.

The key to defeating Western according to Zmich will depend on winning the battles on the line of scrimmage and controlling the multiple threat of Western Quarterback Michael O'Brien.

# Men's Lacrosse Starts Off With Close Wins

WESLEY HORLINGS

Although many faces have changed in the off-season for the Men's Lacrosse team, the end result is still the same - the Golden Hawks come out on top. With two games under their belts, they are sporting a 2-0 record going into this week's contest on the road against McMaster.

The two wins came against competitive clubs in the form of the University of Toronto and Carleton.

Both games ended with last quarter heroics to put the Hawks up for good.

The U of T Varsity Blues were a much improved squadron over last year as the Hawks came to town to spoil the home opener festivities by a score of 11-9.

It was defensive action from the opening draw as both teams moved the ball around to get a feel for the defensive set-up.

Newcomer Scott Tyoliz started the scoring as he put in his first of three on the day. Not to be outdone were veterans Jason Nichols and Keith Fulford, who netted two and three goals respectively.

The offense was not the only highlight of the game as the defensive squad held their

ground against a pressure offense and kept the Hawks in the game throughout. Aaron Barchiesi, Lee Thompson and TJ Hickey kept the U of T attackers from getting shots at first-year goaltender Neil Macdonald.

An all-around team effort kept the Hawks alive in the fourth quarter and allowed them to put one away in the dying minutes of the game.

It was not as favourable a day for lacrosse as the rain came down for the Friday night game against the Carleton Ravens.

Both games ended with last-quarter heroics to put the Hawks up for good.

However, with the Women's Lacrosse team cheering on from the stands, the Hawks would not settle for anything other than the win.

Carleton had a different strategy than the Blues and the draws were not won as convincingly by

the Hawks. Derek Saliba kept up his solid play by adding another pair of goals to give him four on the season. The team also welcomed back Colin Doyle and Josh Black to the offence to make the team more well rounded in all facets of the game.

A third-quarter charge by the Ravens was staved off and the Hawks came away with a soggy victory. The final score was 10-8.

## IN SHORT

### LADIES LACROSSE BEATS MAC, FALLS TO BROCK

The women's lacrosse Hawks opened the season in style this weekend with an 8-7 win over McMaster on Saturday. The Hawks were not as fortunate in their second game that day against Brock, as they dropped a 10-5 decision. Meaghan DeSouza displayed outstanding leadership for the Hawks in the team's win over McMaster. DeSouza really stepped up her game, proving veteran leadership for the Hawks who were missing team captain Emily Watson and assistant Sandy Palumbo.

### WOMEN'S RUGBY FALLS TO BROCK

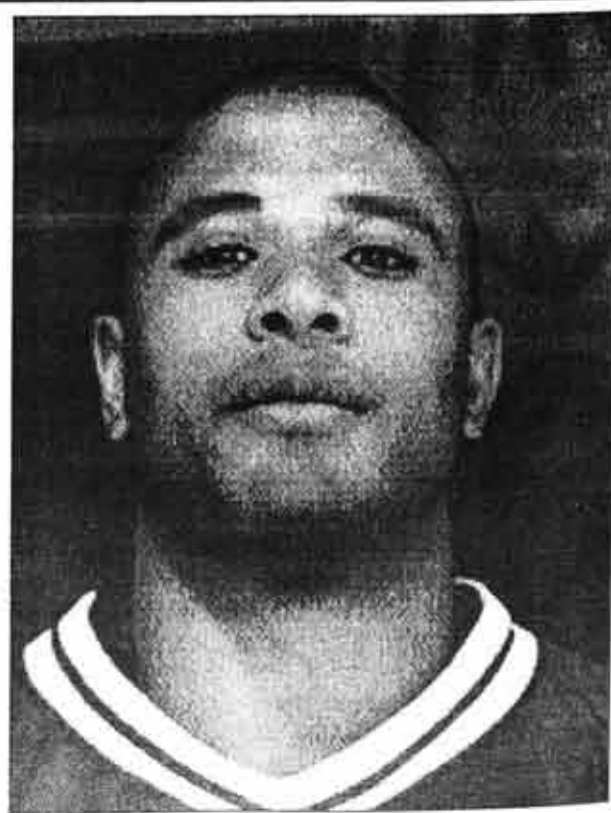
The women's rugby team was also in action this past week, as they took on the Brock Badgers. The Badgers proved to be too much for the Hawks as they pulled out a 20-5 victory. On a positive note for the Hawks, however, Christine Carruthers scored the team's first try of the season and the first try of her Golden Hawk career.

## Budweiser

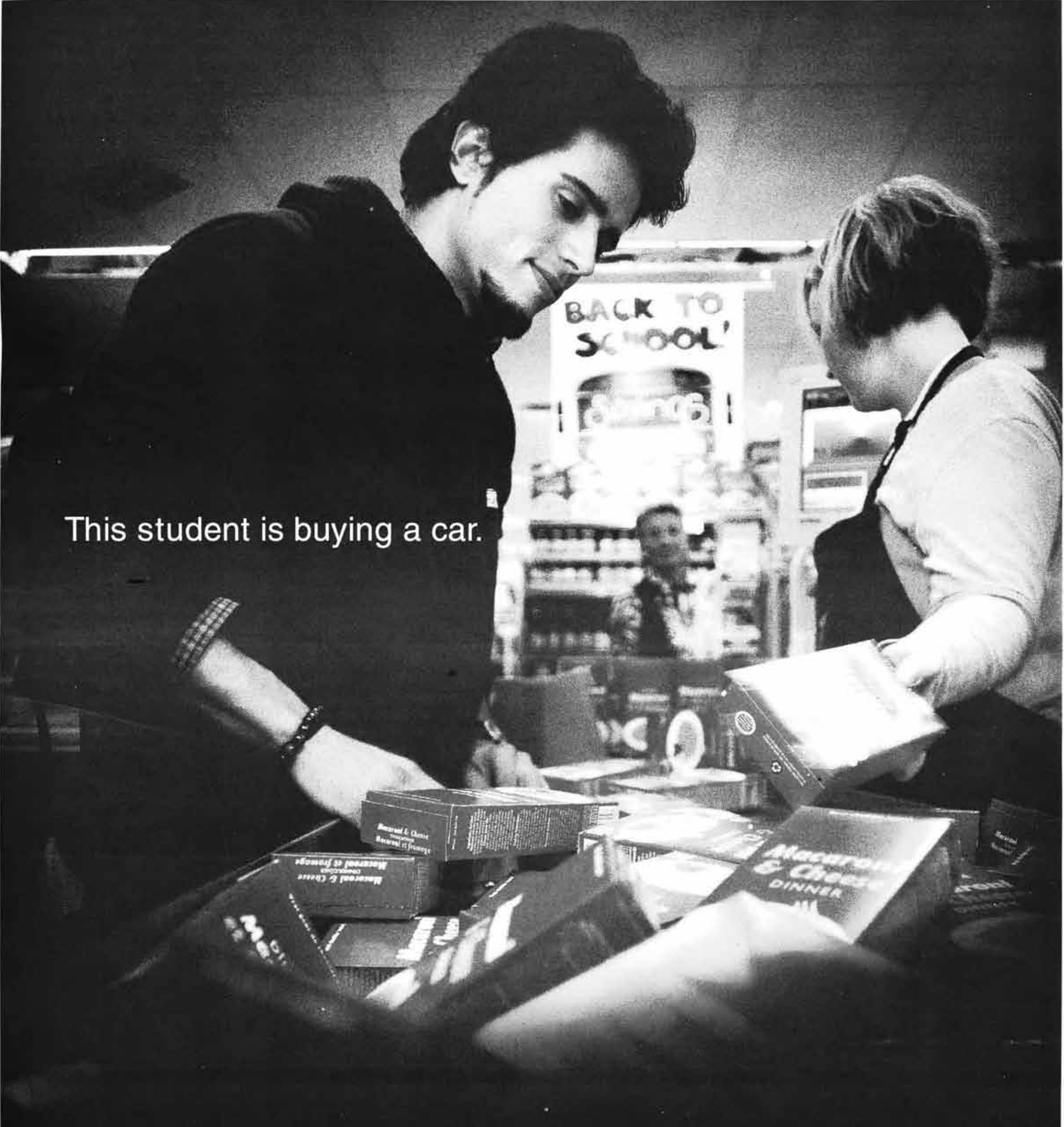
KING OF BEERS.

### Justin Praamsma

For the second consecutive week, Praamsma was named the offensive player of the week for the Hawks. This past Saturday against Western, Praamsma was the lone standout for the Hawks on offense, as he carried the ball 21 times for 131 yards. The fourth year history student is currently racing toward the WLU record book as the all-time leading rusher in school history. Praamsma needs only 147 yards to break the record... Stay tuned, it could fall this week at Homecoming!







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# Non-profit a viable job

*While big businesses have their perks, helping people is as rewarding as a fat paycheque.*

VINEET MEHRA

As a student in the business program here at Laurier, I am constantly reminded of the prestige associated with big business. Day after day, we read textbooks, tackle case studies, and hear lectures based around the "glamorous" image of the corporate world.

As a graduating student, I am bombarded everyday by global corporations trying to add to their knowledge pool by sucking in the best and brightest business students from around the country. Where does this all lead?

Well, if you take the corporation's view, we business students are being led down a path to BMW's, big corner offices, and global responsibility; all this in the name of adding insane amounts of money to an already substantial corporate bottom-line.

But at the end of the day, what have we actually contributed to society? How have we made this earth a better place? How have I, as an individual, left my mark on the world?

These questions have led me to a new realization.

I have been exposed to an entirely separate world of "big-business" which would benefit greatly from the skills and



Sure, the stock exchange will bring you wealth, but how about the Red Cross?

**What have we actually contributed to society?**

strengths that business students have developed during four years of hard work.

What I am referring to is the world of Non Profit Organizations (NPO's).

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Too often, expectations are placed on business students

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## BUSINESS BITES

### ROGERS EXPANDS INTO TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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### CANADIAN INVESTORS HIT RECORD IN FOREIGN SECURITIES

Canadian investors have acquired a record \$32.7-billion in foreign securities within the first seven months of the year. This figure is more than \$10-billion above previous years' accumulations. Paul Ferley, assistant chief economist with Bank of Montreal, believes the increase in foreign securities "is consistent with indications that Canada is running a fairly large current account surplus. That surplus is being used by Canadians to invest in foreign securities." Foreign investment in Canadian securities have also experienced a boost from \$7.4 a year ago to \$22-billion today.

### ONTARIO'S TRUCKERS URGED TO CALL OFF PROTESTS

In an effort to calm protests over high fuel costs, shipping companies have volunteered to pass along fuel surcharge dollars. This will put more money back into the truckers' pockets as of Monday. To discuss the issue further, a group of representatives from both levels of government, carriers and owner-operators is to meet before Thursday to address their concerns. There are no figures to show how many shippers had volunteered to hand over the surcharge fees, or how much money operators are really saving. Al Palladini said the success of this week's negotiations would depend on the drivers' willingness to keep working.

### TO LEASE OR BUY?

Auto leasing is decreasing as more customers opt to purchase their vehicles. Leasing is down to 38% from 50% three years ago. Some say it will continue to drop as affordability improves and low-interest loans are offered. Analysts say that Canadian vehicle makers promoted leasing too much in the 1990's as an alternative to traditional financing. At Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd., leasing reached a high of 58% of all new vehicle sales in 1997. Auto makers promoted leasing to combat the high cost of purchasing new vehicles in Canada and continuing heavy taxation on consumers.



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