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LUSU Elections Make History

by Noel Ward

The count is in. For the first time in LUSU history an all female executive has been voted into office. Cass Koenen narrowly defeated Paul Moniz by a 122 vote margin. Christine Fisher and Tanya Tougas defeated their opponents in landslide victories. Current LUSU president Ian Middleton said that he had "the utmost confidence in the people [who won the election]. They have a lot of experience and understanding of how the university system works and they will be effective..." The new executive takes over on April 1.

This election also saw a record number of voters. Approximately **1636 students voted** in this election, putting the percentage of voter turn out above 30%. Cass Koenen, this year's Vice-President for Student Issues, polled a total of 679 votes, defeating Paul Moniz by 122 votes. **Cass Koenen** is the fourth female **LUSU president.** Koenen said that it was a "dirty fight, but I overcame it all. And I'm very glad it's over." Koenen, who takes over on April Fool's day, said that she couldn't wait for April to come, and that she is "extremely excited to be part of an all female executive."

Moniz, who is graduating this year and will not be back next year, thanked everyone "that voted for me and believed in me." Moniz was working at the Outpost last night as the election results were tallied. He wished the new executive the best of luck, yet commented "let's hope they keep this place [the Outpost] afloat."

Koenen's victory may not be without incident. Peter George, who came in third with a total of 145 votes, indicated that he may contest the election on the grounds that some of Koenen's friends worked as poll clerks, with the insinuation that they may have told voters to support Koenen. When asked for a comment about his placing, George said "The truth will come out. I'm very disappointed with the selection of the polling clerks." LUSU election policy states that polling clerk selection is made at random, and LUSU employees are not permitted to endorse any candidate at any time.

Tanya Tougas won the seat of **Vice-president Finance** by a landslide victory. Tougas polled a total of 808 votes, while her opponents polled a total of 771 votes. Tougas did not arrive at the university until about 11:30pm. She went out to see a movie to relieve herself of the stress of the election night.

Upon hearing of the results, Tougas said she was "proud of the student population because they voted, they made a good, sound judgement." She felt "all the candidates had potential," and said she was worried.

In response to Tougas' victory, Tim "Flood" Dawdy said "she kicked our f---ing asses."

Tougas said there "will be a lot of work. I want to be accountable for next year's budget."

Mike Hergott, the Finance "Hair" candidate, said "I think that voter turnout was the whole purpose we campaigned, and I think we achieved our purpose." While holding up a glass of beer, he concluded by toasting the winners.

Randy Yozipovic, VP Finance for the 1988/89 term got two votes. Yozipovic, who has since graduated, is considered by some to be the godfather of the Student Centre.

This election's most stunning victory came for **Christine Fisher,** the new **Vice-President for Student Issues.** Fisher polled a total of 967 votes. Craig "Bo" Grice, who came in second, polled 240. Grice commented that he "got washed ashore by a giant tidal wave by the Fisher Queen; I basically drowned."

Fisher stayed in the LUSU offices as the votes were counted. When asked how she felt, Fisher - her face red and the hands over her mouth, quietly said "I'm fine."

Fisher congratulated the winners and thanked her opponents for a fair race and a good contest. She said she had a lot of fun and it was a great learning experience.

Fisher hoped that her opponents will help her next year, as the four candidates "obviously had the same goals in mind."

Colin (cp) Walsh thanked the 194 who shared his goal of "subverting the dominant paradigm" and seemed pleased to be fulfilling his ninth cp-principle (unbeknowst during the race) of returning to his "Calgary pavilion" in April.

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NEWS

CKLU Seeking Expansion

By Alan Vanderwater

Student radio at Lakehead is nearly an academic year old and already talking of expansion.

At the beginning of the school year, students heard that soon they would get their own radio station. Today, the L.U. radio station is functional and broadcasts within the university. Due to the stations limited equipment and continuing fight for permission, the facilitation of city-wide broadcasting can not accurately be forcasted. Those involved with the radio station hope that this will change in the near future.

The station currently airs in the Agora and on other T.V. monitors around campus. However, program director Derek Serianni is hoping to expand the station soon, eventually including The Study, the cafeterias and the Outpost. Another scenario would be the operation of LU radio through the Maclean-Hunter network.

Serianni also outlined a three year plan for establishing a station operating outside of L.U. The first step is to build up the selection of music, set up formal training for radio personnel, and improve on the equipment. Phase two would be the installment of a Maclean Hunter feed. Ultimately, the station's goal is to broadcast on the FM frequency.

The FM frequency is less expensive, and also has a better fidelity, making it is easier to transmit. The problem is, the only tower in Thunder Bay is privately owned. The Canadian Radio Television Commission (CRTC), is currently revising its policies with a revision due in February. Under present guidelines, a campus station should be a non-profit organization, and should provide for an alternative music format to the



existing stations. Serianni assures "We won't be there strictly to be a juke box." The station would provide campus news, ads, as well as talk shows.

What the station does need is support. The student body should consider making the station a future goal. Not only can the station provide a service for the students, it could also add to the identity of L.U.

Anyone wishing to contact the radio station can call 343-8881 for more information.

University Restructuring, Reshaping and Reconstruction?

By Ian Middleton

On Wednesday, February 5, Dr. Richard Allen, Minister of Colleges and Universities met with members of the Lakehead University community to discuss the ramifications of the recent government funding announcement. Bob Rae, in his State of Ontario address, informed the Province that increases to the Municipalities, Universities, Schools and Hospitals (MUSH) will be 1\2\2% over the next three years respectively.

Dr. Allen outlined the difficulties that Ontario is facing - decreased revenues and the need not to allow the deficit to become unmanageable. He admitted the University System has been underfunded for 12 to 15 years and it will be 'a number of years' before funding returns to reasonable levels. As part of the funding announcement, MCU is going to be looking for Universities to discuss 'restructuring, reshaping and reconstruction' as well as internal financing, professor education and the manner of teaching. Allen emphasised the need for increased co-operation between Colleges and Universities and that innovative programmes like distance education would be looked upon favourably by MCU. In the short term, there is $160 million available for the MUSH sector to bid on for 'transitional' projects. Any proposal for the money must meet two conditions. First, that there be a consultative process, and second any proposal must facilitate the transfer to lower levels of funding and is not for new projects.

In the question period that followed, the Minister was asked to elaborate on a number of the issues he raised in his opening remarks. While artfully dancing around questions, some important facets of government policy did emerge. MCU is not going to play a leading role in the 'restructuring' debate. Instead, universities are going to have to reach some sort of consensus on their own. Given that universities are autonomous corporations, it seems unlikely that any kind of system wide restructuring will emanate from these discussions. When asked about the reinstatement of programmes or faculties that might have to be terminated because of the cuts, Allen refused to say that MCU would ensure that they would be reinstated.

When questioned on the OSAP review process and when the task will be completed, Allen stated that OSAP is now intertwined with the system wide re-evaluation taking place and that mid year was the earliest possible date for the release of the report. Therefore, any changes to OSAP will not be ready until 93/94 academic year. Some minor changes will be announced with the release of the report, but the Minister refused to elaborate on the nature of these changes.

Academic Planning on Campus

By FC DeGagne

Working groups for Lakehead's Academic Planning met on Tuesday January 29 to discuss their respective goals and issues. The Issues paper states the next five years is critical for not only Lakehead's future but the future of universities in general. "The challenges facing Canadian universities are extremely complicated", it reads, stressing input from the entire university community to achieve the goals of the prospective working groups.

Working group chairs of Academic Planning, Teaching and Learning, Research and Scholarship, Internal Environment and Resources, External Environment and Community Relations, and Governance presented a report of their mandate and issues. Each working group consists of faculty members or staff. Ian Middleton, President of LUSU, sits on the Teaching and Learning working group. Comments and questions were taken from a forum of faculty and staff, including Lakehead's President Bob Rosehart.

The interaction between the faculty was mediated by Vice President Dr. John Whitfield, who also provided answers to some important questions. Some comments from the forum consisted of "Internal reviews are fodder for the planning process", "academic decisions are made for non-academic reasons", and "internal confidence is important for enforcing the image of the university". Also discussed was the question of children of faculty who attend universities other than Lakehead and the implications associated with it. There also was interest to formulate a consistent university mission statement.

Some concern for students was the predictions of financial turmoil which may come as a result from government influence on universities. The present government was said to have had the most negative influence, or promises to have, to affect out educational system. We can expect changes due to these financial difficulties. "Some things may have to go" was a prediction. Another was that study toward PhDs would have to be eliminated. Questions of research versus teaching abilities were raised.

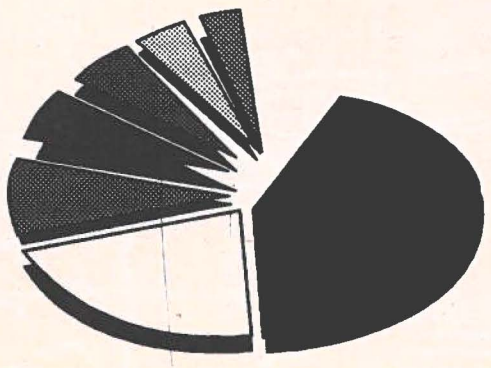
An issue not raised was the question of tenure and the evaluation of teaching ability. The report is due by the end of February.

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Guelph-Waterloo Centre for Graduate Work in Chemistry
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The Official Explanation, "Shit Happens, don't you know!" -Spirit of the West

EDITORIAL

Student Perspective: ON FOUL B.O.D LANGUAGE

"You shutup, asshole."

A line from a popular Arnold Schwartzenegger movie? Not quite. A child's retort to taunting on the playground? Closer. Its how one member of Lakehead University Student's Union (LUSU) Board of Directors (BOD) reacted to another member's laughter at the meeting of January 23, 1992. Greg Beckford has been alledged to be the member who said "You shutup, asshole." to fellow board member Tim Fleguel.

It was not included in the minutes but evidently some members did not hear the remark--others did.

The laughter that preceded the remark was shared by many board members. That is why some present did not hear it, or understand the exchange that followed.

Fleguel challenged Beckford to repeat, saying "I beg your pardon? ...Please?" There was no response from anyone.

An Argus reporter spoke to Fleguel a few days later, curious as to why he did not rise to his feet demanding instant satisfaction with a "point of personal privilege" as is done in parliament, or legislative assembly. Flegeul replied that this is his first year of service, and did not feel familiar with the procedures of the board. There were however, many BOD members, present at that meeting, are serving their second or third term. Some present are executives, and former executives of LUSU.

Fleguel said, "It sounds a bit corny, but I am not that at ease there. (the BOD) I find it unnatural for me to speak in front of many people and I felt myself on the spot...I was a little upset that no one else spoke up."

We all should be.

Fleguel indicated he had originally become involved in LUSU because it was perceived as honourable and important to represent their faculty of students - in this case, Professional Schools.

Fleguel said, "If LUSU board meetings become name-calling affairs, then it's not a place for somebody like me."

At the meeting, after the brief exchange, the chair, unaware of the situation, moved the meeting forward and "debate" continued as though nothing had happened. Within sixty seconds Fleguel had vacated his seat announcing, "My apologies to the board" and left the meeting .

The story doesn't end there. The following week, at the next LUSU board meeting (January 30, 1992) a point of privilege was brought up against Greg Beckford. The motion required that Beckford would have to offer an apology to Fleguel and remain silent for the rest of the meeting.

The motion was defeated by the LUSU board in a secret ballot vote of 5- 12 - 1 (abstain).

What kind of climate does this create on the BOD? Who would want to serve on a board when they can be called an "asshole" and not have the perpetrator disciplined.?

Greg Beckford, if you are reading this, consider apologizing. Apologize to Fleguel. Apologize to Professional Schools students. And please apologize to the Arts students who you represent. It is the very least that you could do.

SP:LET'S JOIN CIS

Yeltsin is going to be visiting Canada in the near future to try once again to convince us to invest in the new Russia. But considering the circumstances, I find it hard to believe that he'll receive much more than our best wishes and a few dozen complimentary shipments of food. It's clear that Canada is having its own share of problems, economically and constitutionally, and any investment in the Common wealth of Independent States is like tossing pennies into a black hole.

But it is my prediction that if we continue along the rather unimaginative and lackadaisical path that we've been on so long, we'll slowly emerge from our recession only to be cut short when Quebec loses interest in us and files for divorce, leaving Canada fragmented and weak. And meanwhile, the reforms in the Commonwealth will fail dramatically with massive food riots, and political and economic chaos, resulting inevitably in a new repressive military regime, the CIS having already been primed for rampant nationalism, isolationism and fascism.

My predictions are all rather morbid, so rather than dwelling on the negative I've gotten to dreaming in my own naive and simplistic manner for ways around our problems.

I have been struck that all of the difficulties and barriers to be overcome around the world, looked at in a positive light, transform into wonderful and fantastic opportunities for us all. Wouldn't it be something. I thought, for Canada to abandon it's role as the most boring nation on earth, to take a leap into the uncertain, and begin a special relationship with Russia and the other Commonwealth states. And what better way might there be to get acquainted than by becoming a leading member in the Commonwealth of Independent States.

With our economy as it is, I can't imagine a better "make-work project" with which to energize and unite our nation. Though our workforce is minuscule compared to our would-be partners, we have a great number of experienced business executive/management types,(many of whom are presently unemployed) to offer the Commonwealth. I imagine the complete restructuring of industry and agriculture in the CIS might be led by Canadian experts. And though the CIS would have little money or incentive for thousands of Canadians, if the Soviet bureaucracy were completely stripped to it's bares skeletal structure, our people might be offered the benefits once granted to the upper echelon of the communist party.

This is not a dream of an outsider wanting to build thousands of McDonalds' across the Commonwealth (sucking the blood from the corpse), but rather one of revitalization and cooperation within a union.

So one might ask, where is the big pay-back?

Besides preparing a partnership in the largest potential market in the world, our action might stave-off the bad dreams that I fear most. - Starvation and Civil War in the CIS - the emergence of fascism and a new Cold War - as well as the disintegration of an aimless Canada, too bored with itself to care.

So for now, I'll just sit back in my chair thinking "Wouldn't it be nice if only -", conscious nevertheless that my dreams of world peace and the betterment of mankind are more often shared with beauty pageant contestants than with our leaders, the politicians. ***John Rhodes***

AN ELECTION OPINION

The election is over. The results are in. It's good to see that voter turnout was over 30%. Last year it was only 18%. A lot of the credit goes to the large number of candidates who ran. Hopefully the upward trend will continue in the future.

I admire all of the candidates who ran. I think that a person has to be gutsy to put themselves in the hands of the voters knowing that they might not win. Hopefully, the ten candidates who did not win will run for the Board of Directors and give voters an opportunity to select them as representatives.

Some people raised ethical questions with me regarding the projected election results that I ran last week. They were not personal endorsements on my part. They were only projections based on the pseudo objective opinion of myself and three other people monitoring the election (Regardless of our personal choices). It was hardly Decima, but it was accurate. With the exception of one race (where the second and third candidates finished a vote apart from each other) the projections were accurate. If someone claims that my editorial influenced these results I would contend that the influence of the media is being overrated. Still, the point is well taken and pseudo polls may not be printed next year.

The new LUSU executive -Koenen, Tougas, Fisher- take office April 1. I hope they'll have a good year. Keep an eye on LUSU. The Board administers $160.00 of yours each year, it's worth paying attention.

TGB

SP: POOR TACTICS

Well, the campaigns are over and the votes have been cast. By the time you read this, Lakehead University will have a new executive.

It seems that this year the election campaign tactics have been more exciting than the actual results will be.

As a former executive of the Argus, I'm still a regular fixture on the Argus couches. Thus I have been a witness to the sudden interest certain candidates have taken in the student newspaper. Three weeks ago, you couldn't drag a LUSU executive or BOD member into the Argus. These candidates surely must realize that the votes of the Argus executive and members represent only a fraction of a percent of the student population. And the very idea that we might show favouritism to one particular candidate is ludicrous at best.

One individual has had to resort to hate literature to slant a campaign. I'm speaking of some posters that went up over the past weekend slamming Cass Koenen. They were entitled "VP Student Issues - A Year in Reflection". The poster went on to say things like "Gender Issues Centre...$17,500 and serviced 16 people!" and "Winter Carnival...What Winter Carnival?"

The individual who designed this particular hate literature had access to LUSU's executive minutes and job descriptions, as well as computer programs not offered to the general student population in the Braun Building. An inside job? Well, perhaps. It's not that important. For those students who read this eye-catching piece of art, I hope you had the intelligence to, if not ignore the poster altogether, at least take it with a bag of Sifto salt. Right in the middle of the poster is a sentence that reads "Be Informed Before You Vote". What I want to be informed about is "Who the hell wrote this trash?"

I'm not endorsing Cass by any means. The posters don't invoke any pity for her in me. I just want to be able to vote using my own judgement and choice when I step into the booth.

As an aside, here are some comments I overheard while working at the polling stations:

"Which one is Grice? Is that the blonde guy?"

"Hey, guys! Let's vote HAIR. They'll screw everything up and we won't be here. Ha. Ha."

"Let's vote for Tanya. She's cute."

"I don't know. I'll vote if you vote."

I'll pray tonight that these people don't vote in provincial politics.

You will be missed Middleton. ***Paula VanVeen***

LELLAVA RESPONDS

to Argus article Jan 30, 1992

As former Coordinator of the Gender Issues Centre, I would like to offer some comments and clarification with respect to Sharon Docherty's article entitled, "Gender Centre an Issue", published in the January 30, 1992 edition of The Argus.

Let me acquaint you with the facts, which were either misleadingly presented and/or totally omitted in the aforementioned article. I am leaving my position at the Gender Issues Centre because I have been offered a wonderful job opportunity elsewhere. Although, as I informed Ms. Docherty, I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience at the Centre, I have received an offer that I cannot refuse. My decision to accept the new opportunity has not been based on the "problems" around which Ms. Docherty's article focussed. With respect to student frustration regarding the inaccessibility of the Centre during student hours, I would like to say that we were unable to get the voluntary coverage we needed to keep the Centre open for five full days per week. Perhaps concerned students who wish to see the Centre open on a full-time basis would consider donating some of their lunch hours to this worthy cause. Concerning the article's coverage of the present volunteer situation, I did tell Ms. Docherty that we have realized the need for closer supervision, however, I did not say that the volunteers were "not really clear on what they had to do", which was not the case. With respect to the three weeks of "vacation" time which I took just before and after Christmas, I would like to point out that these weeks were, in fact, "lieu" time for the extra hours I had worked in the fall. There is a world of difference between the two terms.

Finally, I do not recall stating that one of the major problems at the Centre was "a lack of" collaboration between Cass and myself. I do, however, remember saying that Cass and I had discussed the need for more of a partnership between the two of us with respect to the success of the Centre. In any case, it was never my intent to cast a shadow on Cass' effectiveness as a student executive.

NOTE: Sharon Docherty dropped by to inform me that positive statements regarding the Centre and my departure were cut from the article without her knowledge. ***Valerie Lellava***

(This was due to space requirements.)

LETTERS

A Good Cord Story

This letter is in response to those in the Argus last week complaining about how dishonest people are and the thefts that have taken place.

My faith in people's honesty was restored last week when my microcassette recorder (value $75.00) was returned to me. I had left it behind in a class the week before, not realizing it until several hours later. Frequent checks at Security for the rest of the week proved futile, and I had given it up for lost. I was preparing to purchase a replacement when I saw a sign in the tunnel which said "Found - 1 mini cassette recorder" and had a phone number to call. Needless to say, I was delighted and surprised to discover that it was indeed my recorder when I called; it was waiting for me at Security later that afternoon.

I thanked my fellow student over the phone, but I felt then as I feel now that this was not enough. My main purpose in writing this letter is to thank Don publicly for being so honest and restoring my faith in humanity and my fellow students. Thanks again Don!

Andrea Eves

APOLOGY

During my campaign this past week I have attended many classes and spoken to hundreds of students on various issues in order to obtain their support in this past election. In trying to appeal to as many people as possible I have tried to use generally acceptable terms and phrases to get my point across effectively, so that there could be no grey area in my position. In doing so, it has been brought to attention that I may have offended a group of students with these terms of phrases used. For this I deeply apologize for any offence of unsettling that I may have caused any one individual or group. I assure you all that I intended no malice towards anyone and I have realized others positions, taking their concerns to heart. I request that we all learn to be more considerate and tolerant to the views of others that we may not necessarily agree with and work on better diplomacy and character in our attitudes expressed in conversation.

Craig "Bo" Grice

"Healthy Alcoholism?"

First of all I would like to say that this is not your typical bitch and moan letter. I am writing this purely out of intellectual curiosity.

The other day I was reading the Argus (pg. 3, Jan. 23/92) and I came across Noel Ward's article about restricting college students from our pub. This is not the issue I'm concerned with. What I would like to know is what does LUSU Rep. for Arts, Greg Beckford, mean when he says that his idea would "decrease tension the current situation creates and promote healthy alcoholism".

After spending four years here at L.U. in the social work program and doing two placements at the Lakehead Psychiatric Hospital, I have yet to come across the term "healthy alcoholism".

My question is this: Is there really such as thing as healthy alcoholism and if so, is it something we want to promote here at L.U.? I mean, correct me if I am wrong but doesn't this sound like a contradiction of the term?

Thomas Grant
IV Social Work

ARGUS THANKED

I am writing this letter on Monday, February 3rd, therefore, I do not know the outcome of the coming election in which I am a candidate.

In last week's Argus, two articles were accidentally switched. My article was placed under Craig Grice's name and Craig's article was placed under my name. This was a very unfortunate mistake and needless to say I was a little more than angry. The Argus staff was immediately apologetic to the situation. As soon as Tony LeBlanc and myself went to the office the staff immediately began making corrections (signs and retracting all issues to put correction inserts into the papers.

Although this was a rather large mistake for such an important issue, I appreciate the quick reaction of the staff and the hard work put into the correction.

Christine Fisher

FED UP WITH LUSU...

Dear Editor,

I am not writing to ask for advice but I need to get some important problems concerning the campus off my chest. Last year LUSU started channelling part of my tuition towards a new student centre. The new student centre turned out to be a few class rooms,a few offices,but for the most part, a very profitable bar. I attend bars regularly but I do not think part of my tuition should have been used to support a place that will be in the black soon. I feel the extra tuition could have been spent more appropriately elsewhere. An example of better use of funds is to upgrade the library and\or sports facilities. Everyone knows the library needs a facelift and expansion. The equipment in the weight room is in sad need of upgrading. As the exercise room stands, there is now only one operational exercise bike.

Look at what the "outpost" does for our campus. It does generate a lot of money for LUSU. We all know about the huge line-ups that occur every weekend. We also know about the vandalism generated after a good drunk in the bar. Oh yes, there is nothing more fun than demolishing your campus after a good night in the pub. One thing I do not know is what is happening with all the money being made by the new pub ?

Before X-mas some intellectual midget(s) smashed our school sign. I had to look at the results every day for a month. Every time I drove by the remains I felt as if I was attending a junior high school for juvenile delinquents.I have respect for the institution that I am attending for my post secondary education. It really burns my ass that the jerk off losers that broke the school sign might actually graduate from Lakehead University. Think of what will happen to the school's credibility five years from now when these people are representing our university in the real world.

Last weekend a buddy living on campus had his red sports car vandalized in the residents parking lot. The damage to the car was significant. The damage to him was greater. Was the destruction of his car a product of jealousy ? or was it because of his oriental ancestry ? I don't know the answer to these questions, but I do know that the vandalism was a direct attack on my friend , on myself and on many others on campus. Getting hammered at the school bar does not constitute destruction of private or campus property.

Last week I read that Greg Beckford proposed an idea to attempt to curb the Outpost line ups and destruction of school property. This plan was opposed by some in the students Union executive because it might lower profits. I think Greg is on the right track. Visiting drunks are probably causing some of the damage on campus. I also think that the people who opposed the proposed plan on the Students Union should care more about the quality of life for the students than losing some customers that don't belong in the campus bar anyway.

I am fed up with the way LUSU operates and how it has adversely affected the image of this campus. The new bar has generated big bucks and big trouble on campus.Where are the profits going ? No money seems to get channelled where it is needed. I cannot blame LUSU for the vandalism but I really think they should look at putting something back into the quality of education on the campus. For the people who have been messing with the quality of life on campus I offer some advice:" What comes around goes around".

sincerely,
Calum Buchan,
Civil Engineering, Year 5.

LIKES THE CLIMBING WALL

CLIMBING WALLS - DO PROMOTE THE "QUALITY OF LIFE"

In the opinion of many new and returning students, Lakehead University, is becoming an excellent place to pursue more diverse and stimulating forms of higher education.

The addition of the new facilities to Lakehead is concurrent to the physical growth of the student population. Quite simply, with more students enrolling each year, more space is needed to accomodate them. This is a simple unquestionable fact.

In the LUSU survival guide, Dr. Bob Rosehart states that "Concurrent to the physical growth, students and staff of the University are always working together to improve the quality of life at Lakehead." The "quality of life" at Lakehead is a questionable fact. How does a student at Lakehead improve his/her quality of life? What is the University doing to enhance this proposed "quality of life" expected by new and returning students?

The construction of a new student centre was a good start. This long overdue facility has already proven to be a popular meeting place for students and staff alike. However, it is still questionable as to whether this alone is enough to enhance the quality of student life on campus. One can consider what is actually being promoted at a campus bar. Undoubtedly, this is a form of leisure, but let's consider the outcome - excessive drinking, with excessive drinking comes vandalism, as has sometimes been proven.

So the question is, what has Lakehead done in recent years to upgrade and construct new facilities (other than the new campus pub and more classrooms) to service this proposed improvement in the "quality of life" for its diverse population of students?

The recreation opportunities available on this campus are by current University standards, bordering on obsolete. The simple fact is, there has been no addition to the existing infrastructure of the recreation community. The traditional "old boys club" sports are not as popular as they were in the past. Students interests change and evolve, and with this there is a need for more diverse forms of recreational pursuits. As with academic material, recreation opportunities must be continuously updated if the university is to remain competitive amongst it's southern counterparts.

To date, Lakehead has not kept up with the current facilities in the field of recreation. one of the more popular neww sports sweeping the nation is that of indoor rock climbing on artificial surfaces. This sport has gained so much popularity in such a short time that, it will be a demonstration sport in the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria B.C.. Western Canadian universities are already implementing climbing walls, fortunately they have the foresight to plan for the future.

There are a number of key reasons why a climbing wall at Lakehead would be a lucritive and worthwhile addition to the infrastructure of the University;

1) Active & diverse recreational pursuits have a positive effect on the personality and the physical well being of the individual.

2) "Recreation experiences provide an excellent opportunity for the handicapped to associate informally with society as a whole"(Margalis, 1979) In 1991, a climber with no legs scaled the face of El Capitan. His training consisted mainly of indoor rock wall workouts.

3) Lakehead's location in one of the most diverse climbing areas in the country. Eventually the area will harbour a mecca of climbing enthusiasts. The rock wall would provide off season training - a much needed facility considering our winters.

4) Enhance the attractiveness of Lakehead University to prospective students, as being one of the only universities in Ontario to boast an indoor climbing facility. Basically, the better the wall the more prestige for the University.

5) Provide economic benefits to the student union by renting or contracting out the facility to various organizations in and around Thunder Bay. Hosting climbing competitions is also a very profitable venture these days.

In summary, leisure activities such as a rock climbing, offer individuals the opportunity to learn to control negative felings and emotions and to express a positive outlook. (With the rash of disturbances on campus lately this facility would be overused!) The four hundred students who signed the petition, supporting the climbing wall, definitely feel a facility of this nature would truly enhance the "Quality of life" on campus.

It would add a new dimension to the university as a whole and would provide the Physical Education department and the Outdoor Recreation department with a state of the art teaching/instructional facility.

So, when LUSU candidates are on the podium, ask them about the climbing wall, and why your 75 dollars is going into bailing out that "oh so" appropriately named bar the "Outhouse" -- I mean the Outpost(sorry). They may just have to go "in camera".

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ENTERTAINMENT

Theater

SINCERELY, A REVIEW

by Sue Kemp

The powerful poetry of Leonard Cohen was brought to life before my eyes on Friday night in Magnus Theatre's latest production "Sincerely A Friend". The show features a fantastic band called The Jazz Police and five talented singers,who perform twenty-four of Cohen's works. There is no dialogue and the show has no plot but through the music and the lyrics,the singers set a distinct mood and tone.

Cohen has sometimes been criticized for being too morbid and pessimistic,but to me his poetry is representative of real human emotion. We cannot ignore those darker emotions that stir within us,and I think "Sincerely A Friend" accurately conveys this. The singers are dressed up to look like street-people,and through the songs they reveal their troubled pasts. They sing of thwarted loves,loneliness,and despair,and I was impressed by their emotional and moving interpretations of Cohen's lyrics. Most of the show is characterized by a certain melancholy,but there are some moments of black humour in songs like "I'm Your Man" and "Don't Go Home With Your Hard On".

The singers all gave extremely strong performances, and I was particularly impressed by Cliff Le Jeune,the Artistic Director of Newfoundland's Stephenville Festival where the show originated. His sensual playfulness and emotional intensity were very powerful. The band was excellent also. Their combination of electronic sounds, and acoustic instruments like the guitar and the cello made for unique music. My only criticism is that I found some of the numbers were a little too "jazzed up",compared to Cohen's originals.

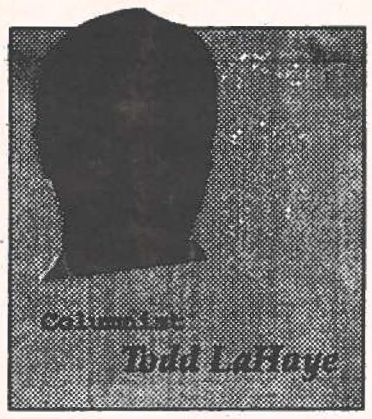


A visually stimulating stage photo

"Sincerely A Friend" probably isn't everyone's taste,but if you enjoy a show with deep meaning and powerful emotion I would definitely recommend it. Even if you are not familiar with Cohen's work,I think you will still be able to relate to his lyrics. The show runs at Magnus until February 8,and you can get tickets by calling the Box Office at 623-1321.

Humour

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY'S WILD KINGDOM



Like most kids, I had a number of heroes when I was growing up. There was Batman and Robin, Captain Kirk and Mr. Spock, and Milli and Vanilli. But, my favourite heroes were, without a doubt, **Marlin and Jim.**

You remember Marlin and Jim, don't you? They were the stars of that perennial megahit TV show, Mutual of Omaha's. Wild Kingdom. During each show, this dynamic duo would capture such horrendous beasts as elephants, rhinos, and wooly pandas.

The key to the show's success was the excellent working relationship between Marlin and Jim. Marlin was the brains of the operation and coordinated things from the air in his helicopter, miles away from any real danger. Jim was the brawn, always poised for action in his jeep which he shared with the timid, yet cannibalistic native guides.

Marlin and Jim communicated by walkie-talkie. Marlin began each conversation by saying something like, "Okay Jim. That gigantic bull elephant is isolated from the rest of the herd now. He's all yours."

"But Marlin, I don't have any tranquilizer darts."

"Quit your whining you weenie! All you have to do is wrestle him to the ground and after you get him pinned, we'll come down and help you collar and tag him."

"Okay Marlin. Sounds good."

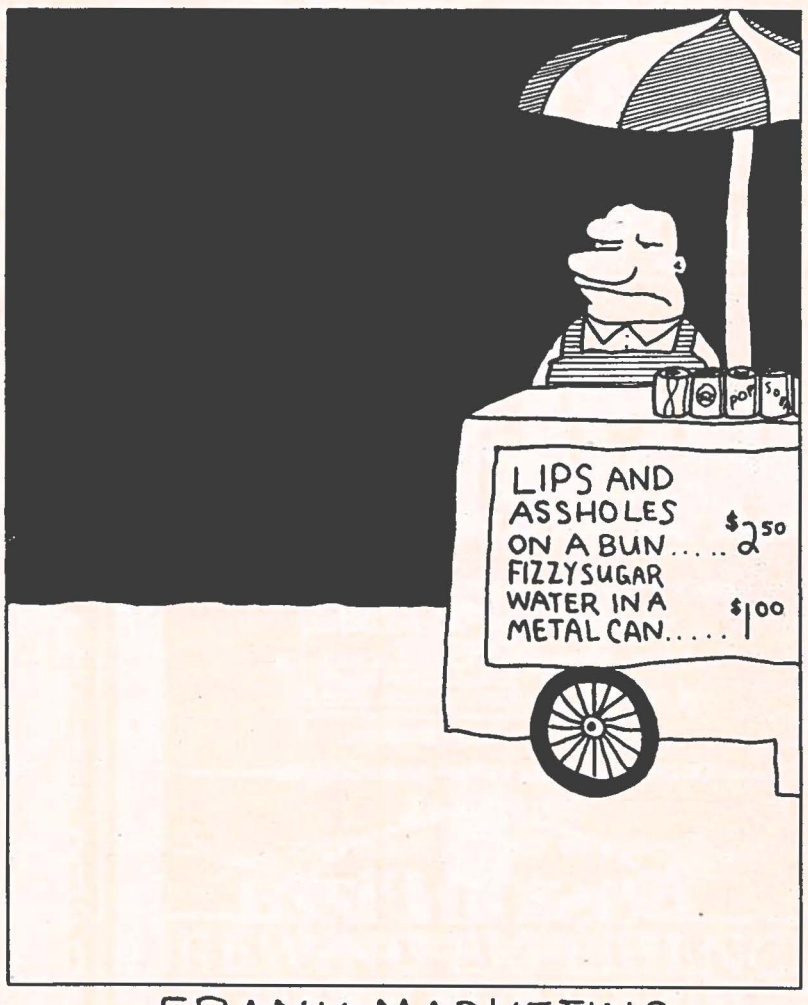


Although Marlin and Jim only captured wild animals on their show, I feel that a 'Marlin and Jim' team could work wonders here on campus. One of the problems they could solve is **vandalism.** They could stake out trouble spots and when something is vandalized, Jim could fire a dart into the vandal's butt. After the criminal staggered away and collapsed, Marlin and Jim could place a radiotransmitting collar around the culprit's neck, tag his ear, weigh him and examine his teeth to determine his age. They could put this information into a vandalism data bank and then release the scoundrel. After letting him go, his migratory vandalizing patterns could be tracked by radar.

Another problem a Marlin and Jim team could solve is the **overcrowding** that occurs outside The Outpost. As stated in last week's Argus, huge lineups often occur outside the pub on certain nights. Marlin and Jim could rectify this situation by shooting tranquilizer darts at certain people standing in line. The tranquilized patrons could be loaded into vans, driven across town to uncrowded pubs and released. Many students probably feel that this treatment is inhumane, but I'm sure most people would rather be darted than have to wait in line for hours and hours.

Without a Marlin and Jim team, the vandalism and overcrowding problems here at LU will not go away. So if you are a 'Marlin' or 'Jim' type, please contact LU Security to volunteer your services. If you are lucky enough to qualify, you might just get your own rifle and tranquilizer darts. Good luck and happy hunting!

CEREBELLA by Ryan Feeley



ENTERTAINMENT

Movies

Laxdal at the Movies

by Brian Laxdal

Sometimes formula pictures work and sometime they don't. This is the guiding principal Hollywood banks on. In the two pictures I look at this week this rule applies. In **"The Hand That Rocks the Cradle"** the formula works in "Shinning Through", nothing seems to work.

In both these pictures the television ads are deceiving. "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle" is advertised as a hack-and slash type movie but what we are really given is a predictable phycological thriller, that comes through. It can briefly be described as a nice American family that meets the babysitter from hell, who believes in the adage "what comes around goes around".

The performances were solid with the exception of the wimpy father (Matt McCoy) who does nothing in this film excepted fall down the stairs. Ernie Hudson gives a first rate performance as a mentally disabled handyman. He can see through the babysitter's plan when no one else can. The plot is standard but this film is a character driven story that stands up well. You believe that the babysitter is dangerous and are kept tense throughout the show.

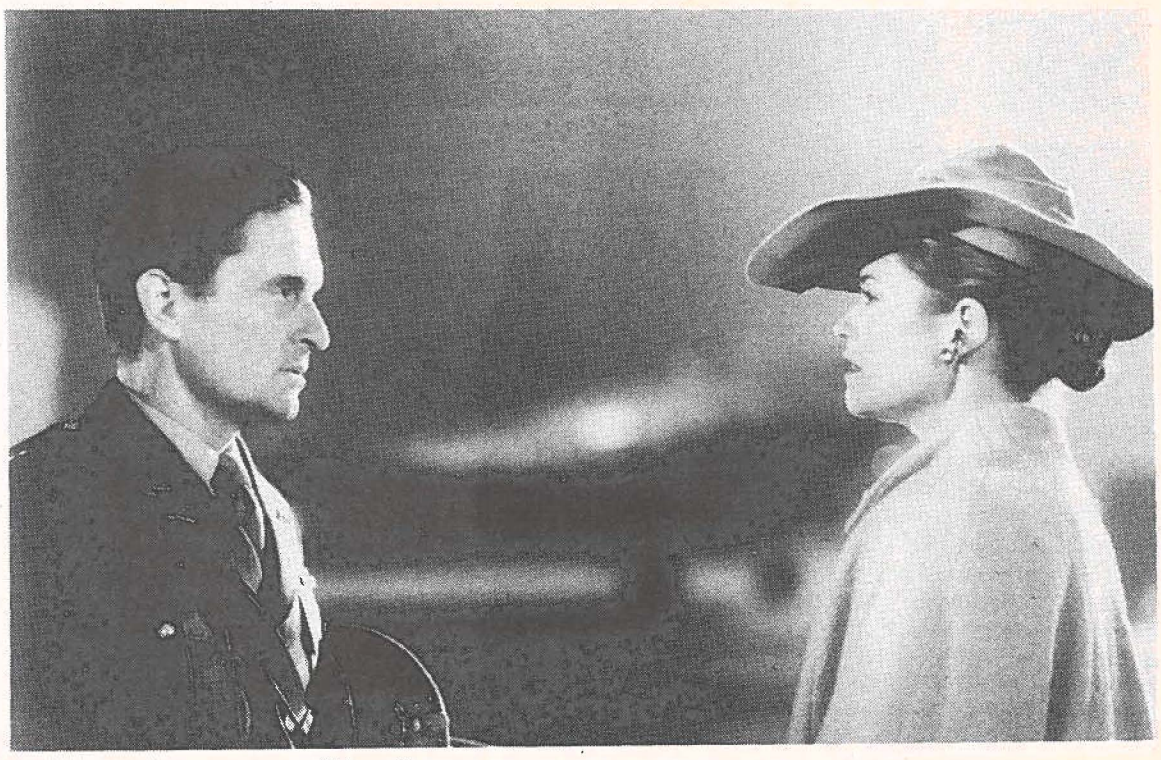
An enjoyable movie that asks the age old question - Who's watching my baby?

"Shining Through" is a poorly written, falsely advertised movie. It would seem that this picture was a world war II drama or action flick. Instead it is a prolonged love story that never gets going. Add to this the fact that the major star Michael Douglas is only in about a half an hour, while the studio would have you believe he plays a staring role.

Everything in this film is predictable, the are no saving graces. This movie was scheduled for release in September but was held back for five months by the studio and I can see why. The movie begins with a now tired devise, Melanie Griffith is an old lady looking back at her past. This device is destroyed by the fact that Griffith uses the same young voice in her old state as in her flashbacks. You know that irritating squeaky voice that just grated on your mind all though the movie.

Add to her irritating voice her wooden acting and you get a bad movie. Even the villain in this film is dull so that you never feel the Germans are dangerous. Nor do you ever experience any sense of adventure. The key nazi is played by Liam Neeson (better known as Darkman) who worked with what he was given in the script which is nothing and comes off looking like a stereotypical dunce nazi. This villain is so bad that when he goes for his gun in his bed room drawer he is so slow that the heroine can get back to her room get the secret micro film and escape the house before he gets down the stairs.

The love story is cliche and the spy thriller so unthrilling that I can see why Micheal Douglas was in so little of the movie. When Douglas is in the film his presents is so over powering you forget Griffith is in the scene with him. However even Douglas' presentation can not save the few minutes of action that comes at the end of the picture in which the heroic soldier saving the dying heroine while carrying her past dumb nazis and taking bullets to key parts of his anatomy. The absurdity is continued as equally heroic and Swiss boarder guards shoot german guards on the German side of the boarder, a historical fallacy which ignores the fact that the Swiss would not have provoked German reprisals. Throw in a plot to destroy the german V-I missiles which despite this picture's history were used by the germans in World War II and you have a story that changes history without even mentioning it. Sure this is a movie that can skip reality but how can you justify using a historical setting and then changing history. For a long dull trip through an alternate reality Melanie Griffith is not my tour guide of choice (breast enlargement or not).



This still shot is about as exciting as it gets

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Music

John Cougar Mellancamp

by Mark Achtenberg

It has been over three years since John Mellencamp released "Big Daddy". His first release of the nineteen nineties is titled "Whenever We Wanted". There was rumour that Mellencamp had thrown in his rock and roll towel for good. Fortunately, he has come back with an excellent album that bursts with youthful and rejuvenated energy!

During the "Lonesome Jubilee" period Mellencamp became very disillusioned about the music business and was experiencing a lot of personal problems. He came back with the sombre album "Big Daddy" where he sang "never wanted to be a pop singer, never wanted to write a pop song". It seemed that after "Big Daddy",



Mellencamp called it quits for music. During his absence he took up painting (many appear in the albums inside cover).

He has finally come back to grace us with one hell of a great rock and roll album. The album starts off with "Love and Happiness", a song that reflects the state of society and the reversal of values. It is explosive and bombastic, not mentioning a powerful trumpet solo that jumps at you with incredible force.

John Mellencamp has stripped all the "folk" instrumentation of previous albums and has gone for the throat with the basic guitar, bass, drums approach. The music is simple and direct, but at the same time commanding. The lyrics have been stripped down also. He is no longer writing about political issues (although it seems a little slips into a few songs), rather more personal and sometimes just fun lyrics. He is more interested in people than in the government.

"Get A Leg Up" and "I Ain't Ever Satisfied" are straight rock and roll fun. "Last Chance" and "So Tough" are a little more gloomy but still hit hard. Another bonus is that the album does not have

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ENTERTAINMENT

Conspiracy

A DEFENSE...

by Jim Garrison

The last issue of the ARGUS was plagued by "errors," many of which seemed to be simple mistakes. Yet the timing and the very nature of these "errors" seems most curious. LUSU elections are taking place and it appears various individuals will suffer because of these "mistakes."

But can one blame those at the ARGUS? Could these humble and hard working folk bound by their code of ethics be responsible for the chaos?

Consider this:

The major error occurred in the VP-Student Issues Page. Christine Fisher and Craig Grice's platforms were switched. Yet working for the ARGUS is one of the VP-Student Issues candidates, Colin (cp) Walsh. And Mr. Walsh has already stated that Fisher and Grice are his major opponents in this election.



Consider this:

The ex-editor-in-chief was seen around the ARGUS office the night of January 29, the night issue #16 was produced. His activities remain a mystery.

Consider this:

LUSU President Ian Middleton was in the ARGUS office that same night, apparently helping out with the Election Issue. Who is to say what actions he engaged in while at the ARGUS office? And please note that there have been complaints of misquoting and misinformation originating from an "unreliable" source.

Consider this:

Travis Belrose dismissed the "error" as being a production mistake, probable due to a power surge. In order for a simple power surge to cause so much damage it would have to jump into the computer from the power source, jump three chips, pick up the Fisher platform, turn completely around, jump a chip, plop the Fisher platform on the Grice story (while successfully clearing that story) move to the disk through a series of spectacular jumps and dives, pick up the Grice platform, complete a U-turn, go back to the memory of the computer, and plop down the Grice platform in Fisher's place, then leave completely undetected. And while all this is going on, it would have to mysteriously edit two other completely different stories.

Consider this:

Fasial Ali, Colin Walsh, Ian Middleton, Travis Belrose (the current ARGUS editor-in-chief), and Dave O'Borne (the manager of Web Press, Thunder Bay) were all seen together eating dinner at William's Restaurant.

A simple mistake, or a twisted conspiracy? You decide.

John ~~Cougar~~ Mellancamp

continued ...

any of the cliched sentimental love ballads. Mellencamp keeps his integrity and leaves the money making love songs to the "pop singers".

Mellencamp has furnished us with an album that is meant to be played loud. The guitars are superior and Kenny Aronoff drums up a storm. The rhythm section is solid and the guitars are hot! "Whenever We Wanted" is definetly one of Mellencamps greatest accomplishments and is an album that puts him on the top of the hill once again!

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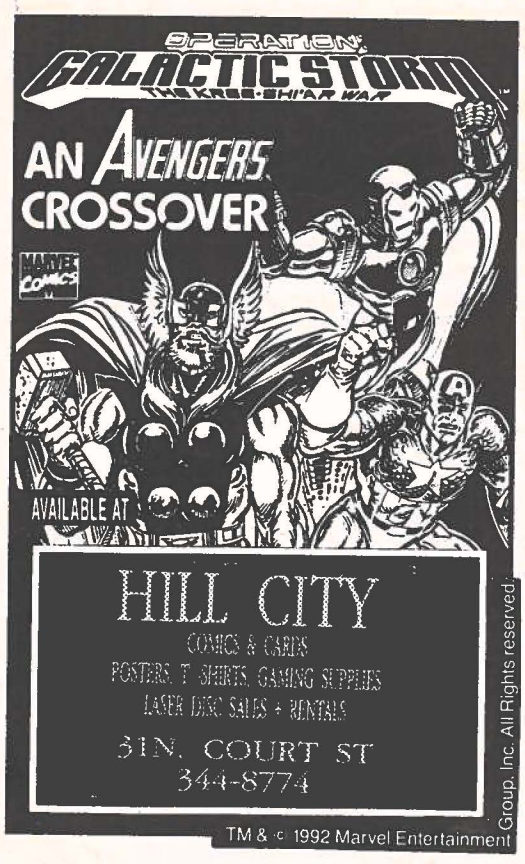
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SPORTS

Basketball Teams Enjoy Success Versus Brock

by Anthony Hewitt

Men

The Nor'Westers men's basketball team played a two game series at Brock University against the #4 ranked Badgers this past weekend. LU's record stood at 3 wins and 3 losses after being swept at home the preceding weekend by McMaster.

Friday night's game was very close. Leading 37-29 at the midway mark LU faced a determined Brock team in the second half being outscored 38-31. The Nor'Westers however prevailed by a single point, 68-67.

Mike Lalonde was the big shooter in the first game netting 25 points and grabbing 9 rebounds. Also scoring high was Les Ragguette with 18 points and 14 rebounds, Ray Foster getting 14 points and Anthony Randall adding 6.

Saturday proved to be an equally tight game with the Brock squad taking the victory 76-74. Brock led 46-37 at the half but were held to only 30 points in the second with LU again netting 37 points.

Fouls hurt the LU team on Saturday night, the team being called for 22 fouls to Brock's 14. Brock capitalized on their free throws sinking 21 of 31.

Leading the Nor'Westers team on Saturday were Les Ragguette with a 25 point performance, followed by Ray Foster and Craig Law, each shooting for 12 points. Mike Lalonde hit for 9 points and Anthony Randall putting in 8 for LU.

The team now has a 4-4 record going into a two game home series against last years national champions, Western Mustangs. With only six games remaining in the Nor'Wester's season these games are must wins if they hope to qualify for post season play. The basketball team hopes for a packed house on Friday and Saturday to help them rally past the UWO Mustang squad.

Women

The lady Nor'Westers basketball team enjoyed a two game sweep of the host Brock Badgers this past weekend upping their record to 7 wins, 1 loss. The LU team took the Badgers 62-49 on Friday and 67-51 on Saturday night.

Game one saw the Nor'Westers leading 35-25 at the half and outscoring Brock 27-24 in the remainder of the game. Kathy Harrison led the scoring by shooting in 16 points and grabbing 4 rebounds. Jenny Burgess netted 13 points and Pam Leitch 10. Despite the win though the LU team was a little shaky on the free throw line, hitting only 7 for 15.

Saturday night was another strong game for the Lakehead team outscoring the opposition in both halves 34-27 and 33-24. The team improved their shooting, especially on the free throw line sinking 20 of 23 shots.

Donna Forman led all the LU players sinking 17 points and getting 7 rebounds. Kelly Fitzgerald gave a strong performance scoring 10 points and grabbing 6 rebounds. Other top scorers were Pam Leitch sinking 9 points, and Jenny Burgess adding 8.

Facing the Western team this upcoming weekend will be an important test for the team. A sweep would give them a 9-1 record and a good chance to finish in the top of the OWIAA West division.

Volleyball Squad Sweeps: Looking For Best Finish Ever

by Ian T. Fero

The LU womens varsity volleyball squad swept the visiting Brock Badgers at the fieldhouse this past weekend. The Lady Badgers came to the Thunderdome needing at least a win to have a realistic shot at playoff action, but the Lady Nor'Westers squashed their chances winning both nights by the identical 3-1 set score.

The Badgers came out flying taking the first set 17-15. In that set the Nor"westers were actually down by a score of 11-3 before coming back only to drop the opener. The team came back strong taking the next three sets 15-9, 15-10 and 17-15. There were some excellent rallies and defensive work with the home team recording 94 digs in the four sets. Kelly Breutigam led the way with 35 kills, 4 aces and 21 digs for LU. Teamates Andie Aitken (23 digs), Kim Rubbra (22 digs), Geraldine Bergmans (8 blocks) and Jo-Anne Hood (10 digs 46 assists) also made hefty contributions.

Saturday started out much the same with the Nor'Westers dropping the first set again, this time by the score of 15-8. "We just came out flat." remarked LU head coach Claude Lapre. "We just weren't as intense as they were, they thought coming in that they could win twice and after losing Friday they knew they had to win Saturday to have a chance at the playoffs." coach Lapre added.

Lakehead displayed excellent composure in the following set. Trailing 13-6 the Nor'Westers chipped away at the lead and continued to side-out well before drawing close, only to win the set 15-13. The third set saw much of the same, another comeback this time by Brock. With LU leading 9-1 the Lady Badgers stormed back to bring the score to 13-12 before the Lady Nor'Westers put them away. The fourth set saw the home team jump out to a 4-0 lead and kept a four point lead for most of the match until Brock made it 14-13 only to have the LU pull out the set 15-13.

Breutigam had 39 kills, 4 aces and 19 digs to pace the winners with Rubbra adding 9 kills and 15 digs, Hood 51 assists, 3 aces and 13 digs and Aitken with 14 big digs. Panda Edwards and Alyson Nicol also made some quality digs to pump the team when down in the second set.

Coach Lapre commended the Brock effort by admitting that the visitors were the only team yet capable of matching the conditioning of his team. Lapre went on to say that the slow and relaxed style of Brock was different to the normally fast-paced LU squad; "they suck the energy right out of you" remarked coach Ian Cull.

As of Nov.3 LU has the lead in the conference with a 10-2 record. McMaster is second with a 9-1. It will take a lot of help for Lakehead to claim first with Mac needing to lose 2 of their last four matches and LU needing to win its last two. Lakehead will play at Western (1-9) this weekend. A pair of wins would give the Nor'Westers their best ever conference record. Coach Lapre is very positive about a sweep and hopes to give all his players some action as a playoff tune-up. With this playoff berth LU becomes the only team in the conference to make the playoffs the last three years in a row.

CAMPUS RECREATION REPORT

The Squash Ladder

by Michael Dela Cruz

Tony Elwell defeated Angela Cybulaski with three straight games. Tony moves further up the ladder by defeating James Boileau also in three straight games. Tony is now in second place with James in fourth. Sean Appleton wins over Angela Cybulaski by three games to two, putting Sean in fifth place and Angela in sixth. Dave Barichello attempted to move up the ladder by challenging Ted Garver, but lost three games to two. Dave remains in eleventh while Ted retains ninth place.

Intramural Broomball Standings

1. Kalahari Bushmen (3-0-0, 7 goals, 1 against)
2. Res Rebels (2-1-0, 8 goals, 1 against)
3. Stompers (2-1-0, 6 goals, 2 against)
4. Silver Flying Whales (1-2-0, 7 goals, 9 against)
5. Slugomatics (0-2-1, 3 goals, 9 against)
6. Rink Rats (0-2-1, 1 goal, 5 against)

Duluth Trip

The Duluth Trip is not far away. Sign up while the seats are available! The date is Fri. Feb. 21st. The bus will leave at 7am and return 8pm. The fee is $22 per individual. Hurry and get your seat while you can.

Pool Tournament

The pool tournament is taking place in The Study on Sat. Feb. 8th from 1pm to 5pm. Fee is only $3 per individual.

Badminton Tournament

Remember, the badminton tournament is under a month away. The tournament will take place on Sat. Feb. 29th, from 2pm till 8:30pm. Both doubles and singles will be taking place. Fee is only $3 per individual.

Squash Tournament

The squash tournament will take place on Sun. Feb. 9th. Fee is $3 per individual.

Broomball

Convenors: Shelia Doney & Jen Egan

The first week of broomball has just begun and here are the results for this week:

Kalahari Bushmen defeated Stompers 1-0
Rink Rats & Slugomatics tied 0-0
Res Rebels defeated Silver Flying Whales 3-2

Women's Basketball

Another week of basketball has passed and so here again are the results. The Bullsters lost to The Has Beens with a score of 13 to 53. The Phys' Ed'ers overcame The Dunkers with a score of 40 to 2. In the final game, it was close with the Locals edging over the Individuals with a final score of 43 to 40.

Bowling Tournament

The date for the tournament is Feb. 26th at Mario's Bowl. For only $5, you get 3 games. Deadline for sign-yup is Tuesday Feb. 25th at 4:30.

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Ask Analyst Annie



Dear Analyst Annie

I have a friend, "Brigitte", who seems to be trying too hard to land herself a boyfriend. Although she denies it she continues to relax with "the boys" everyday in the cafeteria. A few weeks ago she enroled in a Kung Fu class knowing that she would be the only female student enroled. To top it all off "Brigitte" is taking lessons on playing pool so she can defeat and amaze her prey daily in The Study. What's heartbreaking is what she exclaimed the other day: "I'm always surrounded by guys, yet I can't find a boyfriend!". What can I tell her religious-like pursuit.

Signed: "Beaten at pool too many times"

Dear "Beaten at pool too many times"

If you think you need to say something to "Brigitte", you might suggest that she stop focusing so much on finding a boyfriend and instead focus on activities she enjoys, without a hidden motivation. People can usually sense you are trying too hard. Remember, as the saying goes "It always happens when you least expect it!"

Annie

Dear Analyst Annie

I have this friend "Rob" who always beats me in pool (he won 4 of 7 games). Because I am new to the game I feel he should be more supportive, rather than constantly gloating about winning. If he was a true friend he would not cause me such mental anguish. Since pool is the only thing that "Rob" is good at, I don't really want to take away the bright spot of his life. Annie what should I do?

Signed:"Anguish in the Study"

Dear "Anguish in the Study"

Not everyone has the same perception of good sportsmanship. Rob is probably not intentionally trying to hurt your feelings. If it is causing you that much anguish, I would say something of stop playing Rob.

Annie

Dear Analyst Annie:

I've got a friend whose name is "Dwayne". He's a really nice guy but he's got a small flaw in his character. Dwayne is always forcing himself on females. Its too hard to come right out and tell him that he's too forward, but he doesn't notice any of my subtle hints. Should I let him find out for himself the hard way?

Signed;"Stuck between Dwayne and a hard place"

Dear "Stuck between Dwayne and a hard place"

If you truly find your friend's behaviour to be obnoxious and rude, perhaps you should tell him more directly. If the point does still not get across, you might just have to let him learn the hard way. Eventually some female will most likely put him in his place.

Annie

LU Dominates Minnesota Cross-Country Race

At the Ely wilderness trek held in Ely, Minnesota, Lakehead University athletes dominated the final standings. In races contested by athletes from as far away as New York State, 440 took part in 10, 30 and 43 km events. The 43 km free-technique race was won by John Cooley of Rochester, NY (2:02:52); alumni member Mark Puumala placed third in his category with a time of (2:13:29). In an impressive victory Olaf Jensen (2:24:49) won his category by 25 minutes. Frank Luckai (2:33:11) and Claude Liman (2:45:39) placed well in their respective age groups.

The 30 km race was divided into classical and free-technique (skating) classes. In the women's classical race, Deena Stanikman placed second overall and won her age category in 1:55:46. Six Lakehead skiers participated in the women's 30 km skating event. Dr. Moira McPherson led the Nor'Westers (1:46:56) finishing third, while Shauna Andrew (2:18:41), Barbara Segal, Anne Turner and Mary Lynn Dingwall also turned in good performances.

The men's 30 km classical race, hotly contested by 85 skiers, was led by Michael Myers of Plymouth, MN who won in 1:30:07. Third place overall, and first in his age category, went to Dennis Paradine in 1:31:09. Richard Thomas (1:40:44) and Jared Verstraete also placed well in the 30 km skating race. Grant Mitchell placed third in a time of 1:27:13.

The races and wilderness celebrations were enjoyed by the Lakehead University Nordic Ski Club which is now preparing for the Kamview and Sibley loppets. In two weekends, the Nor'Wester racing team heads to the OUAA/OWIAA championships in Deep River.

Where Have The Real Olympics Gone?

by Chris Grosciki

Where did the real Olympics go? Mr. Herschel Walker is a proud member of the USA olympic bobsled team. Yes, that Herschel Walker. We all know that Herschel has had a rough time in Minnesota the past few seasons, underachieving on a team of underachievers, the Vikings. So we can all understand that he is representing his country in the upcoming olympics. Herschel needs to recover some of his lost pride right? And in a sport he's poured a lot of swear and blood into right? Poor Willie Gault of da Raiders. He tried to get in on the fun too, but he didn't push the sled hard enough to qualify for the bobsled team.

Once upon a time the spirit of the Olympic games prevented professional athletes from taking part. Medals were repossessed from the likes of Jim Thorpe, a native American representing the USA for the simple offence of playing semi-pro football. It didn't matter how great the athlete was, if they had been paid for the athletic services rendered, they were ruled ineligible to compete. Amateur athletes toiled for years to reach their goal-to compete in the Olympics. And the fruits of their labour, Gold, Silver and Bronze were something they could savour. Today things are somewhat confused. Today tennis players at the Olympics include professionals. Who won the grand slam in 1988 and the Olympic gold? Steffi Graf, who at the time represented West Germany. It must have felt good for Steffi to win against a field of pro's and non-pro's. Or maybe it seemed like another day's work. Something Steffi did every weekend that year for a paycheque. And don't get me started with the basketball situation. In case you didn't hear the living legends of the NBA are on the American team, including recent retiree Magic Johnson. There doesn't seem to be a point in proceeding with a basketball tournament in Barcelona, except of course to decide the silver and bronze medallists. The gold medals can be delivered by the UPS to the USA, let the pro's sleep in, after all, they deserve it. Don't get me wrong I would love to see all of the great stars on the same court, but I'm going to watch the all-star game this weekend to get a thrill.

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CLUB NEWS

ORSS

ORSS has suffered a lapse of leadership for the last week or so with our esteemed President being quite ill. If you'd like, send her a get well card c/o Mel Dingwell, 'cause she needs a smile or two to be sent her way.

Next week on Wednesday, Feb. 12th, there will be a ORSS general meeting and Sarah Wing will be speaking and showing slides about her upcoming adventure in Guyana with Youth Challenge International. Come out & see what it's all about. Time and place to follow...

During the February Break, check out the 1st Annual ORSS Winter Snowblastic Games...! This year's events include The World's Most Luxurious/Funky Five-Person Quinzhee Competition, the Ten-Person-Team Capture-The-Flag Championship, and the Solo Frizbee-Snow-Golf Tourney. The final wrap-up event will take place in the Party Sauna at Kangas! These events are open to all students, and registration information will be posted in the Rec Hall all next week. Most events will have a $1 per person entry fee, with all the cash being returned as prizes.

Other exciting Break-Week activities include a Standard First Aid course on the first weekend of the holiday, as well as skiing clinics and perhaps a day trip to Lutsen... STAY TUNED!! ..... Bye .....

LUPA

The Lakehead University Philosophy Association (LUPA), as you may or may not have heard, has been quite active this 1991-1992 school year.

On Saturday, February 8th, at 7:30 p.m. we will be hosting a "paper reading", i.e. a social evening at which essays are read. If you think that philosophizing over a glass (or bucket) of your favourite beverage, please join us. This event will occur at H.M.C.S. Griffon, (the Naval Reserve Base) 125 North Algoma Street, in the Junior Rank's Mess. Griffon is located two blocks north of Red River Road. You can get there quickly on the Crosstown-Water bus. Please join us! We need fresh input.

Watch Club News, for further announcements. We have been discussing running a "Pythonathon", viz. an evening of Monty Python classic movies. Keep your eyes open for posters. We hope to meet you soon.

AFCASA

To begin our celebration of black history month we would like to paraphrase from A.C. Robbins "Legacy to Buxton" an elegant passage in which she writes: Before we tell the story of blacks, we must share the tale of our African forebearers with all the brown people of the world. Our grandparents did not suddenly appear on this earth as slaves on plantations of this south anymore than the North American Indians appeared on the Reservations. They came from the vast mysteries richly endowed but still unexplored as yet unexploited land lying astride the equator between the two oceans of the known world.

In this land they had been free to come and go as they pleased, to love and care for their families, to collect knowledge while worshipping the gods of their ancestor, for the home of our race was in Africa. Come celebrate with us on February 28, 1992 at 6 p.m.

AIESEC

Hey AIESEC! Hey what?! Yep, we still have more events lined up. This time we're working on final exam crisis kits ... these will be kind of similar to our popular Christmas fruit baskets. So those of you on residence, make sure your parents send in their forms as soon as they get them.

On another note our marketing team is now all geared up to raise some serious traineeships. This is because for each job raised here (for an AIESECer from one of our 71 participating countries), we are able to send one of our lucky AIESECers to another country that they get matched to.

It's never too late to join. We are an organization that began in 1948 and have 38 locals like this one in Canada. This makes for about 171 locals globally. So if you join you'll be instantly become affiliated to about 60,000 other students around the world. For info. drop by our office-UC2018A or call 343-8817.

ACE

Risky Business Bash IV is coming this Friday 7th at 8:00 at the Outpost. Tickets are being sold in the Outpost this week, $3 advance and $5 at the door...prizes include a school ring and a ski weekend for two at the Norwester. Rocky Horror Picture Show $2 at the door at the Cafeteria on Sunday 9th...bring toilet paper, rice, water gun, toast and newspapers. Shows start at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.

ARGUS

Short meeting on Friday, 2:30. Let's talk about those covers.

LUACT

Ladies and Gentlemen! The Cabaret o' Fromage is off and running. The preliminary auditions have been held and were a tremendous success. We are holding a second audition on February 9th, from 1 pm to 4 pm. It will be held in the Ryan Theatre (RB1042) for those who couldn't make it out. All acts are welcome (sing, dance, act, juggle, tell jokes...etc.) Please contact usto tell us you are coming.

Also, the date for the Cabaret o' Fromage has been moved up a week to compensate for Sarah Mclaughlin appearing in Thunder Bay on our previous date. Now, the Cabaret will be held on Wednesday, March 4th in the Outpost. If interested contact Scott MacDonald at 344-3300. (leave a message and we'll get back to you.)

ESS

E WEEK is now over so it's back to the trenches. The E WEEK events were almost all successful, The Brewery Tour and The Mystery Tour were both a spewing good time. Northern Breweries are sorry they offered free beer after 30 of us each tried to swill our body weight in brew in the allotted 2 hours, and The Stanley Tavern hasn't seen a crowd like that since the war ended. The Mechanical Engineering egg-drop contest was won by our own ESS president Dan Hebert(5th year electrical), second went to a civil and third to a chemical. No mechies in the top 4, how embarrassing! ESS election nominations will begin Feb. 24(full details will be in next weeks' article), so keep an open mind. Joke of the week: How do you prevent a professor from drowning? Take your foot off his head.

MSSA

Hi! members and other international students. As we mention before, we are going to have an exhibition scheduled on the Feb. 10, 1992. All international students are invited to participate. Please contact Mohammad at 767-5685 or Hasnah Hashim at 345-7736 or Ms. Hedi at the international students office for more information. You can exhibit anything that tells people about your country. In fact, you can participate in terms of cultural performance as we have performance in the agenda. We are going to have the things set up on Sunday, Feb. 09, 1992 at 2.00 pm in the agora. Please bring all the exhibition stuffs with you. Message for other students! Come out to the agora on Monday with all your friends. See you there. Bye!

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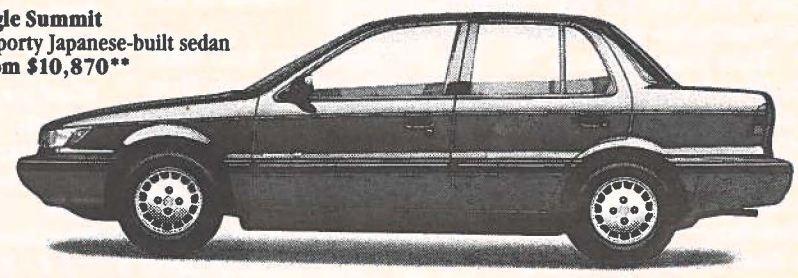
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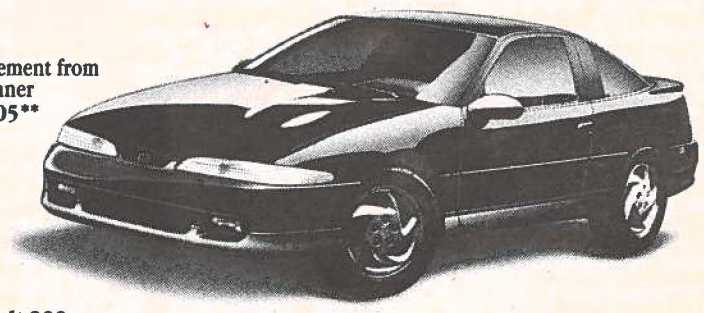
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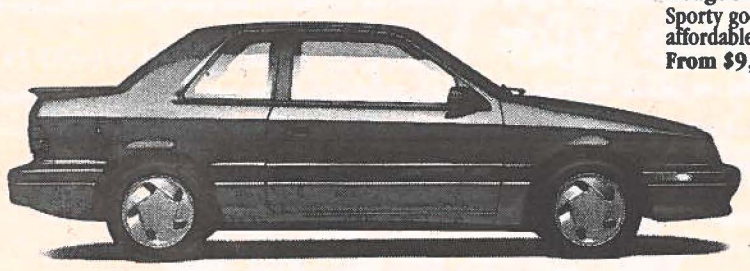


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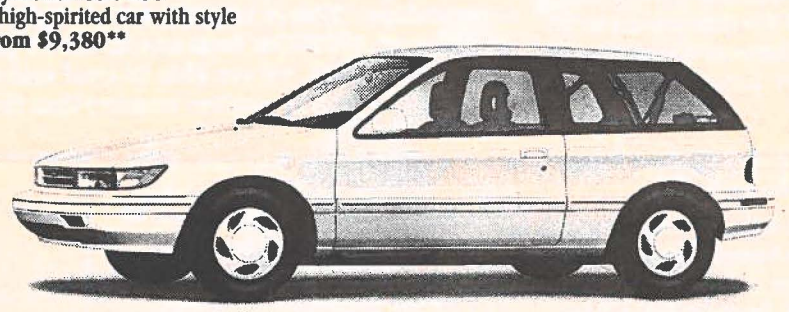
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