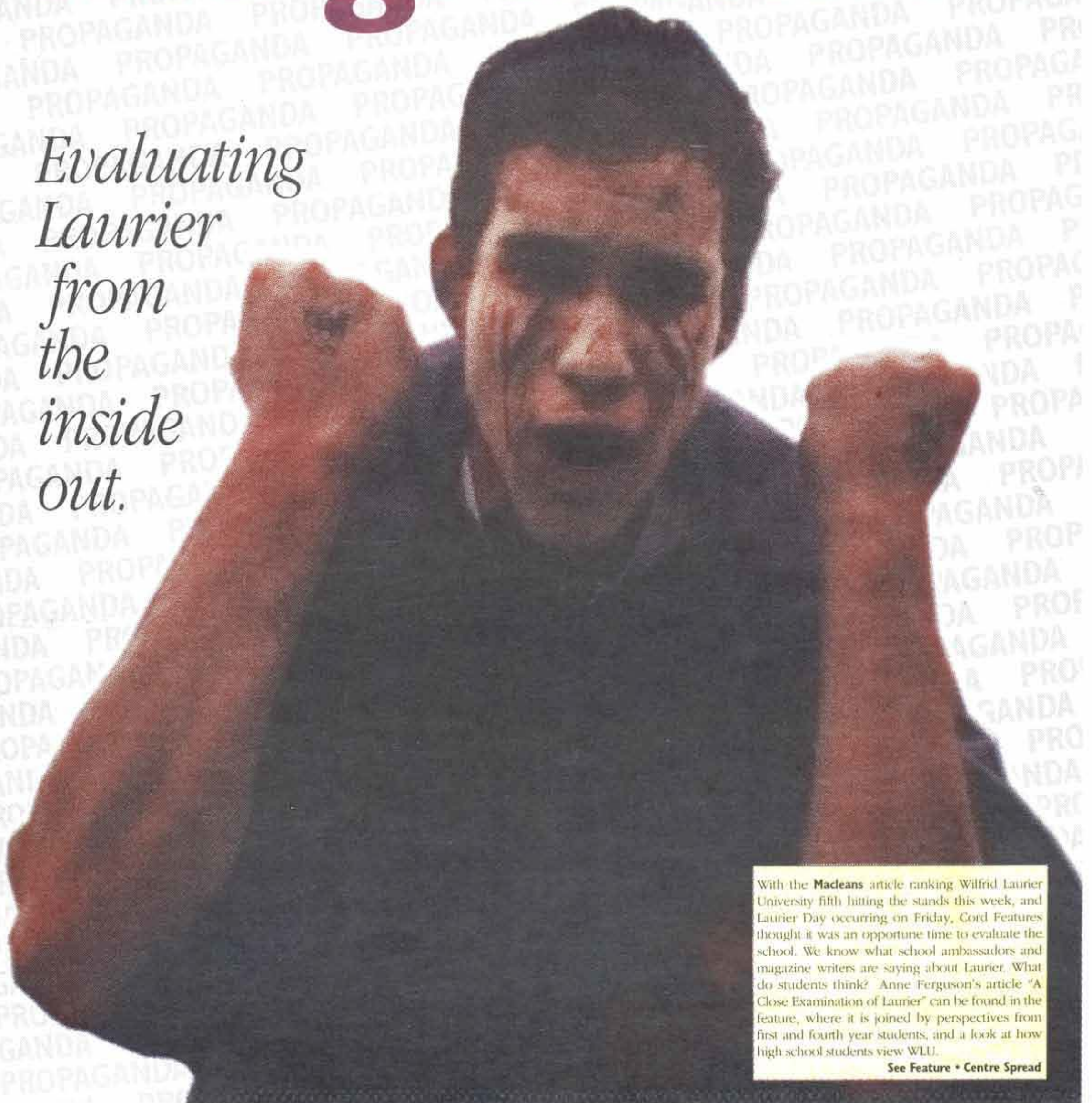


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out.*



With the **Madans** article ranking Wilfrid Laurier University fifth hitting the stands this week, and Laurier Day occurring on Friday, Cord Features thought it was an opportune time to evaluate the school. We know what school ambassadors and magazine writers are saying about Laurier. What do students think? Anne Ferguson's article "A Close Examination of Laurier" can be found in the feature, where it is joined by perspectives from first and fourth year students, and a look at how high school students view WLU.

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# Judgement Day

## WLU's improved ranking "not a surprise"

TOM HRUBES  
CORD NEWS

On Monday November 8, 1994 the fourth annual Maclean's university rankings hit Canadian newsstands.

Since its beginning, the rankings issue has been a huge success for the magazine. Maclean's sells between 45 and 50 thousand copies of the edition every year, compared to 15,000 for an average issue.

With this enormous success has come controversy. This year alone, 15 universities refused to participate in the issue. These universities are still included in the survey, but are evaluated using last year's data.

The split between those who participated and those who didn't is divided along language lines with many of the Quebec universities opting out.

Laurier improved in the rankings this year, moving from sixth to fifth place in Overall Ranking in the Primarily Undergraduate category. Arthur Stephen, the Assistant VP of University Relations, says the move was not unexpected; Laurier improved in three quarters of the categories Maclean's surveys.

Laurier was also ranked in the reputational survey for the first time, earning fourth place. Among the categories Laurier improved in were average entering grade (second to first), operating budget (20th to 15th), faculty awards (fifth to fourth) and scholarships (tenth to seventh).

Maclean's attempted to improve the issue this year in several ways. Included for the first time is a detailed breakdown of the statistics used in the rankings.

Victor Dwyer, the Education Editor of the magazine, says the raw data was published to provide "final justification of the rankings"

and to "show it like it is."

Also included this year is a section on "What's hot and What's not" at all the universities surveyed. The Laurier entries on this list include the "Bag O'Crime" under what's hot and the "Rib O'Pork" under what's not.

When Maclean's first began compiling information for its What's hot, What's not list,

paid Saturday Night Magazine to publish its own University Planner with no rankings. Over 425,000 copies of the planner were printed at a cost of \$100,000 to the AUCC. However, reaction to the issue appears to have been cool at best. When asked about the issue, Steven said he would "question its value." Dwyer commented that "Ads are not competition for real journalism."

Saturday Night is not the only magazine to jump on the university survey bandwagon. Canadian Business publishes rankings of MBA programs.

There have been accusations of universities altering figures to influence the survey. Dwyer says that Maclean's employs a fact checker to ensure accuracy.

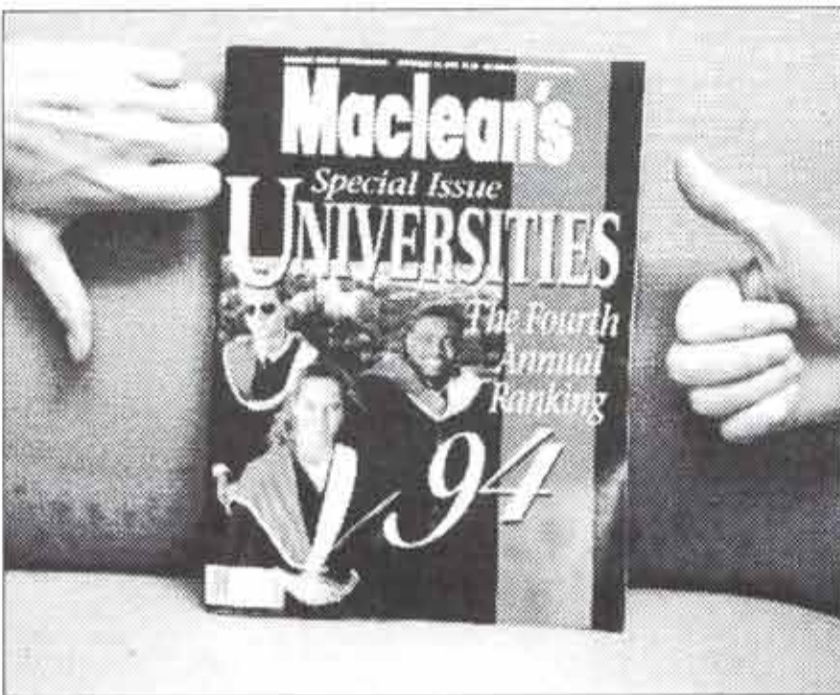
Cord Editor-in-Chief Ingrid Nielsen called the Maclean's student forum "a success." "They're trying to gear it more for students to read it."

She went on to say that "people who jumped down their throats" about the top ten

lists had "missed [an] opportunity" to participate in the Maclean's Student Forum.

While Stephen states that the Maclean's survey "should be just one tool among many," he also acknowledges that it asks many "relevant questions" and the comparisons it makes are "useful for universities." He also points out that Laurier "is not running the university to pander to Maclean's."

Whatever feelings the Universities may have about the survey, there is no denying its importance and appeal to the legions of graduating high school students, looking for guidance about their future. There is no doubt that Maclean's will be there to cash in on that demand for a long time.



PICTURE MARION HENSEL

it drew criticism from some sources for ignoring student issues. Being as it is, in the form of a Top Ten Best/Worst things about (your) university, has been accused of being superficial.

However, a forum on issues affecting today's university students was published in the fourth annual rankings. Participating in the forum were nine university students including Ingrid Nielsen, editor of The Cord. This section was added to "hand the floor over to the students," said Dwyer.

Due to the controversy over Maclean's ranking system, the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) advised its members to boycott the survey. Instead it

# Course checkup

HANNA DOMAGALA  
CORD NEWS

It has never been done at WLU before. Scott McCormick, the Vice-President of University Affairs, promised student-run course evaluations in his campaign last year and now he is acting on that promise.

The Students' Union is spending seven thousand dollars on this term's evaluations, but it's "the best seven grand I have spent," said McCormick.

To make sure the questionnaire is valid, WLUSU hired an outside consultant.

This term the Faculties of Business, Psychology, Political Science and Music will be evaluated. Almost one thousand students will be surveyed during the month of November, with the results published in January.

Approximately 5,000 copies of the highlights of the evaluation will be distributed for the student's use, a smaller number of the master copy will also be circulated.

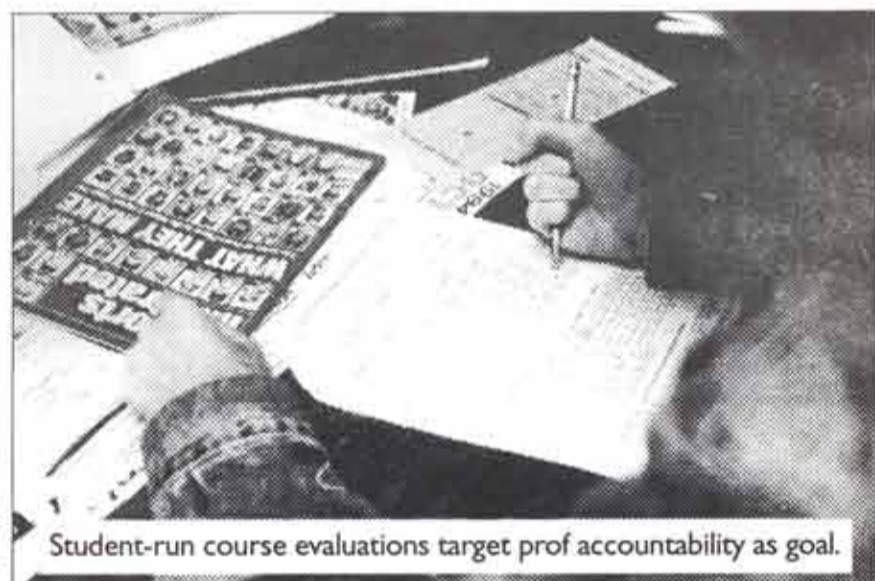
WLU administration will still

be conducting its own "bubble sheet" course evaluations, which are used in considering whether or not to give tenure to a professor.

So why student-run evaluations? Academic accountability. "It's for the students first," as McCormick put it. The evaluation will give students a voice. For the first time, they will be able to say what they like, or dislike, about the courses they are taking and the professors that teach them.

The first part of the questionnaire involves rating the professor on his methods of teaching, communication and interaction with students. This is followed by the rating of the course content and learning experience. Part three consists of two questions asking for the positive and negative aspects of the course and the professor as well, as suggestions for areas of improvement.

It is hoped that this will provide more relevant information than the course calendar already contains. Students will make a



Student-run course evaluations target prof accountability as goal.

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"better informed decision of what's entailed in the course, [they] will be better informed of what they need," said Brian McQuinn, the consultant involved in conducting the survey.

With the knowledge provided by this evaluation, a decrease in the number of students dropping courses is also hoped for.

Psychology professor R. Eikelboom sees two positive aspects of it as well. Not only do the students need as much information as possible when making their selections, but the professors can use some constructive criticism as well. According to him, it is good for the professors to see what students think of them and to recognize some areas for improvement.

However, not every professor agrees with Eikelboom. A significant number of profs declined the offer of participation. Since

participation is not mandatory, McQuinn had to ask for their permission to conduct the survey in their classes. The response he received was mixed. Some of our educators felt that students are not qualified to evaluate professors. In one word, they see it as a threat. The survey will give recognition to outstanding professors, but will only suggest areas for improvement to the remainder.

This term's evaluation is the first stage of a five year plan. The questionnaire will be an ongoing affair. Different faculties will be evaluated each term. It will "monitor and track the progress of courses," said McCormick. Its results will be even more visible a few years down the road when, hopefully, the changes will be administered. It will also give the university a better grasp of its academic achievement.

## THIS ISSUE

So, another Laurier Day is approaching. I bet the Administration thinks we are just going to go ballistic in this week's feature, but actually, this school is o.k. It just needs a little work around the edges. Yes, even the Maclean's bandit agrees with that. Stay tuned next week for a larger paper, so come on up and help us fill it.

### news



Tons of great news this week. Student surveys are finally here, as Hanna goes to those in charge of this new endeavour. Steve Doak brings us an excellent article on the pros and cons of tenure. Read it, it's important. As for the Students' Union, what a mess....Check out Heasley's update on the debris.

### opinion

Greg Sloan wrote the editorial this week, and reminds us of a really important day coming up... November 11. An interesting letter about rape prevention. An insightful piece from none other than Pete Robinson on the sorry state of affairs down in the Union offices. See Pete go. Go Pete, go.



### feature



By this point, I guess you figured out the feature is about Laurier. We tried to give a balanced feature that everyone could be interested in, but we have to admit, we were giving a special thought to those visitors arriving from the land of high school on Friday. It was our futile attempt at propaganda.

### sports

We could go on with the cliches forever, but hey, it was a great game. There are few people more upset than I at the identity of the victors. It's time to throw our support behind all the other great sports. To start, check Pete Robinson's article on hockey and Libbi Hood's update on volleyball.



### entertainment



Sweet. That's the Big Sugar update for this issue with another swell pi. Check out Shawn Callan's clever book review this week. As well, the great bev of bands and current hits around town. Don't miss rocking the boat with Allison Tucker, as she brings a movie review to round out this week's variety.

### two cents worth

Well, I think I've given just about enough of my two cents. Ah, who am I kidding. Perhaps we should call in Fry Guy Mark Heasley (you know, that news-y guy). Is it really all in the fries Mark? (see page 55, Maclean's). You know despite all this ranking paranoia, WLUSU bum-bling, and midterm hell, you know what really sucks? Western. Hee hee. Just kidding. Actually, the flu. They tell you to get a flu shot, but do we listen. Ohhh no. As far as production this week, kudos to the Font Geeks and their leader Production Paul.



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# Tenure under attack?

STEVE DOAK

CORD NEWS COMMENTARY

The pillars of academia are crumbling in Western civilization.

The tenure system has not been immune to the probing hand of fiscal restraint. Within the next few years, university administrations throughout Canada may find themselves unable to afford academic freedom as it has existed for the past century.

Tenure is the life-time contract between a university and a professor. It guarantees the employment of the professor except in

extreme cases, usually as dictated by collective agreements between universities and faculty unions.

The principle defence for the tenure system is that it guarantees the academic freedom of individual professors. Article 7 of the Collective Agreement between WLU and the WLU Faculty Association (WLUFA) says "The common good of society depends upon the search for knowledge and its free expression. Academic freedom for universities is essential to both these purposes in the teaching function of the university as well as in its scholar-

ship and research."

In this context, academic freedom is the freedom of academics to determine their own activities, both in their research and teaching, and in the subject and perspective upon which they focus.

One of the prescribed functions of universities in liberal societies is the questioning of accepted norms and beliefs. This often leads to conflict between professors who have raised controversial opinions and people who oppose the professors' views.

This type of challenge to free speech is not isolated to fascist societies; in Canada in recent years, for example, we have seen the rise and fall of the political correctness movement and the recent "zero-tolerance" directive from the Ontario Government. Tenure, then, is used to protect against the trends in society, to provide stability and opportunity for professors to develop new ideas, without the fear of losing their jobs.

Another defence of tenure is that it provides financial security for academics, most of whom are relatively unemployable beyond the university setting. For example, a middle-aged professor from a faculty such as philosophy or anthropology or women's studies who is dismissed from the university would find few, if any, employment opportunities to apply their skills. Without tenure, a career in such fields would offer much less to potential academics.

One of the most prominent criticisms of the tenure system is that it allows professors to stagnate, with little incentive to maintain high levels of productivity. The system as it exists relies heavily upon the individual responsibility of professors to maintain effective operations. Although "accountability" and "transparency" are buzzwords thrown at all publicly-funded institutions, few mechanisms exist to maintain accountability within the tenure system.

Another type of professor protected by tenure is the individual who is inadequate in the performance of regular duties of research and teaching. An example of this is Herbert W. Richardson, a professor from St. Michael's College (part of the University of Toronto), who was recently dismissed for "gross misconduct" after a seventeen

day hearing that cost approximately \$500 000.

This shows that tenure is not an absolute guarantee of employment, but that it is by no means easy to get rid of a tenured professor. Rowland Smith, Laurier's Vice President: Academics, said tenure "reverses the onus of proof." In other words, untenured teachers are pressured to prove why they deserve a renewal of their employment. In the case of tenured professors, on the other hand, the university would have to prove why they deserve dismissal.

It is undeniable that the tenure system creates a unique haven for elite academics. The debate over the system, then, revolves around the questions of whether such defences are necessary or financially practical. Opponents to tenure usually imply that professors cannot be trusted to be responsible for their own activities. Advocates of the system, on the other hand, imply that public opinion is something that must be guarded against.

In the end, both sides of the ideological debate may be silenced by financial constraints. By the end of the century, 25 percent of tenured professors in Ontario will be retiring. At the same time, the government is drastically cutting funding. Tenure is one of the cornerstones of academic freedom and educational quality, but unfortunately it may no longer be affordable.

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Monday November 14 is your chance to directly affect the direction and nature of municipal politics. It's voting time again.

As citizens in Waterloo, WLU students can vote for their choice of three mayoral candidates, two Ward 4 candidates, three councillors-at-large out of five candidates, and four Trustees to the Board of Education out of seven candidates.

In Ward 4 (the immediate WLU and UoW area) the incumbent city councillor Morty Taylor will be defending his position against Erin Schuell. Both share concerns for student housing and safety.

Schuell, a WLU student himself, wants to "bring the backroom dealings out of Morty's...and...to bring municipal issues back to the disenfranchised voter." He cited

his extensive door-to-door interviews with city residents, asking them what sort of job they thought the city was doing. "When most of them couldn't answer I thought either the city is doing nothing, or there is just no communication going on between the people and their representatives."

Taylor "categorically denies" any such back room dealings, and places emphasis on fiscal responsibility, Uptown redevelopment, and attracting business to Waterloo.

In the mayoral race incumbent Brian Turnbull, faces current city councillors John Summers and Susan Forwell.

It's not too late to register to vote. Simply walk down to the Waterloo City Hall (100 Regina St) Clerk's Office with a piece of current mail and I.D. Students who live in residence will be able to vote in the concourse, and the Phillip St. Co-op.

# Bag O'Crime

## Trespass

0045 Hrs Tues. 01 Nov. 94

Officers responded to a report that two males were observed on the field at Seagram Stadium. When officers arrived, no one could be found.

## Trespass

1910 Hrs Tues. 01 Nov. 94

Four males were observed entering the Athletic Complex acting in a suspicious manner. The duty officer located these individuals, identified them, and learned that they were not WLU students and had no membership. They were requested to leave the premises.

## Medical Assistance

0030 Hrs Wed. 02 Nov. 94

Officer responded to a report from Foot Patrol that an unconscious female was laying on the walkway underneath the Foot Patrol office. When officers arrived they found the individual conscious and coherent and were advised that she had blacked out a few times that day. She was transported to KW hospital by

friends.

## Mischief

2310 Hrs Wed. 02 Nov. 94

While on routine patrol an officer discovered that someone had tampered with the door alarm on one of the computer rooms in the library. The officer was able to rectify the problem.

## Theft Under \$1000

1740 Hrs Thurs. 03 Nov. 94

A WLU student reported the theft of his bicycle from the bike rack near the Peter's Building. The bike was secured with a lock and chain at the time.

## Suspicious Persons

0130 Hrs Fri. 04 Nov. 94

A Conrad Hall resident reported a male acting in a strange manner on the lawn outside her window. The detailed suspect was located and identified as a male WLU student. Further investigation revealed that he was quite intoxicated and had just left the Turret. He had gone close to the residence to urinate. He was warned about his actions and sent on his

way.

## Cause Disturbance

2345 Hrs Fri. 04 Nov. 94

A report was received that there were three males who were banging on windows in the Quad area of Conrad Residence. They were located and identified. Apparently they had arrived here for a lacrosse tournament and were looking for a phone. A warning was issued and they were sent on their way.

## Intoxicated In A Public Place

2350 Hrs Fri. 04 Nov. 94

A UoW student who was refused entry to the Turret was being escorted to an address on Hemlock St. when he passed out at the corner of Hemlock & Hazel St. After attempting to arouse him without success an ambulance was called and he was transported to KW Hospital. Hospital staff's attempts to arouse him also proved futile and the individual was admitted.

## Suspicious Person

0250 Hrs Sat. 05 Nov. 94

Officers observed a disheveled male walking aimlessly on Mid Campus Dr. When he was questioned he advised that he was looking for a place to sleep as he had recently been evicted from his residence. He was advised that he would not be able to stay on campus and was escorted off WLU property.

## Is this legal?

**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.*

**Week 4:** "How can I get my deadbeat slumlord to fix the place?"

Now that we've determined that Larry Landlord is responsible for the repairs to Terry's place, we have to figure out how to get the putz to start on them.

The first step Terry should take is to have a polite, but frank discussion with Larry. Terry needs to make it clear which repairs need to be done, and give a reasonable time frame for them to be completed. This actually does work most times. The majority of landlords are reasonable, well-adjusted people who realize the benefits of having happy tenants, and well-kept property.

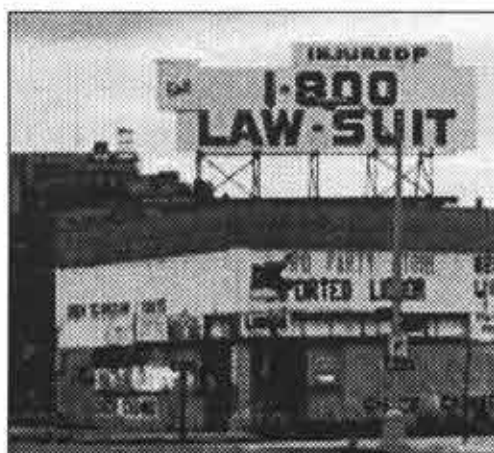
If this doesn't work, Terry will have to step up the pressure a tad, by writing Larry a business-like letter (not scrawled on a gum wrapper in Terry's usual chicken scratch) that outlines all the necessary repairs and the acceptable time frame. You can get an outline of this letter in the Legal Resources Centre.

Ohhhh, a letter you say? We haven't got to the good part yet! To the bottom of the letter, Terry should add "Cc.

Paul Felhaber, Property Standards Officer, City of Waterloo", and drop off a copy at the Legal Resources Centre. This usually "motivates" most Larry-type landlords who cringe at the thought of property standards officers nosing about their properties. We must be honest with Terry though. The officer will not inspect a house for peeling paint or a dirty carpet. He is there for serious health and safety issues.

If Larry doesn't respond to the letter, Terry should write to him again, detailing the fact that he's already tried to talk to him, that the first letter was sent, and that the repairs haven't been done. Now, Terry needs to gird his loins and add to this letter that he will be pursuing legal action to have the repairs done. Copies should again go to Legal Resources and to Paul Felhaber for his records.

Time to take the gloves off kids. Terry should come to Legal Resources, and arrange to meet with Paul to discuss his intervention and possible inspection of the premises. If



the repairs are serious (leaking roofs that flood the house when it rains, no door locks, no heat, walls that bleed—sorry, that was Amityville Horror), the city inspector may issue a work order for the property. If he does, Terry should stand back and watch

the hammers fly. Basically, the city will do the repairs and send Larry the bill. A work order is a very powerful instrument; landlords wet their pants and jump into action when they have one on their property.

These three steps should help Terry and anyone else in this position with repair problems, but they can't replace open communication with Larry Landlord.

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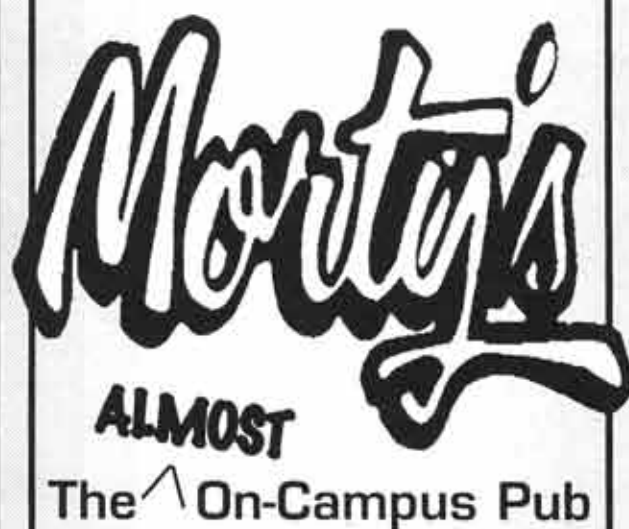
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# Makim spills the beans

**MARK HEASLEY**  
CORD NEWS

The students asked. He answered.

Director Anish Makim of the WLU Students' Union decided to go on the record about the reasons why recall proceedings were started against him by fellow Board members during an in camera meeting - where no notes were taken and only the Board itself was allowed to attend.

The charges laid against Makim revolved around fingering Makim for putting up posters in the Students' Union building

on the day of the recent WLUSU by-election. The contents of the poster attacked then candidate Craig Moffat in an election where all Board members are required to stay neutral.

"They (the Board) submitted no real proof, and no witnesses that say I did it," said

suspended Makim's voting privileges. This measure was made in place of a referendum that would have cost students in upwards of \$4000.

"If a director tells what went on in an in camera meeting, then all that happens is that director loses all future in camera privileges," said Spoltore. "I think the punishment should be more severe," he continued.

As to why the meeting went in camera and recall proceedings were started despite the express wishes of Spoltore, who was in Ottawa at a conference at the time, VP University Affairs Scott McCormick said "It was just an inquiry but it developed into more than that."

McCormick, who was Acting-President at the meeting also said "I have to emphasize that if the Board hadn't done what it did, (I know it stinks and sounds like a cover-up), we wouldn't have been doing our jobs".

## The reasons behind the proposed referendum exposed

Makim. "I believe that I have done nothing wrong."

"It's been made apparent that Anish is not liked by the majority of the Board," said Board member Kelly Westlake in support of Makim. "Anish is not the most diplomatic when asking questions, but 99% of them need to be asked. He's just doing his job."

Despite this, Students' Union President Ralph Spoltore made an executive order that

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- \$105,000 for renovations to the Athletic Complex
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## 's Up Around Campus A Calendar Of Events

### Wednesday, November 9

- Amnesty International Meeting 5:30 p.m. Niobe Lounge.
- Debating Club Meets at 5:30 in room P1017.
- AIESEC General Meeting. Next year's president will be elected at this meeting. Room 4-201, at 5:30 p.m.

### Thursday, November 10

- History Club General Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Russell Smith author of How Insensitive in Bookstore. Noon. Free Admission.

### Friday, November 11

- Remembrance Day Ceremony 11 a.m. At the Flagpole on University Avenue across from St. Michael's School.
- Laurier Day! For more info. call 884-0710 ext. 3385.
- Women's Volleyball vs. Western 6 p.m.
- Women's Hockey vs. York 8:30 p.m.
- Michael Overduin presents "Bridging Chemistry and Biology: Approaching Cancer through Protein Structure" in Room P1013/1007 12:30 p.m. For more info call 884-0710 ext. 2230.
- Mike Woods at Wilf's.

### Saturday, November 12

- Men's Hockey vs. RMC 2 p.m.
- Women's Basketball vs. Ottawa, 2 p.m.
- Mike Woods at Wilf's
- Jacobstetzel Country Christmas Craft Show and Sale. 9:30 to 4 p.m. Village School, Queen Street, St. Jacob's. Free Admission.

### Sunday, November 13

- Campus Club Sports Tourney
- Women's Hockey vs. York 7 p.m.
- Cycling Club ride, meet 1 p.m., Aird underpass.

### Monday, November 14

- Badminton Club plays in A/C 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Monday Nite Football in Wilf's
- Jackie Grieb and Rex Lingwood have their acrylics and sculpture on display in the Gallery until December 3rd.
- Continuing Education information session. 7:30 to 9 p.m. PMC For more info. call: 884-0710 ext. 4104.

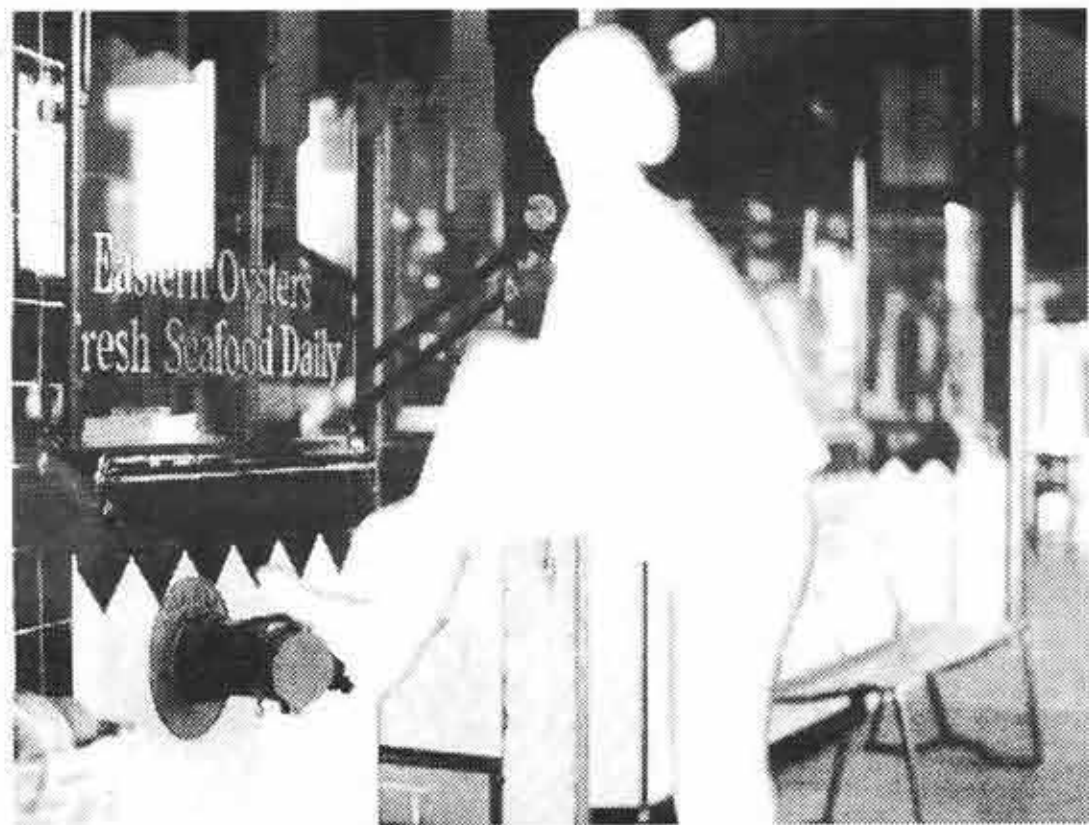
### Tuesday, November 15

- Music Therapy Student's Association presents Occupational Therapist Wilma Wiebe 7 to 8:30 p.m.
- Doris M'Timkulu and Chris Willette speak on "Homelessness and Hope" at 7:30 p.m. First United Church, King and William Streets.
- Shemaryahu Talmon lectures on "Between Judaism and Christianity" Room 2-201 CTB 8 p.m. Free admission. For more info. call 884-0710 ext. 3627.

### Wednesday, November 16

- Laurier Christian Fellowship Meeting 5:30 in PMC (or S101)
- Wacky Wednesday in the Concourse.
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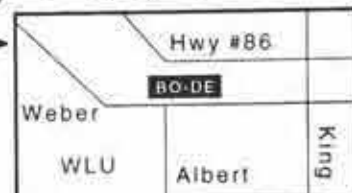
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# Chomsky talks peace

ANTON VOLCANSEK  
CORD INTERNATIONAL

Noam Chomsky, "America's leading dissident intellectual", shared his analysis on Prospects for Peace and Justice in the Middle East at the University of Toronto's Convocation Hall October 25.

Chomsky, a Professor of Linguistics and Philosophy at MIT, is the author of many books critical of US foreign policy and mass media propaganda techniques.

The event was sponsored by Science for Peace, the Student Christian Movement, and the Near-East Cultural Movement.

A full house listened to Professor

Chomsky deliver his speech, and often broke out in spontaneous applause and laughter. Some kneelers: "To compare the U.S. relationship with Israel and the U.S. relationship with Alabama is unfair because the U.S. gives far more aid to Israel than it does to Alabama."

"I say Gulf Slaughter, assuming that a war is something where two sides shoot at each other."

"U.S. aid to Israel is technically illegal because the U.S. government is not supposed to provide monetary aid to countries that engage in systematic torture."

Chomsky qualified this statement by pointing out that half of U.S. foreign aid to other countries, such as Colombia, is illegal for the same reason, and Israel is not an exceptional case.

But seriously folks, "as long as the current relationship of obedience remains and U.S. power continues to dominate the world, questions of justice and human rights can safely be filed away."

Chomsky equated the institution of apartheid and the homerule of independent states within South Africa to the present situation in the West Bank and Gaza strip whereby the Palestinians have limited homerule within a dominant Israel.

The core of Chomsky's lecture arguments can be found in his books. *Detering Democracy* explores the foundations of U.S. policy in the Middle East and the development of the concept of a "Grand Area", contained and defended by U.S. power against the threat of Third World indigenous nationalism. The "Soviet threat" was instituted to justify U.S. dominance over Middle East oil, but by 1990 had to be abandoned and rescripted

with the dastardly Saddam Hussein (who couldn't defeat Iran even with U.S., British, and Soviet aid) in the title role. Page 167 of *Pirates and Emperors* outlines lucidly that the U.S. maintains Israel as a "strategic asset" and a local "cop on the beat".

The entire book, meticulously researched and documented, deals with US terrorism in the Middle East. *The Fateful Triangle* was also referred to during introductions, as was *Collateral Damage* and its chapter "What We Say Goes".

Chomsky concluded his speech with the following passage:

"Israel's economy is largely an artificial construct dependent on American grants and aid and as it is what's called "liberalized" (that's happening now) the unusually high inequality within

Israel can be expected to increase as it more and more mimics the internal order of the master who keeps it going in return for services rendered. You can understand that very well if you look a couple miles to the south [to the U.S.].

"The arrangements that are now unfolding are degrading and shameful but no more so than the rather similar patterns that are being instituted throughout much of the world as the real Western ideals, not those, but the fairy tales, have overcome popular barriers to their realization.

Some have progressed more than others in turning into "human dust and the waste of society". But that's a direction which much of the world is going and will go if the masters are permitted to design a world order in which "what we say goes".



## Faces of war veterans on my mind

LILIAN SCHAER  
CORD OPINION

I awoke early on that grey November day, and the liquid sunshine pouring from the clouds more than matched my sombre and reflective mood. Today was Remembrance Day, and in a few short hours, I would be laying a wreath at the national memorial.

Many jumbled thoughts flew through my head as I dressed for the occasion. I remembered my visit to Vimy Ridge the year before, and how there I had felt for the first time what Remembrance Day really meant. The faces of war veterans in my hometown came to mind and how they struggled to deal with their memories while paying tribute to their fallen comrades. I thought about going to the war museum the day before, and how a tattered photograph, a faded letter, and a few short, terse words on a plaque had left me feeling a sadness beyond any I had ever felt before.

I barely even noticed that the rain had stopped as we walked to the memorial in front of Ottawa's Chateau Laurier Hotel. We all lined up in front of the cenotaph, next to the Governor General, the Prime Minister and other dignitaries, and finally, the ceremony began.

After the service came the March Past, and I stood and watched row upon row of veterans march by in silent pride. My mind flew back to the war museum and the pictures I had seen of rows and rows of smiling young men, exuberantly going off to war. How many of them actually returned? And how many of them had had those joyful smiles wiped forever from their faces?

Later that evening, on my way back to the Chateau Laurier, I felt compelled to return to the cenotaph. The sun had long since gone down, and although the sounds of a bustling city were blaring around me, I heard nothing but silence as I walked around the memorial.

I was reading the labels on some of the many wreaths when I was struck by the realization that while so many people had fought for our country, all that remained for them now were a few wreaths and a day of remembrance. And yet were it not for them, our lives and indeed our very country, would not be what they are today. Maybe we should appreciate often the gift given to us by those who paid for it so dearly. Maybe we shouldn't just wear poppies because of the Legion or because it's politically correct, but because they mean something, and because we're thankful in our remembrance.

The wind was biting cold as I came to a halt in front of the cenotaph. I took a step back from the wreath I had laid that morning and bowed my head for several moments. As I turned to walk away, I noticed a strange little heap lying forlornly beside one of the wreaths. When I stepped closer, I saw that it was a clumsily crafted poppy stuck in a mound of play-doh. Written on it in a childish hand were the words "Thank you grandpa".

A tear threatened to spill down my frozen cheeks as I looked at that tiny offering, and I remembered the words I had heard in the ceremony that morning:

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

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This year marks the 50th anniversary of the historic D-Day landings. But it has also been 55 years since World War II began in 1939, and 80 years since World War I broke out back in 1914. It may all be in the past now, but it's a past that we cannot, indeed must not, ever forget. History has repeated itself too many times already.

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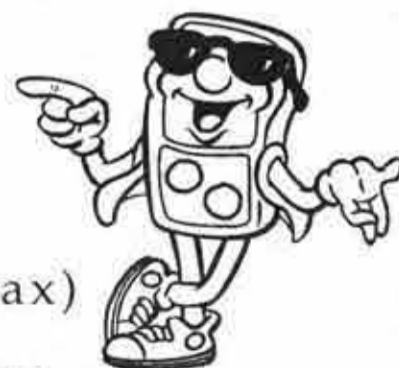


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# Letters to the editor

Editorial

## Show some gratitude

Friday November 11. Just another day, right? Classes to attend, papers to hand in, textbooks to read. That night you decide you might as well go out and let off some steam. It's been a tough week, and heck, you deserve it. While your draining that mug of beer, somewhere in the back of your mind, you may recall that November 11 has some significance. However, that thought is soon chased out of your mind by the revelry going on about you.

November 11 is Remembrance Day. We all know that. Many chose to ignore this, however. The day will come and go, just like any other. This greatly disturbs me. This is the day that has been set aside for all of us to remember the men and women who gave their lives defending our country.

It is bad enough that the government has to enforce one day when we will remember. Does thinking about those who have served their country one day a year make up for the other 364, when we don't give them a second thought?

What is worse is that even on Remembrance Day many just do not care. There are various reasons for their apathy. One is that those we are remembering served, or died, years ago, and thus have no direct impact on our lives. The younger generation probably do not know anyone who served in these wars, or who died in battle. It is very easy to forget the importance of Remembrance Day when it has no immediate effect on your life.

Except that it does. Whatever problems you have with Canada, be it the high taxes or the rising price of tuition, it is a hell of a lot better than the alternative. We all have the freedom to decide our own directions in life. You may complain about your every day problems, but there are thousands, in fact millions of people your age around the world who would gladly trade places with you in a second. We don't realize how lucky we have it.

Nazi Germany posed a very real threat to this society, no matter what many historical revisionists may tell us otherwise. Canadians gave their lives to repel this threat, and ensure that the Canada they lived in would exist for their children and grandchildren, who just happen to be us.

I agree that war should not be glorified. Remembrance Day is not glorifying war. It is not even glorifying the military. Many of those we are remembering were not soldiers. Most who fought in the two World Wars were civilians, brave men and women who volunteered to fight.

As you sit in class today, look around you. Those we are honouring on Remembrance Day were our age. As you examine the faces of your other classmates, imagine them face down in the mud, bloodied and dying. If World War 2 was to take place tomorrow, it would be them who would be dying on the battlefields of Europe.

Or would it. Would we, the spoiled middle class sons and daughters in an affluent society, be willing to make that sacrifice. Would we give up our lives in order to protect our society and ensure Canada's survival? I'm not so sure.

I would like to think I would. I have looked deep inside, and wrestled with thoughts I'd rather leave untouched. Would I be willing to make the supreme sacrifice if called upon to do so? I don't know. Would you?

The moment our society forgets the cost of war, and the thousands of lives that were lost because of it, we are that much more likely to engage in another battle. War becomes much less personal. As the First World War and World War 2 fade into the recesses of history the succeeding generations are apt to forget the lessons they have to teach us about the futility of armed aggression.

So please, don't regard November 11 as simply another day. Remember those who gave their lives so that we have the freedom of expression and thought. Please, don't be ungrateful.



Editorial by Greg Sloan, Features Editor.

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## For those who fought and fell

To the Laurier Community:

Each year on November 11 we provide a brief and solemn ceremony — "REMEMBRANCE DAY". This event marks the anniversary of the signing of the armistice that ended the great world war in hopes of ending forever all wars. On this Remembrance Day we pay tribute to those not here, who fought and fell. We should remember them.

All of our lives have been effected and/or affected by their ultimate sacrifice so courageously given so that we might inherit a cherished freedom.

Please don't let this day go by without remembering them. We owe them so much more.

All we ask is that you remember. Come join us at the flagpole on University Avenue (across from St. Michael's School) at 11:00 a.m. on Friday November 11 or remember them in your own way. A moment's thought of prayer for peace will do, but please remember them.

Fred Nichols  
Dean of Students

## Is rape a fact of life?

Dear Editor

You may not realize it, but when it comes to rape, "prevention" is a dirty word.

At least, that's the impression I was left with after attending an emergency meeting organized by the Women's Centre. Its purpose was to discuss the "cultural climate" at this university that allows sexual assaults like the one which two Laurier students have been charged with.

Peter Jorg, Manager of Security Services, spoke about steps his department was taking to improve student safety. When he mentioned a rape prevention seminar that was in the works, one woman in the audience scornfully replied, "so what, they tell us not to wear short skirts?"

Disturbed by the dismissive contempt in her voice, I immediately spoke up to defend the idea of rape prevention. "Some people think that by talking about such programs, you are somehow blaming the victim," I said. "Well that's just not true. It's like saying that by suggesting someone wear a condom to prevent AIDS, you're blaming all others who got AIDS through unsafe sex." I went on to say that rape prevention strategies are perfectly valid and effective: "If you must walk home late at night, try to be with others, not alone. And

don't get so drunk that you lose control of a situation." At this, I heard gasps of shock and disapproval. One woman in the audience spoke quite strongly of the pain rape victims feel, and that we should consider that this pain may be increased by talking of ways to prevent rape.

"But the whole point of prevention is to stop that pain!" I said, as soon as I got the chance. "And I don't feel in the least bit persecuted or 'blamed' when it's suggested that I can take steps to prevent being raped. On the contrary, it makes me feel empowered—that yes, I can take responsibility for my safety, and yes, I can do things to protect myself." But some audience members' reactions (such as shaking heads) implied that this feeling of mine was totally wrong, a false confidence. Rape can't be prevented, they said. And the responsibility for preventing a rape should not fall on a woman anyway.

This kind of attitude is dangerous and misguided. It's as if they're saying, "Hey, don't bother trying to protect yourself, because no matter what you do, you're going to get raped." Is this the kind of feeling we want to leave young women with? That they're powerless, helpless, defenseless and weak? "Victims" waiting to happen? Enough already! There are plenty of things we're capable of doing to protect ourselves.

One audience member claimed to understand what I was saying when I spoke of taking precautions. But then she raised the question of why women should have to protect themselves at all. Why, she said, should women have to be afraid, carry alarms on their belts, and generally restrict their freedom? Why shouldn't we look at ways of getting rid of the danger itself, instead of teaching women to defend themselves from it? Or, as someone else added, "We should be discussing rape elimination, not prevention."

I see. So, in other words, we should have the right to walk the streets alone at 3:00 a.m. We should have the right to go to a party, get drunk, and go up to a guy's room without anything happening. We should also have the right to leave our wallet on a Concourse bench, waltz off to the Torque room, blab with our friends, come back in half an hour and expect our wallet to still be where we left it. After all, stealing is wrong, isn't it? Shouldn't we have the right to expect that people will be moral enough not to do it?

Well there's a difference between an ideal and reality. Yes, it would be nice if we lived in a perfect world where no one steals, murders or rapes, but I'm sorry, that ain't hap-

pening anytime soon. Rape, like all crime, is a fact of life. Of course we should work to eliminate it, but until then, we are vulnerable. Take back the night? It was never ours to begin with. As long as there are men who enjoy committing rape, women will always be in sexual danger. And if we don't take responsibility for our safety, who will?

Tanya Qurershi

## Response to threesomes

Dear Editor

I am writing in response to the "No Threesomes" article written by Trevor Stafford in the Thursday, October 6 issue of the Cord. Trevor, you bring up essentially two main arguments in your article. 1. Elements of a party, and 2. Open alcohol in the halls of residence. I, too, would like to address these issues, though from a slightly different angle. In so doing, it is necessary to say that your opinion is respected and any bluntness to follow is simply due to my own strong feelings about Residence Life at Laurier.

Firstly, your feelings about the three elements of a party are neither new nor different. You have, however, presented them in an interesting manner. In your article, you have used the Old Testament creation story to make light of Wilfrid Laurier University's supposed policy on alcohol and spontaneous parties in residence. If you look more closely, the motivation for the Genesis Creation Story and University Residence Policy in general, is surprisingly similar. By this I mean that the writers did not intend that either be taken word for word, literally.

Wilfrid Laurier, even more surprisingly, does not even have a policy that specifically defines the elements of a party. What we do have at Laurier is an idea of residence life, developed by first year students like yourself, around which a policy has been built. This Residence Policy is based upon respect and responsibility. In residence, respect for person and property is essential. It is both yours and this University's responsibility to interpret policies not literally, as you have done, but with a human concern for your actions will affect others.

I applaud your wish to spice up residence life, but one must be careful. In closing on this issue, I would like to show how the spirit of respect is written in University Policy. The alcohol policy, as approved by the Inter-Residence Council, states that,

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# It's all in the eyes

**ANDREW HOPPER**  
CORD COMMENTARY

As a young Canadian, I feel very fortunate in having the amount of freedom our country has compared to other countries of the world.

When I went home last weekend, I was given a message which hit me very hard. A service for Remembrance Day was organized by my church this past Sunday.

Most war veterans from Owen Sound, who entered the church service at eleven o'clock, had rows of medals displayed on their newly pressed uniforms.

These war vets took up the first five pews. After the processional hymn, scripture lesson and children's story had passed, it was time for the last post.

As the trumpeter started to

play, I stood from the choir and just stared into the eyes of each war vet. Right there, I could see in their eyes the hurt and sacrifices these men and women made fifty years ago. Each vet sitting in the Church and all their relatives and friends who sacrificed their lives in the war made it possible to have the freedom we as Canadians enjoy

today. I look at less fortunate countries like ones in the Middle East and Europe, and compare those countries to Canada. I believe we have a lot of things going for us that other countries do not.

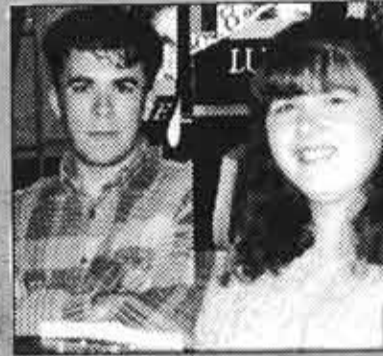
The message I would like to tell the faculty, staff, alumni and students at WLU is to think about your freedom, your rights

and the people that fought for us fifty years ago. If it was not for them, we as Canadians might not be where we are today. Please do not take freedom for granted. Just remember on November 11th. I know I have sometimes not remembered those who fought for our future and will never do it again. Lest we forget.

## VOCAL CORD



**Kirsty Dickson**  
4th Year Geography  
"High and mighty"



**Steve and Karen**  
Laurier Christian Fellowship  
"Never heard it before"

BY SCOTT MCKAY AND TIM SILK  
What does the "H" in Jesus H. Christ stand for?

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"One is to exercise freedom with responsibility somewhat comparable to that of persons at home; one person's freedom ends when it infringes on another." It is up to you to decide when your personal freedom infringes on someone else's.

And, true to the point you made, if you are not able to responsibly limit your own freedom, the Administration will assist you.

The second issue in your article dealt with open alcohol in the halls of residence. Once again your interpretation of this policy has misled you.

True, the Administration does worry about broken glass, etc., in residence halls. This concern, however, has a lot to do with the loss of custodial man hours experienced when our custodial staff plays hall and lounge clean-up crew. We do not live in a hotel and this University will not treat it as such.

This University does however, take much more notice of Provincial alcohol regulations as they apply to Residence Life. Provincial Law states that, "...the consumption of alcohol is to take place in the privacy of

one's own home or licensed establishment." Although Laurier is a great place, we are not exempt from Provincial Law and there are no special terms. As such, University policy has built around Provincial Regulations to state that, "Alcohol may be consumed in rooms and floor lounges, subject to approval of the Head Residents, in consultation with the Student Life Coordinator and as is provided by Provincial Law."

The consumption of alcohol in residence is, and always has been a privilege, not a right.

We live in buildings owned by Wilfrid Laurier University. It has chosen to define the "privacy of your home" as your room and lounge. Laurier did not have to make the definition of privacy even this broad.

Once again, policy has been built around an idea of respect — for the future graduates of this school.

In closing, I would like to point out that if you are really not enjoying residence life then maybe off-campus accommodations would have been the better choice.

No matter what decision

you make, the Residence System here at Laurier will assist you. The only advice I have for you is, to do what you can to make the policies, values and traditions of Residence Life work for you.

Respect is what 99% of residence life builds upon. If respect is not for you, then you should have saved yourself \$3500.00 (not the mere \$1800.00 you described) and rented that off-campus dream home.

**Mike McMahon**  
3rd Year Student  
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## Our beauty political outfit, the BOD

PETE ROBINSON  
CORD OPINION

You talk about the need for political reform? No, this is not in response to former deputy Prime Minister Jean Charest's recent visit on campus. This has to do with our own little beauty political outfit, the Board of Directors. If anyone does not agree that this bumbling, stumbling bunch of yahoos doesn't need to be reformed they simply need their head examined.

Case in point: take the recent incident involving BOD member Anish Makim, and contrast that to their handling of the case involving member Russell Clark. Makim's membership on the BOD was recalled when it was charged that he led a "smear campaign" against former BOD member Craig Moffatt. That smear campaign consisted of Makim being accused of putting up posters describing, albeit in poor taste, Moffatt's antics on last year's BOD and his conduct on Laurier Students for Literacy. By a huge margin (believed to be 13-1, but no one knows for sure because of the Keystone Kops-secrecy of in-camera meetings), Makim was asked to quit the BOD. When he refused, another motion was passed only a week later, this time by an equally big 11-1 count, to rescind their previous motion. Wow, like, make up your mind guys! This all came a month after the BOD decided to keep Russell Clark on the BOD after he had been convicted of assault, an offence that he was sentenced to a week in jail for.

The whole issue only put an exclamation point on the whole incident involving the BOD's prodigal son, Moffatt. After resigning from his position on this year's BOD for a quagmire of difficulties that were created by no one but himself, Moffatt was allowed to run again for the seat he was kicked out of. Ridiculous; if I was Makim I would have run

a smear campaign too! I mean, there comes a time when someone has to be accountable for their actions, despite what some out-of-touch by-law might say to the contrary (see by-law 13).

In the end if Moffatt needed any reminder that his actions did him in, the paltry forty votes that he received served as a fitting kick in the ass. It is unsure whether or not Moffatt feels bad that he cost the Student Union \$4000 to hold the by-election - my guess is that he doesn't.

There have been members that have privately told me that they don't know what's going on half the time. This was underscored by Chris Bradley's resignation from the board last week.

To quote Bradley himself: "I don't feel that the members of the Board are aware of the policies that exist, or that were open to them...It's now like a group dynamic, one person gives an opinion and everyone jumps on the bandwagon."

Don't get me wrong, I know several people involved with the Board, and all are competent and good people. Yet when an organization is involved with the administering of \$2.7 million of students' money, they need to be in an environment that allows them to work in an efficient and competent manner, no matter what the circumstances. That means that rules that govern everything from the ridiculous in-camera meetings, to the by-laws that kept everyone's hands tied, have to be scrapped if the Board wishes to eliminate embarrassing things like the Moffatt/Makim incidents.

So far this year the Board has been victimized from everything from poor judgment to a following rules that don't make any sense.

And that to me, as it should be to all Laurier students, is an injustice.

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**GREG SLOAN**  
CORD OPINION

Like the Biblical three wise men, they came bearing gifts of myrrh, frankincense and gold. Actually, it was only pork chops, spaghetti sauce, and bacon. But these gifts of meat products seemed heavenly.

This weekend I was blessed with what has become an annual occurrence: the parental visit. Since second year, every November my parents pack up the pick-up, secure the gun rack, and traverse the dangerous wilds of the 401, just to see their little baby.

I'm just kidding. They don't have a gun rack. But they seem to have an endless supply of groceries. After we put the avalanche of food they brought me away, we set off for our destination, the St. Jacob's Farmers' Market. I had never been there, but I had heard it was quite the experience. I was not let down.

It was raining all Saturday morning, lessening the appeal of the outdoor displays. So we headed indoors, figuring we would bide our time in there until the weather let up. Great idea. Too bad the multitudes were thinking the same thing. As we passed down the aisles, we could only catch glimpses of the pies, meats and breads as we were herded along like cattle by the masses.

If someone beside you decided they just had to have that hunk of cow's spleen, then they went for it. It was just too bad if you were between them and this morsel of death. You think American Gladiators look tough? Try sustaining a few shoulder blocks from some of these yokels.

We escaped to outside, and

walked by the displays that were protected from the climate by tarps. These vendors had just about everything you needed. Knives, used CDs, tacky T-Shirts proclaiming "I'm not 50, I'm Only 18 with 32 years experience": you name it, it was there.

If you made the mistake of lingering over a product for more than a microsecond, the owner of the merchandise was hovering over you like a vulture sizing up road

kill. My mom and I were looking at work socks. I decided if my feet were to survive another Waterloo winter, I could use a pair of these. The salesman came over. "Six pairs for ten dollars. But if you buy twelve pairs, I won't charge you tax." My mom and I froze. Did I really need twelve pairs of socks? I already had enough pairs to ensure that I didn't need to do washing for a few weeks.



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Our hesitation only gave him more courage. "Okay, you can have the twelve pairs for nineteen dollars". The stakes were getting higher. Soon I would be the proud owner of a set of steak knives. My mom and I skedaddled while he was temporarily distracted by another potential victim.

My mom did fall prey to another vendor, however. She bought eight dish rags, and, just because he liked

her (after talking to her for all of 30 seconds) he gave her two dollars off. He vowed that she would be so happy with the product she would return for more, since he claimed he has lots of return customers. Just how much dish washing do people in St. Jacob's do?

We moved on through the various displays, and then decided it was time to get something to eat. There was a lot of seating outdoors, but we didn't feel like wrinkling up like prunes in the rain. So we found a table indoors by a snack bar. Unfortunately their menu was limited to four items. We passed on the grilled cheese, and all of us ordered hot-dogs.

I was looking forward to a nice grilled dog. Because of laziness and a lack of time I always microwave my hot-dogs. This would be a nice change. I watched in horror, however, as I saw our server place the raw wieners in a gigantic microwave. Nooooooo! I guess the exorbitant price we paid for this culinary treat was worth it. I can have hot-dogs anytime, but how often do I have a chance to smell horse manure while I'm waiting for them to cook?

Our bellies full, we examined the outdoor produce vendors. These guys had everything. Need a four pound bag of carrots? Grapes bigger than your head? Enough apple cider to kill a mere mortal? This is the place.

We then walked over to the Factory Outlet Mall. From the outside, it looked like a ham they had simply turned into a "mall". Actually, I thought "mall" in this instance simply meant flea market

(i.e. more steak knives).

As we entered, however, we came upon an escalator. This was a genuine mall. They had simply built the exterior to resemble a barn. This was marketing to the extreme. I know as I shopped for CDs I really felt close to my agricultural roots.

Finally, hours after we had arrived, my parents and I had seen everything there was to see at the St. Jacob's Farmers' Market. I highly

suggest that, if you have the chance, take a Saturday morning and find your way out there.

Even if you don't buy anything (by the way, I did get those socks) it is a great lesson in the bartering system.

Now, if you need any dish rags, come talk to my mom. She's got a friend in the business. And that's the view from the farm for this week.

# cord feedback

The paper doesn't fit in my backpack when it's folded (or not folded) like that. How can I get it home if doesn't fit in my backpack? How?

**Aaron Hunter**

Way to go Stinson. Fight the PRISM power!

**Cassius Clay**

Forgive me Turret, FedHall is dogshit. Turret rules.

**Scott McCormick**

Nice cover. Long Live Pat!

**Michael Rosenblatt**

Leafs talk is great. I can't get enough of it. It's insightful, creative and thought provoking. Way to go. More. More. More.

**Tony Sachder**

Scott, I really enjoy your articles, but where is "between the lines". I cried big crocodile tears when I did not see it.

**Amanda Blonde**

PRISM sucks.

**Karen Bula**

If we elect the BOD, shouldn't we know what the hell is going on?

**Chris Smith**

Nice unbiased, objective cover page (just how a newspaper should be)...not. Try harder.

**Lauren Klump**

Why is McCormick endorsing Fed Hall?

**Anish Makim**

Parrot Club. Hard Cord. Big time!

**Jason Paul**

If Scott McCormick goes to Fed Hall, I'm never going to go to the Turret again!

**Sean Wilde**

If we only have 1 central paper, shouldn't it be unbiased? Tory bull-shit, my ass.

**Strahan McCarter**

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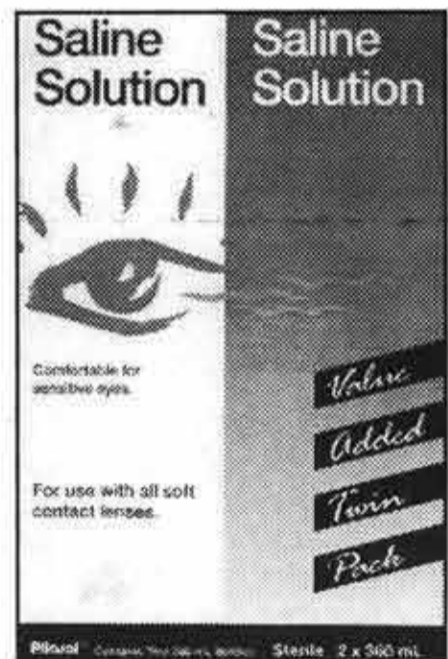
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# Wilfrid Laurier University

## How is it perceived by present and future students?

**ANNE FERGUSON**  
CORD FEATURES

A long, long time ago a seminary was high among the trees in a small town. A community grew all around, and so Laurier was born. In fact Waterloo College was established, and has grown into what we see as we tread the well-worn paths of our campus today. Hard to imagine, do we await the opening of the science building, or the printing, housing, or the Student Union building expansion, that once there was only a seminary, a few students, and a two-story library. How we've grown!

With a student body of over 6000, our seven floor library, numerous residences and sports facilities aren't enough. The Athletic Complex, for example, was built when only 2700 students were enrolled here, despite our great leap in size. Why do we squish courts here, or add courts elsewhere, when we've got space within the building?

The library fares no better to students' eyes or, you may be surprised to learn, to the staff's. There is neither too much research library should possess, nor is there money to better the situation. Although plans are in the works to improve services provided there, the bottom line is more' ideas for improvement progress.

However, it is not all doom and gloom. Academic programs, less so for us, have high admission standards. Required averages have skyrocketed in the last four years and, especially in the activities are of ever-increasing importance. Laurier appears on both school

programs and two doctoral programs. The latter in conjunction with the University of Waterloo and the University of Guelph.

Students can get involved as teaching or research assistants at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, and in many cases, in most universities, only graduate students are considered for these positions. Many committees, such as the Arts and Science Council, Petitions, Senate, and Senate Committees, have student representatives, giving them a voice in major decisions regarding administration. Access to these committees is achieved through a position as class representative.

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The high admission averages (and Business are legendary) once in the students must keep their marks up or go elsewhere. They benefit from practical experience in the Stock Market game and the third-year, high-stress, integrated case. Those who do not wish to specialize in Business can take the Administration/Option or wait until graduation to pursue a one-year diploma. However, the new-born 12-month Masters of Business Administration provides an opportunity for people with a non-business background to return to school after a few years' work experience to obtain a Masters.

Want to get involved elsewhere? WUSU offers seemingly endless opportunities for volunteers in all areas of life. There are currently between 200 and 300 volunteers participating in programs like Laurier Literacy and Food Bank.

In addition, Laurier offers services (Emergency Response, BACCH) which are always looking for help. If you are interested in politics, there are various positions such as Board of Directors and President.

Such participation is a clear indication of student pride in our school. Buildings are not defaced, there is no sign of the usual graffiti covering other institutions, and the general atmosphere is a happy one.

Faculty and staff share this pride, and are happy to have a role in the development of our school and its students.

and recreational activities are growing fast, with new programs being started regularly. In addition to traditional competitive group sports, more varied activities such as dance, canoeing, and cycling are now being offered. Anyone interested has merely to go to the intramural office in the Athletic Complex and inquire. Better yet, those interested in initiating new programming are welcome and given all resources necessary to make their plan a reality.

To accommodate our students from afar and make more room for those of us already here, our campus is expanding. It's exciting! The science building will be in operation and work will be well underway for the Student Union Building expansion. The latter has been planned structurally but layout details remain to be finalized. Since it is the students' building, you are greatly encouraged to provide your input as to design of the improved pubs, hall of fame area, lounges, and more. Without student suggestions the building will be entirely designed by administration and architects.

As for the library there are plans for a warehouse acquisition with U of W and Guelph to store journals, accessible by computer from the three campuses. This will cut costs and free up space in the library for more urgently needed materials.

Partial users of the athletic complex do not despair: the time will come (we hope) when there will be a light weight room with new equipment and a separate room for heavy weights... no more line-ups! There is also discussion of regaining Seagram's stadium under Athletic Department control, making both facilities more complimentary and

with improved facilities, excellent academic programming and a warm community feeling. One message members of faculty and staff want heard loud and clear is that they care. Dean Arthur Read

# Two student perspectives

## Do opinions of Laurier differ from first to fourth year?

**FIRST YEAR STUDENT KERI SEMENKO**  
CORD FEATURES

Every day for the last week I have seen various tour groups wandering around campus. As I walk past them I wonder what these high school students think life will be like if they choose to come to Laurier next year.

When I arrived in September I had only vague images of how my existence would be. I had heard all kinds of stories from a good friend who is a Laurier graduate. In July I had been here for the tour experience that I am now witnessing. Whatever ideas I had were formed on these

two foundations and the basic second hand information we all heard about various universities.

All these factors led me to believe that Laurier was a small, close-knit, community oriented institution where you would receive personal attention and form relationships easily with other students and professors. Other first year students I have spoken to share similar

views. However, I have the chance to participate in the school without feeling intimidated.

Even if all you have time to do is socialize with your residence neighbours or join an academic club, you can take an active part in life here. Laurier and its students are justifiably proud of a tradition that

However, it is important to realize that each student decides what aspects of that community they will be involved in. You must make an effort to become a part of the Laurier community, for the community will not come to you.

Laurier promises friendly profs and it delivers. Every teacher I have is approachable, but it is the student who must do that approaching. The classes here are fairly small in comparison to other universities, but that does not mean that personal recognition comes spontaneously; you must seek that recognition.

As a first year student I have not really had a chance to make a place for myself yet, however I have made a start. I think that is what Laurier really offers students. The size of this school allows all those who enter it the opportunity to be exactly what they want.

If you choose to be involved in activities you will meet people and it will be a great experience. Laurier offers a wide variety of activities to choose from.

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# High School Confidential

## KERI SEMENKO CORD FEATURES

Laurier Day is coming! So, you ask, what is Laurier Day and why are we having one? This Friday, November 11, is a day when our campus is open to a barrage of high school students who want to see exactly what Laurier has to offer.

The High School Liaison office is expecting about 800 students to participate in this year's event, which includes campus tours, residence open houses, information sessions about internship and co-op, as well as the chance to experience a first year lecture.

As this day approaches it is interesting to discover what type of perceptions high school students have of Laurier. In order to find the answer to this inquiry I surveyed a random sample of QAC students from three different high schools.

I obtained the opinions of students in Oshawa, Stratford and here in K-W. The results showed definite trends, but also stark differences from region to region.

The first thing that becomes apparent is that no matter where you go, if they've heard of Laurier, they think we're "small". In all three survey areas this idea came up repeatedly.

The discrepancy lies in whether this factor was an attribute or a fault. In Oshawa, many students seemed to believe that because Laurier is small it only offers a limited number of programs and this deterred them from seeking more information about the school.

Similarly, Stratford students generally felt that the size of Laurier was a negative aspect. Several believed it would thwart an active social life in an area university with such a small student body.

However, local opinion was more favourable. Kitchener-Waterloo students agreed that size of Laurier would allow them to have a better university experience because it would provide a better atmosphere for personal growth. It appears that the smallness of Laurier is infamous, no matter where you go.



**"Close to home"**  
Nancy Gardiner, Glencoe Potential Business Administration Student

It is how that element is perceived that changes from place to place.

The other commonality between survey areas was an awareness of the business program. In all three areas, someone had heard of the co-op program that Laurier offers in business and everyone seemed to think that it was an excellent option to have available.

Other programs that were mentioned differed from location to location. In Oshawa, the students offered praise for what they believed to be great History and Physical Education facilities. The poll in K-W turned up positive comments for the German and Science programs.

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when you try to use these computers, you realize that half the school is trying to use same terminal you are and the network could, and probably will, crash at any time while you're using it. Better facilities are available to business students, but they'll charge you fifty bucks a term for it.

Looking back to grade thirteen, I think I made the right choice. I've had fun at Laurier and have grown to feel very comfortable on the concrete slab we call a campus. I have learned that much of the propaganda that Laurier presents is bullshit. Every University has it's pros and cons, it's all about where you feel comfortable. In my four years, I've had good classes, good profs, met lots of friends and attended every Oktoberfest. What else is there really?

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# The last stand

*Laurier's fifth-year vets end their careers with a tough loss*

**ADRIAN OSBORNE**  
CORD SPORTS

Western's field goal kicker, Frank Jagas, arguably the best kicker in the country, has only ever hit one field goal off the astroturf at Seagram Stadium. Unfortunately for the Hawks, the one he did hit put the Mustangs ahead by two points with only fourteen seconds left in the second half of overtime in this year's Yates cup. That game winning field goal made the final 38-36.

The loss ended some very distinguished football careers. For others, university football should be only a stepping stone for a lifelong affiliation in the game. Bill Kubas broke numerous records, including the CIAU all time passing yardage record, making him the most proficient passer in the history of university football. Stefan Ptaszek also broke a few of his own this year, including most receptions and yards. Coincidence? I think not. However, I do think both players would trade their individual records for another shot at the Vanier Cup.

The game itself was the most exciting game of university football that I have seen. Likewise for the other 6076 people who attended in the less than ideal conditions. It did not start off like the game of the year though. Western scored touchdowns on their first two drives while Laurier managed only a field goal in the first quarter. They managed two more field goals before halftime.

After their first two very impressive drives, the Mustang offense, other than a single point off a missed field goal, only scored again on their second last possession of regulation time. The big downfall of their offense was the Laurier defense, which managed to take the ball away five times. Meanwhile the Golden Hawk offense only turned the ball over twice.

So how did Western win the game with

five turnovers and missed field goals? Two reasons. First, running back Sean Reade Second, big drives when they needed them that included Reade and medium length passes to Sandy McGregor and Tom McConnell. Reade gained 143 yards on the ground and was voted the game's MVP. McGregor gained 160 yards in the air.

Midway through the third quarter, the Hawks went ahead 16-15 after a 42 yard touchdown reception by Zach Treanor. He led all receivers with 177 yards.

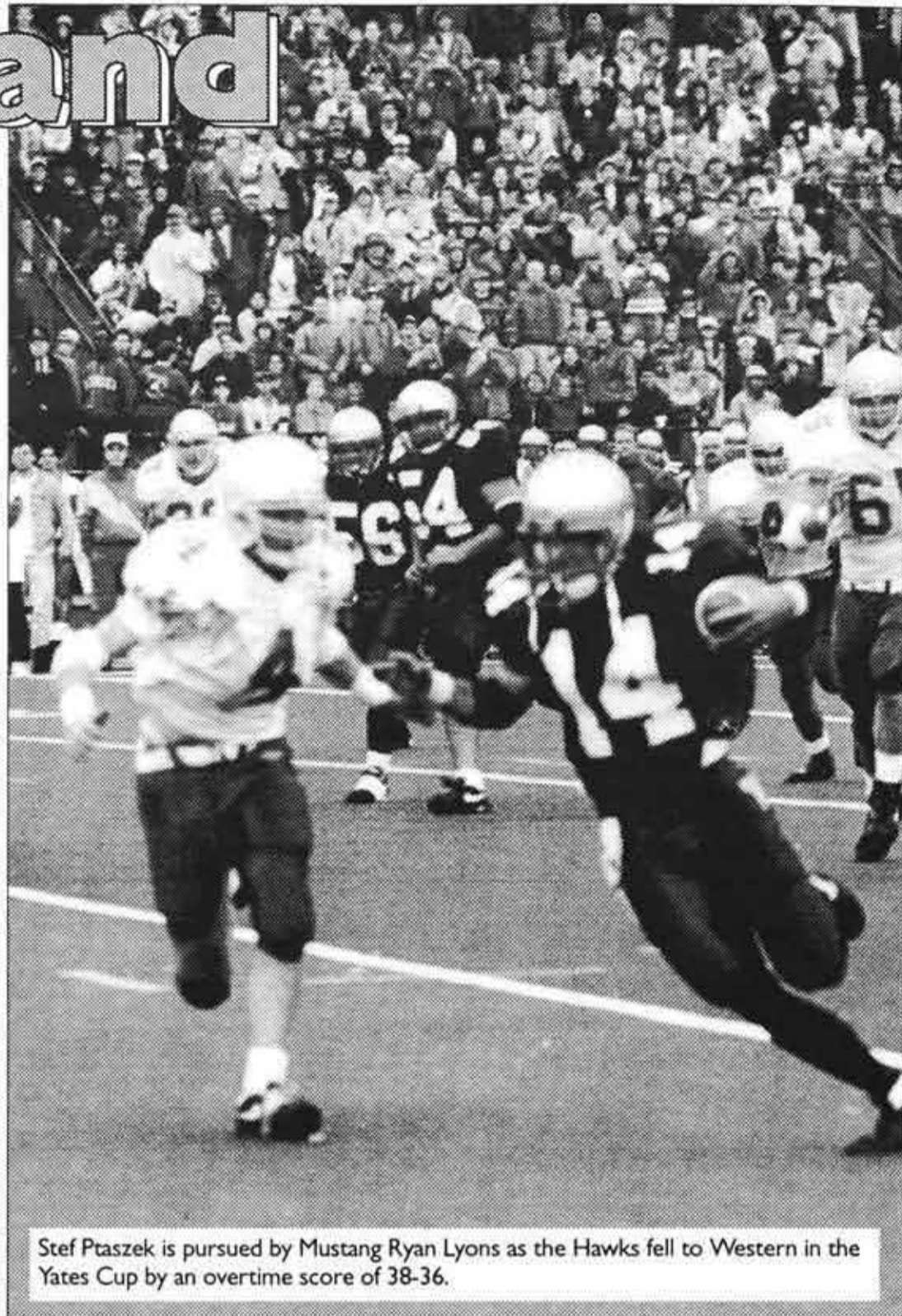
The Laurier defense then stopped the Mustangs with two turnovers on their next two possessions. Momentum had clearly swung to Laurier's favour. The crowd was excited, standing and cheering. Peter Hwang, back from his injured knee, finished off another drive with a five yard leap over everybody to get into the endzone.

With only two and a half minutes left in regulation, Western scored a controversial touchdown on a bomb from Western quarterback Warren Goldie to McConnell. Many fans thought that McConnell pushed off of Laurier defensive back Lonny Taylor before the catch was made. The refs did not think so. The touchdown was converted by two points and the game was tied.

In overtime, Laurier scored a touchdown on their opening drive. Treanor led the way with a 41 yard catch on the 2 yard line. Western answered back immediately but failed to convert.

In the second half of OT, both teams again scored touchdowns and both teams failed to get the two point conversion.

Then with 19 seconds left in the game, Western set up for their fourth field goal try of the day. Their regular long snapper received a concussion earlier and his replacement was having a rough time (three missed field goals and one missed convert). But he finally got



Stef Ptaszek is pursued by Mustang Ryan Lyons as the Hawks fell to Western in the Yates Cup by an overtime score of 38-36.

PICTURE: SCOTT MCKAY

one right and Jagas managed to put it through the uprights to win the game.

The Mustangs will be heading off to Lennoxville to play the Bishop's Gaiters, and then most likely to SkyDome the following week for the Vanier Cup.

For the Hawks, the returning players will be calling this game a learning experience and something upon which they will build. Treanor, in particular, will be a star in the

future and will give the Hawk fans lots to cheer about next season. Kevin MacDonald will finally get his starting shot at QB. For the graduating players, they can still look back on 1991 as their storybook year. Few athletes can.

So on a sad note we end the 1994 Laurier Golden Hawk football year, but we are already looking forward to what coach Zmich will give to us next year.

## Die Dierdorf die

*...And other assorted sporting thoughts*

**PETE ROBINSON**  
CORD SPORTS

I sat down on the weekend to watch a boxing match for the first time in awhile. I used to be a die-hard fan, so bad that I had a subscription to all three major boxing monthlies. Over the last couple of years my interest waned to the point where I only watch the major fights that take place now. If I ever needed a reason to continue to show a lack of interest, I got it on that Saturday afternoon.

I tuned in to see IBF bantamweight champ Orlando Canizales try to tie the record for the most title defences by a bantamweight champion. His opponent was Sergio Reyes, a green yet talented fighter with only ten pro fights. On the surface it appeared that Reyes was in there solely to provide Canizales with a beatable opponent.

It certainly didn't matter whether Reyes won the fight or not, because the stage was set for a highway robbery. Reyes completely dominated the fight, yet lost a unan-

imous decision to the champion. To give you a feeling for how bad the fight was scored, respected fight game analyst Gil Clancy had the fight scored 7-3-2 in rounds for Reyes. Yet every judge scored almost the opposite for Canizales.

To put it bluntly, the sport is sick, rotten to the core. If it isn't convicted racketeer/murderer Don King with his slimy hands all over the sick business, it's judging fiascoes like this giving the sport a further bad name.

It's a shame that a sport that once gave us such class individuals like Muhammad Ali and Sugar Ray Robinson, has fallen to such a low level. Simply put, the sport must change, or the commissions and athletic federations that give the sport its legitimacy must move to shut it down.

Following the O.J. Simpson case, one can't help but think that by trying to have so much evidence suppressed, are Simpson's lawyers in effect saying that they are trying to get him off on a technicality? If he

is 100% innocent like he says, then you would think that he would be more than willing to let DNA and other related evidence admitted. This would help identify the real killer. After all, wasn't it O.J. who put up a half-a-million dollar reward to help catch the "real killer"?

As important as it is to presume his innocence, it is hard to imagine O.J. Simpson a free man, in whole or in part, because of inadmissible evidence.

How can a man in the public eye function in a society that knows scientific evidence has placed him at a murder scene, and that some extremely high priced lawyers were able to get it excluded by way of a variety of legal manoeuvres?

I'm just wondering when the folks at ABC Sports are going to wake up and realize that they have the worst color commentator in the history of sports working their Monday Night Football games. Dan Dierdorf could possibly be the most annoying, least intelligent person one will ever have to listen to

in their life.

If it isn't his hair-brained comments about things that a small child could comment on, it's the uncalled for, drawn-out commentary about things that no one wants to hear. Like come on Dan, this is the NFL, my grandmother knows that big strong men play this game and

are capable of doing some pretty impressive things. How about you start saying some stuff that shows a bit of insight into the game, if of course you're capable of it.

However, the bottom line is that he drives a lot of viewers crazy, and ultimately away, and it's time the folks at ABC made a change.

## Onto the OUAAs

**MIKE DONIA**  
CORD SPORTS

Last weekend the annual Wilfrid Laurier Open cross country meet was held at Bechtel Park, drawing over one hundred of the top runners from around the province.

While most of our men's varsity team opted to take this day off as they taper towards the finals, three runners chose instead to use this meet to fine tune their race skills. Mike Donia led the Hawks, placing 25th among university athletes. He was backed up with strong perfor-

mances by Stephen Dalrymple and Ed Vonk.

Jeff Lockyer of Toronto won the men's race and University of Toronto was the top team. On the womens side, Michelle King of Windsor led her team to victory with a first place finish. With only three runners, the Hawks did not qualify for the team standings.

With good performances by all team members, the team looks to improve on last years OUAAs rankings next week at Queens in the OUAAs Championships.

# Damn Yankees

*The evil scheme of our southern neighbours is exposed*

**MARK ELLIOT**  
CORD SPORTS

The wall falls, and the Cold War is over. There is a sense of world harmony and peace. The USA is behind this new, friendly world order. Why has the USA left its confrontational ways and embraced the road to peace? Because they have discovered an easier path to world domination-SPORTS.

Since the war of 1812 the United States has seemed to abandon its hopes of Manifest Destiny (a common North America under the flag of the Americans). They have decided to attack Canadian culture through the Americanization of hockey.

Hockey is one of the things that is truly Canadian, along with real maple syrup, mounties, and beer with plenty of alcohol in it. There have been large increases in the number of American teams so that American owners can have a larger say in the decisions. Look at the future of the NHL and you can see the end of Canada.

It will soon be no longer acceptable to see a hockey game end in a tie. There is nothing better than a hard fought battle that ends 0-0. The American solution is to have a glamorous shootout that takes the team out of hockey and focuses on individual talents. Anyone who watched the Olympic final between Canada and Sweden knows that this is not the right way to end a classic match.

Americans also want to change the puck so that it is easier to see. The longest running show in Canada is Hockey Night in Canada and for all those years it has been on TV, Canadians have not had a problem seeing the puck. Do Canadians have better eyesight than Americans? I think not.

The president of the NHL, Gary Bettman, is an American and came from the NBA, a well known breeding ground for American

spies. Bettman has played a large role in the current hockey strike, which has been used to dampen the will of Canadians.

It is also rumoured that the States has played up the Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs rivalry. This was done to pit the the English against the French, which eventually led to the Quebec separation movement.

Baseball has also felt the icy hand of American expansion. Canadians were granted teams to spread American culture, and it was decided that no Canadian team would be allowed to win the World Series. This was easier in the past as the teams were full of US players who were all part of the grand plan. Now there are Latin American players who cannot be controlled by the States and that led to the two World Series championships by the Blue Jays. Even this was sabotaged, with the upside down flag incident. The biggest victory for the American expansion power was to get the World Series cancelled this year, thereby robbing Montreal of their best shot at it in years. A win by another Canadian team would be unacceptable and might have lead to the country coming together behind les Expo.

If you think Canada is the only country affected, think again. The World Cup, which involves countries from all over the globe, was recently held in the States. It was said the reason for choosing the States was for the revenue. Yeah, right. The USA saw this as an opportunity to Americanize this international sport. This was done through a few subtle rule changes that led to more scoring. Americans need to see flashy play because in general they do not have the patience or intelligence to enjoy the beauty of a nil-nil draw.

The Americans also were able to snag the

Olympic games, again. They will attempt to introduce American sports like beach volleyball in attempts to flood the world with American culture.

This is a danger to citizens across the world. The States will no longer fight in Vietnam or Korea but in the stadiums, arenas,

and on the fields of sport. We must band together to push back this force.

If we do not, the next thing you know we will have to pay to go to university hockey games and our football team will play on AstroTurf.

My god! It's too late.

## *It's the silver for lacrosse team*

**SILVANA YEE**  
CORD SPORTS

This past weekend, the first annual Women's Ontario Lacrosse Championships were held in Waterloo and Guelph.

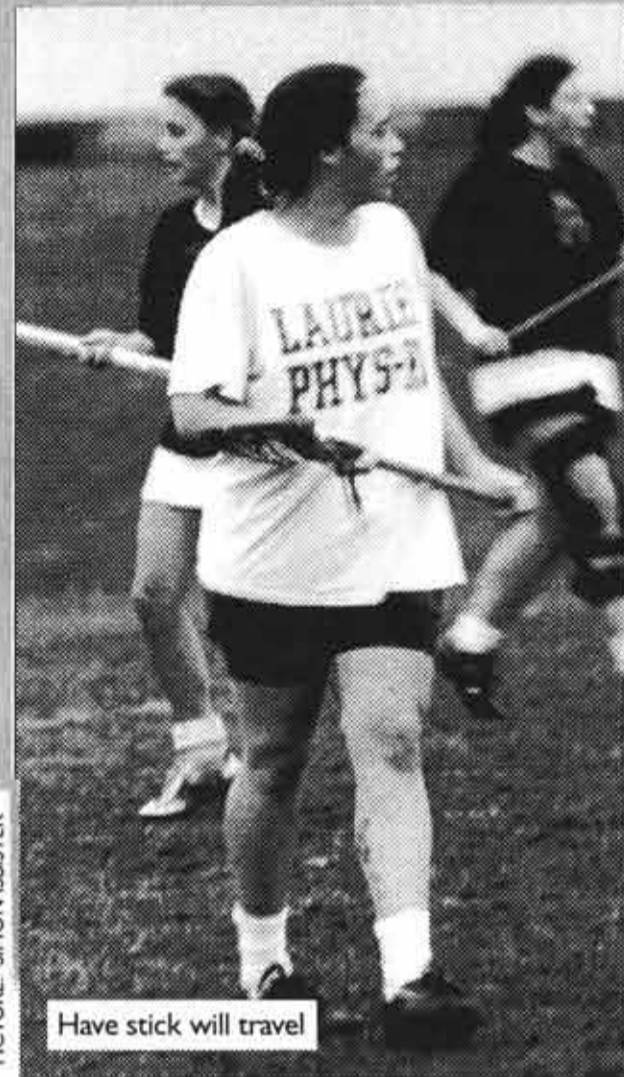
In the preliminary rounds, held at Waterloo's WCI high school, Laurier dominated play with victories over Carleton and Brock by scores of 6-0 and 2-0 respectively. Terri Turner notched both shutouts in net for the WLU squad.

Tanya Greenwood led Laurier's scoring effort in the prelims with four goals, while Paula McMurtry, Heidi Wilson, Kristina Bonter and Silvana Yee backed her up with one goal apiece.

The two victories gave Laurier first place in its pool, setting the stage for the finals in Guelph. In the championship match, Laurier faced York and had to settle for the silver medal as they were defeated 1-1. The lone goal was scored by Paula McMurtry.

The match against York was Laurier's first loss of the season, giving them a final record of 7-1-2.

In the consolation final, Queen's faced Carleton and defeated them 3-2 in overtime.



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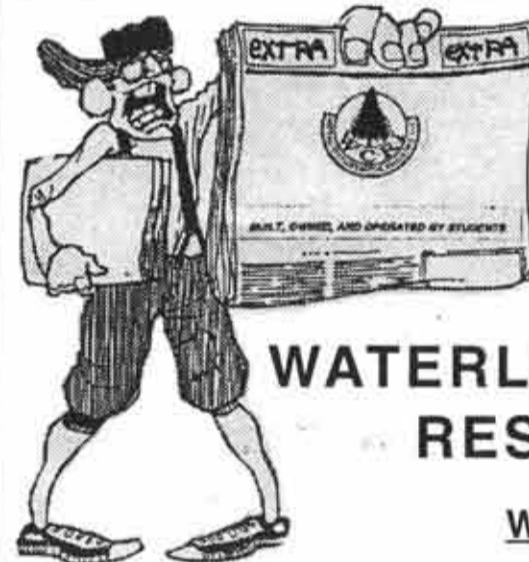


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# Still undefeated

**PETE ROBINSON**  
CORD SPORTS

The Men's Hockey team capped an impressive four point week last weekend with a hard fought, 3-2 win over Cornell in Ithaca, New York. The win over the Big Red followed victories over York and Brock, 7-6 and 8-5 respectively.

The win at Cornell was thanks to an all-round effort, particularly by goaltender Mike Crawford who stopped 42 shots. The Hawks counted goals by Matt Turek, Smitty Kulafowski and Todd White to pace them to victory.

The exhibition win comes after last year's loss to the Kent State Golden Flashes, a program that is now extinct. The Big Red are a team that come from the

powerful ECAC, a league noted for its depth and reputation for producing talented players. So, for that reason alone this win should be considered huge for the Hawkey Hawks. Head Coach Wayne Gowing thought so too, "we played hard, with a lot of poise and heart."

On Friday the Hawks travelled to Thorold and played another great game in securing the 8-5 victory. "Again we played hard and beat a very good hockey team in Brock."

Gowing also added that he thought Wednesday's 7-6 score was not indicative of how Laurier played. He thought that the Hawks were unfortunate not to widen the one-goal margin.

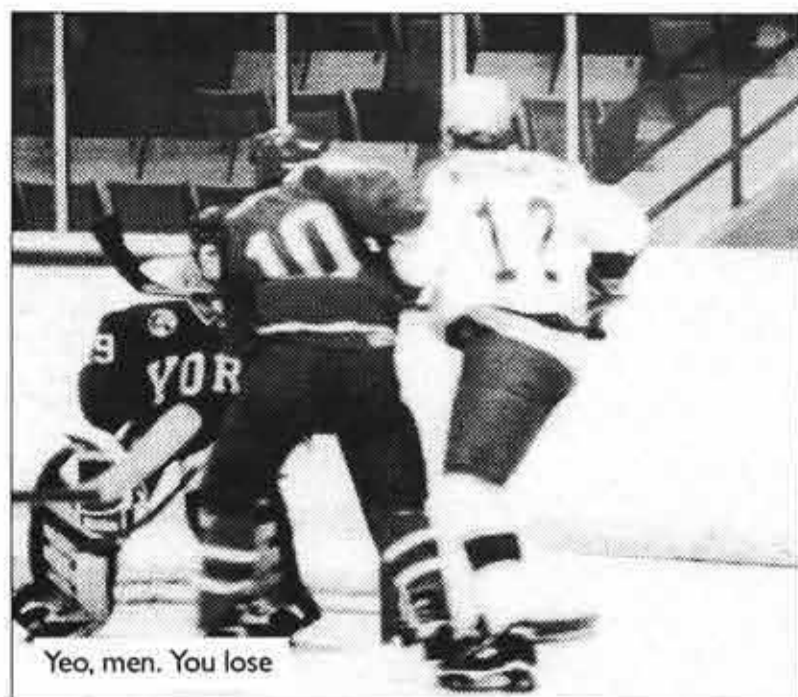
The pair of wins put the Hawks in the enviable position of first place in

their division, a game and half ahead of the pre-season favourite Western.

This comes on the strength of Laurier's win over Western earlier this year, and Western tying Waterloo.

Speaking of Waterloo, the Warriors are off to a brutal start after looking like world beaters in the exhibition season. They have notched only two ties in four games this season and were waxed 8-1 by York. They are behind not only Western and Laurier, but also Windsor who beat Laurentian last weekend.

A pair of wins this weekend would put Laurier in the driver's seat for their next batch of divisional games. They travel to Kingston to take on Queen's and RMC, both members of the OUAA's Mid-East division.



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### Correction

It was reported last week that the women's Golden Hawk soccer team lost the Bronze Medal game in the OWIAA Championships to the York Yeowomen. They did not. In fact, they won the game by a 2-1 score to capture the Bronze. Congratulations to the entire team.

Moral of the story: Never trust a fax.

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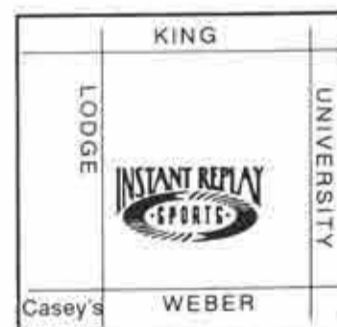
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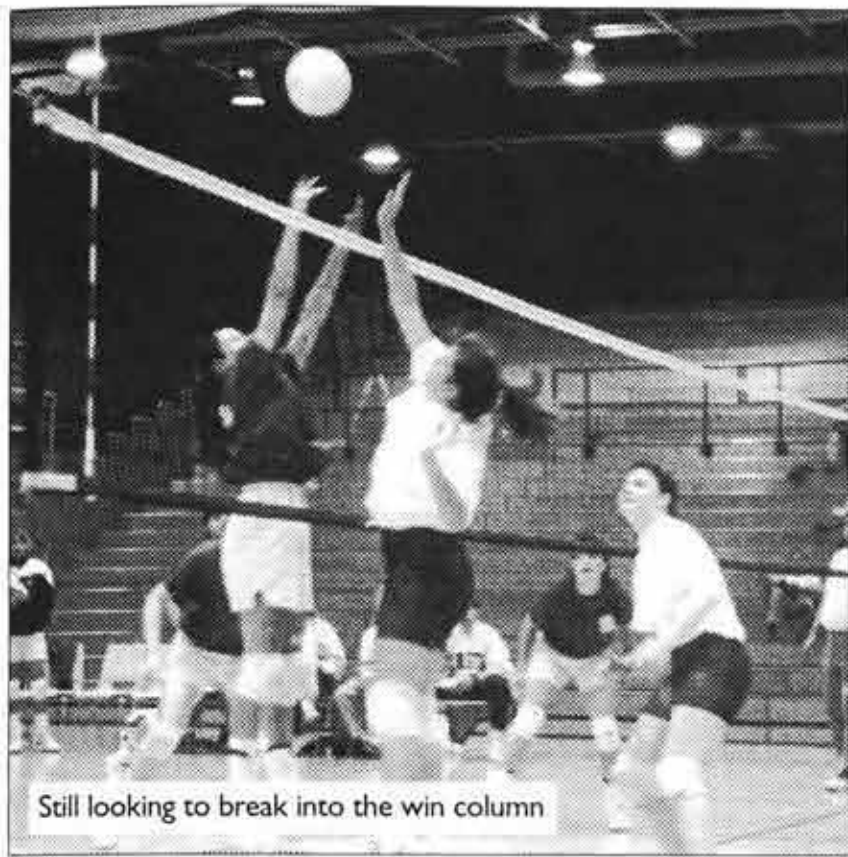
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# A rough start



Still looking to break into the win column

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**LIBBI HOOD**  
CORD SPORTS

The Women's volleyball team opened their season at home last Wednesday with a loss to McMaster. They went down three straight games.

After the first game blowout of 15-1, the team started to come around. In the second game, they came back from a 6-3 Mac lead to go ahead 7-6, but couldn't keep the pace. Despite some key spikes by team captain Carrie Ostram, they lost 15-9.

The third game was the best played. Laurier went up 5-4, capitalizing on some of Mac's missed serves. Mac then went ahead again, but the Hawks matched them point for point, tying the game at 6, 7, and 8. Once again, however, the Hawks couldn't keep the pace and went on

to lose 15-8.

Offensive highlights of the games were 4th year power hitter Ostram's nine kills, followed by seven from rookie power Sherri Spisani. Kellie English, a 3rd year middle hitter, added five kills.

A second match, this time exhibition, was played against the University of Toronto Varsity Blues. The Hawks lost the first two games, both 15-4. Toronto's powerful hits seemed to almost paralyze Laurier's defense at times.

The third game saw Laurier finally come alive. The Hawks went ahead 4-0, then spiked two into the net and one out of bounds to allow the Blues to tie. The team then rallied to go ahead 9-4, and 13-5, with great hitting by Ostram and English.

However, that was the end of Laurier's streak, and they went on

to lose 15-13. Despite getting the serve back five times, Laurier just couldn't follow through with points. The Hawks also lost the last two games, 15-2, and 15-1.

The team is young, with five rookies and five second year players, but is improving. Coach Cookie Leach commented on the team's improvement between playing McMaster and Toronto, and has "high hopes" for the season.

If the Hawks can play up to their potential then they have "a good chance of making the playoffs," said Leach. This would be an amazing improvement over last year's season of fourteen losses and no wins.

The strength of the team comes from their size. They have potential but have yet to put it together.

## Upstart volleyballers lose a close one

**CHRIS SMITH**  
CORD SPORTS

The Golden Hawk mens volleyball team had their first home game of the season on Wednesday, November 2nd, against the McMaster Marauders.

The team was looking to start off on the winning side under their new head coach, Brett Thomas. Thomas has coached in Ontario, Michigan, Illinois and California, and has also helped out with the U.S. Ladies' National Team. He is confident that the Hawks will have a winning season.

There are a few problems that stand in the Golden Hawks' way. The key stumbling block is a lack of eligible players. This means that Laurier has to start four first year players, with only two players on the bench.

The first game showed the Marauders that Laurier would not be a push over. The Golden Hawks new setter, Steve Wissmach, proved that he could play with the best of them. Making beautiful sets all game, Wissmach was only plagued by a lack of good passing by the rest of the team. McMaster came up with some huge hits and massive blocks. Laurier kept up, proving that they deserved to

be there. Mac overwhelmed Laurier late in the game and won 15-9.

The beginning of the second game continued to show why Mac has dominated OUAA in the recent years. They were hitting the ball extremely hard but the Golden Hawks fought hard. The Hawks lost the game in the end by a heart breaking score of 15-13.

By this time, the crowd was beginning to think that Mac was going to sweep the Golden Hawks. But coach Thomas and the rest of the team had different plans. The team started playing better. The passing improved along with the serving. Fourth year leftside hitter, Greg Bell, led the team with some amazing serving and hitting. Mac tried hard to keep up but fell to the Golden Hawks, 16-14.

During the fourth game, it looked over. Laurier was down 11-4 and the war seemed lost. But from deep down inside, the Golden Hawks soared back and came out on the winning end. The final score was 16-14 again for Laurier.

By this time the excitement was mounting. Laurier, who have not had great volleyball success in recent years, was in a fifth game against the power-

house Mac Marauders. Tension mounted as the game began. In a fifth game it doesn't matter who serves, someone gets a point. That makes for a fast, exciting game. The game was close, no team being up by more than two points until the Mac attack barely overtook the Golden Hawks by the score of 15-11.

Laurier played a great game and it was a shame that the majority of the fans were either from the Ladies' v-ball team or parents of the team. The next home game is Wednesday November the 30th against the Brock Badgers.

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**STERLING LYNCH**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

On an August day in 79 AD, Mount Vesuvius erupted in an intense orgy of volcanic intensity covering the cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum in grey ash and lava, forever consigning those cities to the hands of bitter history. On a rainy November 4th, **Big Sugar** tried ever so hard to relegate Kitchener/Waterloo to those same pages by blowing the lid off the Volcano.

Surrounded by speakers on all sides and with their drum kit pressed just a few feet from the audience, Big Sugar (Gordie Johnson: vocals, guitar; Kelly Hoppe: harmonica, saxophone; Gary Lowe: bass; Stich Wynston: drums) was prepared to wage a war of attrition with the audience, drawing off the energy of each other in a perverse symbiotic relationship.

Big Sugar taps many musical genres and then mixes it all with a buzzsaw of distortion, noise and feedback. The result is undeniably intense. The music is loud, frantic and chaotic, but in all the noise of Gordie Johnson's ear bashing guitar style, the music is never lost. Certainly, Big Sugar creates noise that will shake your kidneys and flatten every little hair to be found in your ears, but it remains music that can be enjoyed.

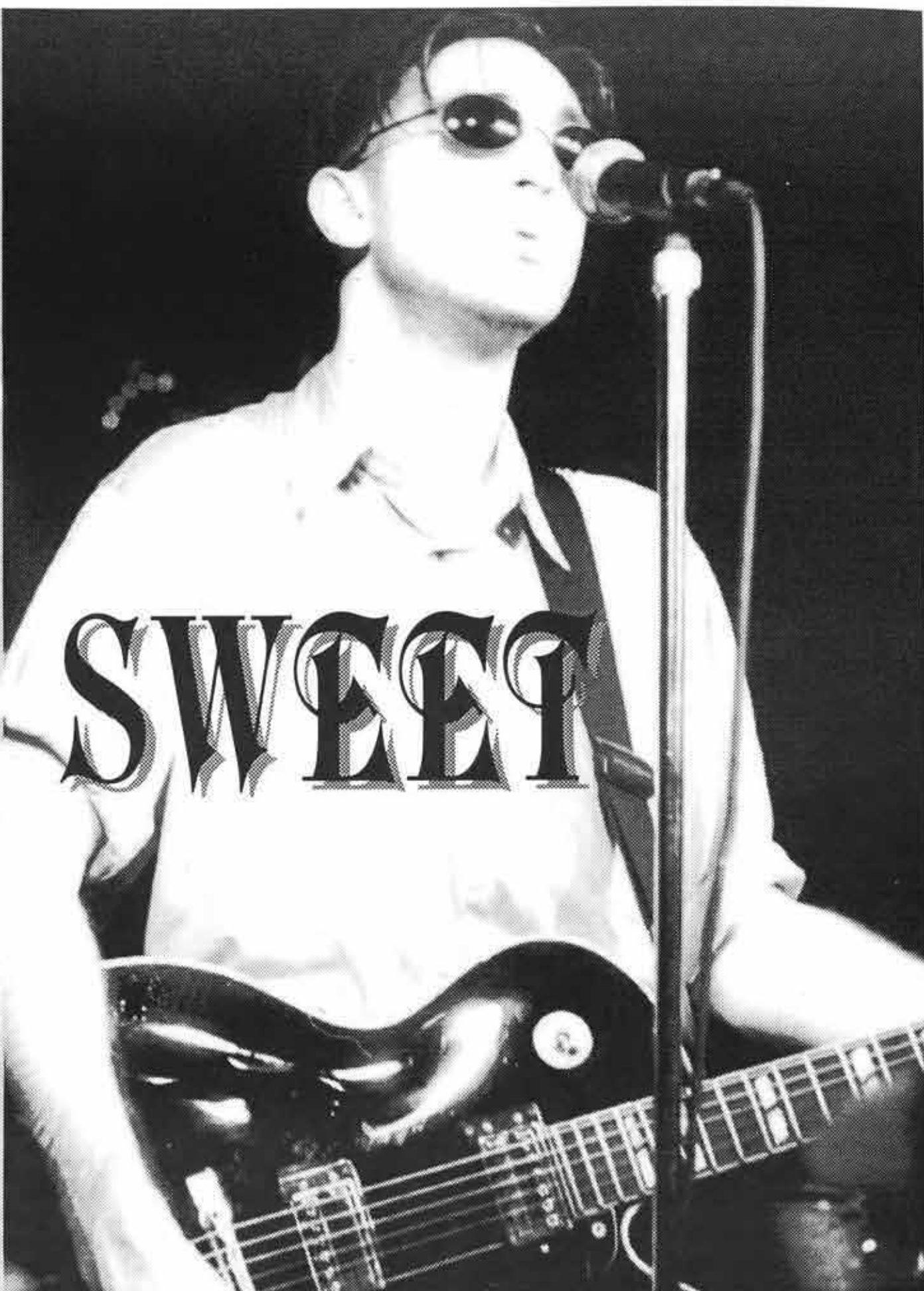
Most bands get caught in the vortex of blues tradition and never really escape. Big Sugar avoids this pitfall by shattering the barriers of blues, but remaining faithful to its themes. This is not blues that you listen to while crying in your whisky about the woman you lost. This is the music you listen to while shooting down the dog who stole your girl or while tearing down your house because you're not going pay rent to that no-good landlord.

Big Sugar took the stage and

the audience and held them both for an hour and forty five minutes, only resting for the time it took for the audience to draw them back on stage for two encores. Big Sugar made use of every second of their time to drive the audience to a frenzied, moshing mob. Gordie Johnson's style is skilled and aggressive, drawing every ounce of noise out of his guitar with all the abandon of a garage band, the skill and style of a veteran and by any means necessary.

Big Sugar performed every song with abandon and zeal and the overall effect was a wall of throbbing sound. Two songs that stood out above the others were "Ride like Hell" and "Sugar in my Coffee", both of which appear on the disk "Five Hundred Pounds". If your only experience with Big Sugar has been their recorded output, you have not had the real Big Sugar experience. "Five Hundred Pounds" was recorded back in 1993 and is good disk, but it does not really reflect the energy or the harder style of Big Sugar. The sound has put on a lot of weight since "Five Hundred Pounds", and Gordie Johnson told me the next disk will reflect their harder concert style and that is something I will eagerly await.

After two rib-shaking encores, the band and the audience both withdrew from the stage area tired, sweaty and completely satisfied. The entire jam-packed crowd had remained for the whole set despite the allure of that final wave of public transport. It had been an incredible show and if there had been any heretics in the crowd they had either been converted or crucified. I was forced to make the long trek back to campus, passing the time by satiating my air guitar needs, dodging the usual assortment of Kitchener/Waterloo drunk drivers and listening to the echoes of the music in my ringing ears.



# Volcano erupts perfume

**CORY SMYTHE**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

On Tuesday Oct. 18, The Volcano erupted, providing a glimpse of Canadian talent in its presentation of **An April March**, **Parade** and headliner **Perfume Tree**. The concert got underway around 10:00pm and lasted until the early hours of the morning, offering a wide range of musical talent to those who dare to broaden their cultural horizons.

KW's own An April March, consisting of Danella Hocevar (guitar and vocals), Michael Klug (Drums)

and Christopher Perry (guitar and keyboards) opened, creating the atmosphere for the night's events with moody soundscapes and dynamic ethereal pop. They played songs from their new album, hopefully to be released in early spring, as well as favourites from their already released album 'Impatiens'. The highlight of the performance was a euphoric extended version of Memory (or "Track One" for those of you with CD players). In essence, An April March gave an extremely impressive performance that left listeners mesmerized.

The next band to take the stage was Toronto-based Parade, who can best be described as 'an experimental pop band'. Consisting of Julie S. Faris (vocals), David S. Faris (Synths, drum machines), Stephen Seto (bass) and John Zaniol (guitars), Parade provided the audience with an artistic performance. "We come at it as artists rather than musicians. We work in a visual context," explained Julie. Well, their music hasn't suffered at all, that's obvious enough. Parade proved to

be strikingly vibrant throughout their performance, both visually and in sound.

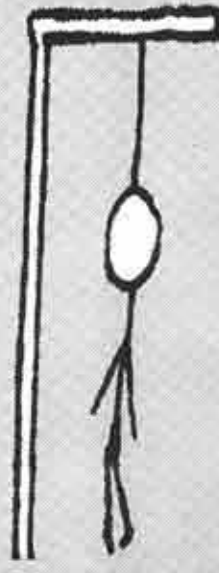
Vancouver's Perfume Tree was the last band to take the stage in the evening's line up, playing in support of their recently released album entitled 'The Sun's Running Out'. Jane (vocals, guitars), Pete (guitars), Melissa (bass) and Bruce (live sound producer) make up the band, whose sound is distinctively unique.

Through the use of a wide variety of musical influences ranging

from ethereal dance to reggae, this band has created its own sound that is perhaps comparable to the likes of **Saint Etienne**. When asked if they had any musical influences, Melissa replied, 'I was moved by 'The Dub' at a young age.' Well Melissa, don't lose 'The Dub' because your music is ace!

Perfume Tree also made use of visuals (provided by Bill Mullen and Xanthippe) in their performance, adding to the overall atmosphere of the concert and making them the high point of the evening.

## Where to Hang



**November 9**

- Warren Miller's **Vertical Reality** at Centre in the Square
- **Paula Cole** is at Lee's Palace
- **Sugar** is at Fed Hall

**November 10**

- **Blackwater Trio** is at Wilf's
- **Seal** is at the Danforth Music Hall UW Film Society presents **Clearcut** by award-winning director **Richard Bugajski** who will be on hand to discuss the film - at UW East Campus Hall 1219

- **Jon Spencer Blues Explosion** is at Lee's Palace

**November 11**

- **Mike Woods** is at Wilf's through the 12th
- **King Cobb Stealie** is at Lee's Palace
- **Our Lady Peace** is at the Volcano
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**November 12**

- **Quiver-aid** featuring **Paul McLeod**, **Groove Daddys**, **The Rhinos**, **Strange Days**, **6 Months**, and **Quiverleg** at the Volcano
- **Legends - A Tribute to the Superstars** is at Lulu's

**November 13**

- **Michael Hedges** is at the Danforth Music Hall

**November 14**

- **Jackie Grieb and Rex Lingwood: Acrylics and Sculpture** exhibit opens

at the Robert Langen Gallery in the Aird Building

- **Punjabi by Nature** at the Bamboo

**November 15**

- **Roger Gardiner: Oriental Carpets as Art** lecture and exposition at the K-W Art Gallery

**November 16**

- **Variety Night** at the Turret presented by the Music Association and the Musicians' Network featuring drink specials all night
- **Kocian Quartet** at the K-W Chamber Music Society Music Room
- **Toad the Wet Sprocket** is at Lee's Palace



Dear Dynamic Duo,

My boyfriend has a problem with my desire to be "bowling balled", where I want him to put two fingers in the "front door", and his thumb in the "back door". I find this extremely exciting, but he has a real problem with me wanting his thumb to go there. How can I get him to perform this sporting pleasure?

Signed,

Bowling For Dollars

Dear Bowling For Dollars,

Perhaps Tom Thumb would be more apt to do this act if you first performed it on him. He seems a wee bit of a tight ass. A thumb up the rectum may loosen him up. If bowling is not for him, try the great Canadian winter sport, curling. Remember the key to success is quick, even, smooth strokes. Just make sure his rocks don't get bumped.

Dynamic Duo

Dear Dynamic Duo,

I am planing a romantic weekend in a hotel in Toronto. I want to impress my boyfriend, so will you please tell me what to bring?

Signed,

Come On Inn

Dear Come On Inn,

The three "S"s should always be covered when travelling. The first is safety. Always ensure when taking sex on the road, to bring along a fire extinguisher, flares, gauze, A535, deep heat, K-Y Jelly, and the proper prophylactics. The second "S", sexy. Avoid lingerie-it will, after all, only be ripped off. Do bring along candles, bubble bath, a cheap bottle of wine, raspberry flavoured massage oil, edible chocolate undies, and a few Shakespearean sonnets. Do not forget the third "S", sadistic. This includes whips, chains, rope (not the cheap yellow kind), leather chaps, eye of newt, body piercing kit, and your choice of rodent. Remember it will be as special as you make it.

Dynamic Duo



## HARD CORD

SHAWN CALLAN

Hard Cord is a list of things entertaining to check out around the Laurier environment.

7. **Fruitopia** (available at Centre Spot)

I have found Utopia - it is in a bottle.

6. **C.A.R.E. - Healthy Males Required**

Immediately

Every sperm is sacred, every sperm is sold. I hope they don't go rotten. I hope they keep them cold.

5. **Frankenstein versus Tom Cruise the Vampire**

I want a Mummy movie!

4. **Virtua Fighting in the Corner Pocket**

I virtually win every time.

3. **Threesome**

The dark horse movie rental - Big words, I just love big words!

2. **Macleans University Issue**

Mark Heasley - Poutine expert.

1. **The Cranberries' restricted concert in T.O.**

The Cord will be there.

10. **Convocation**

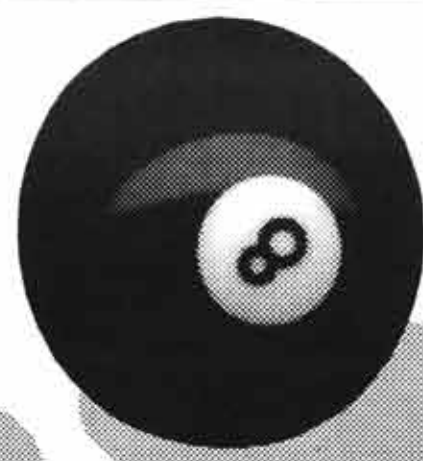
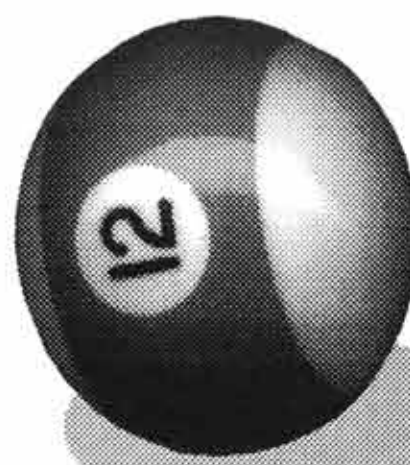
Now I know that  $10^2 = 20$ .

9. **The Accounts of Luke (Wednesday, November 9)**

Luke, use the Force.

8. **Sugar**

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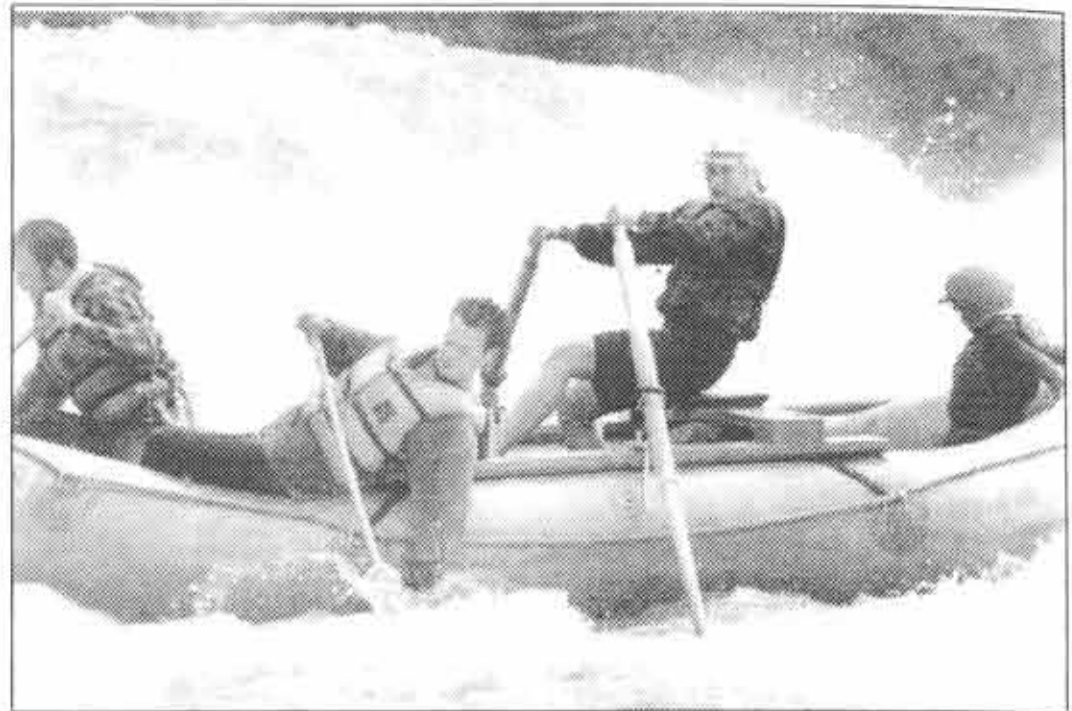
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## Rock the boat

*The River Wild - Bacon cuts loose once again*

**ALLISON TUCKER**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

If you liked *Shoot To Kill*, you'll love *The River Wild*. It's got that same criminal-trying-to-get-over-the-border-kidnap-a-tour-guide plot, except that it's in a boat.

The story of *The River Wild* begins in Boston, where Gail (Meryl Streep) is preparing to take a whitewater rafting trip with her family. The outing is a birthday present for her son, Roarke (Joseph Masello of *Jurassic Park*), but it is also a way to save her marriage to Tom (David Strathairn of *The Firm*), a wimpy architect, who spends too much time at the office.

So the yuppie family sets off down a beautiful river where Gail used to be a guide. Along their way, they meet a couple of fellow rafters: Wade (Kevin Bacon) and Terry (John C. Reilly) who seem like real nice guys in a creepy, river-rafting way.

You can probably guess the rest, especially when they hear a radio broadcast about some criminals who are in the area and considered to be dangerous, and also when Wade starts to ask Gail a lot of questions about The Gauntlet, the legendary but extremely dangerous rapids at the end of the river.

Director Curtis Hanson, who also directed *The Hand That Rocks The Cradle*, lets that same eerie feeling hang in the air. He

knows that we know, and makes us wait for the adventure to begin. Gail and Tom soon figure out that this may not be the vacation they had planned, and their attempts to lose Wade and Terry are frustrating to watch.

Streep is delightful as Gail, the tough and smart whitewater expert who has to keep it together to save her family. This role works for her, she appears twenty years younger, and she looks right at home on the river.

Bacon is excellent as Wade, the charming, yet vicious criminal. But don't worry, we still haven't lost the innocent young kid from *Footloose*. "I am a nice guy," he says to Roarke. "Just a different kind of nice guy." And he is. But you always knew he had a mean streak in him.

The river itself is probably the biggest star of this film. It starts as a beautiful flowing ribbon between cliffs and turns into a wild ride over huge rapids, until it finally plunges over The Gauntlet.

Although you may not believe a minute of this movie, you'll love the thrill of the trip and the beauty of the river. So if fugitives who take their tour guides hostage in the wilderness is your kind of thing, get out to see this movie right away.

## FREE FOOD

(FOR THOUGHT)

## Cord Staff Meeting

Friday, 2:30 in the Turret

*Attend the next two meetings to ensure your eligibility for the upcoming CUP conference.*

# Laurier live and loud

**SELENE MACLEOD**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

Yet again, I have to say that this installment of the Musicians' Network's **Laurier Live** effort, Wednesday, November 2, was a vast improvement over the last one. Of course, many of you wouldn't know this, not having gone to either!

The first featured band was **Fingerpaint Picassos**. They blend moody loud instrumental passages with some apparently heavy lyrical undertakings. This is the kind of music I would listen to while driving very fast, at night, in the rain. Some extremely talented musicians, but a bit more motion while onstage would be nice.

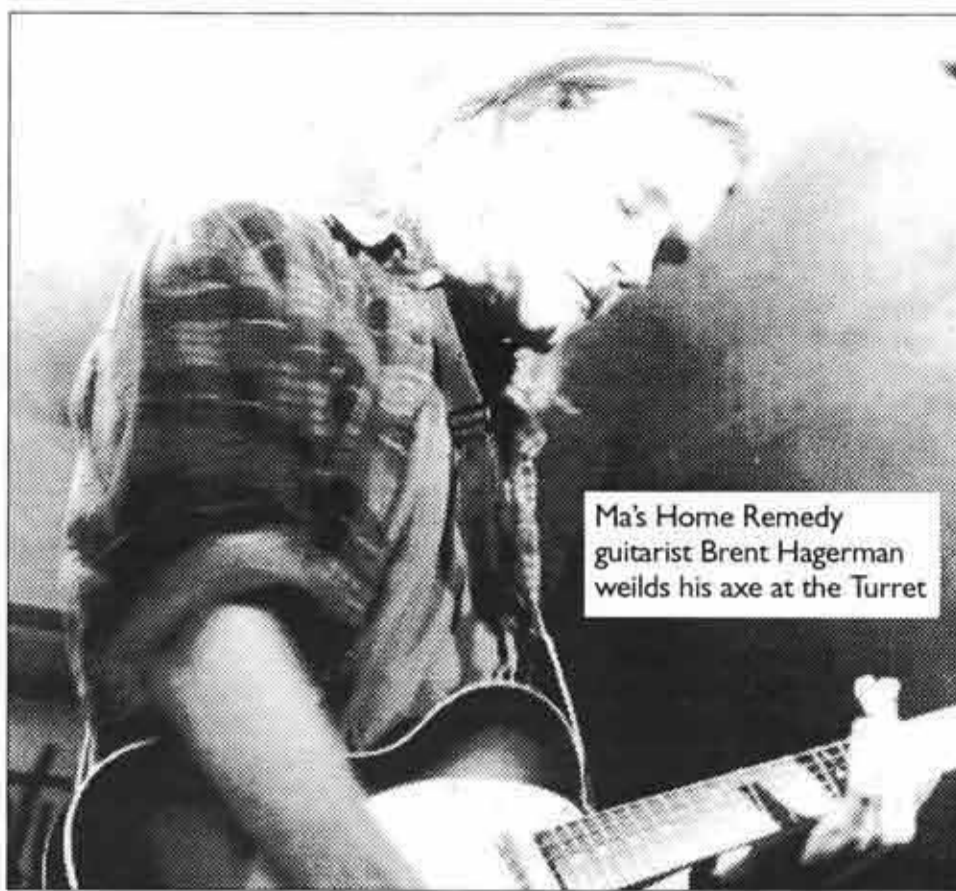
Phineas jam...uh, I mean **Phineas Gage** played next. Why was the lead singer wearing a suit? Never mind. Before you Gage supporters bite my head off, I'm kidding, really. But, as with Fingerpaint Picassos, the band was offstage before they really started, it

seemed. The opening bands don't seem to have enough time to work out their nervous bugs and relax onstage. Phineas Gage put forth a decent performance, nothing earth-shatteringly new, but no slouch, either.

The last band, **Ma's Home Remedy**, was, well...very impressive. I got a bit of a hint when I was sitting at the T-shirt table (serving double duty that night), and one of the guitar players asked "Is it possible to have too much energy onstage?"

Musically, Ma's Home Remedy could be compared to a cross between **CCR** and the **Barenaked Ladies**. These guys are funny, rootsy, and the greatest audience draw of the evening, these guys are definitely a group to watch.

I know you've heard this before, but really, the Musicians' Network deserves more attention from the general populace than it gets. And, cheap pitchers, come on!



Ma's Home Remedy guitarist Brent Hagerman wields his axe at the Turret

PICTURE: SELENE MACLEOD

**SHAWN CALLAN**  
CORD ENTERTAINMENT

"The world is a totally excellent place for a very good-looking asshole." This truly substantial point is made in Russell Smith's first book, **How Insensitive**. The problem is that Mr. Smith (the protagonist Ted) is not an asshole. So how does an over-educated, twenty-six year old man make it in the world of Toronto's arts scene? He does what he can using his looks, luck, connections and perhaps a little sensitivity.

'How Insensitive' follows Ted as he escapes from Montreal and the woman he 'didn't support enough' to Toronto to write, by way of the VIA train. Ted moves in with his friend John, another writer; Malcolm, a gay, well-built black actor; The Mole, a computer nerd; Go-Go, a high strung wipe-out; and Georgina, the sweet, friendly model he falls for. Start humming the tune to **St. Elmo's Fire** - but with a 90's techno beat. Ted bounces around the Toronto arts scene going to lousy secret parties, meeting people, and searching for

Max, the elusive, well-connected wise man who will give Ted artistic fulfilment, money, and happiness in general. This book could be called 'The Quest For Max', as Max represents all that Ted longs for and cannot find without him.

The value of 'How Insensitive' lies in its small satires of young people and culture in the hip 90's. The satire is performed by telling it like it is and letting the reader recognize just how idiotically people behave when they are fake, confused, or untrue to themselves. All types of people are poked fun at, whether they be business people who 'don't get it', pretentious artsies, or conniving social climbers.

The problem is that while Ted observes the flaws in most other people, the personality of Ted comes across as almost a blank.

'How Insensitive' is on the short list for the prestigious Governor General's award and Russel Smith will be in the WLU bookstore at 12:00 noon on Thursday, November 10.

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in November,  
the wars  
that opened  
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The ugly scars—  
mended, opened, remended;  
the open flesh,  
as wars have shown,  
left lying in the streets  
keeps the rats and crows  
and dogs well fed.  
The Nations are dead.  
I tell myself,  
Borders sealed by blood neighbors  
can't really exist.  
It's not just Europe,  
because they're insatiable,  
but, gods and races  
and God's races  
that fuel this dreadful butchery.  
Politics and language  
can't settle this matter.

In talks of war,  
Ignore, ignore, ignore,  
November, remember  
no more, no more, no more.

by R. Cole

## RAVINGS OF THE MAD POET An Answer to Violence

I always wonder...  
When people ask, "Are we safe?"  
Do they truly understand...

A man walks down the alleyway;  
He's attacked by strangers  
Who want nothing more,  
Than to see him writhe in pain.  
A woman comes home from work;  
And is ravaged by a man who  
She thought was her best friend.  
We seek solutions...

Kill the offenders.  
Put them in metal cages,  
Make them pay!  
We want to stop the pain,  
But are afraid to look  
Into the mirror.  
Victims of terror...

Each of us wants to hate.  
Both you and I can kill.  
Why do we choose freedom?  
Why do we choose love,  
Instead of hatred or revenge.  
Why do I?

Should I ever find the answer  
Truthfully, inside myself,  
Only then, will the hurting stop.

Forever yours,  
Tim Miller

## Mount Pride

The clouds are grey and thick with storm.  
The rain is cold on a dusky morn.  
The wind, it wails and the trees are bare  
Atop Mount Pride. There is no one there.

A cenotaph stands all alone  
Amid the grasses overgrown.  
Spider webs and moss grow there.  
No one comes. No one cares.

The stone is chipped and tends to lean.  
Somber, still and seldom seen  
It's there, aloof, atop Mount Pride;  
A distant thought for those who died.

A little girl now climbs the hill.  
In search of grand-dad's name she will  
Notice that his memories  
Have faded fast amid the trees.

She starts to weep and wonders why  
No one came in years gone by.  
"He loved us all and now he's dead.  
He died for us.", she simply said.

She runs back home all teary-eyed.  
"Why?", she asks. "Just tell me why.  
No one even came to see  
If the grass was cut and cobwebs cleaned."

We all must learn to do our parts,  
To keep in mind and in our hearts  
Those who fought for freedom's sake,  
The sacrifice they had to make.

Their selfless deeds must always be  
Entrenched within our memories.  
We can't forget all those who died.  
Recall with reverence. Recall with pride.

by Jamie W.L. Hill

## Sensuous Mystery

In the dark she stands before me,  
More comely than before.  
A vision of divine beauty,  
From distant Gothic lore.

I long to hold and caress her,  
For my eyes to reflect her soul.  
Yet to share my emotions and desire,  
Would exact too great a toll.

Shrouded in sensuous mystery,  
She sets my heart a-flame.  
I reach out to touch her,  
Only to reel back in pain.

As dawn raps at my window,  
She shrinks back in sympathy and fear.  
My eyes neglect the new morning,  
Blinded by a single tear.

by Andreas Rothe

## Simpleton's Fancy

it takes little to please me  
and yet it takes the world  
for i live inside no vacuum  
and i love none but love  
not petty in my reasons  
nor pretty in my ways  
but satiated surely  
by every passing day

it takes little to appease me  
and yet it takes the world  
for i live inside my head  
and i love no one but love  
not happy without seasons  
nor joyed without despair  
but satiated surely  
by every whim and care

it takes little to unease me  
and yet it takes the world  
for i live inside this passion  
and i love all but love  
nor angry without action  
nor acting without thought  
but satiated simply  
by what little I've got

by dale wells

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