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Sports and higher learning

University sports have an important role to play at Wilfrid Laurier. This week Cord Features examines the nature of this role in regards to the American experience, the role of the media, and lesser acknowledged sports.

LIBBI HOOD
 CORD FEATURES

Some people love them and some people aren't as impressed, but nobody can deny that our very own Golden Hawks are an integral part of life at Laurier. There is just something about sports competition that can awaken students, faculty, and staff alike, turning them into a united body of frenzied fans cheering for a Laurier team.

Of course, this isn't an experience unique to WLU. People everywhere know the power of sports competition. The Olympics, the Superbowl, and the World Cup are all examples of sports events which reach out to far more than the everyday fan. And who can forget the national celebration that took place when a Canadian team finally won the World Series?

Fred Nichols, Dean of Students, remembers Laurier's successful football program in the 1960's, and how it put WLU on the map. If people had heard of Laurier, it was usually due to athletics. The success of the team "helped set a good reputation nationally," said Nichols.

When the football team won the Vanier Cup in '91, Laurier was again united with pride. Suddenly people had heard of Wilfrid Laurier University: the small school with the powerful football program. But that was almost four years ago. Soon there will only be a few permanent residents of the Laurier community who can remember the experience first-hand. The rest of us are left to wonder if there is more to the idea of varsity sports in Canadian universities than just winning the national title now and then.

Luckily, the answer is yes. Varsity sports in Canada are about more than just winning, which may be more than can be said for American college athletics. The difference begins with the athletes themselves, who have to be successful students before they can be athletes at this level.

Even before arriving at Laurier, future Golden Hawks have to measure up to the high entrance average that WLU requires. Once here, the high standards remain for academics. The athletes' marks are monitored to ensure continued eligibility, and also to ensure that they are receiving an

education.

Golden Hawks football veteran Pat O'Leary agrees that academic expectations at Laurier don't change when you are on a varsity team. Playing football for three to four hours a day, six days a week, combined with academics, doesn't leave much time for anything else. O'Leary noted that the team played up until November 30th in the '91 season, and even in the excitement of the Vanier Cup in Toronto, some players had to write exams in their hotel rooms, proctored by team coaches.

Rich Newbrough, Director of Athletics at Laurier, believes that the varsity sports programs have to be compatible with academics. "A definite sacrifice is made," said Newbrough in reference to the expectations put upon athletes.

Laurier athletes also have a higher profile on campus than most other students, which adds to the expectations people have of them. "Varsity athletes are magnified through the media," said Newbrough, and they are expected to be more than the average student.

Student athletes are seen as athletes first, and it carries over into all their actions within university life. Basically, if a basketball player gets in a fight, or a football player gets kicked out of a bar, people always seem to know that it was an athlete. The actions of any player carry over to their entire team, and in turn to the entire athletic program. This increases the athlete's role on campus from that of student to school representative. Athletes are practically forced to be role models.

Some see this as an unfair and unfortunate situation. Others, like Dean Nichols, see it as part of the package which comes with playing Canadian varsity sports. In Canada, and subsequently at Laurier, "sports should be a medium to develop character," said Nichols. Athletes have to recognize their high profile, and act accordingly. Laurier's football team did just that when they got involved with the local Big Brothers organization this year, which adds to their own profile as well as the school's, and increases favourable relations with the local community.

Continued in the Features section

PICTURE SCOTT MCKAY

THISISSUE

After what was one of the most interesting, for lack of a better word, student elections, the votes are finally in. Scott McCormick and Brad Ross are the new Prez and VPUA-elect. Congratulations also goes out to the new Board-elect, all 15 of them. Don't worry, mud dries and flakes off without much of a stain.

news



Don't get those cal people mad! Look at that piece of hardware she is welding. They are angry due to the proposal to freeze their wages and roll back their employee benefits, and are ready to go on strike. Check page 3 for more details. Also, a biz story.

opinion

Not only is she our dynamic, travelling President, she is also witty on command. Check out Dr. Marsden's view on bird courses. Fantastic article by Jim Boyce dealing with just what exactly constitutes being a victim. And finally, another great View (sniff) from the Farm.



feature



As you can tell from this colourful cover, this week's feature is on the role of varsity sports in Canada. Great coverage by Pete Robinson of the comparison between us Northerners and those to the South. Libbi Hood also tackles the issues behind the scene. Who we see and who we don't.

sports

Pete Robinson sure was busy writing this week, as he dominates this section with a variety of great pieces on everything from vets leaving the men's hockey team, to the women's varsity swimmers, who are quietly stealing the show. Also, a piece by Stefanie Trudeau about your bike.



entertainment



Selene MacLeod travelled to the Volcano and writes favourably of those Grasshoppers, actually Grasshoppers minus two. Dave Scott checked out Elastica, and has confirmed that they are one of the best live bands around. Well, if Dave says it, that's good enough for me.

two cents worth

View from the Farm really hits a cord this week. Three and a half weeks until reality bites. To all those of you grads-to-be who have a job, or even the start of a career, lined up for May, please be patient with all the rest of us neurotic freaks that are dancing on the edge.



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Director

WLU Student Publications is seeking to fill a vacant space on its Board of Directors, by means of appointment.

The seven-member Board of Directors oversees all administrative and day-to-day operations of the corporation—as well as planning for its future.

Those interested should submit a letter of application to the attention of Susan Barry, President-Elect (to her mailbox in the Cord office on the third floor S.U.B.) by Friday 10 March 1995 at 3:30 pm.

Candidates will be contacted shortly thereafter to be interviewed by the Board-Elect on the following Sunday evening or Monday afternoon.

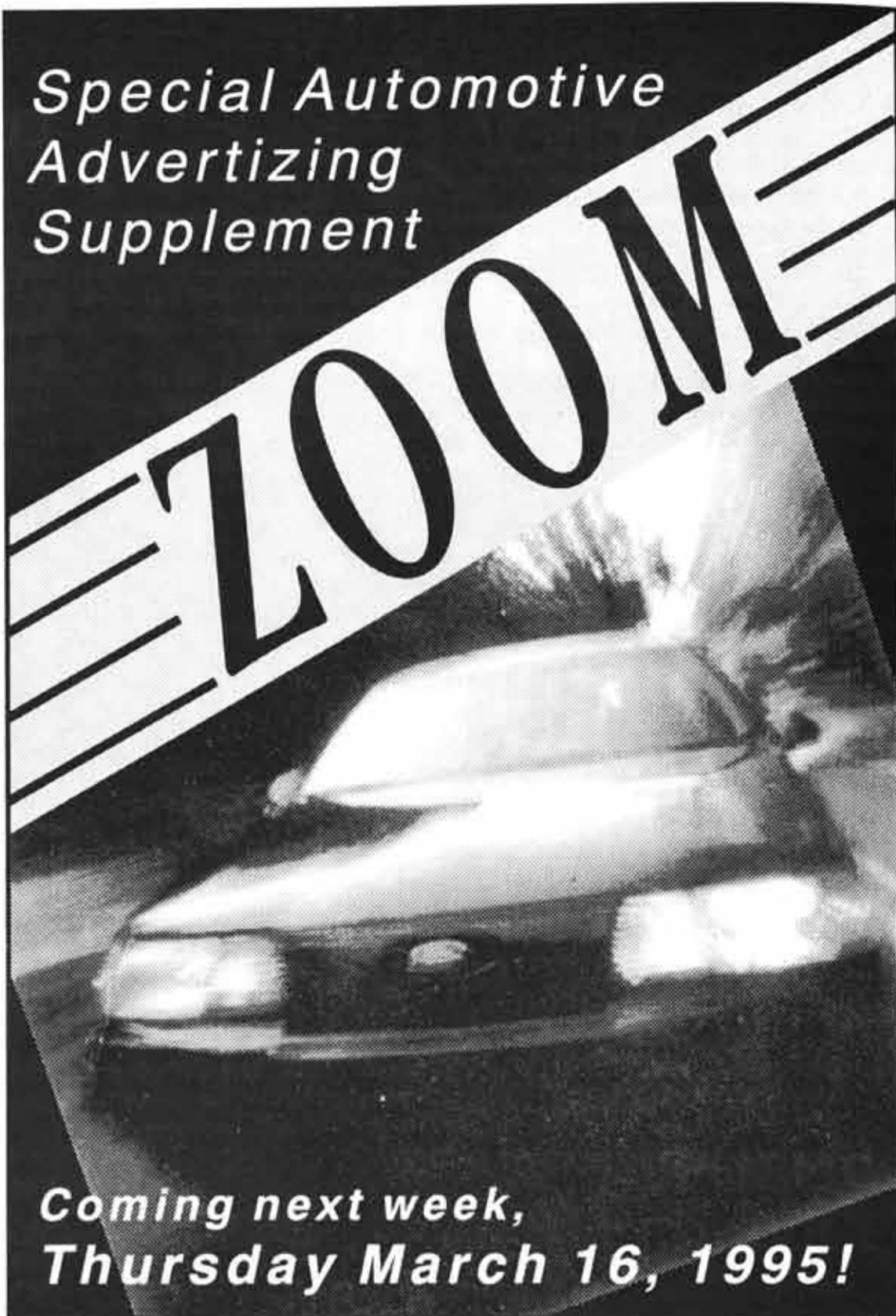
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Changing of the guard



President-elect McCormick (left) and VP University Affairs-elect Ross (right) gird their loins, aiming for a "no bullshit year".

STEPHEN KARPIUK CORD NEWS

With the changing of the guard in the Student Union, President-elect Scott McCormick and Vice President University Affairs-elect Brad Ross shared some of their thoughts concerning the upcoming year.

The first thing that McCormick intends to do as soon as he takes the Presidential throne is "call a meeting of the Priorities and Planning

Committee. There must be definite guidelines set for the political and economic direction of the Students' Union and set a budget."

VP: UA-elect Ross backed up McCormick's initiative to make sure that next year's Board starts off on solid footing. He wants to "address the problem of defining the duties of the different people within the Students' Union. This area was one of the main problems this year. Nobody really knew what they were

supposed to be doing."

As with any election, this one saw candidates making promises that they aren't legally held to keep. But what promises are both McCormick and Ross willing to make, right now, to the students?

"Every promise that I have published I intend to keep," said McCormick. "I intend to see a continuation of the student-run course evaluations, increased safety on campus and the implementation of a Speaker's Corner for students."

Ross promised to "ensure that people know what is going on in the Students' Union. Communication has to be maintained."

Unlike either McCormick or Ross, next year's Board of Directors is largely inexperienced with student politics. Only two of the fifteen elected directors are returning.

On this issue, McCormick said "I am excited. There is a good gender mix which accurately represents the student body. All of the new BOD members made good election promises which they will be able to implement."

Ross added that "all of the members have strong morals and a good focus."

With the Student Union Building

expansion underway, there is some concern that summer students will not be able to contact the Union and will lose many services.

McCormick tried to quell these fears by explaining that "we (the Union) are not moving. It would be too costly. While they're constructing we'll just put up some plastic sheets and try not to breathe too much dust. All of our regular programs (e.g. Foot Patrol) will be maintained despite the construction. Will's and the Turret will be closed though."

Neither McCormick nor Ross were just handed their positions. Both won in an election that featured a mud-slinging Open Forum, fierce competition, and that was plagued by delays.

McCormick thought that "it was a good, honest and clean race. The turnout was good, with some 1600-plus voters. It could have been a lot worse. The open forum was very encouraging. The interest level was high because there was something to be interested in."

As a final, closing comment concerning the up-coming year, McCormick said that "There is lots to be done. This is going to be a no-bullshit year."

The new Executive and Board-elect take office as of May 1st.

Election Results

The New Students' Union

President	
Scott McCormick	730
Mike McMahon	539
Paul Gray	157
Kelly Westlake	150

The New Vice President:

University Affairs	
Brad Ross	716
Pat McMurrich	487
Anish Makim	321

The 1995/1996

Board of Directors	
Julie Boyer	684
Monica Khurana	640
Keri Peacock	587
Russ Clark	513
Virginia Parker	498
Bill Huk	480
Sean Wilde	473
David Chasson	417
William Blackburn	402
Bruce Dorland	372
Lynne Wan	371
Jay Wilgar	365
Adrian De Silva	362
Christine Gergich	344
Stewart Wong	339

Unsuccessful candidates

Joe Turnbull	330
Tony Chow	322
Jeff Kruse	295
Mike Bradley	293
Mike Rosenblatt	265
Rob Manger	262
Chris Rutsey	261
Ian Clark	215
Mike Keriakos	163

Food services strike?

MARK HEASLEY CORD NEWS

"We had a meeting on Saturday with members at Wilfrid Laurier University, and they voted to strike," said United Food and Commercial Workers Union Representative Susan Bayne.

It's official. WLU's Food Services staff is ready to go on strike.

"The employer (WLU) is saying that because of the Social Contract, and teachers not getting any pay raises, that they (Food Services staff) can't get one either. The employer is asking for a wage freeze and a roll back of current benefits," explained Bayne.

WLU Manager of Food Services Donna Faulkner said, "We're not about to comment on that right now," when asked to explain the Administration's side of the story.

Andrew Berczi, WLU VP: Finance and Administration, said that "there is a list of about fifteen things that the Union and we disagree on...but they are all issues that have to deal with money, admittedly."

Berczi continued, "I'm still very optimistic, we still have another week (of conciliation). It's stan-

dard practice, don't go jumping to any conclusions."

"You're very premature in considering this a news item," Berczi said to the Cord, "by thinking that the gap between us cannot be closed, and that there will be a strike next week. I'm sure that both sides don't want for there to be a strike."

One of the first outside of the Conciliation process to learn of the possible strike was WLU student Mike McMahon. As a current Don in MacDonald House residence, and Head Resident next year of Little House, McMahon had a number of concerns.

"I don't know how they could walk out in good conscience on 1200 residence students. And that's how it's going to look," said McMahon. "People don't have the facilities to cook here, what are they going to do?" he said.

In McMahon's opinion, the issue is not premature. "The people who are affected by it, not just the two negotiating, need to be brought into it."

Tom Hammond, Chair of the Food Services Committee, said that "there's been a strike vote like this before. It's just to hurry up the process."

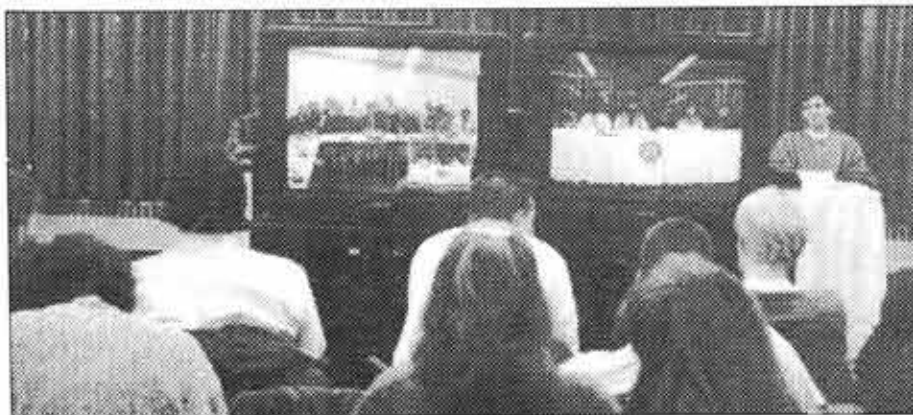
Hammond also said "I'm waiting day to day to see how this goes. I'd wait until Friday before I start to worry."

As yet, Bayne said that there "is no date set at this time" for the strike. The soonest the Union can walk out is Tuesday, March 14th.



Food Services staff ready to fight off wage freezes and cuts to benefits. If an agreement isn't reached with WLU by next Tuesday, they could simply walk out.

ICE week begins



ICE students teleconference with Tri-Town Economic Development Corp.

AMAL MOUSSAOUI

CORD NEWS
Integrated Case Week (ICE), the week-long exercise that all third-

year Honours Business students must take part in, began early Monday morning of this week.

The exercise accounts for 10% of their final mark in each of their four core courses.

This year's case involves a unique twist in that the case itself deals with a non-profit group, the Tri-Town Economic Development Corporation. The group is seeking a plan for sustainable economic development for the Haileybury, New Liskeard, and Cobalt area.

The purpose of ICE is to make "the students recognize the interdependence of the functional areas of a business," said Bruce Fournier, the WLU professor of business who wrote the case and overseeing the competition.

The exercise provides the students with a "bridge to the real world," in order to appreciate the

"reality and complexity of the problems."

The 209 students were each assigned a group based on random computer selection. There are 30 groups, each working towards finding the best workable recommendation and strategy to be implemented in the face of problems such as shrinking markets, increased competition, or changing regulations.

Students had an opportunity for their questions to be answered by representatives of the company through a video conference, that was set up with the aid of Bell Canada and Northern Telecom on Tuesday. The conference "gives you an immediacy to the problem," added Fournier.

Students hand in their written

recommendation on Thursday, and have a 15 minute presentation ready for Friday, which will be judged by a team of professors.

Five teams will then be chosen to present their recommendation before an external board of officials from the Tri-Town area and others involved in community economic development.

The winner gets a better grade and a "great deal of satisfaction," added Fournier.

As for the students, ICE is a week that hangs over their heads for three years. "I want to do well, I want to win, and with a solid effort we will do average or above average. If you spend the time worrying about marks, you won't do it," said ICE participant Darren Mahaffy.

Fewer applying to WLU

Province-wide trend has WLU lower its admission marks; but still picky

TOM HRUBES
CORD NEWS

Over the past year, Ontario universities have discovered a disturbing trend.

On the whole, applications to Ontario universities have declined, and applications made by students living in Ontario in particular are down by 5.1%, said George Granger, Associate Registrar of Admissions for WLU.

Applications to Laurier are down by approximately 4% from last year, however, Granger points out that the number of people choosing Laurier as their first choice has increased by 2.3%.

Applications to Laurier have actually been decreasing for the last 2 years. The area of biggest decrease has been in students with averages below the 75%-80% range. "What seemed to be going on is a process of positive self-selection where students were making choices more wisely" said Granger. "I should also add quickly this drop in applications is in no way expected to

hamper admissions programs."

The decreased number of applications could also lower admission averages for some programs. "The arts admission average could slip to 78% [at the lowest]" however Granger is quick to point out that "business applications are up and admission averages could rise."

On March 6th, the Laurier Senate approved a motion endorsing the Council of Ontario Universities' recommendation to change the way universities look at high school marks.

One recommendation is for the implementation of "full disclosure" on a student's transcript. This means including failures, aborted attempts [after a certain date], and any repeated courses.

The other major recommended change was to use senior level (grades 11 and 12) advanced credits in university admission averages.

A memo, written by Granger, was presented to the Senate that cites several reasons for the change, among them are:

- to broaden the criteria for selection beyond academic performance in the OACs.
- to convince young people to take their entire high school experience more seriously rather than concentrating solely on OACs and then engaging in the "Grade 14 phe-

nomenon."

- to encourage the development of good academic habits earlier.

These requests have been approved in principle by the Ontario government, provided that common criteria for using the information is established among universities.

One of these conditions is that the student be given the opportunity to provide reasons for any failure or retakes must also be provided.

Laurier has placed a commitment on maintaining a high standard in the face of falling admissions cut-off marks.

's Up Around Campus

Wednesday, March 8

Musician's Network Laurier Live with My Neighbor Ned, Pendulum, User, 8:30 p.m., Turret.

Thursday, March 9

• Archaeology Society presents a lecture with Professors Michele Daviau and Martin Beckman "Pots and Lamps: Byzantine to Islamic at tell Jawa" in room R137, 7:30 p.m.

• Marketing Club presents Peter Berisford, VP Marketing for McDonald's Canada. Everyone welcome.

Friday, March 10

• Amnesty International presents Matt Osborne at the Shamrock.

8:30 p.m.

• K-W Sexual Assault Support Centre Workshop for women who have been sexually assaulted as teens or adults. Free admission. For more info call 571-0121.

Sunday, March 12

• Multicultural Festival 1 to 4 p.m. The Turret. Admission \$3. For more info call 884-0710 ext 2580.

Tuesday, March 14

• Music Therapy Students' Association presents psychiatrist Dr. Luterman: "Eating Disorders" 7:30 to 9 p.m. Faculty Lounge.

• Jewish Students' Association Bagel Brunch Admission \$1. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. L125. All welcome.

• Monty Python Club brings the Flying Circus to the Turret. Admission for members is free, non-members pay \$2. 7:30 p.m.

• Musician's Network Election 5:30 p.m. Room 2-207.

Wednesday, March 15

• Laurier Christian Fellowship Teaching in S101. "Servanthood" with speaker Sue Fish. 5:30 p.m.

• Psychology Society elections today.

• Debating Society meeting. 5:30 p.m. L126.

• Amnesty International General Meeting. 5:30 p.m. Niobe Lounge.

• Lawyer on hand at Legal Resources to offer free legal advice to students.

Bag O' Crime

Non-Reportable MVA

1345 Hrs Mon 27 Feb 95

A vehicle in lot #11 was struck by the snow plow causing minor damage.

Miscellaneous Assistance

0200 Hrs Thur 02 Mar 95

A WLU student attended the Security Office with an unusual request. She had accidentally locked a personal set of handcuffs on her wrist only to discover that no one could find the key. It was necessary to cut them off with bolt cutters.

Theft Under \$5000

0905 Hrs Fri 03 Mar 95

The custodian at MacDonald House reported the theft of the Canadian flag which was situated in the front foyer of the residence. No suspects. The matter is under investigation.

Liquor Licence Act Violation

1400 Hrs Fri 03 Mar 95

A report was received that a male individual was approaching residents of Bricker Residence and asking them if they were interested in purchasing beer. A thorough search of the residence and campus was conducted but no one fitting the description could be found.

Fail To Remain MVA

1540 Hrs Fri 03 Mar 95

A WLU staff member attended the Security Office to report that his vehicle was struck while parked in the receiving area on 13 Feb 95. The driver of the other vehicle left the scene.

Liquor Licence Act Violation

2225 Hrs Fri 03 Mar 95

A WLU student was charged with being intoxicated in a public place after being found in the Torque Room. The individual had slipped on his own vomit and struck his chin on the floor which required four stitches. During the incident, the individual displayed very aggressive and uncooperative behaviour towards the officers, attempting to vomit and spit at them.

He refused to give a local address where he could be taken to and was subsequently detained in cells at the Waterloo Regional Police.

Mischief

0210 Hrs Sun 04 Mar 95

A window at Leopold Residence was found broken.



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**JASON BILODEAU AND
STEVE HUNWICKS**

CORD NEWS

This column follows the exploits of Terry Tenant and Larry Landlord, and is intended to answer common questions on legal issues of relevance to students at WLU. The advice given is in no way intended as a substitute for professional legal

advice.

At this point, after experiencing just about every relevant portion of the Landlord & Tenant Act (LTA) first-hand, Terry thinks he's just about ready to become a Legal Resource counselor himself! However, there is one other important thing that Terry hasn't learned about leases.

While helping his friend Linda Lease with her off-campus housing search, Terry happened upon a clause in the LTA which says that he doesn't have to move out after the expiry of his lease agreement with Larry. Section 104 says that when the fixed lease ends, the landlord and tenant will assume a monthly tenancy, unless one or both parties indicates that they don't want to.

This issue is a cause of much confusion for Terry. He doesn't understand why he can stay in the Party Pad after the "end" of the lease he signed. Wouldn't there have to be a written lease?

He reads the section again, slowly and repeatedly.

Sure enough, there it is in black

and white: "...upon the expiration of a tenancy agreement for a fixed term, the landlord and the tenant shall be deemed to have renewed the tenancy agreement as a monthly tenancy agreement" upon the same terms as in the old lease.

Terry realizes that as a monthly tenant, he is free to stay at the premises for as long as he wants, without having to sign a new lease. When he wants to move out, though, he must give Larry at least two months' (60 days) notice.

This notice should be given in writing. If Terry doesn't want to stay as a month-to-month tenant, he must give his 60-day notice before the end of the fixed lease agreement.

The practical result of this LTA section is that Terry can stay at the Party Pad from September to May, only another 8 months, and then move out, not having to worry about subletting for the summer.

Of course, this puts poor Larry landlord into an awful predicament. He could be stuck with an empty house in May, or will only get a fraction of his regular rent. But that's Larry's problem.

Although Terry has developed into a quasi-legal resources expert, many students spend their time studying other subjects such as "Melrose Place" and "The X-Files", so come to the Legal Resource Centre to clear up any concerns you may have.

WLU, UW, U of G libraries to share journals, services

ROXANNE COPPENS

CORD NEWS

Even with the annual library budget cut, Laurier students will have a drastic increase in the availability of library materials next year.

Librarians and senior administrators from Laurier, Guelph and Waterloo met at Laurier on February 22nd to sign an agreement that will help integrate the three institutions' library collections and services.

All three libraries were planning to replace existing electronic equipment and decided to combine their

services and buy compatible hardware and software.

University of Guelph Librarian Ron MacKinney said, "the upgrading of the electronic equipment is a major part of what we're accomplishing. We're just at the beginning of a transition to electronic delivery right now."

Under this new agreement, the three libraries plan to integrate their new electronic systems and CD-ROM databases to improve both the quality and quantity of service at the three universities. In addition to interlibrary loan, which has been a

co-operative effort in the past, the three libraries will provide electronic document delivery services.

The libraries also plan to share a storage house, which will hold less frequently used materials that can be shipped to any of the three libraries within a day upon request.

The agreement will also be particularly helpful in increasing the availability of academic journals which are usually the first to be cut from the budget because journal prices increase at approximately 15% per year. In 1994, Laurier had to cut \$125 000 from the journal budget.

"The cost of academic journals is the major problem for our universities right now," said WLU Librarian Virginia Gilliam. She continued, "It's been a very painful process. After several rounds of this (budget cuts), we're at the point where the faculty is feeling there is no longer any fat - that we are cutting into the bone."

But with a combined electronic

delivery system, Laurier students will be able to gain easy access to the journals at Guelph and Waterloo. The immediate conversion of existing collections to electronic form is unlikely because the three universities currently have about three million volume equivalents of library material.

However, all current documents will become part of the new electronic system.

Gilliam said that the universities expect the improvements to be underway in 1995. Library officials are presently looking for a new electronic system, but with the current financial restrictions the change is expected to be a gradual one.

To avoid inconveniences to students, the old electronic system will be operating until the new one is

Left: WLU Librarian Virginia Gilliam set to take part in making three university library collections accessible on the internet.

fully installed. With this new agreement, the universities will be able to save while at the same time improving services.

It is obvious that the integration of these three libraries was a logical progression and one that Gilliam believes will be "a big step forward."



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Fat epidemic hits USA

LILIAN SCHAER
CORD INTERNATIONAL

...Over 10 000 people demonstrated against racism in Rome recently. They packed the streets of the Italian capital in protest over the beating death of a pregnant Somali woman by right-wing extremist youths. A similar demonstration was held in the French city of Marseilles.

...Chalets in the French mountain town of Chambéry were destroyed by a thundering avalanche late last month. There were no fatalities and eight victims were pulled uninjured from the heaps of snow by rescue workers.

...Australians are too tired for sex, say two surveys recently published in the Sydney Morning Herald. Research by the Australian Department of Health showed that 76% of Aussies have had one or no sexual partner in the past six months, and 42% have had the same partner for the past 10 years. A second survey by Melbourne University's psych department shows that 30% of Australians have sex only once a month, rarely or never, 70% have sex at least once a week.

...A teen in Paris killed his parents, grandparents and two other people, all aged between 50 and 70, as they prepared to go to bed. The 16-year-old had had an argument with his parents the night before, and confessed to killing the victims, all of Russian origin, with a small-calibre weapon that was apparently part of a gun collection.

...Studies in the USA conclude that 71% of the country's population over the age of 25 is overweight. The average American has gained 8 pounds in the last decade, a fact blamed on the increased automation and convenience of everyday life, as well as the popularity of fast food. Obesity has been linked to heart disease, strokes, and types of cancer.

...Thousands of people heading to and from holiday destinations in Switzerland created a 53-km long traffic jam on one of the major highways leading out of Bern, the country's capital, last week. Many Swiss cantons, as well as France, Germany, Holland and Britain were all either just beginning or just ending their winter school holidays, which created the congestion on the roads. Winter weather conditions and avalanche danger in the Alps also wreaked havoc with automobile and rail traffic in other parts of the country.

...Travellers to the US can find all they ever wanted to know about the shrines of modern America in the new book "Pop Culture Landmarks" by George Cantor. Among the sites: America's biggest shopping centre in Bloomington, Minnesota; the death site of Bonnie and Clyde; the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame; and Eden, New York's Kazoo Factory and Museum.

...A convicted US pedophile was arrested for a second time by immigration officials. Henry Halm was sentenced to 6-to-20-years after being convicted on five counts of sodomy against young boys in the United States. Halm fled to Canada, where he applied for refugee status and racked up over \$200,000 in Legal Aid bills. His next deportation hearing will cost an extra \$50,000 of taxpayers' money.

...Two people have been killed and seven are missing so far as thunderstorms and cyclones continue to batter Australia. Although the rain is good for drought-stricken crops, many

towns have been evacuated because of flooding.

...For those who truly don't know what to do with their money, Rolls-Royce is releasing its most expensive

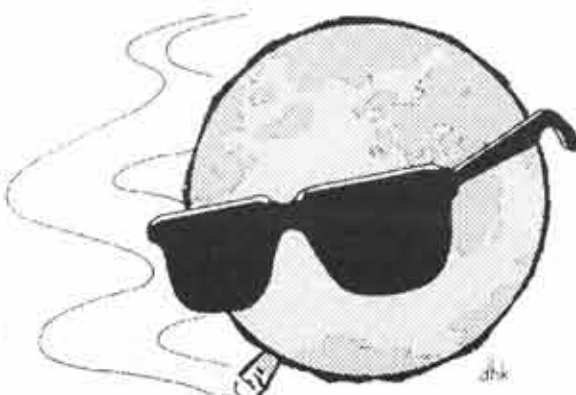
car ever: \$475,000 will buy you a Bentley Azure convertible with an 8-cylinder turbocharged engine that will deliver 350 horsepower at its top speed of 240 km/h.

...Already a hit at the box office, Walt Disney's The Lion King is turning into what may be the top selling home video ever: 20 million copies have been sold in its first week of video release. Total merchandise retail sales have already topped \$1 billion.

Briefly...

...In order to get around UN sanctions, Iraq has been quietly

exporting its crude oil, for prices as low as \$8 per barrel, through Iran and Turkey...The Serbian commander of a Bosnian concentration camp has been charged with genocide...20 people were massacred in separate attacks on two Shiite mosques in Karachi, Pakistan...A Chinese man was executed in Beijing on February 25 for the production and distribution of porno magazines...North Korea's second in command, defence minister O Jin U, died last week at age 78...March 1 marked the 2nd anniversary of the funeral of 2-year old James Bulger, the British toddler who was abducted from a shopping mall and bludgeoned to death by two ten-year old boys in 1993.



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Letters to the Editor

Editorial

The role of the press is...

"You mean nothing else was done on campus?"

This was the startled response from a member of the national media last week, when he heard about the recent decision to drop the sexual assault charges involving two Laurier students.

Apparently, this reporter had heard about the case and contacted me as an editor and a representative of the student press.

He was literally shocked that our paper had not gone nuts with this story. Aren't people upset that the case has been dropped, he asked. Hasn't there been a backlash? Where's the reaction?

Actually, there has been very little reaction to the case having been dropped, and even less with regards to the rights of the complainant.

Why was this reporter immediately so shocked by this?

On October 14, 1994 two Laurier students were charged with sexual assault with a weapon, gang sexual assault, and forcible confinement, after a house party on Carter Avenue in Waterloo. After three pretrials, the case was then dropped on February 13, 1995 due to a lack of conclusive evidence. The Crown felt there was not enough evidence to ensure a conviction. Case over. End of story.

Or is it?

Should we, as the press, have gone into the case at this point and attempted to try the defendants on our News pages? Do we, as the press, have that right? I don't think so.

As we witness the O.J. fiasco on television and the Bernardo debate on releasing details, it becomes clear what some people envision the role of the press to be. They see nothing wrong with journalists attempting to evaluate evidence, scrutinize witnesses, and rule on guilt or innocence. Some people believe that the only way to maintain a free and fair justice system is to jump right in and take part in the individual cases. By taking part, this seems to refer to creating a jury of 25 million viewers, and a judge with a microphone in her hand, running up and down the aisle amongst her "live" audience.

I think the press does have a role to play, but it is not that of judge and jury. Instead, it is as a watchdog to ensure the neutrality and fairness of due process. The news is therefore bound to relay the facts that the public needs to be aware of, and to analyze the process. Just because a case is "juicy" or even merely a controversial topic, does this alone deem the details of the case "newsworthy"?

When people ask me why there wasn't more done with regards to the sexual assault case, my first instinct now is to ask, "Do you have a piece of evidence that you withheld from the courts?", because as far as I know, and I have talked to the lawyers, the Crown, the accused, and the complainant, and each one will tell you, the case is over.

My hat goes off to the national reporter if he can find evidence that the case went astray from basic legal principles. He likely has the investigative experience to determine this. However, if the purpose of his article is merely to arouse reaction for reaction's sake, then it is the media who is perpetrating the real injustice.

Editorial by Ingrid Nielsen, Editor-in-Chief.

Candidate thanks all

Dear Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that helped me out during my campaign for Student's Union President. Without your help, encouragement, and support I probably would not have made it past the opening stages of my campaign. I would especially like to thank Joel Chevalier, who, at the last minute, took it upon himself to represent me at the official counting of the ballots. Most importantly, I would like to thank my 157 friends and supporters. Each and every one of you made me feel like a million bucks! Thank you.

To Scott McCormick, our newest WLUSU president, congratulations. Scott, you truly are a great candidate with a lot going for you. Use the tools that have been provided for you to make Laurier a better place. Knock 'em dead! Brad Ross, our VPUA, all the best to you. You are one hell of a guy and have the makings of a fantastic leader. Good luck in your term of office. And to all fifteen Board members (I'm sorry but there are just too many of you to address personally!). I have talked to many of you throughout the campaign, and although some may consider you "raw" or "inexperienced" I firmly believe that you are ALL suited for the job and that you will achieve your goals as a collective.

To my fellow candidate Mike McMahon, congratulations on becoming the Head Resident of Little House. Don't let your dream of integrating IRC with the Union die. You have a strong voice with a wealth of knowledge and experience. Good luck to you.

Kelly Westlake, what can I say? A second year student running for President. In my four years at Laurier I have never seen anyone do this,

Don't give up on the Union. You have incredible potential. You proved this to everyone with your fantastic ideas and conviction. You have a lot to give, good luck!

This election saw its high points, its low points, and everything in between. It is my firm belief that there were no losers in this election. Each and every person that took part gained knowledge, insight and a peak into themselves that they never had before. That is the greatest victory of all. The ultimate winner is the student body of Wilfrid Laurier University. Good luck in the upcoming year and always.

My name is Paul E. Gray, I ran for WLUSU President.

Paul Gray

Disgusted with press coverage

Dear Editor

In March of 1993, I wrote to you to express my disgust with the media circus surrounding the arrest of Paul Bernardo. As your readers will be well aware he is the man charged with the killings of Kristen French and Leslie Mahaffy. At the time I hoped that the circus would eventually dissipate and the families of the two could attempt to regain some semblance of normalcy in their lives. Clearly, the last two years have proved my hopes incorrect.

During the course of the Homolka trial there was a press ban on the information presented to the courts. This was done for two reasons. Primarily, the ban protects the right to a fair trial for Mr. Bernardo. Secondly, and I believe more importantly, the ban protects the family of the victims from learning of the details of the case or protects them from the public scrutiny that would likely surround them if the details were made public. Imagine, if you will, the knowing stares and the whispers about your daughter as

you walk down the street or through your place of work.

It is unfortunate the people in Canada have such a morbid sense of curiosity. Between American trash television, newspapers, and the Internet Canadians can find out anything they "need" to know. I would like to commend your paper for not facilitating this process. On the other hand, there are other people in this school, who are assisting individuals in getting this information, because they believe the freedom of the press is more important than the feelings of the families of the victims.

Last week, I was in a bookstore and came across a book entitled, "Karla's Web" which relates in as much detail as is allowed in Canada, the story of the trial. It is this sort of capitalism on the pain and suffering of others that sickens me to an extent that I feel compelled to write to you.

My faith in the Canadian system was further destroyed on Thursday when I learned of a 3-D photo display of the Bernardo house. This is clearly another stab at the families of the victims in an attempt by this "artist" to gain through their suffering. As I was listening to this artist on the radio he denied such an intent and stated that the house could be any house. I disagree. If this were just any house nobody would go to see the show, no cash would come to the artist. If he truly believes in the "artistic merit" of this display then perhaps he should donate the proceeds to a shelter or the families to offset their expenses.

My point in this letter is that there are still victims of these crimes. If Canadians continue to disregard the victims they do no better by the families than the criminals. So please remember, when you are surfing the Internet or talking to your friends about the details of this crime that next time it could be your cousin, sister, brother, mother, father or friend...then you will be the one wishing the world will leave you alone.

Darren Mahaffy

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Question: What Bird Course have you signed up for next year?

BY: PAUL MCLEAN AND JEREMY KERR



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J.W. BOYCE
CORD OPINION

Canadian Press recently reported on a study finding that more women are being charged with husband abuse.

Should this surprise us?

Yes. But not because men's victimization in the home, or in general, is a recent phenomenon.

It isn't.

It's surprising because the news media covered an issue it has traditionally ignored.

In their widely-cited book *Manufacturing Consent*, Noam Chomsky and Edward Herman argue that the media is biased. On one hand, it reports on "worthy" victims - those who have suffered violence in nations on hostile terms with the United States. They are "featured prominently and dramatically" with the detail and context needed to "generate reader interest and sympathetic emotion." In contrast, the "unworthy" victims of violence in nations on friendly terms with the United States "merit only slight detail, minimal humanization, and little context that will enrage or excite."

My study of Canadian newspapers found a similar phenomenon. But in this case, the worthy victims were women and the unworthy victims were men.

I examined coverage of gender and violence in 1242 headlines published in seven major Canadian dailies from 1989 to 1992. (I chose headlines since they summarize news articles and are the most read and remembered part of a newspaper).

Considering that statistics on violence typically show that men are at least as victimized as women, the contrast in the amount of coverage given to each was striking:

- of the 540 headlines which directly referred to the gender of victims, 525 (97.2 per cent) emphasized women and 15 (2.8 per cent) emphasized men, a ratio of 35 to 1.

- a random sampling of the articles accompanying the rest of the headlines suggested the gap was even greater. I estimated that a total of 991 headlines were linked to the gender of victims. Of these, 972 (98.1 per cent) emphasized women and 19 (1.9 per cent) emphasized men, a ratio of 51 to 1.

The contrast in the content of headlines was as dramatic.

The few headlines on male victims tended to give only raw data on the amount of violence they suffered. This suffering was not personalized or explained.

Headlines on women focused on the quality, rather than the quantity, of violence they experienced (the exceptions tended to use words like "epidemic" or "rampant"). They covered a wide range of subjects from individual cases of victimization to violence as a societal problem, the term "violence against women" expanding past sexual and domestic crime to encompass all violent acts.

Women's suffering was increasingly seen less in specific terms, such as by husbands against wives, and more in general terms, such as by men against women.

Why was violence against women an issue that launched a thousand headlines? And why was violence against men unable to set even a lifeboat of concern adrift?

Before 1989, violence against women was largely reported on in terms of domestic and sexual violence, and this violence was seen to affect only women. It also provided the media with a "good story": it concerned intimate matters, was based on conflict and was easily justified as a pressing social problem.

The "Montreal massacre" intensified and expanded the focus on women. If sexual and domestic violence were a "good story," the massacre was a "great" one. The murders were portrayed as symbolic of all violence by men against women and this provided a framework into which any future suffering by women could be explained. Men, constantly portrayed as the perpetrators of violence, were easily ignored as victims in this simple dichotomy.

The type of sources used by and available to the media were a crucial factor. They were overwhelmingly focused on women's issues, whether in terms of lobby groups, government departments, individuals or programs. While they provided the media with a steady flow of information on women's suffering there was barely a trickle on that of men.

Digging deeper, this coverage reflects some fundamental ways we think of women and men in our society. The absence of coverage of male victims is not surprising in a society that teaches males to be tough, hide their pain and "take it like a man." If "big boys don't cry" in the playground we can hardly expect men's victimization to be easily expressed in the media.

Many studies have found the media to have a significant impact on public policy and public perceptions. The portrayal of women's victimization in newspapers can reasonably be linked to actions like shelter funding and the creation of the National Panel on Violence Against Women. Coverage of male victims, or rather the lack of it, can be linked to inaction.

These portrayals can create or reinforce a disproportionate amount of fear in women and men or fail to consider that men may be particularly prone to certain types of violence. They may also lead to generalizations that would be controversial if applied to other groups. Imagine inserting "whites" and "blacks" in the headline "Violence against women: Canadian men leave behind a trail of death."

One might argue that the coverage of men and women found in these headlines, and its ensuing effects, are justifiable. For example, it has been argued that women are attacked by men whereas men are attacked by other men, that is, women are violated simply because of their gender.

Such an argument ignores that men are victimized by women, that men are attacked both by women and other men due to their gender, and suggests that the amount of concern we should have for victims be based solely on the gender of the perpetrator. Even if we granted some legitimacy to such an argument, can it justify the extreme disparities in media coverage of women and men?

Perhaps what underlies the argument is a fear that concern for men means a lack of concern for women. But what it really means is a consideration of all victims as "worthy."

Until now, the media has been willing to give this status to women. Will they extend it to men?

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GREG SLOAN
CORD OPINION

Change. This is a concept I have a problem dealing with. It can be constructive, and many times necessary, but change seems to upset the equilibrium of my otherwise static world.

Now, I'm facing perhaps the greatest change I've ever encountered. After being a student for eighteen of my twenty two years, I am now being thrust out into the real world. And it scares the hell out of me.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not one of those people who wants to be a career student. I could further my education, but I feel it is time for me

to move on. My four years at WLU, were probably the best of my life, but I don't think my body could sustain the student lifestyle much longer.

So, two months away from graduation, what big plans do I have for the rest of my life? That's the kicker. The game plan is not quite completed yet.

Let's contemplate my options. I could go back to the farm and resume my rural lifestyle. Our barn is empty right now, but it could easily be filled with pigs or cattle. I would get up at six, slop the hogs, come in and listen to the cattle futures on CFCO (the voice of Kent County), and then head into town and have a coffee with the "boys".

After a witty conversation about the cornerstone of every farmers' life (the weather) I would pick up a couple of things from the store for the Mrs. and head home to do more chores. While inserting a shovel into a steaming pile of manure I could contemplate Milton's portrayal of God in Paradise Lost, and all of the other things I learned in Honours English.

Okay, so I don't think I'll do that. Last year, after he read my diatribe against that powerful driving machine the Ranchero (half car, half truck, all ugly), my roommate Horta suggested that I drive one of them across the country. I could put my experiences on paper and confront Canadian literary circles with my opus. Never has illiteracy been more appealing.

My friend Carnage has volunteered to come with me. The only ground rules would be that we can only bring one bag of clothing each, and we have to collect interesting souvenirs and store them in the bed of the durable Ranchero. I wonder if the vehicle would bottom out under the weight of a couple of garden gnomes?

Then, when we got to B.C., we could have a garage sale, find a reliable owner who will treat the Ranchero with the respect it deserves, and then fly back home with the profits. I don't think we would be in first class.

My dream job would be to become employed by my favourite football team, the Detroit Lions. I don't think I have much of a chance to shine out on the grid iron, but I could handle working in the front office. Imagine me in charge of PR: "Come out and watch the greatest show on earth as God's own appointed knights of athletic superiority wreak havoc on this week's unsuspecting victims." Then they get beat by twenty points.

But why stop at PR? One night while working late at the Pontiac Silverdome I sneak down to the field and pretend I'm Barry Sanders. Coincidentally, Scott Mitchell, the Lion's quarterback, is working late and offers to throw me a couple of bombs. He is so impressed by my speed, finesse and sense of timing he threatens to not play unless the coach, Wayne Fontes, starts me in that week's game.

Unfortunately this is the excuse Fontes has been looking for to bench Mitchell, and we both sit on the sidelines while the backup quarterback throws for 300 yards. My patented luck lives on.

Before you think I'm some crackpot who lives in a dream world, I do have serious alternatives to pursue. Hopefully one day

soon you will be seeing my name on a newspaper or a magazine in a corner store near you. And hopefully it won't be on the front page of the Enquirer proclaiming that I have been sleeping with Roseanne, or worse yet, Tom Arnold.

All I can do is mail out my resume and hope that someone out there is willing to give a humble farm boy a chance. Like many of my fellow graduates I am finding out that the future is wide open. While this is somewhat scary, I also find it exciting, as long as I don't end up living in my parents' garage.

So, as I wind up my career at WLU and at the Cord, I realize that View From The Farm must also come to an end. Please, don't cry.

Anyways, I will wrap up View From The Farm with a special three part series celebrating the three "Ts": friendship, family, and final farewells (look at that, you even get a bonus "T"). I guarantee it will be as sentimental as the last episode of Degrassi Junior High. And that's the view from the farm for this week.



cord feedback

My paper was wet and soggy when I received it. What are you guys doing up in the Cord?
Cory Smythe

The Record Reviews are relatively new - and that was me, so stop your hitching Cory.
Scott MacGregor

Third in the hockey, first in your heart, Chuck.
Rob Manger

I want more stuff that makes me laugh.
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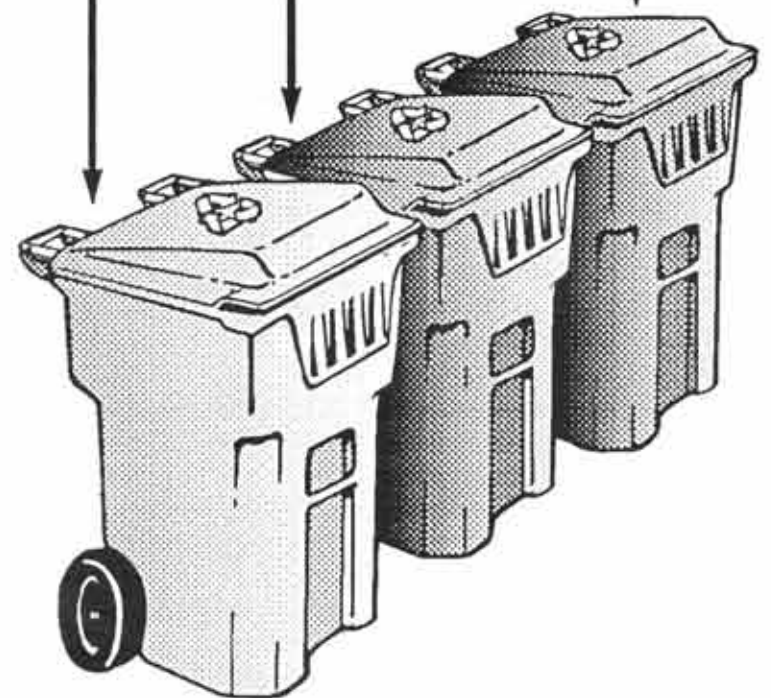
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Canadian University sports are a pale imitation of their American cousins in terms of attendance and funding. This has positive and negative implications for the institution and, more importantly, the student athletes.

PETE ROBINSON
CORD FEATURE

Contrast the two images of two very different systems: Penn State running back Ki-Jana Carter carrying the ball before a crowd in excess of 70,000, in a game that's carried live to millions on national TV. The television commentary is dominated with the talk about whether Carter will stay in school once the season ends, or leave in search of the millions that the NFL is sure to offer.

Flip the channel to watch Laurier play Western carried on CHCH at Laurier's Seagram Stadium. Laurier pivot Bill Kubas connects with star receiver Stefan Ptaszek that excites the crowd of 7,000+. Laurier's biggest crowd of the year. The TV commentary here is dominated with the discussion of whether the two star players will ever be given a chance to play professional football.

Two groups of athletes playing the same game, in two very different environments, producing two very different results. The reasons? The explanations are many, without any single one providing all the answers. This article will try to illustrate some of those differences.

The idea of university sports being a multi-million dollar business seems to be a giant paradox on the surface. Players, over 100 on every Division I football team, putting a product on the field that feeds many coaches, athletic directors and administration personnel huge salaries, some in the seven figure range.

"Absolutely, there can be no denying that it's big business," says WLU head football coach Rick Zmich. Less than one percent of those players ever make a career for themselves in the pros. The percentages are even less in College basketball and the less-prominent, but ever-growing, college hockey world.

The big business that Zmich talks about leaves a lasting impression. Even the most casual of sports fans is aware of the machine that is

major American College sports. Whether it's March Madness, the Rose Bowl or the annual Notre Dame/Michigan football game the NCAA puts on a show that is only surpassed by the Granddaddy of all American sports spectacles, the SuperBowl.

The recent NHL work stoppage provided NHL official Terry Gregson with a rare opportunity to take in a College Football game. In late October he visited South Bend, Indiana to watch Notre Dame's football team play. The man who has been an NHL Official for 15 years, and refereed the last two games that decided last year's Stanley Cup Champion, called the game the biggest sporting event he has ever witnessed. Who were the Irish playing that weekend? Was it perennial powerhouse Michigan or arch-rival Miami? No, the Irish cruised to a 42-21 win over the Naval Academy.

"It was the atmosphere, the game, the stadium, alumni rooting for their team. You look up and there's Touchdown Jesus staring down at you," remarked Gregson.

"What was most impressive was the fact that there was something for everybody. It was the type of atmosphere a family can enjoy, while at the same time you could go with a group of guys for a weekend of drinking and having fun."

The various sports give their athletes full scholarships, provided by the school in return for their contributions to the athletic machines the colleges produce year after year. Furthermore, a four year varsity career can increase a player's profile when they try to carve out a future for themselves after their playing career is over.

However, there's much more to the polished exterior of glitz and glamour. Other than the slim chance at a pro career, former athletes increasingly are complaining that more often than not the system chews them up and then, unceremoniously spits them out.

"I was totally misled," is how

Joel Bishop returned home from Northeastern University in Boston after playing for their hockey team on scholarship for two seasons. He is not as negative as Allan on the system, but he is not without some criticism. "There were a lot of times that I had to ask myself whether it was worth it," he explains. "You're segregated from the normal student body, you are in constant contact with hockey, technically it's a job."

Those situations that the two athletes describe have had worse consequences than the hardship described by Allan and Bishop. The American college world was rocked when Oklahoma quarterback Charles Thompson was convicted of selling cocaine.

Thompson said later that he felt as though he had to have the money in order to live the lavish lifestyle that football exposed him too. Apparently that compulsion drove Thompson not only to sell cocaine, but to later rob the house of his former coach, Barry Switzer. Thompson served jail time and now is a member of the CFL's Shreveport Pirates.

A former Michigan State offensive lineman admitted last year that he stalked his former coach, George Perles, in an attempt to kill him, after believing that Perles drove him out of the game that he had dedicated his life to.

The list goes on and on and doesn't show any sign of letting up. Behind the polished exterior for major college sports lies a less glamorous picture.

As grave and tragic as these examples illustrate, Zmich gives the American system credit, and in doing so sheds light on the misgivings of a Canadian sporting institu-

tion, major junior "A" hockey.

"At least their system gives athletes the opportunity to pursue an education while they're striving to make a career professionally," is how Zmich summed up his view on the education element of major college sports.

He pointed out that Junior "A" hockey has a reputation of "eating its young" without giving its athletes an opportunity to pursue an education. Concerning Canadian university sports acting as a feeder system, Zmich acknowledged that it's possible, but pointed out that since the mid 80's those opportunities have been severely curtailed. Bishop also echoed this familiar tune.

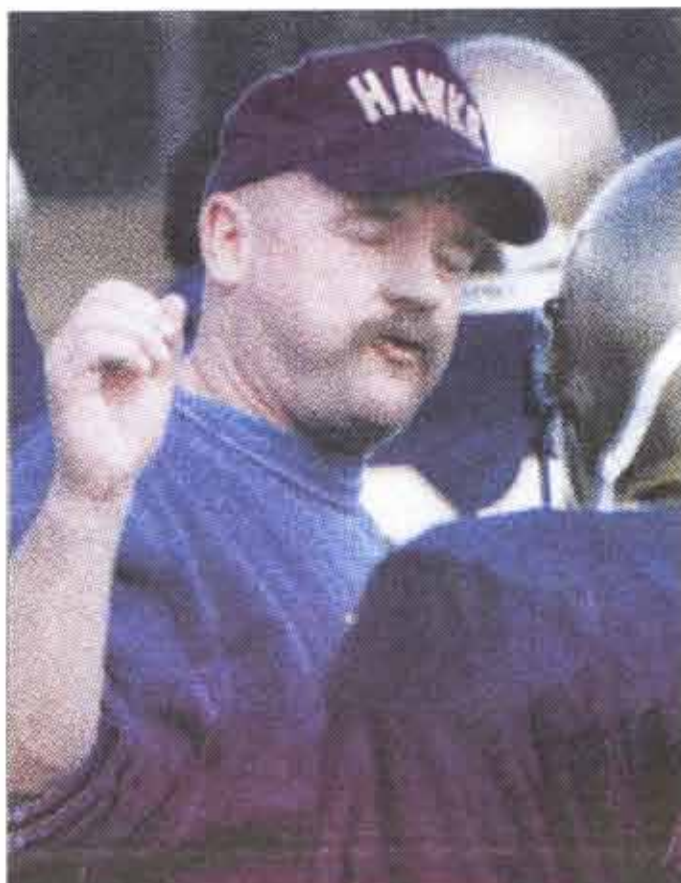
"It's the student's responsibility," to make it with the books. He points out that many students in Canada, although being in a less stressful environment when it comes to athletics and academics, don't make the most of the academic opportunities presented to them.

Concerning the Canadian situation, recent years have raised the profile of the events that have taken place on this side of the border. The past two Vanier Cups have been as exciting as any game a fan could see.

In addition to that there has been a definite increase in the publicity surrounding recent sporting events, football in particular. Three of Laurier's six home games this year were virtual sell-outs. Another two attracted large crowds.

CIAU Marketing Manager Jim Calder recently instituted a plan to deliver promotional pamphlets to every home in the Golden Horseshoe area promoting this weekend's National Hockey Final.

With the situation here getting better, Zmich offers his opinion concerning how he hopes things evolve here at Laurier and abroad. "I want to make a ticket to a game a hard thing to come by in the future." If Zmich is able to make good on his goal it will only stand to benefit everyone: fans, players and universities alike.



Gary Jeffries, defensive coach for the football Hawks, plays an important role in Laurier's sports scene.

PICTURE: SCOTT MCKAY

Laurier football player Rob Allan describes his experience at the University of Indiana. Allan attends Laurier after returning home from the Big Ten school. "I don't know if it's my fault...but I was a kid who practiced football after school, played on Tuesday afternoons, then all of a sudden I'm in this. I was totally unprepared."

"With all the work it took, I just didn't want it that bad," Allan suggests that the recruiting process, which sees young high school kids being treated like instant celebrities, had a way of misconstruing reality. A reality that hits home very quickly once a player reports for his first training camp.

to me the epitome of a well rounded education. With a population of 28,000 students this facility has something for everyone who isn't training to be a couch potato.

Upon re-entry off the freeway one can gaze across the placid landscape of the area and catch sight of BG's neatly trimmed 18-hole golf course and Olympic sized football stadium.

Even though the population is not much greater than that of the University of Ottawa, the campus itself is massive.

Among your run-in-the-mill outdoor and indoor tennis courts, baseball and soccer fields one can find an extensive weight room which would make even old Arnie jealous. After a long workout or an intense game of squash or racquetball one might want to ease

those aching muscles in the official Bowling Green Jacuzzi or steam your troubles away in their sauna. (Isaac, I think I'll have another Margarita!)

Of course if you feel that urge to dabble in some winter sports there's always the university's hockey arena, where you can take some shots at the net or try your blade at figure skating. For those diehard curling fans you might be able to squeeze in a game on one of their professional curling rinks.

One can even play football all year round (no they don't have a dome stadium!) in what they like to call a field house, which is basically an indoor football field so their players don't get snow in their shoes.

For those who prefer the great indoors Bowling Green offers students basketball

courts, an indoor running track, two swimming pools, and, what would a school be without a dozen bowling alleys.

The most shocking thing about all this was that for students it is mandatory to register for two gym's which means you can actually receive a credit in a great deal of these sports. I'd really like to know how you get graded for bowling 101! I'm sorry Tommy, you were doing great but that 2 - 10 split on the final frame of the midterm really pulled your mark down.

There is a fine line between a university and a country club and I seriously think that some institutions are rolling on the rim. However, if you ever open the WLU calendar and see Lawn Darts 100 be assured that I'll be at the head of the class.

University or resort?

DAVID POPOVICH
CORD FEATURES

To most people a university education is comprised of more than mind taxing workloads and hours upon hours of reading. The university system offers students the opportunity to exercise both their minds and bodies.

However, in my travels I have witnessed where this attitude has gone to extremes. If anyone is ever considering transferring to a school with the characteristics of an Olympic village you might want to turn your attention south of the border. I never realized how much of an emphasis American schools placed on athletics until I took a closer look at one of their universities.

Bowling Green State University, located along the picturesque trail of Interstate 75, is

The power of the media

Can the press really change the role of sports

SCOTT STINSON
CORD FEATURES

It is Saturday afternoon in October at Seagram Stadium. Laurier quarterback Bill Kubas completes a pass down the middle to teammate Andy Bacon. He has just broken the CIAU record for passing yardage in a career. That warrants some major attention on TSN, Canada's national sports network, in the form of an anchor mentioning it briefly.

It is Saturday afternoon in September at Michigan Stadium. Colorado quarterback Kordell Stewart completes a last second bomb to teammate Michael Westbrook to beat Michigan. That warrants some major attention on ESPN, America's national sports network, in the form of ten minutes of coverage at the top of the broadcast. It gets similar treatment from CNN, ABC, NBC and CBS, as well as the front page of USA Today and the cover of Sports Illustrated.

Can you see the difference?

The role of athletics in schools in Canada relative to their role in American schools can be defined easily by looking at differences in media coverage.

In this country, there is a definite line drawn between college and pro sports. Any pro sport gets first priority on TV and in print. Any college sport gets secondary treatment,

with the possible exception of national title games.

South of the border, there is no separation between the two leagues. Saturday afternoon college football is equally "big" news as Sunday afternoon pro football. The NCAA basketball tournament is the most widely publicized sporting event of the year. It is huge news, regardless of the fact that most of the players in it will never make it to the pros.

But are the differences a product of different media coverage, or is the media simply responding to different attitudes about the importance of college sports?

As Sports Editor at the newspaper you are currently reading, I've had the chance to cover a number of varsity events, and to gage the interest in those events, both on campus and abroad. I've come to the conclusion that, for the most part, nobody outside the university community really cares about our varsity teams.

The media is not to blame.

Basically, Canadian broadcasters and publishers don't give extensive coverage to university sports because they know that the general public is not terribly interested in hearing about it.

I believe it is a mistake to believe that the press has the power to greatly change things. Consider the

situation here at Laurier.

We get a fantastic turnout for every football game, yet you could shoot a cannon through the AC at most basketball games and not harm a soul. Both sports get similar Cord coverage. There are always a fair amount of supporters at men's hockey games, yet women's hockey games have yet to attract much interest. This despite the fact that

the women's team has been on the cover of The Cord twice while the men haven't been mentioned outside of the Sports section.

Obviously, publicity in the student press is only one of many factors that have an impact on fan support and interest.

The team's current success, the atmosphere at the games, the time and location of the games, and the

tradition of the sport at the school all play major roles in generating fan attention.

Us students are a fickle bunch. It takes a lot to convince us to go see a team play when there are so many other distractions, not the least of which are studying and drinking, and not necessarily in that order.

Nobody, not even the media, is going to change that.

Cover story continued...

So what does it mean for a small school like Laurier to have a prominent athletics program, with a tradition in football, and some high profile athletes? It means extra attention for Laurier in the media and public eye, but it doesn't necessarily mean more attention for smaller profile sports, and women's sports in general.

The '91 national football championship united Laurier with pride. The '92 Women's Soccer championship didn't make quite the same impact. Women's athletics at Laurier have a lower profile than men's athletics, but the two should play the same roles.

Laurier has a successful women's soccer program, a new women's hockey team that made the playoffs, and a women's swim team which made the Nationals this year, but they don't get the attention they deserve, according to Women's Athletics Director Cookie Leach. Students' Union President Ralph Spoltore agrees that both male and female athletes are leaders, "they all represent the school when they play."

Newbrough is "very, very proud of what our women athletes have done" this year, and is also proud of people in the athletic department who are working towards

equality in men's and women's athletics. Newbrough speaks of changes such as an equal number of varsity teams, and of being closer to "financial parity, without a lot of new money in the department."

The media can play a large part in the support of both women's sports, and lower profile men's sports. "Print media believes society doesn't want to know about women's sports," said Leach. She also believes that people are interested in winning teams. "If you're not winning, then you don't get publicity." That doesn't explain the lack of coverage for successful women's teams. Ingrid Nielsen, Editor-in-chief of the Cord, agrees that the paper has a lot to do with the prominence of lower profile sports, and that its coverage matters.

Both men's and women's varsity sports have a lot to offer the Laurier community. Varsity sports have the power to raise the profile of WLU, and instill pride in the both the athletes who play and the students who watch. They also produce students who have learned to work together, and compromise. Athletes get an education on the field as well as off, and that can only enhance the Laurier community as a whole.

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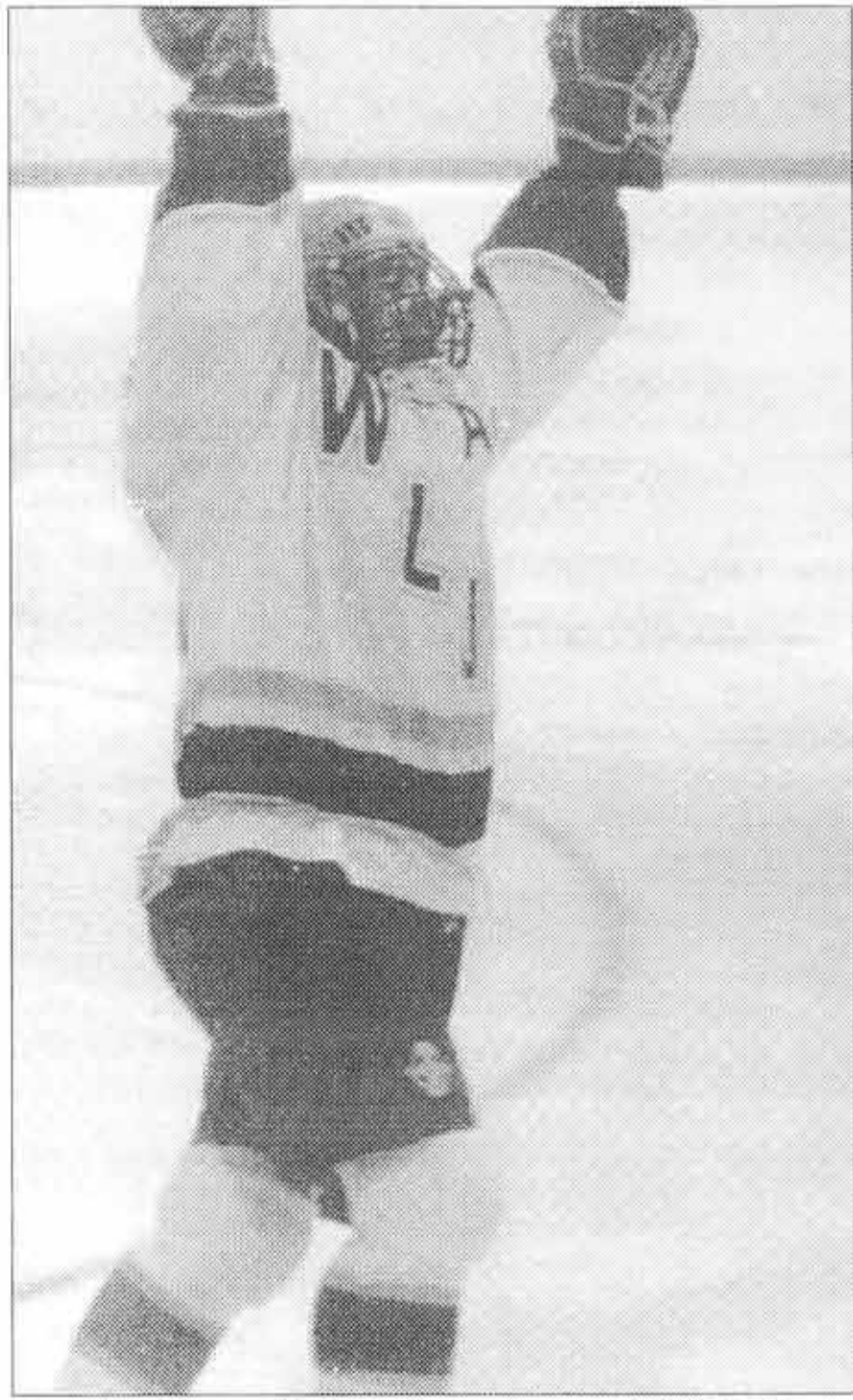


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A number of veteran Hawks, such as assistant captain Mike Dahle, will not be returning to the Laurier lineup next year.

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Be de, be de, that's all folks

The sun sets on some varsity careers

PETE ROBINSON

CORD SPORTS

Laurier Hockey will enter a new era next year, when many established veterans leave and Head Coach Wayne Gowing faces the somewhat daunting task of rebuilding a program that will encounter a turning point next year.

Here is a recap of the players and personnel potentially not returning:

Geoff Publow: Is gone next year. Was third on team with a +17. It's a player like this that the Hawks may miss most next year, someone that comes to play every night, on a team that was hurt by their consistency all year.

Jim McLaren: Had a somewhat disappointing year, but in fairness it was in large part due to early season injuries. May be back next year.

Mike Babcock: Finished his second year with the Hawks but graduates and will not return. Improved greatly since breaking into the lineup around Christmas last year. Second leading D-men in scoring with 16 points.

Scott Cullen: Probably gone next year, a good checking winger, hopefully Gowing can find someone to fill his role.

Don McConnell: You could make a case for him being the most consistent Hawk this year. He will be extremely hard to replace.

Mike Dahle: Like McConnell, he may be irreplaceable next year. Finished a great five year career here this season with 28 points. Has always played in the shadow of players like John Spoltore and Mark McCreary, but is the type of player that a team hates to lose.

Chris George: You can't say enough about this guy. Has played on the top line since his rookie year three seasons ago. Is gone, and is playing in Tallahassee in the Sunshine League right now.

Cory Pageau: If his academic situation lets him, will return and probably will be among the top core of forwards if he does.

Jason Gallagher: Had strong rookie year as a defensive defencemen. He is apparently not returning to con-

centrate on academics next season.

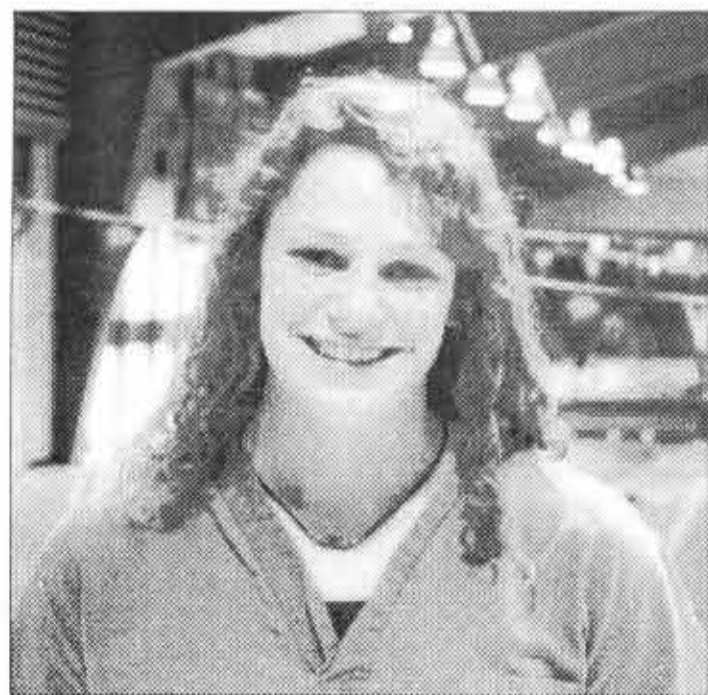
Smitty Kulafofski: Is gone next year and will be sorely missed. Consistent performer was always good for 20+ points a season, and his absence puts an exclamation mark on the extent of losses Laurier will incur next year.

John Spoltore: What can you say about a guy who is one of the best play makers to ever play at this level? Has played seven seasons at the OHL and OUAA level and may be ready to move on. Ouch! Will that sting.

Mark Strohack: Apparently won't return and that stings as well. Apparently his heart isn't always in it, but he would be a welcome surprise if he were to finish his university career off next year, not now.

Mike Crawford: Capable backup to Schnare and looked especially good at times. Will not return and that may be more damaging than it appears. Good goalies are hard to find and if Gowing doesn't find one this off-season Schnare could play all 24 games next year.

Hawks medal four times



Hawk Carolyn Gilbert brought back a pair of bronze medals, in the 100 m and 200 m breaststroke.

PICTURE: SCOTT STINSON

PETE ROBINSON

CORD SPORTS

The Women's Swim team has been quietly turning in some of the finest performances for Laurier athletics all year. Led by Sue Miller and Carolyn Gilbert, the Hawks continued this weekend with an outstanding performance at the National Swim Championships.

Miller picked up a silver in the 800 m freestyle and a bronze in the 400 m freestyle. Not to be outdone, Gilbert finished third in both the 100 & 200 m breaststroke.

Laura King and Jennifer Parsons turned in great performances as well. King was fifth in the 50m backstroke and had a

fourth in the consolation final of the 100 m backstroke. Parsons had two 3rd place performances in the consolation finals of the 50m backstroke and the 50 m freestyle.

Despite only having four swimmers in the meet, Laurier was able to finish tenth overall in the team standings, with that being good for third in the province. Only Mac and U of T were better.

The man largely responsible for the success of the team has been Dean Boles. The likable swim coach was chosen OWIAA swim coach of the year.

Congratulations! The women's swim team has given WLU lots to cheer about.



Teammate Sue Miller grabbed the silver in the 800 m freestyle and a bronze in the 400 m freestyle.

PICTURE: SCOTT STINSON

Running like the wind

MIKE DONIA

CORD SPORTS

The varsity track and field team has been busy over the past two weeks competing at two big meets. Last Friday the team travelled south to Eastern Michigan University to compete in the prestigious EMU Classic. This meet was a showcase of some of the best track and field teams in the NCAA's. The University of Arkansas won the meet for the second year in a row, narrowly beating out a huge University of Michigan team.

A strong race by Jeff Seaby put him sixth in the men's mile in a per-

sonal best time. Other outstanding performances came from the Golden Hawks' Distance Medley Relay Team anchored by veteran Jeff Shortt. Hundreds of spectators filled the stands at the EMU track facility to watch this two day event.

The Hawks, along with other Canadian athletes from the University of Windsor (last years CIAU track and field champions), proved that Canadian university athletes can be competitive in the sport of track and field against American colleges in Division I.

Though Canadian University teams, for the most part, pale in

comparison to the calibre of athletics at many large American schools in sports like football and basketball, the gap between the two is not so great when it comes to track and field. Canadian runners are highly regarded and sought out by US schools. Case in point is University of Arkansas' star Graham Hood from Brampton and who has a good shot at being the NCAA champ in the mile this year. Not to mention last year's NCAA Men's Cross Country Championships where 4 of the top 10 finishers were Canadian runners on scholarship and the first American-born runner was 12th.

Back to Golden Hawk action, the team travelled to the University of Toronto later in the week for the final invitational meet of the year. Mike Donia and Jeff Shortt each had great races in the men's section of

the 3000 metres finishing second and fifth consecutively.

The team looks forward to next weekend when they travel to the University of Windsor for the OUAA/OWIAA Championship meet.

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Leafs talk: report card

**JASON PAUL AND
ROB MCGOWAN**
CORD SPORTS

With the season rapidly approaching the halfway point, it's time to give the Maple Leafs a mid-season evaluation. No one can dispute the fact that this club is struggling and is lacking leadership, but let's take an in-depth look at each position.

ISSUE 1: Goaltending. There is no doubt that this has been the club's only strength. Felix Potvin has stood on his head for this team and has saved the Buds from a potentially embarrassing season. Damien Rhodes has been an outstanding backup and if he doesn't get traded, there are no worries between the pipes. Grade: A+.

ISSUE 2: Forwards. Mats Sundin has been awesome. He has all the tools: speed, a scoring touch and muscle. If any other Leaf was being productive Sundin would be leading the league in points. Doug Gilmour has been nonexistent, is it possible

he's just getting old? Dave Andreychuk, other than his recent surge, has been a pylon in front of the net. Mike Gartner may as well be back on the train from Edmonton. Mike Ridley has been an excellent second line centre but he's being mentioned as trade bait. Randy Wood has been solid and has quietly been one of the best players this year. Mike Eastwood has really developed into a good checking centre. Imagine, they were going to trade this guy a year ago and keep Krushner.

Overall, the forwards have been a big disappointment. This is the year that the Leafs were going to be a powerful offensive threat with two scoring lines and a solid third line that could check and chip in some points. Burnsy broke up the idea of having a great centre behind Gilmour when Sundin was shifted to the wing. Great idea for the short term, but long term the

Leafs need him at centre. The components are there for the Leafs to get on track. Unfortunately, there is not much time left and they have to stop using the excuse of not being able to gel. It's true, as Cliff Fletcher regularly states, the Leafs are better on paper today than they were a year ago. It's just that we haven't seen it on the ice. Grade: C+.

ISSUE 3: Defence. Where are Bob Rouse and Sylvain Levebre when you need them? No one is clearing in front of the net or taking any bodies in the corners and everyone is getting beat on one on ones. It's just mass confusion. Garth Butcher looks out of place every time he steps on the ice or gets in a scrap. It looks like the Drake Berehowsky experiment is over. Dave Ellet has been steady but he's always getting hurt. Kenny Jonson has offered a

glimmer of hope for the future. Dmitri Mironov has been up but mostly down. Jamie Macoun should be playing in oldtimer games.

If you match up the Toronto defence against any of the other top competitors in the West you realize just how much trouble they're in. (For example Calgary-Zalapski, Housley, Patrick, Chiasson, Chicago-Chelios, Smith, Suter, Weinrich.) Toronto gets little production offensively and defensively they are a nightmare. Some kind of short term help is needed and that solution isn't Bryan Marchment. He is at best a solid number four defenseman. What the Leafs need is a guy who can clear the net, create a little offense and be reliable enough to have him out there in the last minute. Where's this guy going to come from? How about Glen

Wesley? Big contract and he's having a bad year. Maybe Matt Schnieder from the Habs. Savard could be a little trigger happy to make a trade considering how bad the press has been lately. Grade: Need help, D-.

ISSUE 4: Overall. The key ingredients to success last year (i.e. Wendel Clark and competent defence) are not present on this year's roster. The loss of the Bomber and Bill Berg are finally being addressed. Warren Rychel and Ken Belanger are adequate replacements but they hardly represent the heart which the Leafs drastically need. In the past, the team has relied too much on Gilmour and now that he is not performing the only one who is picking up the slack is Sundin.

An average team receives an average grade: C.

Western clips Guelph in 20T

PETE ROBINSON
CORD SPORTS

Dave Matsos was starting to wonder what he was doing wrong before the OUAA Final Four this weekend at the Waterloo Rec Complex. Well, one gets the feeling he may have answered any questions he may have had about his performance thus far in the playoffs.

Matsos paced the Western Mustangs to the OUAA Hockey title this weekend. His four goals in two games earned him the MVP for the tournament.

Jason Heywood ended the exciting final when he scored toward the end of the second overtime to give his squad a 5-4 victory over Guelph.

The event was hosted by Laurier and the organizing committee was pleased with the overall success of the tournament. It is likely WLU will bid for the tournament next year. Good crowds and exciting games were the norm as Guelph qualified for the final with a 3-1 win over UQTR. Western beat York 7-2 Saturday night.

Both Guelph and Western will play in the nationals this weekend in Toronto.

STEPHANIE THOMAS
CORD SPORTS

Now that spring is right around the corner, it's time to get your bicycle out of storage and ready for the roads. Once you've dusted off the cobwebs and taken it for a quick ride around the block, you might notice that it's not working as well as it used to.

Are your gears making funny noises when you change them? Will your brakes keep you from rolling right into a busy intersection? Does your chain fall off every five minutes? If your bicycle is exhibiting any of these symptoms, you need help. This year, you're in luck. A cycle repair clinic is being offered as part of Laurier's new and improved recreation program.

The two-session cycle repair clinic is a great way to learn invaluable lessons on bicycle maintenance. The

sign-up deadline is March 13th. The first session will be held on Tuesday March 21st from 7-9 p.m. in the A.C. This session will start off with advice from local merchants on how to buy the perfect bicycle to suit your own personal needs. Whether you need a bike for racing, fitness, fun, or just to get around town, these experts will tell you what's new and hot on the market.

The rest of the evening will be devoted to hands-on learning. You will learn how to do simple repairs of brakes, bearings, and gears on your bicycle. The second session, which will be held a week later at the same time and location, will be a continuation of the hands-on repair of your bike.

The cost of the cycle repair clinic is \$15 in total for both sessions. This price is really good considering the

money you will save on repairs from knowing how to fix your bicycle yourself.

Once your bicycle is all tuned up and ready to hit the roads, you might want to sign up, by April 3rd, for the cycle tour offered by the recreation department. The cycle tour will take place on April 9th. This 3-5 hour tour of Paradise Lake is a great

opportunity to try out your freshly repaired bike in a beautiful setting.

For more information on the cycle repair clinic or the cycle tour, or to sign up for any recreational event, contact Don Smith or Lesley Buck at the A.C. Sign up soon so your bike will be ready when the weather warms up.

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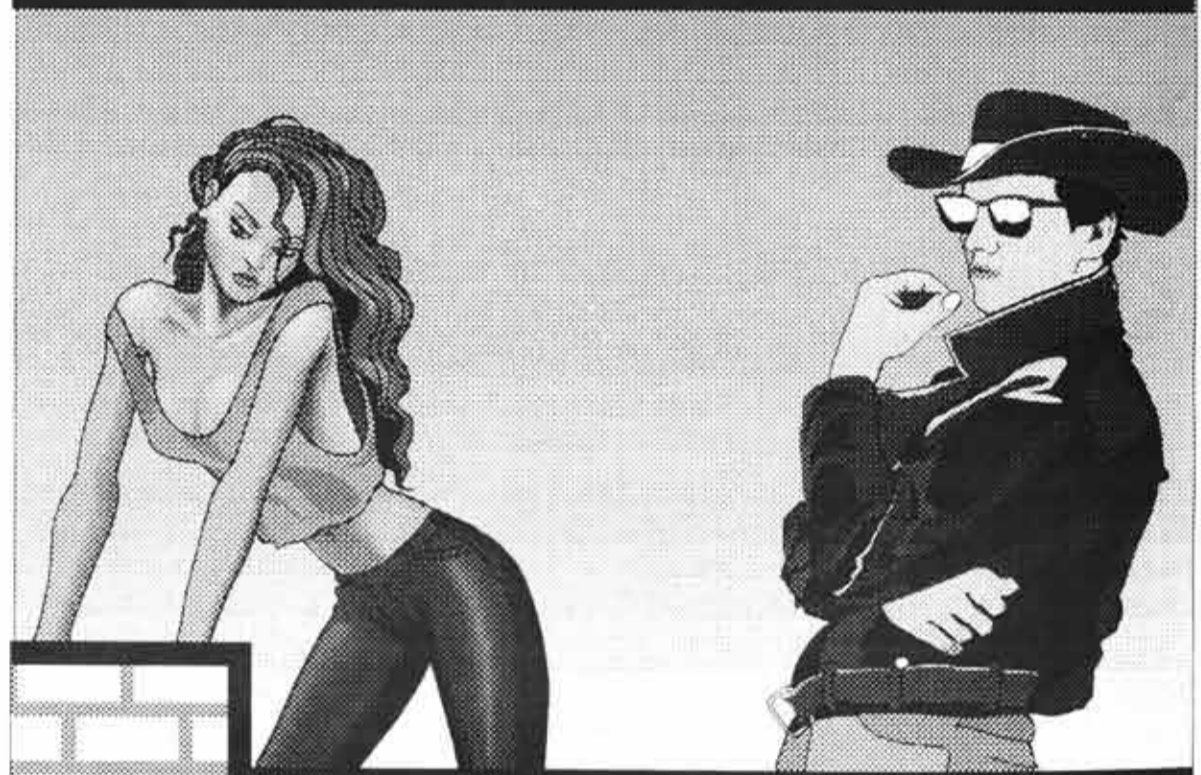


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DAVE SCOTT

CORD ENTERTAINMENT

Elastica made their Canadian debut with a much anticipated show at the Opera House last Thursday, and confirmed rumours that they are one of the best live bands around.

This quartet from England aroused interest last year with their vibrant debut single "Stutter", which was one of the most fresh and exciting guitar pop songs of 1994.

The much awaited album is due for release in mid-March, and after listening to an advance tape of the record, I can honestly say that this is going to be one of the highlight albums of this year.

For a debut album, the remarkable thing is that there are no weak tracks, with each song providing a slightly different twist on a lively, decadent, indie pop theme.

Elastica's sound comes from the new wave scene of the late 1970s. Drummer Justin Welch told me that among their influences were **The Stranglers**, **The Fall**, **Blondie**, and **The Ramones**, with a resulting sound that is hard edged yet melodic, blending strong bass lines with crunchy guitar, and vocals full of attitude. Welch added that "Pop isn't a dirty word, and we like the idea of songs being short and to the

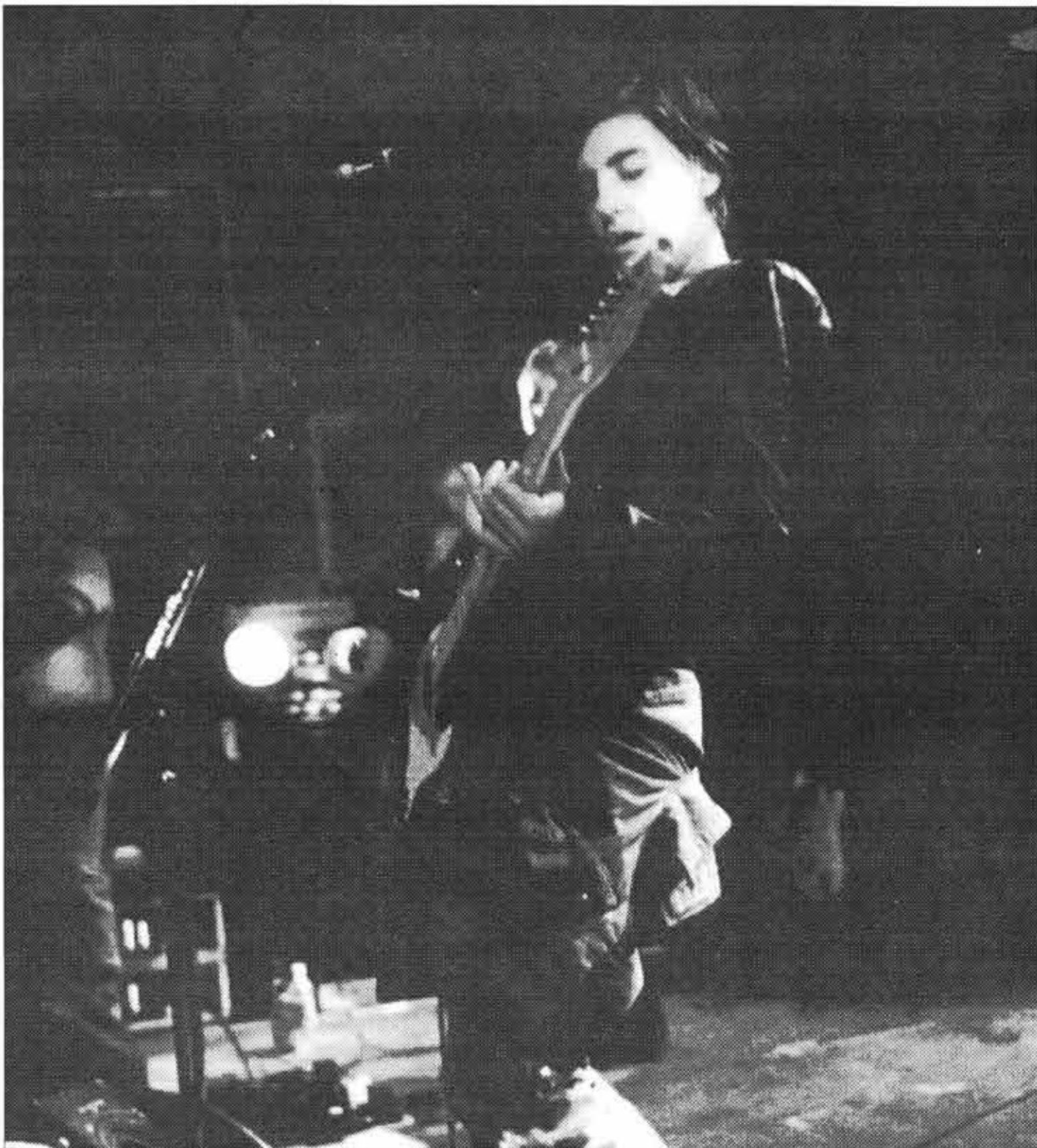
point."

The wonderfully sleazy, debauched feel to the record is something that appeals to the band. Welch said, "Playing sweaty, trashy pub venues, like in Philadelphia, quite appeals to us; we're all outgoing people and enjoy a laugh."

From the stabbing tempo of "Line-up", the record moves through a range of brash, flirty tracks, each one being definite single material. The vibrance of "Connection", the mesmerizing "Hold Me Now", and the dream poppish "Blue" I personally thought were especially tasty.

The show at the Opera House was proof of their fine live reputation. Indeed, most of the album was recorded live off the floor. Elastica rattled through material from the album and EPs at an energetic pace, sounding fresh and most excellent. Last week's show let Toronto know what one eloquent fan in Philadelphia pointed out, "You guys rock!" After the show, Welch and lead vocalist Justine Frischmann agreed that the "Canadian crowd was brilliant."

The album, creatively titled "Elastica" is released in Canada on MCA records. Look for Elastica to play a live show in Toronto some time in May - a must see!



PICTURE DAVE SCOTT

Grasshopper hops solo



PICTURE SELENE MACLEOD

SELENE MACLEOD

CORD ENTERTAINMENT

Well, I'd been looking forward to last Thursday's show at the Volcano for a while, and I'll tell you why in a minute, but I can't say it was everything I expected. It was more, but I'll tell you that, too; read on...

The opening band was a local act called **Choke to Start**. Two of the members are even Laurier students. The group blends hardcore and groove into a dirty, balls-out mindblast that leaves you drooling for more. That sounds like I'm laying it on a little thick, but trust me, their music is even better live. My only criticism is that they could be a little tighter, and mannequin-mannerisms onstage get rather boring to watch. I look forward to a demo release (hint hint, guys).

The second group of the evening, local thrash/funk favourites **Sarsipious the Flea**, pleased the crowd with their over-the-top stage presence (the singer, anyway) and gutter-screed tunes. A short set, but nonetheless, a worthy one. I got clipped a good one on the back of the knee, for not being smart enough to dodge the small but violent stampit that developed. Now, if only Sarsipious played more often...rock star attitudes get you nowhere, correct?

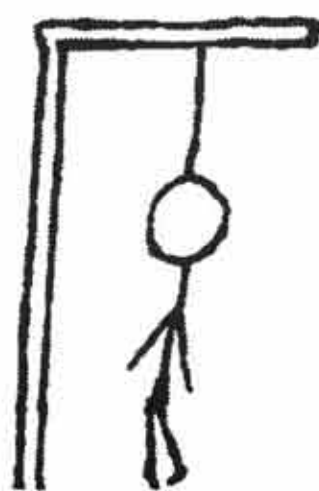
The third act was the real treat of the night. I've been waiting for **Grasshopper** to come back for a very long

time, and they did so in a very different form than I last saw them. Having lost two of the three members (the rhythm section), the group has been reduced to Derek (vocalist) and his guitar. Rather than cancel, as any sane person would have done, Derek went onstage alone, and gave a better show than most full bands. A truly brilliant piece of performance, I only hope Grasshopper will be half as entertaining when the band returns.

By eleven o'clock, the place had emptied quite a bit; that's understandable, considering the number of younguns there. It was, after all, a school night - I only wish I had had the sense to be home early. But I stayed for the first bit of the headlining band's set, and I was not disappointed. You see, there's something out there, a nasty, brutish thing that crawls into your guts and pulls and tears, but you don't want it to stop. It's called NYC hardcore, and the **Unsane** drill it painfully and excitingly into the crowd. Veins popping, sweat flying, bands like the Unsane are the reason for getting into punk - attitude and energy. I was surprised, though, because the band, at least while I was in the crowd, didn't inspire much of a pit. It likely improved later, as the audience got their second wind.

Whatever you might think of harder groups, there's a certain energy that makes the air crackle. That's why I keep going back, and I pity those of you that miss out.

Where to Hang



March 8

- **Pete Couillard** is at the Fox and Pheasant
- **Outrage: Information Overload in a Technological Society** a lecture by Bruce Powe CTB room 3-201
- UW Drama Department presents **Les Belles Soeurs** at the Humanities Theatre

March 9

- **Fishbone** is at The Warehouse
- **Buddy Guy, Chris Duarte, and Mel Brown** are at Lulu's
- **Thrive and H** are at the Volcano
- **Betty Serveert** is at Lee's Palace
- **Dionne Farris** of **Arrested Development** is at the Barn Boo

March 10

- **Three Long Men, The Flaming O'Haras, Ironic Twist** and **Renee Ellis** are lining up a benefit concert sponsored

by the Alpha Omega sorority for Anselma House at the Turret

- **King Apparatus** is at the Volcano
- **Bishop and Masse** are at the Bombshelter
- **hHead** is at Lee's Palace
- **Amy Grant** is at Maple Leaf Gardens
- **Chicago Pete and the Soul Providers** are at ol'Chicago's in Guelph
- **Feminism and the Politics of Hope** a lecture by Sandra Butler UW's St. Jerome's College Siegfried Hall
- K-W Symphony presents a Masterpiece series concert **Komatsu and Urushihara** at Centre in the Square through the 11th

March 11

- **Fatcats** are at the Volcano
- **Green Day: Jaded in Chicago** is on MuchMusic

• **Trooper** is at Lulu's

March 12

- K-W Chamber Orchestra presents **Fun and Familiar** in the Maureen Forrester Recital Hall

March 13

- **Pete and Chad** are live at the Crocodile Rock in Zeke's restaurant
- **Annie Lennox** is Intimate and Interactive on MuchMusic

March 15

- **Michelle Wright** is at Centre in the Square
- There is a benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity at the Turret
- **Pete Couillard** is at the Fox and Pheasant restaurant
- **Band Night/Anything Goes** begins at the Volcano

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jump from the toilet and infect me. Please help me!
Signed,
"Crabby" Roommate

Dear Crabby Roommate,
Technically you can't get STDs from a toilet seat. However, it is a good idea to keep your porcelain throne clean. Who wants chunky black things residing next to the most intimate of places? Tell your roommate to wake up and smell her lubricated condoms. Unsafe sex is suicidal, and who knows what you'll catch.

Dynamic Duo

Dear DD,
Why do girls ask questions like "What are you thinking

right now?" after sex?
Signed,
Xavier McD.

Dear Xavier McD,
9 out of 10 times guys are really thinking "how long do I have to lie here and cuddle?" The other guy is thinking "I could really go for a sandwich." Girls tend to ask this question because of a hormonal imbalance that occurs during the estrogen rush of orgasm causing a spontaneous increase in sentimentality and stupidity. Most often, as soon as this is said it is regretted. If you want more wild monkey dancing before breakfast, just humour her - and lie like a rug.

Dynamic Duo

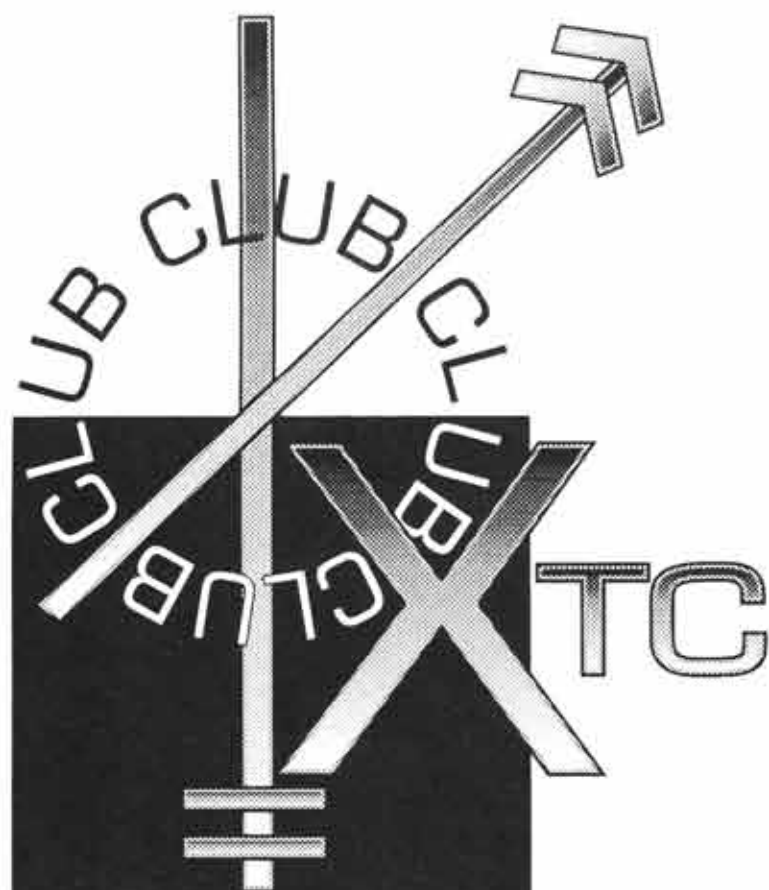
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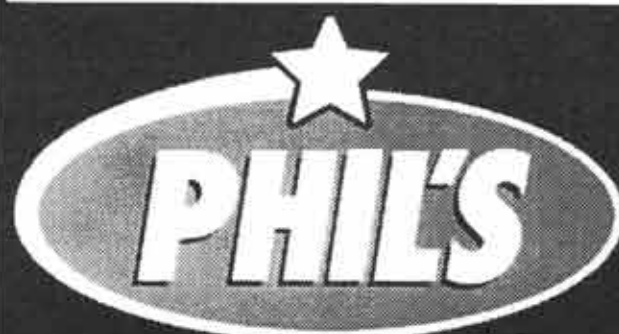


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The stronger moments on the demo, particularly lyrically, make up for its weaknesses. The principal songwriters have a knack for catchy tunes, and the lyrics aren't your usual "my baby..." blues fare; instead, the songs draw from Canadian history and socio-political issues. Most intriguing, but the band is better live. The best

songs are "Firewater" and "Billy Bishop", which also appears on the Musicians' Network "Taster" compilation.

Perhaps "2X Daily" should have waited another six months; in the meantime, catch a live show here or there - you'll be glad you did.

- Selene MacLeod



**PJ Harvey
To Bring You My
Love
Island**

Hmmm...I always thought **PJ Harvey** was the name of the band and Polly Jean Harvey was the lead singer, but she's done away with the band and still uses PJ Harvey...so I guess not. Harvey's latest release "To Bring You My Love" sounds like the soundtrack to a nightmarish horror/romance movie set in the deep south. The album alternates between eerie blues and bizarre rock, and even songs that begin innocently enough like "C'mon Billy" and "Send His Love To Me",

quickly develop an underlying ominous tension. If this were in fact a soundtrack, the songs "Telco" and "Long Snake Moon" would be played during the depraved Voodoo ceremonies - although musically different, both songs deal with death and the occult.

Nick Cave's recent "Let Love In" effort taught us that just because an album has love as its theme, doesn't mean it's going to be nice or sweet. "To Bring You My Love" reinforces that lesson, mingling together love, sex, death and religion. Actually Nick Cave's Bad Seeds mate Mick Harvey shows up for a couple of songs, giving us a small taste of the organ which made "Let Love In" so memorable.

"Down By The Water" is the first single from "To Bring You My Love", and although it is a reasonable indicator of what the CD sounds like, it only hints at the depth of this album. "To Bring You My Love" is hauntingly beautiful at times, downright spooky at others. It promises to be one of the more significant releases of 1995.

- Aaron Hunter



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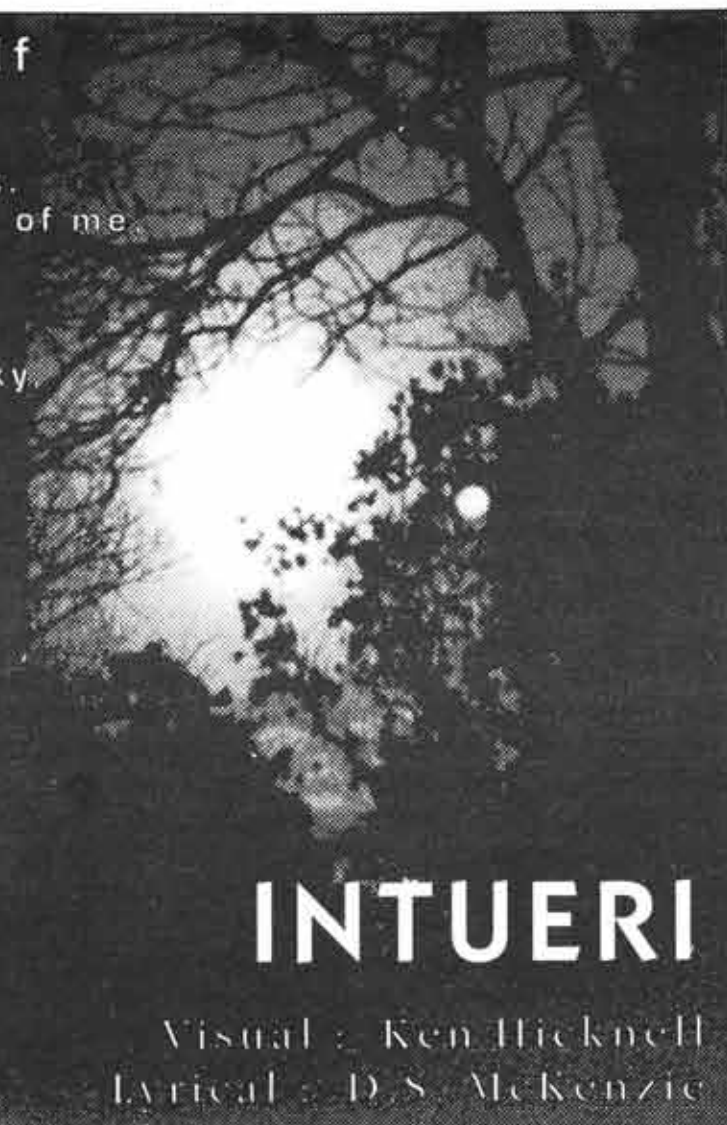
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The Nightmare of a Wolf

I feel its pull under my breath,
It pulls and pulls till nothing's left.
It screams at what's human inside of me,
It draws the other,
What is yet to be.

In the dark of night it lights the sky,
Shines in my eyes
As I start to cry.
Blood-red tears
As I feel the power,
Tears of fear
And tears of pain.
I thought the last time
It'd be over.
But I feel the anger
Inside again.

The wolf escapes,
Thought explodes,
Under the full moon
Hunting prey,
Until I wake
At break of day.



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Written by: Roseboy...

Bill Acsai

Pitter Patter

Pitter Patter on my window; sobbing, throbbing in my heart.
See the people quickly scatter as the rain and thunder start.
Pitter Patter, nothing matters. Pitter Patter all around.
All the streets and stores are silent save the Pitter Patter sound.
Pitter Patter. Pitter Patter.

Pitter Patter, my life in shatters, I found a friend amid the rain.
And now the endless Pitter Patter is but a song amid my pain.
Pitter Patter, what's the matter? No one likes the rain?
All the streets and stores are singing; hear the music's sweet refrain.
Pitter Patter. Pitter Patter.

Jamie W.L. Hill

i have lost the screws
to your bed, she said.

That's alright, i have
found them.

Does the window open?
She smiled, turning around.

To a point, then it
slams shut.

i think i have the
proper tool to fix
this, he said.

i wonder what i taste like.

The spring.
The spring that we fall
back on.
The spring that runs
under ice and over snow.

And with that she threw
the tool out the window.

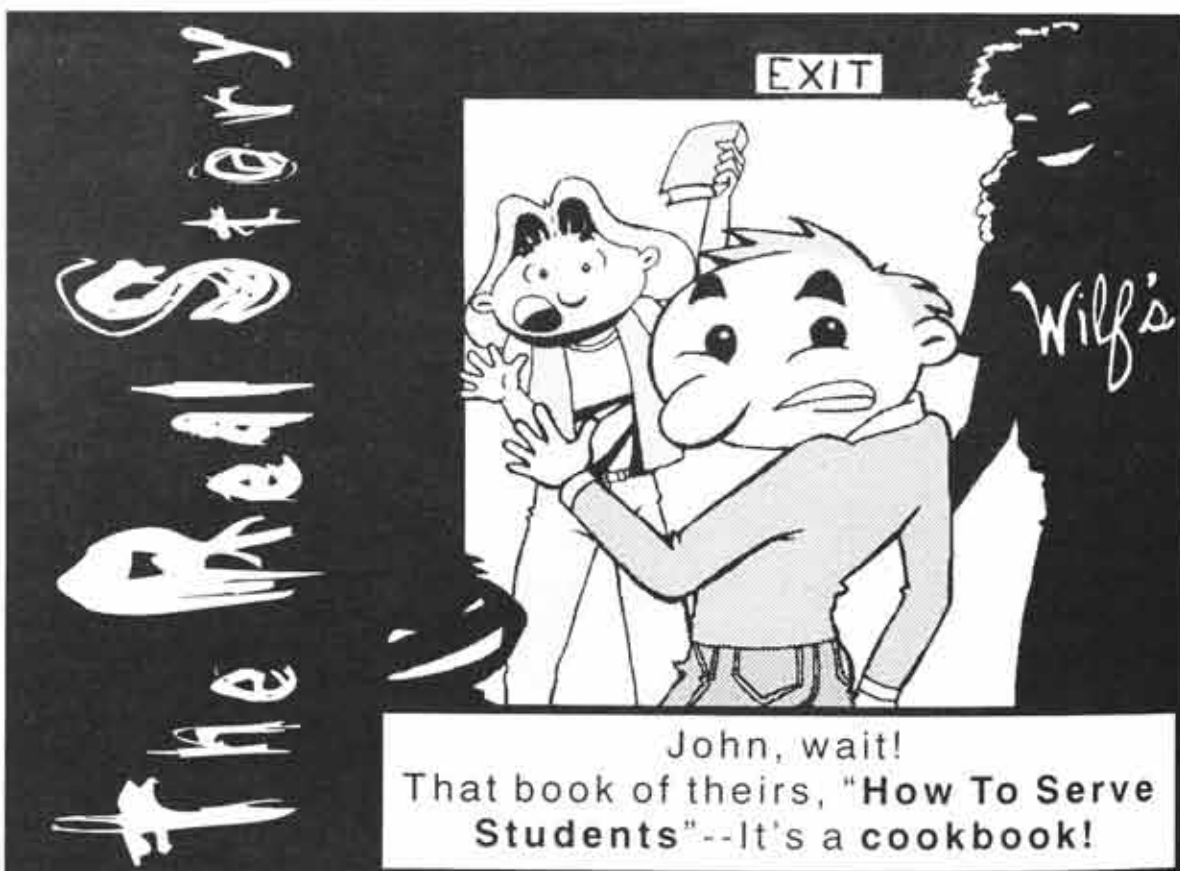
mark green

the duet

she used to sing
sing to the sky
and it would listen
sending the wind as its reply

I would watch her
hidden among her words
imagining myself singing
through a chorus of birds

Andreas Michael



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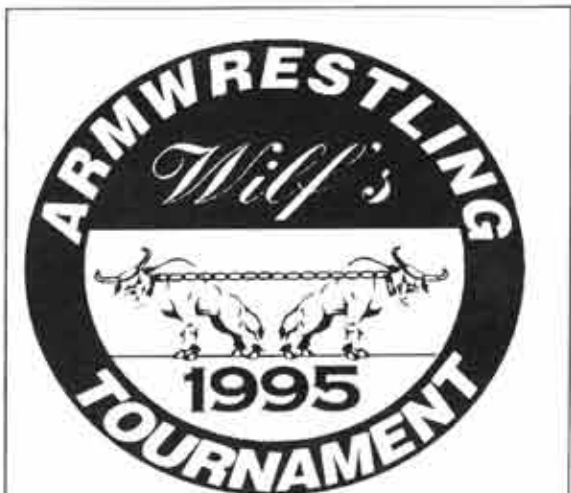
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