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A rose by any other name

The Wild Rose party needs to do better to reach the public

At first glance, Danielle Smith's recent appearance at the University of Calgary to discuss the prospects of post-secondary education seemed promising. But after a closer look at the language of her speech and the policy booklet handed out, the reality begins to set in.

Though Smith and the Wildrose Party promised the world to students, the discussion lacked any solid qualifiers or goals. At the end of the day, it's just another politician pandering to students — a scene that happens all too often.

Smith appeared at the U of C this week to deliver a speech on the party's new plan for addressing advanced education. The plan's three fundamental goals include increased affordability, accessibility and local impact of Alberta-based research.

The Wildrose Party addressed the first of these goals by promising loan forgiveness for graduates of high demand fields who remain in Alberta. Their policy document states that they will "restore the limit on post-secondary tuition fee increases to the rate of inflation."

The party also plans to review the student loan application process to make sure it is able to provide for the basic living needs of students and remove parental income as a factor in deterring eligibility for student loans.

These goals sound good in theory but reality is a different matter.

Forgiving the loans of graduates who remain in Alberta becomes problematic when you don't specify how much you will forgive or the time line on which you will forgive it. Why not reduce the cost of the

statement. Neither "crack down" nor "excessive" are explained in the rest of her speech or the documents outlining her platform and she definitely doesn't say that the fees will be eliminated entirely. Smith must

The rest of the document is equally ambiguous. It states that the party will expand space for high demand research degrees, coordinate with post-secondary schools to improve the transfer of credits and implement tax incentives to promote the growth of post-secondary endowment funds for scholarships, but does not go into specific detail. The lack of statistics and specifics stand out.

It's great that Smith is paying attention to students but Stelmach's government has already stated that the Wildrose Party is just re-packaging their ideas. The Conservatives have already tied tuition increases to inflation and rejected some proposals for market modifiers that they viewed as excessive last year. If Smith wants her party to be the conservative alternative that can stand up to Ed Stelmach, she must do more to differentiate her policies and explain specifically what she will do differently, which will also help in holding the party accountable to its prescribed goals in the future.

The unfortunate reality is that Smith hasn't committed to doing anything concrete. Students are used to politicians making promises and then breaking them when convenient. Smith should at least make some solid promises that she can be held accountable to.

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education up front? A successful and vibrant province should attract graduates with its culture, environment and low education costs, not hold them hostage.

Smith says she will "crack down on post-secondary tuitions charging excessive non-instructional fees" — another particularly ambiguous

make her intentions more clear.

Ensuring that student loans enable students to meet basic living needs is admirable, but once again, Smith hasn't promised students anything concrete. Is the Wildrose Party going to ensure a certain quality of life for students? How will it be measured? How will it be implemented?

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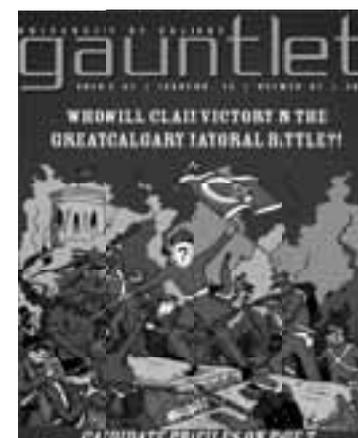
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SU science faculty rep resigns from office

Students' Union rep request for excusal from meetings results in resignation

Ashad Mukadam

Gauntlet News

After an unexpected loss, undergraduate students in the faculty of science will now be voting for a faculty representative in the upcoming Students' Union by-election.

Ola Mohajer resigned her post as a faculty of science representative Sept. 30 after being denied a term excusal in the Student Legislative Council meeting last week.

"The SLC decided that she couldn't fulfil her role as a faculty representative," said vice-president academic Alyssa Stacy.

Mohajer, who is currently attending McGill University for the Fall 2010 semester as a visiting student, felt the vote was unfair.

"I feel that I could fulfil the actual duties as I offered to attend the meetings via Skype," Mohajer said. "They would only miss the vote. I even picked up a fifth course [at the U of C] to stay as a rep."

Mohajer stated she had been working on projects for the SU, sending in weekly reports to the VP academic and other science representatives and dealing with issues her constituents brought to her attention.

"I started work on my campaign promises and I kept in contact via email and phone," Mohajer said. "Everything else was being done online."

Mohajer confirmed she would be back in a few months for the winter term to take classes at the U of C.

Faculty of education representative Patrick Tomczyk raised the objection to granting Mohajer a term excusal.

"The by-laws spell out exactly who can hold office," said Tomczyk. "You have to be enrolled as an undergraduate student at the U of C taking at least one class in the fall/winter semesters respectively."

The sole remaining faculty of science representative, Aleena Mansoor, voted in favour of allowing Mohajer to be granted a term excusal.

"I believed that she could have handled her duties," she said. "Ola was helpful with other things and she answered email and was in constant communication."

Faculty of Arts representative Vincent St. Pierre also voted in favour of granting a term excusal to Mohajer.

"The duties as an SLC member

are not confined to just the SLC," he said. "There are also duties to students and faculty that she was fulfilling."

St. Pierre added that since Mohajer was required to take courses not offered at the U of C and could carry the workload, she deserved an excusal.

Stacy stated that Mohajer did bring up the issue in August, a month earlier than required by the SU bylaws.

"According to the by-laws, the term excusal should be brought up during the first month of either semester in which the excusal is needed," she said. "It was just bad timing on Ola's part."

However, there were apparently no issues prior to Mohajer's departure to Montreal for the semester.

"After I left, the process changed to concern of a vote being lost," she said.

St. Pierre agreed that the situation was unfortunate.

"I feel pain because everyone [on the SLC] said that she would get an excusal at committee," he said.

St. Pierre was also upset that there was a request for the meeting to go in-camera, or off the record.

"It should not have gone in-camera because it needed to be transparent and clear to all the students," he said.

The nomination dates for the SU by-election were pushed back to October 13, 14 and 15 to allow Mohajer the chance to run.

"The Council decided that she should have the students decide," said Mansoor.

All Faculty of Science students are eligible to run in the by-election, as long as they hand in nomination papers prior to the deadline. While she did not explicitly state that she would run, Mohajer said that she deeply cared about fulfilling the role of science representative and can still accomplish what she started.

At the same time Mohajer is willing to

accept the decision of her constituents.

"I always want their best interests, and I want them to vote with their conscience," she said.

The SU by-election takes place Oct. 26–28.



courtesy Ola Mohajer

SU pushes for new federal lobby model

Cheryl Rowland

Gauntlet News

The landscape of federal student lobby groups might be changing if Students' Union vice-president external Hardave Birk has his way.

The University of Calgary SU has been a member of two student-lobby groups, the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations and the Council of Alberta University Students, for 15 and 20 years respectively. As a member, the SU fights for student rights and

lobbies on issues such as tuition hikes, textbook copyrights and student funding.

Membership in CASA is made up of individual universities. In Alberta the student unions of the Universities of Lethbridge, Alberta and Calgary are members of both CASA and CAUS, yet recent discussions point to a possible change.

Birk, CAUS chair, has led part of the discussion here at the U of C to what he sees as a better means of federal representation.

"There's been an appetite for a federal organization to develop in which instead of

having individual students' unions as the members, you have our provincial counterparts as the members," said Birk.

The provincial lobby group, CAUS, would become a member of CASA instead of the U of C SU. The results of such a change may not seem too productive at first glance, however Birk stated that students would benefit in a number of ways.

Birk said the change could give student leaders more access to government officials, increase federal advocacy, increase interprovincial research and allow CASA to

represent two and a half times the number of students.

Vice-president academic at the U of L Keith McLaughlin also advocated the idea of provincial proposal of a federal group,

"Just having a more coherent membership structure makes our federal lobbying efforts to be more coherent to the decision makers in Ottawa that we are trying to influence," said McLaughlin.

He also underlined the benefit of representing more students at federal levels.

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Why do you think voter turnout is low among university students?



"Lack of publicity of some of the candidates."
– Julia Zochodne, second-year computer science



"Lack of interest; doesn't affect day to day life."
– Vincent Yu, second-year communication studies



"Too busy with their studies, assignments and quizzes."
– Saad Kham, first-year engineering



"Students aren't politically involved."
– Ada Wong, third-year bachelors of commerce

Wildrose promises predictable tuition

Brent Constantin
News Editor

Wildrose Alliance Party leader Danielle Smith presented her party's outline for post-secondary education in Alberta during a noon presentation at MacEwan Student Centre on Oct. 4.

During a speech to students in attendance over the lunch hour, Smith prioritized a loan forgiveness program for students of high-demand professions remaining in the province.

She also committed to tying tuition increases to inflation and eliminating parental income in loan calculations.

"We would crack down on post-secondary institutions that are charging excessive non-instructional fees," Smith said, alluding to the hundreds of dollars in non-academic fees added to the cost of tuition by

the University of Alberta and Calgary this year.

"Alberta's institutions charge the highest non-instructional fees of any province last year, an average of \$818 per student," said Smith. "These big and unfair levies are essentially an additional tax for students who are barely able to handle tuition fees as is."

Smith said she feels the current government broke its own promise of linking tuition to inflation when it allowed universities to propose market-modified tuition increases for professional programs.

"I think the fact that we have a policy on the books that says you can count on your tuition being only three or four or five per cent higher than last year is something that students rely on when they get into the system," Smith said.

Council of Alberta University Students executive-chair Har-dave Birk said his group supports many of the ideas the Wil-

drose came forward with.

"We're very big on the CPI cap and we definitely want to see some sort of regulation around fees put forward," said Birk, Students' Union vice-president external.

Smith also proposed a funding model that would see institutions receive money from the government based on the number of individual students that chose to enroll there, something Birk argued wouldn't be best for the system.

"Things like funding following students rather than the individual institutions as it does currently is moving a little too much towards privatization," Birk said. "It creates more competition between institutions and that can have some negative effects."

"At the end of the day CAUS is happy to see the Wildrose Alliance putting out policy," Birk said. "I think it's going to be a major issue in the next election."



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Danielle Smith spoke to students at MacEwan Student Centre.

Filmmaker hopes to raise awareness for global warming

Ryan Kerr
Gauntlet News

Explorer, professor and filmmaker Mark Terry stopped by campus Sept. 28 for a screening of his documentary *The Antarctica Challenge*. Filming documentaries for over 20 years, Terry has achieved tremendous international acclaim for his work in Antarctica. He attributes the success of his film to a conscious effort not to push a heavy agenda.

"I just tried to get the facts across

as plain as possible," Terry said.

The Antarctica Challenge was the only film to be endorsed and shown at the UN summit for climate change last year in Copenhagen, an experience that Terry said carried much responsibility.

"It was a very unusually experience, to go around to 25 different delegations making that kind of impact and seeing direct results informing policy," said Terry. "At first I felt like someone had made a mistake but then I realized it's not

about you, it's about the information you have. Once I realized that I assumed the responsibility of delivering that message and then it became cool."

Terry's other notable projects include *We Stand On Guard*, a documentary film about the history of the Canadian Forces, and *George B*, a finalist at the 1997 Sundance Film Festival.

The Antarctica Challenge highlights findings emerging in the scientific community from the frozen

continent. According to the film and other experts, if the ice that covers the fifth largest landmass continues to melt ocean levels will rise considerably. The 1.6 kilometre thick ice over Antarctica differs from the Arctic because it is on top of a landmass, whereas the majority of ice in the Arctic is simply floating. Ice already in the water would not affect rising sea levels as much as ice that is on land, much like how ice cubes do not affect the volume of liquid in a cup because displace-

ment has already occurred.

The documentary ends on a positive note illustrating the success of international agreements, such as the Montréal Accord, in preventing the hole in the ozone from continuing to grow.

Terry's next film, *The Polar Explorer*, will see him and a team of scientists take a new route through the newly ice-free Northwest Passage. Terry will be publishing a regular column in *Canadian Geographic* about the trip.

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Challenging the trend of student apathy

Nicole Foussekis

Gauntlet News

If someone eavesdropped on idle student talk in the University of Calgary halls, they might not believe the city is engaged in an intense municipal battle for mayor. Yet while some students consider the race unimportant, others are enthused with political interest, challenging the generalization that youth are apathetic to politics. Some students are not only voters but dedicated volunteers on the campaign trail.

Second-year political science major John Hampson is currently volunteering as a researcher for Barb Higgin's campaign, his fourth political campaign involvement to date. Participation offers students not only a chance to support their preferred candidates, but develop valuable volunteering experience as well.

"The reference letters, the relationship, the networking that goes on in the campaigns, you're getting to meet people in the community," said Hampson.

Fourth-year communication studies major Aneesa Birk aides Craig Burrows' mayoral race. She voiced the practicality of campaign

volunteerism for hands-on career experience and networking.

"I needed something that was community relevant to put on my resume just for job applications," said Birk. "It's something that I've always looked at as a career goal that I would consider, working on a campaign doing media relations."

"I just feel like it's an important election," said second-year communication and culture student and Naheed Nenshi volunteer Alex McBrien. "Calgary's at a point in its history where what we do now is going to determine what kind of future we have 56 years down the road."

Team leader for Nenshi's on-campus volunteer group Donny Serink, a third-year English major, described political volunteerism as adopting a "world-centric" view.

"A campaign is a great way to become informed about what's going on in your city and all the different issues," said Serink. "To start to see yourself as a citizen of Calgary rather than just an individual."

Political science professor Lisa Young requires her POLI 502 class to volunteer a minimum of 25 hours for a municipal candidate.

"The whole idea of this course



Brent Constantin/the Gauntlet

Students vote at polls in MacEwan Student Centre running until Oct. 13.

was to give political science students practical hands-on experience with the things we study in the abstract," Young said.

The course was designed specifically to achieve this aim, so these students get to complete their homework and get volunteer experience at once.

Despite the passion of certain students the issue of general student

apathy remains. Young attributed a large portion of student apathy to lack of information.

"Information is a really important resource that brings people into participation," said Young.

"I find when you start talking to students about things that are important to them they really start to see that their vote matters," said Serink.

McBrien agrees with Serink's as-

essment and wished more students realized the impact politics had in their lives.

"Everything that happens at this election, at City Hall, is going to affect you," said McBrien. "If you want somewhere to hang out on Friday night or how you're going to get home, the outcome of this election is going to impact your life."

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While Birk said opposition from external sources has not been an issue, discussion between university unions has seen disagreement about how all these ideas will play out. Birk stated concerns about avoiding a staff-led program to keep students involved and in charge of CASA and CAUS.

"[I have some] scepticism of the ability of

student leaders to put their egos aside from time to time," said McLaughlin.

Both Birk and McLaughlin are hopeful about the future of the project although a timeline is difficult to come by because the idea is still in its early stages.

"If we don't get something really concrete in the next six to 12 months, you probably won't

see this going forward," McLaughlin said. "If we keep moving forward, then we could be cautiously optimistic about this happening."

U of A su vice-president external Aden Murphy disagreed.

"There's nothing huge that's going to happen within the year."

Murphy sees the unification of other provin-

cial alliances as an obstacle to a seamless, fast collaboration of this project.

"We want to make sure that it's not just the people in the room or the student leaders elected this year making this decision," said Murphy. "It has to be something that our successors agree with and commit with."

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Calgary mayoral election candidates 2010

The Calgary municipal election is on Oct.18. The *Gauntlet* profiled candidates that agreed to sit down with us and discuss their platforms.



Craig Burrows

Craig Burrows was elected to Council from 2001–2007 where he served as alderman for Ward Six. Burrows was ousted from his aldermanic position in 2007 and has since been acting as vp of business development for a private equity firm. Burrows regards his loss in the Ward as a valuable lesson that has given him the opportunity to be better prepared to lead Council.

Burrows identified several key initiatives that he wants to propose if elected. These include enhancing city services such as police, fire department and transit; eliminating the \$3 Park and Ride fee; increasing the city's vibrancy by enticing people downtown with \$2 parking at lunchtime and on Saturdays; developing key infrastructure through the airport tunnel and connecting the LRT to the airport and his "families first" recreation initiative which proposes building

six new ice rinks, two indoor soccer facilities and six outdoor artificial turf soccer fields.

During the campaign, Burrows has been traveling in an RV to 100 communities in 100 days in order to connect with Calgarians. If elected he plans to remain connected by holding 28 town hall meetings — two per ward, each year — and use them as venues to discuss and address the concerns facing different neighbourhoods and de-

mographics around the city.

With regard to students Burrows said the main issues are affordable housing, transportation and making Calgary a fun, vibrant city. For affordable housing, Burrows would rezone transit-oriented development areas for secondary suites. This transportation policy calls for a 24-hour LRT service on the weekend and taxi-stands at LRT and BRT stations.

For more information, visit craigburrows.ca.



Joe Connelly

Joe Connelly earned his bachelor of commerce from the University of Calgary and has over 25 years of experience in the non-profit, corporate and entrepreneurial business sectors. Connelly was the vice-president of Tourism Calgary and during his term ushered in the new tagline for the city "Calgary, Heart of the New West." Connelly decided in 2007 to leave the private sector and become involved in politics, successfully defeating a two-term incumbent to become alderman of Ward Six.

Connelly's two sons are among the main reasons he decided to run for mayor. He loves Calgary because it has afforded him tremendous opportunities but he's concerned his sons will not experience the same prospects and decide to move away.

"People are promising the moon," Connelly said of other candidates. "I'm all about one single thing: your voice will count."

Utilizing technology such as crowd-sourcing, he wants to harness the intellectual capital of the city to move Calgary forward. Connelly said his campaign "is about chang-

ing democracy and changing it for the better."

When it comes to students, Connelly identifies affordable housing as the biggest issue. After reading the Students' Union's report on increasing secondary suites around the University of Calgary, SAIT and eventually Mount Royal, Connelly put forward a notice of motion in Council. The motion was defeated but he references the initiative as proof that he will champion the issue if elected. He believes Council needs to take small steps to

deal with the situation, Connelly said secondary suites cannot be universal or "there will be chaos." If small steps are successful Connelly plans to move forward from there.

Connelly sat on the Calgary Economic Development board and contends City Hall has too many priorities. He thinks the Calgary Economic Development board should be focusing on creating jobs, investment, and increasing the opportunities for existing companies to expand.

For more information, visit joeformayor.ca.



Bob Hawkesworth

Bob Hawkesworth, a University of Calgary alumnus, has been an elected politician since 1980 in municipal and provincial circles. Since 1993 he has served as alderman for Ward Four.

Hawkesworth is very passionate about what he believes and a proud defender of City Hall. He said his main reason for run-

ning was because everything he worked for over the past 17 years was under threat by Ric McIver. For every platform point Hawkesworth has, he is sure to note how McIver was doing the opposite.

One of his main platform points is building a southeast C-Train line instead of an airport tunnel. Hawkesworth says the city cannot afford to do both and

that a southeast train line would better serve Calgarians.

Hawkesworth's voice stands out among many candidates with his pro-City Council approach. He said that City Council did not mismanage funds and has a balanced budget and anyone who thinks otherwise does not understand council's budget correctly.

Another one of his goals is to

make Calgary the energy capital of the world, not just with oil and gas, but more sustainable kinds of energy as well. He describes how he would do this in a four point plan on his website.

He also emphasized the need to maintain services like recreation centers, libraries and homeless assistance.

For more information, visit bobhawkesworth.ca.

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Ward One candidates address student issues

Kim Nursall
with files from Natalie Adamson
Gauntlet News

If you have been living in Alberta since April 18, 2010, consider it your permanent home, are 18 years or older and are a Canadian Citizen, you are eligible to vote in the upcoming Calgary Civic Election. Occurring once every three years, the election will bring on a new mayor, aldermen and school board trustees.

The University of Calgary campus and surrounding area falls into the boundaries of Ward One, where six candidates vie for the role of alderman. The Students' Union organized a Ward One debate Sept. 27, where all candidates had the chance to come out and share their platforms.

Chris Harper
harperonside.com

Chris Harper identifies himself as being a key contributor to the Ward One community, having worked with the Federation of Calgary Communities, the Calgary

Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Calgary.

If elected Harper has a number of priorities he would seek to implement bringing more police officers to the ward, beginning construction on the North West Recreation Centre, promoting sustainable development, providing quick, safe and comfortable transportation and developing a Calgary-wide cycling strategy. As alderman Harper would like the Students' Union's VP external and a member from the Urban Calgary Students Association to sit on his advisory board.

Dale Hodges
dalehodges.com

Dale Hodges has been the Alderman for Ward One since 1983. If re-elected Hodges has very specific goals for the 2010-2013 aldermanic term. He hopes to continue to improve the city's road and public transit system without significantly increasing the City of Calgary's debt and ensure the appropriate land-use planning framework is in place to properly manage the growth of the city. Also on the

list are plans to implement a sustainable long-term financial plan given the agreement between the city and provincial government for the funding of major infrastructure projects. Ensuring affordable housing which includes a cost-sharing formula with both the provincial and federal governments is also a priority.

Ric Lockhart
riclockhart.com

Ric Lockhart, a Ward One resident for nearly 20 years, is committed to "always putting the interest of Ward One residents before [his] own."

Lockhart's platform proposes a review of LRT parking fees as he encourages transit use. He also plans to support a study to promote carpool and bicycle commuting initiatives. Lockhart wants safe and secure neighborhoods in the northeast by enhancing community policy and community awareness programs. Green initiatives are on the agenda for Lockhart as well, as he plans to use recycled material where possible for building projects.

Norm Perrault
Website N/A

Norm Perrault is a retired general contractor and a past president of the Bowness Community Association. He decided to run in the Ward One election because he wants, according to an interview with Metro, "to stop the wasting of taxpayers' dollars." As alderman, Perrault would seek to resolve affordable housing issues by safely reconfiguring current homes into secondary suites, basement suites or duplexes.

Bill Scott
billscott.ca

Bill Scott has spent 25 years as an active member of the Varsity and Rocky Ridge Community Associations. His campaign platform consists of four priorities: engagement, management, community and environment. If elected, Scott wants to establish a process to involve and inform Ward One residents on all matters of public interest. As an alderman, Scott commits to ensuring transparency in the management of tax dollars. He

plans to accomplish this, at least in part, by appointing an independent auditor accountable only to council. For the environment Scott wants to implement smart growth and mobility choices, water conservation and reuse practices, high levels of recycling including organic waste and means for enhanced air quality.

Judi Vandenbrink
vote4judi.com

As the president of EcoConsulting since 2005 Judi Vandenbrink has made environmental concerns a prominent part of her platform. If elected she wants to implement organic composting and curbside recycling services for higher density dwellings. Vandenbrink also focuses on affordable housing, transportation options and social activities as areas she would improve as an alderman. On transportation Vandenbrink is concerned that building extensive roadways is going to create higher taxes due to an increased need for road maintenance. Instead Vandenbrink believes the solution is enhancing public transit.

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Barb Higgins

Barb Higgins moved to Calgary in 1989 as a CTV broadcaster for the 6 p.m. news. Higgins maintained this role for 21 years until July of this year when she opted to run for mayor.

Higgins' resume displays her work

with various volunteer and charity organizations. In her *Gauntlet* interview, she discussed the nature of her campaign and student issues.

"I felt that [the other candidates] weren't quite capturing the essence and the spirit and the energy of what this city is about. So that's why I jumped in," Higgins explained.

Higgins indicated she has seven main priorities for Calgary. She discussed the first three as fiscal re-



sponsibility, "non-negotiable" public safety and an effective and efficient city hall. Higgins said the seven priorities bring a unique balance to her platform.

"It's important that we talk about fiscal intelligence but it's also important that we talk about Calgary as a place to live," said Higgins. "For me, it's about balance."

Under the topic of integrating student voices within her campaign, Higgins emphasized the necessity to "maximize the relationship" between the city and the University of Calgary. "It's really

important for the mayor to make it very clear that [secondary suites] are a priority," Higgins said on the topic of affordable housing. "This is an issue of safety, and it's about humanity because we're saying that it's okay for people to struggle or not have a home by not opening up secondary suites."

Higgins also outlined a transportation feeder system to transport Calgarians to the LRT from outlying communities and eliminating the \$3 park and ride fee as other targets.

For more information, visit barbhiggins.ca.

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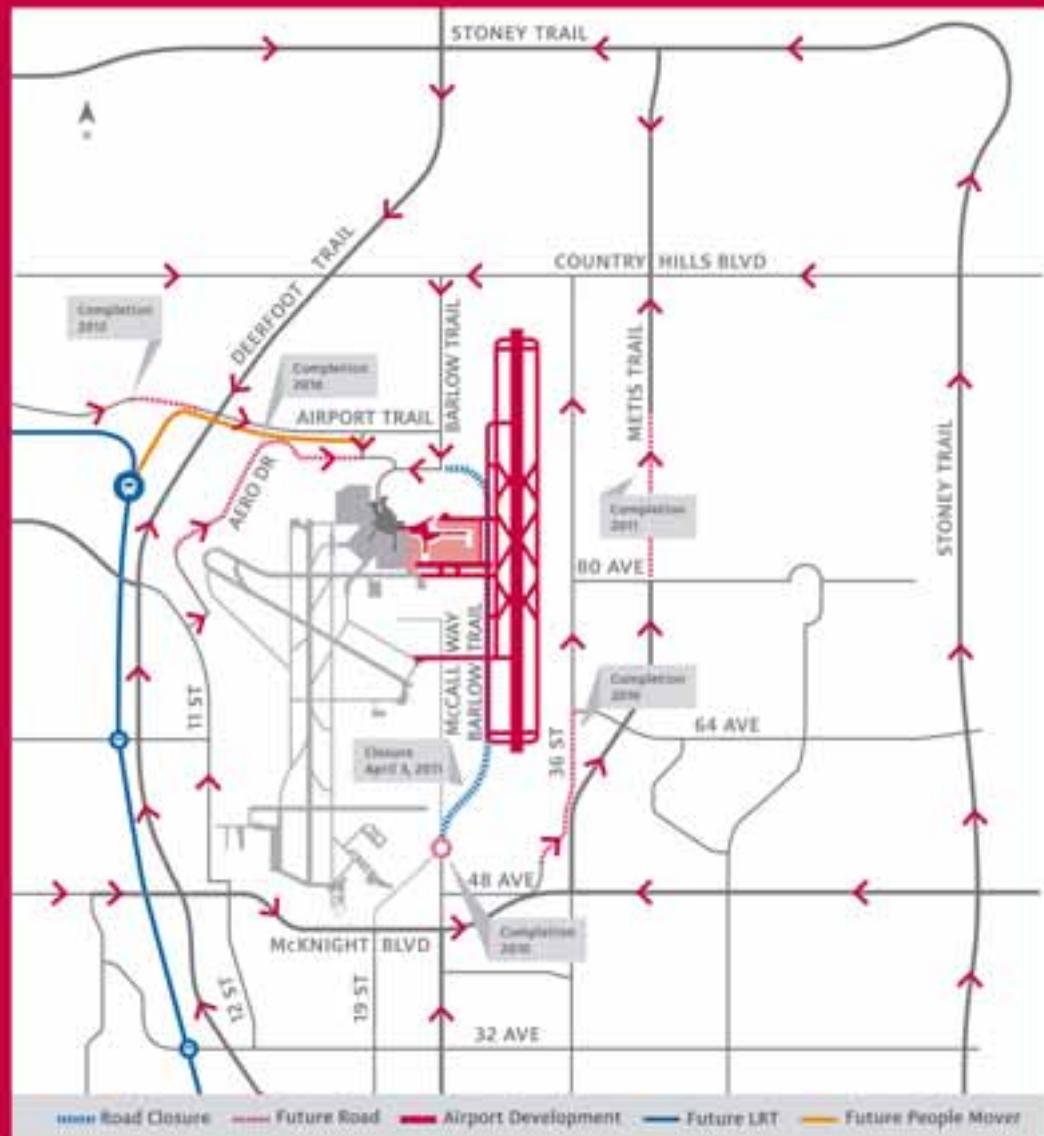
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The chemical make up of stress



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Dr. Jaideep Bains researches mammal's response to stress.

Erin Shumlich
 Gauntlet News

A University of Calgary research team has reached a new step in understanding the mechanisms that control stress in the mind and body.

Jaideep Bains, associate professor in physiology at the U of C Hopkins brain institute and his team tackled this question on a cellular level. After finding that a specific mechanism was able to switch on and off a centre in the brain that controlled stress, Bains researched the physiological changes that occur which cause us to react to stress.

"We have known for a long time that the brain is the key organ that interprets stress signals and organizes all the body's resources to respond to stress," said Bains. "The first description of this was in the late 1930s and over the last 30 years there has been a lot of research trying to understand how mammals respond to stress."

Bains studies just how stress neurons get turned on, off and adapt to stress. When the body responds to stress, multiple hormones released by the hypothalamus send a signal to the rest of the body initiating a string of stress-related responses.

"What I am really interested in my lab is understanding how synapses, elements that connect neurons, remember information," said Bains. "One of the things that we hypothesized was that in order for this to happen, there must be some sort of imprinting at the level of these synapses."

Individuals that are stressed for a long period of time are found to have difficulty recalling information. Everyone deals with stress on a day to day basis, but there are many ways to cope. The best way to

prevent stress is through lifestyle or behavioral modification.

"There is an accumulation across different stressors, but I think a lot of people have amazing capacities to adapt and filter out those stresses," Bains said. "When you are stressed, there is a memory in your stress system that you don't want to be prolonged. When it gets prolonged, you get stress hormones being released for a long period of time that are not very helpful. One of the best ways to deal with those types of stressors is to do things like exercise."

Bains was able to find a chemical in the lab that blocks an important stress pathway receptor, effectively creating an antidote of stress on paper. However this treatment could not be used in humans because without this pathway initial responses to stress needed to survive would be blocked. The next step for Bains is looking further down the response line to target a more specific response.

"As far as how different stressors are interpreted by humans as opposed to in the lab conditions, it's pretty open," said Bains. "Humans are pretty complex and everyone has different capacities to deal with stress."

Bain's future focus is exploring the connection between stress in adolescence and an ability to cope with stress later in life.

"Anecdotally during adolescence, you're very sensitive to external stressors," said Bain. "We are beginning to become very interested in long term imprinting. We would really like to start to think about critical periods where your brain is open to influences and is very plastic and how being exposed to cues during those key windows lead to long lasting changes later on."

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Jon Lord

Jon Lord is an local businessman and entrepreneur. Perhaps his most well known venture is Casablanca Video, a business he started in 1983. Around that same time he was founding chairman of the Business Revitalization Zone for Marda Loop.

He was elected alderman of Ward Eight in 1995 and served two terms.

Lord's first platform priority is financial accountability. He would like to encourage citizen participation in City Hall by establishing a voluntary advisory committee.

The second platform point is a "kinder, gentler" parking authority

by instigating a cap on parking rates and reducing or eliminating fees for LRT users.

Lord also advocates reducing traffic to and from the downtown core by making it easier for Calgaryans to work from home. He lists many benefits of this initiative but no details as to how his

idea would be implemented.

Lord was co-chair on the committee that legalized secondary suits in Alberta in 2004 and now hopes to complete the process on the municipal level by creating a zoning area for them.

For more information, visit jonlord.ca



Ric McIver

Ric McIver was born in Woodstock, Ontario and moved to Calgary in 1981. After a long career in the food industry, McIver was elected as Ward 12 alderman in 2001. He was acclaimed for a second term in 2004 and re-elected in 2007.

McIver decided to run for mayor because, after nine years on Coun-

cil, he considers himself qualified to step into a leadership role. McIver feels his credibility distinguishes him from other candidates, as well as a platform based on experience he had as an alderman.

"This city desperately needs someone with experience," McIver argued. "This city can't afford on-the-job training"

McIver considers the relationship

between City Council and post-secondary institutions and their research centres as important to all of Calgary. He believes affordable housing is the biggest issue confronting students.

McIver wants to regulate secondary suites so community environments are not compromised and estimates his policy would see approximately one in 20 buildings be-

ing rezoned as a secondary suite.

Funding a southeastern LRT line is the main pillar of his transit platform, as well as expanding LRT service to Mount Royal University. In his effort to build "complete communities," McIver wants to increase transit services in dense neighbourhoods outside of downtown.

For more information, visit ricmciver.ca.



Naheed Nenshi

Naheed Nenshi grew up in Calgary and holds a bachelor of commerce from the University of Calgary, where he was president of the Students' Union in 1994. He also received a masters in public policy from Harvard University. Nenshi has experience advising in corporate strategy, as well as consulting with public, private and

non-profit organizations. Nenshi is now a professor of non-profit management at Mount Royal University.

Nenshi's candidacy revolves around three basic themes: environmental, economic and social sustainability; Calgary becoming the best place to own a business and raise a family; and fixing City Hall. Nenshi believes City Council needs an outsider to come in, "cut

red tape" and properly invest in social infrastructure. He considers himself unique since he is an outsider but not one who's "starting from scratch," having long followed and written about Calgary's municipal politics.

Nenshi's secondary suite policy requires suites have to meet all Alberta fire and safety codes, have off-street parking stalls unless within 500 metres of an LRT

or Bus Rapid Transit and the suite's owner has to live there.

Nenshi identifies transit as another issue for students. He argues that the city takes advantage of students by issuing UPasses, which bring in revenue yet makes no real investment in return to ensure that students receive the transit services they need.

For more information, visit nenshi.ca.



Wayne Stewart

Wayne Stewart spent 27 years as a senior manager with Shell Canada, followed by 19 years working within the non-profit sector. Stewart emphasized his experience in both the business and community spheres.

"You've got to be able to attend to social needs while at the same time being a sound financial manager," he said. "And that's what I bring."

Stewart discussed his three major propositions which include a property 2012 property, attention to social issues and the use of "public-private partnerships" to fund infrastructure projects such as a new downtown library and the airport tunnel.

"I think the most significant contribution we can make is secondary suites," Stewart said in regards to Calgary housing. "My goal is to approve secondary suites in all areas of the city."

Stewart noted that there are many groups without a voice at City Hall. He hopes to aid communication with the creation of a council.

"So that would apply to students as well," he said.

In order to generate jobs for graduating students Stewart said he'll work with the University and local entrepreneurs to bring economic diversity to the city.

On the issue of transportation, Stewart stated that his two main priorities are an LRT to the airport and Bus Rapid Transit to Mount Royal University.

"What I would do is talk to groups that have problems and find out where you want to from-to and put the service in."

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Bonnie Devine

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Bonnie Devine might be best known in the city as an activist who, along with her husband Jason Devine, organized the Anti-Racist Action Calgary group. Devine is a stay-at-home mother of four and former provincial Communist Party candidate for the riding of Calgary-East, where she finished last in 2004 and 2008 under the name Bonnie Collins.

Devine's campaign promotes the elimination of all transit fees within two years alongside the immediate elimination of all park and ride fees, an increase in subsidized housing and a shift of property taxes away from residential to business. Devine also promises, if elected mayor, she would donate half of her pay to

the Calgary food bank.

More information on Devine can be found at bonniedevine.com.

Barry Erskine

Barry Erskine threw his hat in the ring on nomination day, surprising many despite rumours of his desire to return to politics. Erskine was a five-term alderman in Ward 11, winning the seat by acclamation in 2004 but abruptly dropping out of the race in 2007. He resurfaced months later as an independent candidate in Calgary-Elbow in the 2008 provincial election, where he finished fourth. Erskine also co-hosts the radio show "Let's Talk Gardening," on-air for more than 25 years on AM 770.

Erskine has yet to develop a platform or any campaign materials but in his years as alderman he focused his abilities on the formation of the Constructed Wetlands Task Force and initiatives to conserve the Elbow River valley. He also assisted in establishing shelters for the homeless and temporary accommodations for women, such as the Calgary Women's Shelter and the Calgary Native Women's Shelter.

Erskine does not have a campaign website.

Oscar Fech

Oscar Fech is a general contractor who has owned a construction business in Calgary since 1961. During that time, Fech developed a reputation as a fervent city hall observer whose antics during council sessions caused him to receive a one-year ban. He's only recently been allowed to attend again.

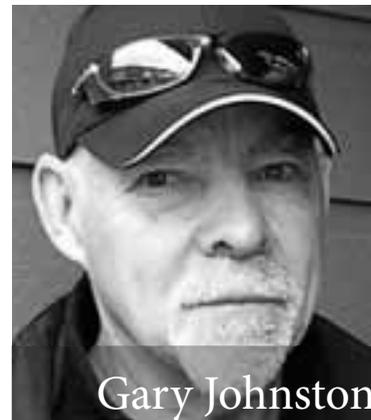
Fech declared his candidacy by interrupting an August 29th mayoral forum to announce he was running and should be part of the debate. Fech claims his business experience in both Canada and the U.S. gives him the necessary leadership skills to be mayor. His campaign handout expresses a desire to ensure the City of Calgary is held accountable to the taxpayers.

Fech does not have a campaign website but can be reached at oscar.fech@shaw.ca.

Sandra Hunter

Hunter is a 55-year-old disabilities agent who has released no information about her campaign.

Her contact information is listed as 403-246-0120 online.



Gary Johnston

Gary Johnston

Gary Johnston is a legally blind former rail worker who spent 32 years with CP rail before retiring. Johnston lived in British Columbia until four years ago when he, according to his campaign handout, relocated to Calgary in pursuit of his "love and adoration for a beautiful lady that lives here." Johnston decided to run for mayor after an elderly Calgary woman convinced him he "had nothing to lose and a lot to gain for the benefit of all."

Johnston says Calgarians can look forward to a three-fold promise of more commitment, accountability and responsibility if elected. Johnston views these three guiding principles as a familiar thread when people try to achieve common goals. His policy is honesty and straightforwardness.

Johnston does not have a campaign website, but can be reached on his cell at 403-202-1092.

Dan Knight

Dan Knight is a self-employed computer consultant who has lived in Calgary for over 13 years. Knight describes himself as passionate about the political process and sees Calgary as "a vast, diverse, talented, educated, innovative, hard-working and playing group of citizens that value humility, fiscal responsibility



Dan Knight

and compassion in their leaders."

If elected Knight would look to establish annual plebiscites, a weighted voting system that integrates a "non-vote" or "protest vote" and a website where Calgarians can cast non-binding votes on significant motions before Council. Knight espouses ideology of fiscal responsibility whereby "spending money wastefully is wrong [and] cutting spending for the sake of cutting is equally wrong."

More information on Knight can be found at knightformayor.ca.

Amanda Liu

Amanda Liu is a resident of Coventry Hills and has lived in Calgary for about five years. Liu previously worked in the restaurant business but now raises her children while writing Chinese-language poetry and recipes for newspapers.

Liu lacks campaign materials and has no plans for a website but, according to a Sept. 22 *Calgary Herald* article, is hoping a truly grassroots movement of her friends and admirers will increase her popularity and give her candidacy momentum. Liu, in her interview with Jason Markusoff, focused on the economy and ensuring that immigrants better understand Canadian laws. Liu is a landed immigrant herself.

Liu does not have a campaign website.

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Quebec's small man syndrome

Corruption demands investigation, not overcompensation



Jocelyn Hunt
Gauntlet Opinions

A recent article published in *Maclean's* magazine, "Quebec: the most corrupt province" by Martin Patriquin, has received a significant amount of negative response from Quebecers and their Premier, Jean Charest. The article covers decades of petty and grand corruption at municipal and provincial levels. All negative news begets reaction, yet was it really necessary for Charest to write a response to the editor of *Maclean's* and demand an apology to Quebecers? Why yes, it was, because he is the premier of a province with chronic short man syndrome.

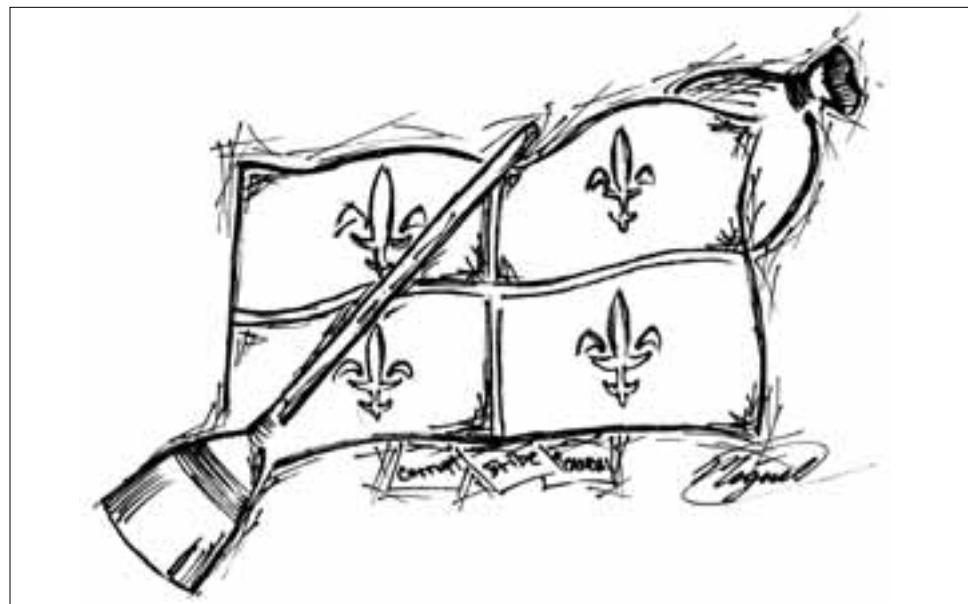
Throughout Quebec's long (by Canadian standards) history, the people and their government have been known to jump up with fists raised to defend the Francophone province. Short man syndrome is an unofficial but alleged syndrome in which individuals perceive an inferiority and overcompensate because of it. With only 23.2 per cent of the Canadian population, Quebec is definitely the short man in the linguistic line up of our bilingual country.

Does Quebec have the right to defend itself against unfair or misleading arti-

cles? Of course. Yet the lack of legitimate claims against Patriquin's article by Charest and many of the online comments posted by Quebecers demonstrate the outrage is just another example of Quebec's overcompensation.

Charest begins by disputing the integrity of the article because serious journalism "is supported by facts and evidence." Apparently Patriquin quoting figures and events from Transport Canada, Auditor General Sheila Fraser, Radio-Canada and reports produced by Quebec Solidaire are not sufficient evidence to demonstrate corruption. Neither is recalling widely-known news such as the use of Hell's Angels muscle in Montreal to intimidate construction companies to price fix, the sponsorship scandal or the current inquiry over the appointment of judges in Quebec. Although Patriquin does use examples spanning almost five decades, does this not further prove that Quebec itself is prone to corruption, and not just the current government?

Many online comments, en Français, concluded that the *Maclean's* article was yet another opportunity to bash Quebec because it lacked any comparison to Anglo provinces. The article does, however, mention corruption cases in British Columbia, Ontario and Saskatchewan, but explains that the frequency and duration of Quebec's cases are what make it unique.



Furthermore, it is evident that Patriquin is likely *Maclean's* journalist on Quebec issues considering that half of his articles published by *Maclean's* since July 1, 2010 were related to Quebec. Sometimes an article is just an article and is not written with malice.

Premier Charest reminds us that "Quebecers have always understood that their government and institutions would play an important role." Considering that Quebec is one of the, if not the most left-of-centre governments in North America, this is self-evident. Yet most people would agree 'government involvement' is not synonymous

with 'government favours.' Patriquin did not attack any of Quebec's governments on policy decisions, he merely points out Quebec's rising reliance on Canada. Perhaps, just for argument's sake, this reliance would be substantially less if the corruption that Patriquin writes about was not present.

Many legitimate arguments could be made against Patriquin's article, yet currently all fail miserably because they lack any validity or strength. Unfortunately, this is an ongoing theme. Why? Because Quebec continues to have its fists raised to perceived threats as the short man of Canada.

Investigating fascism: an analysis of the term



Dominik Matusik
Gauntlet Opinions

What fascism is has been subject to much debate. Can it be described using a set of characteristics? Or has it been reduced to simply describing all forms of authoritarian governments and simply people we don't like very much? As one who studies political science, I sure hope the field comes up with some concrete definitions and classify fascism.

In the 1920s, the west thought that Benito Mussolini was a pretty neat guy. Ever since they changed their mind a few years later, fascism has been a universal term of abuse. Us leftists revel in calling our rightist opponents "fascists." More recently, "fascist" has been used as an epithet for liberals.

The Tea Party has used the term against President Barack Obama, along with "Marxist," "socialist," "Nazi" (looks like those aren't mutually exclusive after all!), "Kenyan" and "Muslim." In his book "Liberal Fascism," Jonah Goldberg argues — with slightly more academic integrity than Glenn Beck — that fascism is inherently left-wing because it descended from progressivism, not conservatism.

In other words, nobody can quite agree on what fascism is except that it's bad. Since fascism was mostly defined by its adherents it would help to look at who exactly belongs under the "fascist" umbrella. Few would dispute Mussolini, Francisco Franco and Adolf Hitler. It generally seems that people like Augusto Pinochet, Salazar, the Greek Colonels and Juan Perón could also, at the very least, be described as

embracing some fascist ideas. This seems to be a dead end, considering that Pinochet and Perón share very few similarities except, perhaps, for their authoritarianism. If fascism is merely a term for authoritarianism, we can truly say that the term is obsolete. When we begin applying the word to Barack Obama, Plato and Michael Moore, that's when the meaning really gets diluted.

To make any sense out of what the characteristics of fascism are, it would seem like a good idea to examine its roots. The term "fascism" comes from the Latin word "fascis," meaning a bundle of rods. The term indicated national unity which is a good reference point. Fascism certainly must include a type of social collectivism coupled with nationalism and authoritarianism.

What differentiates fascism from other forms of dictatorial

rule is its view of the past. Communists, for example, look towards the future. When Lenin assumed power in Russia, churches were demolished as much for the reason of destroying vestiges of the past as to suppress religion. Fascists, by contrast, revel in past glories. Mussolini sought to restore the days of the Roman Empire. Hitler glorified Germanic achievements, promoting writers and artists who often contradicted the Nazi message (Nietzsche was a staunch anti-nationalist and opposed anti-Semites while Wagner was a pacifist).

An interesting aspect of fascist systems is the idea of leadership. The three most famous fascist states — Italy, Spain and Germany — all crumbled upon the death of their leader. This characteristic is also the most relevant today. When people are accused of fascism, quite often

the term is synonymous with "demagoguery." This touches upon another founding principle behind fascism, its roots in classical conservatism elitism and social Darwinism.

The place of religion in fascist governments has been a source of much controversy. Some theist apologists argue against atheists by bringing up Hitler. Regardless of whether or not Hitler was an atheist, it is relevant to examine the degree of secularism within fascist countries. It is a known fact that fascism tends to play to abstract emotions — honour, glory, patriotism. It would be fitting, therefore, for fascist states to use religion to either appease or control their populace. Mussolini's relationship with the Catholic Church was bizarre, at best. When Mussolini still subscribed to socialism, he proudly

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Prostitution and the freedom to work

Dominic Schamuhi
Gauntlet Opinions



Last week Ontario Superior Court Justice Susan Himel struck down many of the central aspects of Canada's federal prostitution laws, including those related to operating a common bawdy house (Section 210), living off the avails of prostitution (Section 212) and public solicitation for the purposes of prostitution (Section 213). Even though this decision takes 30 days to come into effect and applies only in Ontario, make no mistake, this was a great day for Canada.

Prostitution is in itself perfectly legal in Canada. One part of Justice Himel's decision makes it possible for prostitutes to now communicate their location so that in the event of trouble, help can reach them. This does not make it any easier to work as a prostitute, but it does make it much safer. In a country where we fight for safe working conditions, it is time that

sex trade workers have that same right as well.

The encompassing fact, though, is that this is not about prostitution. It's about fundamental personal rights and freedoms. Individuals should have the opportunity to start their own business and if they are not successful, they will be forced to close. This is the free-market. The same should apply equally to prostitution. Is there a demand for a money-for-sex industry? If the answer is no, then prostitution will eventually disappear, but if there is a demand for a money-for-sex industry, there will simply be more successful businesses, operated under enforced guidelines by entrepreneurs and monitored carefully by the government.

Not a single person will be forced to purchase the services of a prostitute, but they will have the freedom to do so. Not a single person will be forced to work as a prostitute — the value of legalization is that it enables better control of worker rights — but they will have the freedom to do so. I am not advocating for prostitution, nor

am I advocating against it, I am simply stating that people should be granted the freedoms to make decisions for themselves, rather than have government telling them what is right and wrong.

When we talk about women's rights and safety, it becomes clear that with so many missing and murdered sex trade workers across Canada (estimates range from dozens to hundreds each year), our current laws do not protect women. We need to be concerned about the safety of sex trade workers, but that means reforming the system, not sticking with the status-quo. Moving forward from this decision, we need to work together to institute reforms that will help make prostitution safe because every single human being has the right to safety and the right to freedom.

In jurisdictions that have legalized prostitution, the rates of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections in the sex trade industry are much lower than areas where it is still illegal. They are closely monitored and health monitoring regulations



are strictly enforced. Prostitution would not be treated differently than any other industry. They would be expected to follow the rules and if requirements are not met, then there would be serious consequences. This allows for the safety of the worker as well as safety of the customer.

Ultimately, all people in society should have the opportunity to work in a safe environment and if they feel so inclined, they should

also have the opportunity to open and operate a business of their choice. Justice Himel's decision is a great first step forward, but reforms are still needed. With personal freedoms come personal responsibilities Canadians have fixed laws before and we can do it again.

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Does Israel really want peace?

Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu is undoing the peace process

Jeffrey Spooner
Gauntlet Opinions



When last month's American sponsored Israeli-Palestinian negotiations began, the dreams of the sane world for a peaceful resolution to the conflict in the Holy Land were rekindled once more. It may have been a slim hope — optimistically naive at best, dangerously unrealistic at worst — but the chance for peace was there, as it always seems to be at these negotiations. And as per usual, these hopes appear to have been quite thoroughly dashed to bits by the extremely diplomatic and obviously well-intentioned actions of Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli prime minister.

The stated purpose of this most recent round of peace talks is to clearly define the borders of Israel in the context of a newly-created Palestinian state and as has been the purpose of numerous prior negotiations. The current stumbling block for the whole peace process is that the 10-month moratorium on the creation of new settlements in the West Bank (the justice of which has been called into question by watchdog groups

such as Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International) has not been extended to also cover the negotiations period. Seeing as one of the major issues at this conference is Israel's expansionist tendencies within the West Bank, many have begun to suspect that the Israeli governing body may not be taking these talks seriously.

In response to this, Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian president, has, in what can only be described as a superhuman display of restraint, only threatened to leave the American sponsored talks unless the moratorium is reinstated. In spite of this however, Netanyahu is still appealing to the Palestinians not to leave the negotiating table as if the outcome has not already been decided.

The Palestinians have everything to lose and nothing to gain through these talks, just as the Israelis can only hope to benefit regardless of the outcome. If the Palestinians remain in spite of the continued expansion of Israeli settlements they give legitimacy to the state of Israel and its actions, in effect legitimizing their own displacement. If they leave the talks clearly weighted against them from the onset, Is-

rael will be able to argue that the Palestinian Authority is clearly unwilling to discuss terms like "reasonable" people. Netanyahu

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may claim to the international community that he was forced into the settlement expansion because his fragile political alliance would break up otherwise. The Palestinian leadership is thus caught between two hard decisions. On the one hand, if they go along with negotiations hoping for the best, they will lack negotiating power down the road. On the other hand, if they refuse to negotiate they risk the entire process falling apart for another long period. In many ways the Palestinians are better off with this stretch of negotiations. They dare not concede too much this early, though.

The United States' continued unconditional support of the Israeli regime prevents any meaningful change from ever occurring in the region. So long as America is the sole arbiter of legitimacy and justice, Israel will continue to flout international law and treat negotiations as irreverently as they currently do. The governing bodies of the international community will

continue to turn a blind eye to the illegal persecution of the Palestinian people, people who have been continuously and systematically driven from their homes for the past 60 years.

Israel doesn't want peace, that much is clear. Israel wants to drive the Palestinians entirely out of their own land by any means necessary, whether

through the facade of legal negotiations or violent military expulsion. Israeli history has shown the peace talks to be nothing more than empty and impotent photo ops, where the militarily superior Israel demands more and more of the already destitute Palestinians while giving less in return. Unless major changes are made in Israel's policies regarding Palestine, peace seems a distant dream in the Middle East.

Letter: Comics should be funny, not discriminatory

Editor, the *Gauntlet*,

I was extremely offended by a recent comic [Re: "AutoSomna cartoon," Sept. 9, Marc Lynch and Lars Hedlund] displayed by the *Gauntlet*. This comic included a supposed "cartoon" that utilized discriminatory language against people with large bodies (weight discrimination) and women (sexual discrimination). Although I appreciate political cartoons, when their very message reinforces stereotypes that seek to undermine people's worth, they have no place on campus.

We need to move forward in becoming a non-discriminatory campus that seeks to dispell ste-

reotypes and advocates for equal treatment for all, and such content in the primary media outlet on campus is not appropriate.

In your statement about letters to the editor, you outline that "Letters will not be printed if they include attacks of a strictly personal nature, statements that discriminate on the basis of race, sex or sexual orientation, or libellous or defamatory material." I would recommend that you consider the same expectations of any material disseminated by the *Gauntlet*.

Angela Bardick

Ph.D. student in Educational Studies in Psychology

Excellence in Research - Undergrad Research Symposium

Alyssa Stacy
VP Academic



As the University of Calgary's reputation as a research-intensive institution grows so does the annual Undergraduate Research Symposium. Each year of this five year event has shown steady increase in interest and participation as the Students' Union offers greater opportunities for undergrads at the U of C to showcase excellence in research.

This year's Symposium will take place on November 25th. It's a great opportunity for student researchers to share their work with both the campus and greater Calgary

community. And win cash awards and, of course, bragging rights.

The SU is currently calling for abstracts from interested students who have participated in research during their time at the University of Calgary. Students with projects in varying stages of completion are welcome to apply to the Symposium. We are interested in showing not only the end result of research projects, but also the process of researching, and allowing undergraduate researchers to receive feedback that will help them to further develop their projects.

The majority of successful applicants will have the opportunity to give poster presentations during the symposium to showcase their work while a select few will have the opportunity to provide oral presentations.

Past undergraduate research has been impressive and the SU has been able to recognize exceptional research in a diverse range of subject areas, including childhood development and care giving, health care and surgical robotics, molecular science, community property, environmental sustainability and forest management.

Our focus for the November 25th Symposium will be to enhance the educational section of the Symposium by creating a large educational display, expanding promotion of available research resources, introducing a keynote speaker and providing opportunities for networking opportunities and to meet our distinguished judges. Student presentations are a mixture of poster and oral presentations, and we strive to have representation from all areas of the University.

This past year the Symposium was graciously supported by our on-campus partners; the Office of the Provost, the Alumni Association, The Office of Sustainability, The O'Brien Centre (Health Sciences) and The Graduate Students' Association. And for 2010 we are striving to expand the number of awards offered.

If you are interested in participating in this year's event, you can access the abstract submission form and guidelines online at www.su.ucalgary.ca. or drop into the SU's Office in the MacEwan Students' Centre.

Remember the Deadline for Abstracts is October 29, 2010.

Alyssa Stacy
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Trash talk: don't throw out a good idea

Beenish Khurshid
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It has been about four weeks, and I am starting to get the hang of university. Shiny floors, automatic flush, motion sensor taps just to name a few features of the U of C facilities. And then there are the trash cans. If not infamous, they should be. Does no one realize that to have trash enter it, one has to push on its lid, either with the trash itself or with preciously sanitized hands? It's an utterly unhygienic procedure. Why has it not been detected on

the renovations radar? What did the innocent trash can do wrong to lessen unequal treatment than its hygienic counterparts taps and flush levers? Well I am sorry trash can. Just by being a trash can, you have lowered yourself in the eyes of humanity to the despicable level of trash.

The lack of modification of the university's trash can shows a general trend in our society — a lack of focus on our garbage disposal systems. From an early age, we are taught that all used or disliked items must go in the garbage but rarely do we wonder where this trash goes. When we purchase a product, it is our job to consume it to our liking and then to dispose of it. Done. End of story.

But in fact this is far from end of story here. There is a complex mechanism that operates in our cities and often goes unnoticed. After disposal, trash is picked up and either sorted or put directly in a landfill, where it will take anywhere from a few days to hundreds of years to decompose. Calgary has begun to roll out its new black carts this week to complement the blue carts introduced to suburbia about a year ago. But is this the most efficient and effective method to deal with our cities disposal needs?

Other cities such as Toronto have gone past the traditional garbage and recycling programs and rolled out green bins (and

their indoor counterparts). Green bins, a concept mostly unheard of in Calgary, are essentially worry-free compost. Users put almost all their organic trash in the bins which are picked up on a regular basis. There is no need to worry about taking care of the health of your "compost bin" except for the odd washing. The compost is sold to landscapers, farmers and the like.

My experience with this three-tier waste system has been eye-opening to say the least. It makes you realize how much of the waste we produce can be reduced, reused or recycled. While living in a green bin city, I noticed most of the

waste my family produced was organic waste in the form of vegetable peels. Most packaging, everything from jam jars to soda cans, is recyclable. The only waste left to go in the garbage in the inside of the vacuum cleaner and the odd packaging that can't be recycled. At the end of two weeks, we would have only half a garbage bag of garbage, but every week our green and blue bins would be bursting.

Calgary has the potential to be a city that can deal with its own trash in a more environmentally friendly way. Our water treatment system is worthy of pride and our garbage disposal system needs to be brought up to par.

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proclaimed that science disproved the existence of God. As prime minister, he was far more opportunistic. The Lateran Treaty made Italy a de facto theocracy in exchange for the Vatican minding its own business.

Hitler had a similar approach: while it is arguable that he wanted to more or less replace religion with state-worship, Nazi Germany made a pact with the Catholic Church as well. Franco's Spain was staunchly religious. If it's unfair to critique religious involvement in fascism from a historical perspective, perhaps it is fair to say that the stress fascism puts on traditionalism and anti-Marxism would be appealing to many religious conservatives.

The most contentious aspect of fascism, perhaps, is its economics. Left-wing, right-wing, or completely off the charts? Certainly, it comes from an anti-communist tradition. The original founders were national syndicalists, an ideology that combined both left- and right-wing concepts. The idea behind this type of syndicalism was a cooperation among all classes, as opposed to proletariat dominance in Marxist theory. In short, while communism sought to eliminate classes through a worker revolution, fascism wanted to maintain class division yet promote a combined effort. Mussolini came from a socialist background and he further confused the issue by mixing radical socialism into the anti-Marxist national syndicalism.

While corporatist cooperation between classes seemed great in theory, it tended to lead into plutocratic dominance. The tendency of fascism to become controlled by industrialists has led many to place it on the far-right. If there is a common thread to fascist economies at all, it would have to be a rejection of class conflict and a strong state hand in the economy. Other than that, fascism is only loosely defined economically.

Many of the characteristics attributed to fascist governments (disdain for human rights, scapegoating) are common to all authoritarian systems. The idea of a circular political spectrum has also complicated things as to whether or not there really is any difference between Stalinism and fascism. However, if we move away from abstract concepts like political spectrums, it is not difficult to pinpoint certain policies as "fascist." Is it possible that "fascist" can have a different meaning in popular discourse than in academic circles? Yes, but fascism is loosely defined even among intellectual elites. Therefore, the following will have to suffice: nationalism, authoritarianism (elimination of opposition, censorship et cetera), militarism, glorification of the past, leader-worship, statism, elitism and irrationality. Economics should be "third way" (we're on to you, Tony Blair) — both anti-communist and anti-capitalist.

Within this context, it is ac-

ceptable to label certain regimes today as "fascist." Theocratic Iran meets every single one of the above characteristics. Franklin Roosevelt did not and could hardly be called a fascist, regardless of economics. Some have thought Plato was fascist, but he never accepted irrationality, nationalism or leader-worship and his economics were staunchly collectivist. In contrast, new

"white-collar" neo-Nazism in Europe represented the British National Party or the Hungarian Jobbik are copies of Hitler's national socialism. It is not childish name-calling to point out fascist-like policies of the Catholic Church or of American neo-conservatives. However, there is a distinction between calling rhetoric "fascist" and calling policies "fascist." The term is still use-

ful in distinguishing right-wing tyranny from ultra-collectivism; one just needs to ensure the term does not become synonymous with "authoritarianism."

By examining certain characteristics of systems and contrasting them with previous governments described as "fascist," it is possible to paint an accurate — and not complex — picture of what can be defined as such.

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Story and photos by Emily Ask

I'll admit, fashion isn't quite my forte. I was always the type who would wear jeans and a t-shirt while looking through magazines, thinking the models' outfits were nice but nothing I could ever take the time to coordinate myself.

Lately that mindset has changed ever so slightly, and I've decided to try some new things with my wardrobe. Less jeans and more skirts, brighter colors instead of black and patterned tights instead of regular ones. I may not be any more of a fashionista but it's a lot more fun and creative than boring myself with predictable outfits.

This is especially fun for those in Kensington, one of Calgary's most unique and long-standing shopping districts. The area is known for specialty stores and boutique shops full of clothes, accessories and fashion not found anywhere else in the city.

And here's where I find my next statement a little bit disheartening: I bought more clothes at the American Apparel in Kensington than anywhere else over the summer. Why? Of all the choices between local designers and consignment boutiques, why was I resorting to a store I could find in any mall?

Well, even though I'm willing to put more work into my outfit, I put even more work into, well, work! I had little time for shopping besides the evenings. Walking around Kensington after work I discovered that all the smaller retail stores closed at 5 or 6 p.m., but American Apparel was one of the only stores open until 9 p.m. Either I could wait until the weekend to catch the other stores when they were open, or I could buy a new skirt from American

Apparel and get it over with.

Sometimes convenience outweighs preference.

That got me thinking. If Kensington is the best place to shop in Calgary, but the stores have the same hours as your local bank, how many people come to Kensington and truly discover all the unique fashion it has to offer? It's seemed a shame that the area just wasn't busy enough in the evening to afford staying open later, especially after the recession.

“You might find something you would never see in the mall or a trend that has never reached the mall because small business owners might be more on top of that than the national chains.”

- Sheri Atkinson, iAppeal co-owner

Then I read an article about Fashion's Night Out, an event that Vogue editor Anna Wintour started two years ago to combat the effects of the recession on the fashion industry.

Cities across the United States and the world participated during the first year and it was such a huge success that the list of participating cities grew for its second. The idea is that all participating stores stay open until 11 p.m. for one night, the opening night of New York Fashion Week. Then designers, models and musicians would host events inside the shops encouraging people to get excited about fashion and ultimately buy things.

While it all sounds quite extravagant, I still loved the idea that these business owners and designers were taking their industry into their own hands and turned it into something that benefited both the customer and the business. The customers got

the experience of Fashion's Night Out, the retailers got increased revenue. Could something similar help Calgary's clothing districts? Perhaps smaller, more community-based events could draw more people to Kensington, increase customer traffic and revenue in the evenings to help businesses stay open later.

Who better to ask than Michelle Morigeau, owner and manager of Peacock Boutique, Calgary's oldest consignment store. The boutique

has been around since 1975 and Morigeau's family owned it for the last 16 years.

She said that over the last decade and a half, rents have skyrocketed in Kensington. So many businesses have come and gone, some not even lasting 6 months or a year before they move on and another business fills the space.

Peacock Boutique was lucky to have a 15 year lease, so the store remained largely unaffected by the increases everyone else was facing. However, when the lease expired last year, Morigeau had to deal with all the market changes at once as the owner wanted to quadruple her rent. Since the business had been around for so long and her family was friends with the landlord, she was able to negotiate the new lease down a bit, but nevertheless it forced the store to go through some changes to keep up.

Her store does well enough during the day that she can close at 6 p.m. and still make rent, but she admitted it would be nice if she and other businesses could stay open later. In the past, it's required community effort to get the stores to coordinate their hours.

“The Kensington [Community] Association came up with businesses staying open late on Thursdays and Fridays, and that went for a long time — even we were open late — but then it gets down to a point where if you're not making the sales in the extra two hours of staying open, then why are you paying someone to be here? So some business dropped out of that.”

I mentioned Fashion's Night Out in New York and she really took to the idea of doing something similar in Kensington.

“Having something like that to bring people down, I think that's a great idea,” she said.

“There definitely could be a little bit more community with the stores working together.”

My next stop was Eleven Eleven, a store across the street that features local designers and eco-friendly clothing.

Lana Salvi, co-owner and manager, keeps the store open until 9 p.m. but notes that it isn't always worth the effort.

“It would be kind of neat to have Kensington as more of a late night destination,” she said. “There really isn't anywhere in the city like that, opposed to malls, of course. It's something that we do just because we can but it is harder to stay open while other businesses are closed, for sure.”

“I definitely do love Kensington a lot,” she continued. “It really is a special unique little area and I would love to see it become more . . . of an arts-minded community, more of a community-minded community.”

She also states that despite the high lease rates, she understands landowners also feel the effects of the recession. If one retailer can pay a better lease price than another, it's just the nature of business.

Sheri Atkinson, co-owner of iAppeal, an accessory and gift store in Kensington, explained that Kensington is part of the Business Revitalization Zone so the City of Cal-



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gary works to preserve the character of the area and encourage people to visit the neighborhood. Ads on the C-Train stating "Get Back to Style in Kensington" are the BRZ's handiwork, as well as the Sun and Salsa Festival and other seasonal activities that draw a crowd.

"I know around Christmas time a lot of stores will stay open later, just 'cause people are doing a lot more shopping," she says. "[The BRZ] does a really good job of lighting up the trees and making it quite festive at night time, it's a fun place to be. We should try to carry that around for the rest of the year."

She says the Business Revitalization Zone has also kept away most large retail chains, maintaining Kensington's character as a place for small business and specialty shops.

"I think the reason that people come to Kensington is to get away from the big national retailers that you can find in the mall," Atkinson explained. "Everybody can dress the same way if they all go to the mall, but in Kensington you might find something a little unique, you might find something you would never see in the mall or a trend that has never reached the mall because small business owners might be more on top of that than the national chains."

A local real estate agent at Avison Young Real Estate said that Kensington has probably the best single story retail market in Cal-

gary. If a business leaves one location in Kensington, offers immediately come up to fill them, including ones from national retailers. Because of this national retail interest Kensington may look a bit different in the next couple years.

Trend Fashion manager Nikki Cole explains that as a consignment store, the business relies on what people buy from larger retail stores and then give to Trend. She thinks that a few national retail chains would not significantly alter Kensington, but help everyone in the area by drawing more traffic.

"It's kind of better for us to an extent because people are going to want to come down here and go to those stores and then that just adds to our business," she said. "Girls are going to make a whole day out of shopping and not just come down for one store, so it benefits us. We love retail stores, the more the merrier."

She added that it was hard for Trend to stay open late because she would need to hire more staff. Any sales made in the evening would likely go towards simply paying the extra staff, not creating revenue.

James Chouinard, co-owner of Grassroots, a retailer specializing in hemp clothing and other products, says his business' growth has been impacted by the recent lease increases.

"Every bit you've grown the busi-

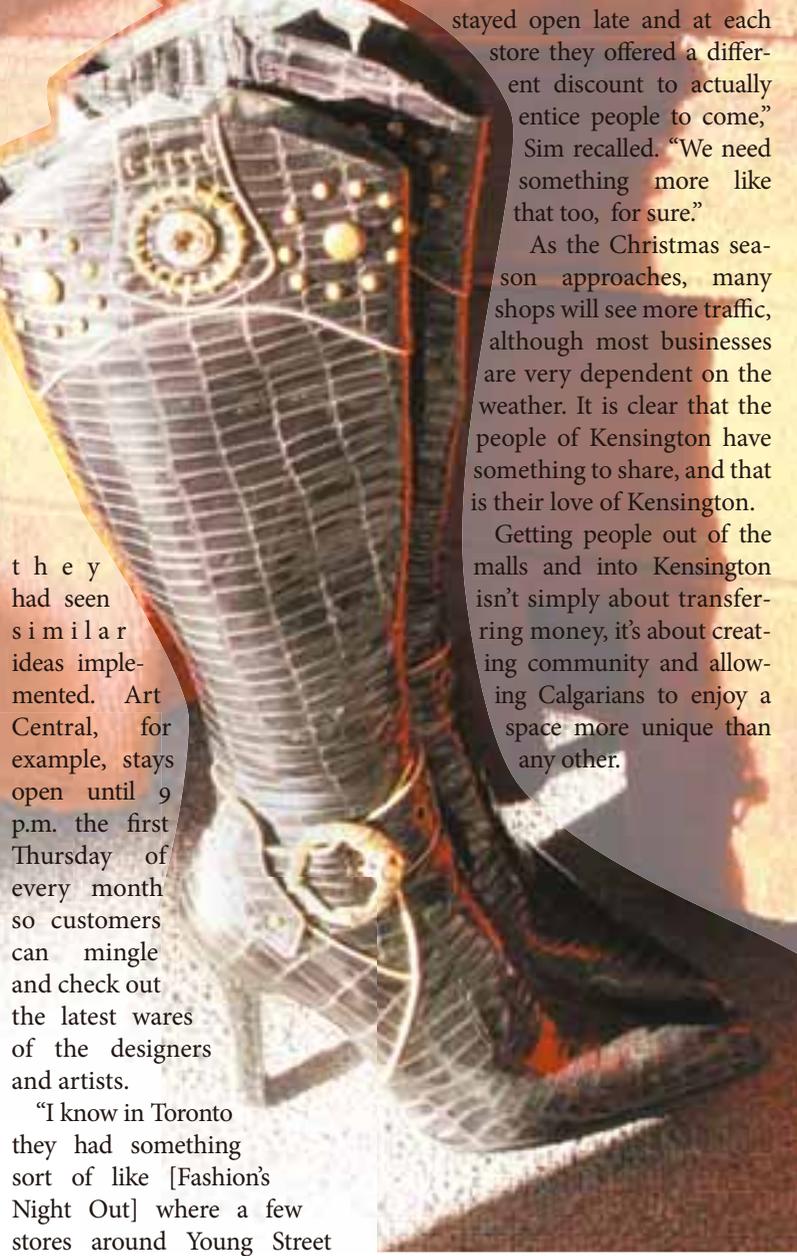
ness has been eaten up by increases in prices, like huge increases in leases, so it's kind of been a stand-still proposition for your business," he explained. "When you increase your business that much more and then all the lease increases came around and ate up everything you've grown your business with, you're kind of starting from square one."

He doesn't think that bringing in bigger retail shops is the right answer to get people to come to Kensington, though.

"You want an American Apparel? Go to the mall. You want a Shoppers Drug Mart go to, well, pretty much any place in Calgary," he said. "Same thing with Safeway, right? Kensington is special because it is a unique little community of specialty style shops and individual business. That's what makes it special in my mind."

Mandi Sim owns Splash of Fashion, a store tucked into a building between Kensington Road and Kensington Crescent. While she agrees that while more retail stores mean better business for everybody, she would still prefer to see smaller, specialty shops take precedence instead of multi-national retailers.

Most people seemed to like the idea of Fashion's Night Out as a way to bring more shoppers into the area, even referring to other places



stayed open late and at each store they offered a different discount to actually entice people to come," Sim recalled. "We need something more like that too, for sure."

As the Christmas season approaches, many shops will see more traffic, although most businesses are very dependent on the weather. It is clear that the people of Kensington have something to share, and that is their love of Kensington.

Getting people out of the malls and into Kensington isn't simply about transferring money, it's about creating community and allowing Calgarians to enjoy a space more unique than any other.

they had seen similar ideas implemented. Art Central, for example, stays open until 9 p.m. the first Thursday of every month so customers can mingle and check out the latest wares of the designers and artists.

"I know in Toronto they had something sort of like [Fashion's Night Out] where a few stores around Young Street

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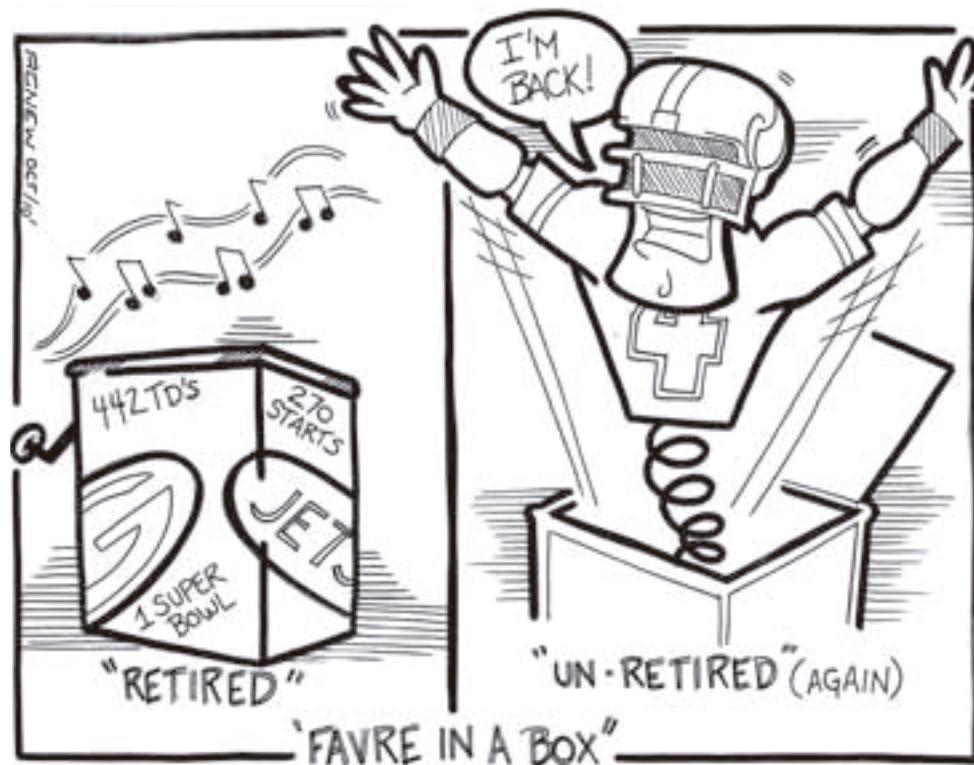
Sportspinion: Favre's farewell tour continues

Douglas Long
Gauntlet Sports

Brett Favre is one of the most beloved and hated figures in the National Football League. Many people know him not only due to his legacy on the field, but also his antics off it. Favre has played 20 seasons, is 40 years old and has won one Superbowl. He has 442 career passing touchdowns, 318 interceptions and has starred in numerous Wrangler Jean commercials. He has officially retired twice only to come back and play again shortly afterward.

Out of all those numbers, his repeated retirements stand out the most. Honestly who retires two times, only to change their mind and come back again? It's like telling your boss that you can't work anymore because you're just too old, then coming back to work months later, twice.

Favre created his legacy playing for the Green Bay Packers over the course of 16 seasons, slinging footballs in the NFL for about 20 years altogether — longer than most first years have been alive. He breaks so many records because he has been around for ages. He broke some as-



tonishing records but most are not ones that a typical quarterback would be very proud of. It's like that guy at work that shows up for every shift and has been with whatever company for 20 years, sure he probably holds a record for show-

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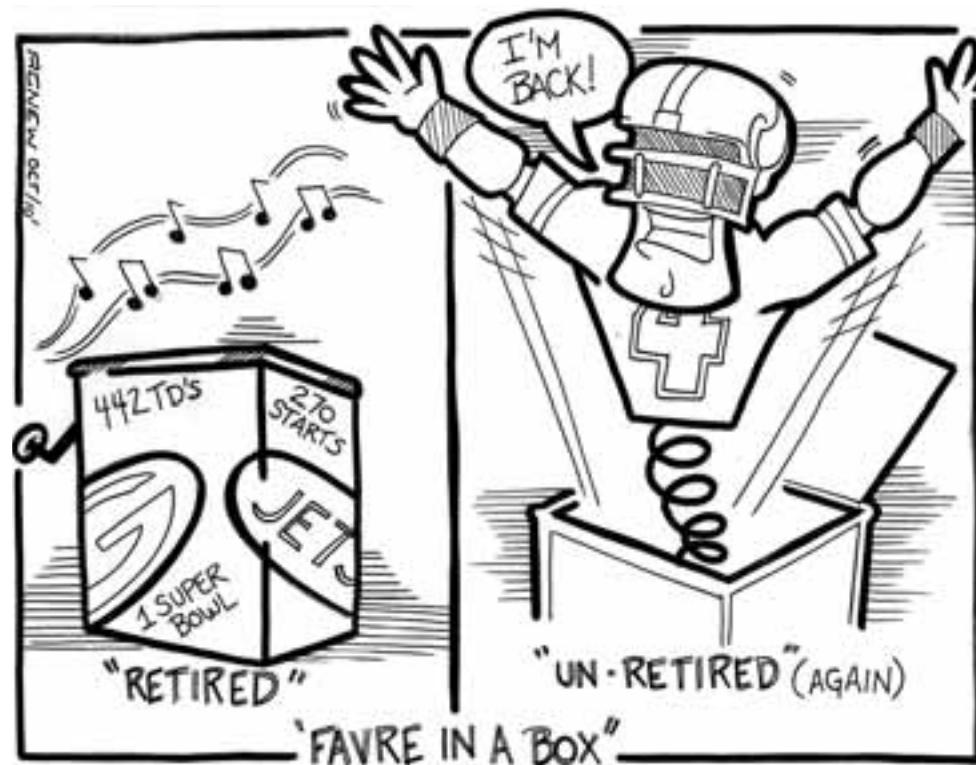
Sportspinion: Favre's farewell tour continues

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winter's coming soon
grab your toques and snow shovels
be prepared to weep
- missing summer
[Winter? Soon? I'm too busy basking in the warmth of a summer we never had! - Content-Ed]

Advanced voting station in MacEwan Student Centre 12-7 p.m. October 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13.
Dear Student:
With midterms approaching, I make the following plea: be kind. Remember that sometimes, an extra hour of sleep will do me more good than yet another hour of studying.
- Your Brain

Naheed Nenshi is my hero.
www.nenshi.ca
First years are the ones who read the caution signs. Your eyes are about to be molested—everyone else knows what's going on.
- ProChoosing
How to save even MORE money:
Never hire a computer scientist.
- Engineer

ISAAC!!!
The sports computer is screwed up!!
- Gauntlet Eds
Get shaken & stirred at the TRI-MEDIA Cab at the DEN FRI OCT 15. Tickets on sale now at NUTV office \$5. Fun Casino! Bond Girls! Bond Villains! Oh my!

Like free stuff? Visit NUTV.CA/WIN for all our latest contests. Free movies like Jackass 3D, Catfish, Fubar 2 + Hockey tickets, & more.
ISAAC!!!
I'm gonna craft your mines SO HARD.
- Gauntlet Eds
"Well that decides it... I'm going left."
- Donna Noble

Five students were recently arrested at Carleton University in Ottawa. Check it out on YouTube under "Arrest of Peaceful Pro-Lifers @ Carleton University."
Free pizza, we have
For volunteers of *Gauntlet*
Go there now, you shall.
- Yoda
[We're not kidding! Come proof-read at MSC 319 on a Wednesday and get free pizza—yum! - Pineappl-Ed]
"Forgiveness does not change the past, but it does enlarge the future."
- Paul Boese

If you ever see a little blue box, flying up there in the sky, you shout for me... Oh you just shout.
Dear Alex,
Just letting you know that the way to a woman's heart is NOT by offering to buy her a drink and then ditching her at the bar as soon as you get there. That is uncool in the greatest sense. Good luck getting girls if that's how you do it, but you'll probably end up getting slapped in the face.
- Girl from the Den

This week's geology lesson:
Geology ROCKS!
- GeoDrew
[Geology may rock, but physics rolls. Looking forward to next week's lesson! - Anticipat-Ed]
Definitions (2)
PIG: Any student who devalues the cleaning staff by leaving the loos in a disgusting state.
- Biker John

To the ginger kid from the toga party: I'm sorry I was mean to you. Also, you should date my friend—she likes you. You know where she lives. I heard she likes lilies.
- the guy in daisy dukes and a toga
VOTE Naheed Nenshi for Mayor
From the creator of the award winning documentary "Goodbye Race City" comes another action-packed automotive short, this time featuring the 2010 U of C FSAE team in "HOT STARTS !" Soon to be released by NUTV.
- adogcalledstray

Why does the walk along the south side of Mac Hall always smell like BBQed ribs? And more importantly: where can I get some?
- Hungry Pedestrian
ISAAC!!!
World hunger! Get on it already!
- Gauntlet Eds
TRI-MEDIA presents the Movies that Matter Doc Series in That Empty Space: ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE on WED OCT 27 at 6 p.m. Free 4 students.

Sometimes finding the best course of action is like trying to fish for invisible squid. In quicksand. In the dark. With a crochet hook. While standing on one's head and wearing a level A hazmat suit with the ventilation tube slashed open and clogged with sand.
- TheSquidAreEscaping!
To the person who painted the rock like TARDIS. You + Me = the Doctor and Rose.

A small word of wisdom:
Rules of the road apply to sidewalks, hallways, doorways, and any other walkway.
Unless you're British.
- Zig Zag
CUS: no, not a profanity or curse — the commerce undergraduate superstars! Congratulations to all our new and fiery consultants.
- Love Carmen and the CUS Exec

Life is sexually transmitted... and always fatal.
- Pessimist
DEAR TLF WRITERS:
If TLFs could be submitted through Facebook, would you write more of them? Give your opinion next time you submit!

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SPECIAL NOTICE OF NOMINATION DAYS

THE STUDENTS' UNION, UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

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Offices Available	Number of Vacancies:
Science Faculty Representative	1

Chief Returning Officer: Sabrina Grover
Students' Union, MSC 251 (403-464-4053)

Dated at the University of Calgary in the City of Calgary, Province of Alberta, this 29th day of September, 2010.




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Yann Martel, well-written and well-read

The author of *Beatrice and Virgil* and *Life of Pi* talks critics, politics and arts

Andy Williams
Entertainment Editor

From a struggling student earning a philosophy degree to an accomplished author with a worldwide audience — Yann Martel has lived the stereotypical struggle of an author. Though his first book *Self*, published in 1996, wasn't a commercial or critical success (reviews were mixed), Martel kept at it. Five years later, *Life of Pi* was both. It won the Man Booker Prize in 2003, sold millions of copies and Ang Lee is in the process of bringing it to the silver screen. His latest novel, *Beatrice and Virgil*, was published in April of 2010. Martel took the time to talk to the *Gauntlet* from his family home in Saskatoon in advance of his appearances at Calgary's 2010 Wordfest.

Gauntlet: The Canada Council for the arts really helped you with your first book *Self*, did it not?

Yann Martel: The first Canada grant I got was, I think, \$15,000, which is a lot of money when you're a student. I didn't smoke, I didn't drink, I didn't have a car. I always wore the same clothes, you know. I was living in Montreal, which is a relatively cheap city to live in. That money, aside from the fact that it was a boost in confidence, I really could live off that and just write and that makes the whole difference. Art, just as any great idea, comes out of moments of leisure. And that's the danger of our capitalist system is it presses us so badly. People are so stressed about work and family that they have no leisure time. It not only means that they can't enjoy themselves and take in leisure products like art and movies and books and stuff like that, but they don't have time to sit back and think and have an idea and get perspective on their lives. You can't write when you're incredibly stressed and pressed. You need a few moments where an idea will pop into your mind and you'll think about it and develop it. Grants give you that moment of time.

G: In the author's note for *Life of Pi*, you state that *Self* "vanished quickly and quietly." Did any of the reviews for *Self* offer insight for when you were writing *Life of Pi*?

YM: Generally not. Most reviewers have to read the book quickly and they don't have many words. For *Beatrice and Virgil* I haven't read the reviews. I've been told some of the reviews are both positive and negative, but I've hardly read them. After *Life of Pi*, I very quickly stopped reading them. I like meeting readers because it's a natural dynamic encounter. Reading 250 words in which someone must explain the story and then have a

stab at their view of it — it just doesn't get interesting. So not particularly. But I remember particularly encounters with readers — and with *Self* too. There are a small number of people that really, really like *Self*. Those living encounters are interesting because you can actually have a chance at dialogue. Newspaper stuff I generally don't read — not because I'm afraid or because it's depressing or uplifting. Generally I just let those be.

G: What is a better vehicle for criticism?

YM: Newspapers are devoting less and less space to books and what's taking over is the role of blogs. What struck me, especially in the United States, is that there are still millions and millions of people whom love read-

Yann's Top Five Picks for Students

The Death of Ivan Ilych

by Leo Tolstoy

Things Fall Apart

by Chinua Achebe

Their Eyes Were Watching God

by Zora Neale Hurston

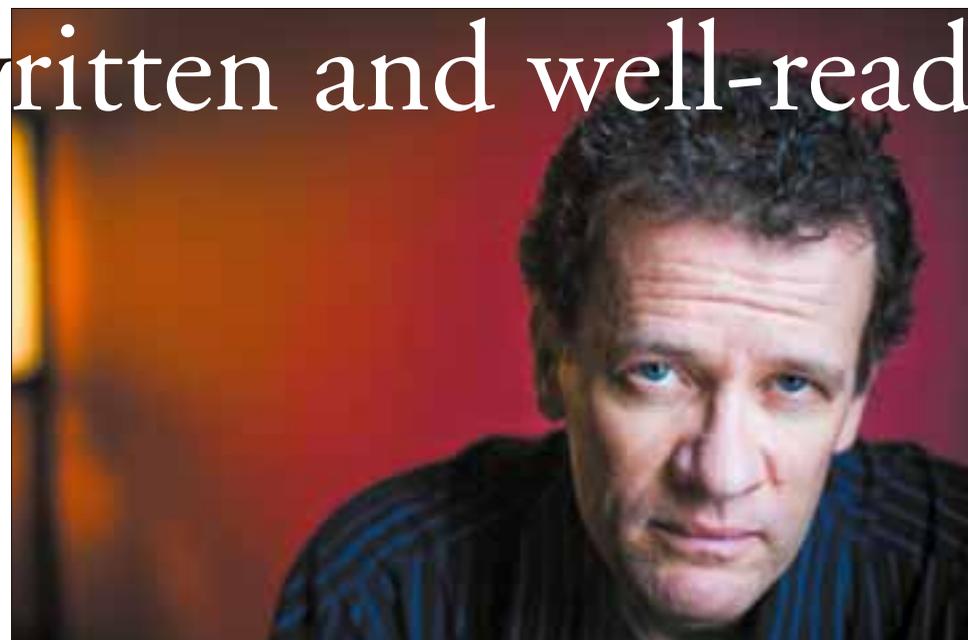
The Good Earth

by Pearl S. Buck

The Tartar Steppe

by Dino Buzzati

ing and some of these people like writing too. You have any number of blogs that are book review blogs and their credibility is established by the books they choose, and you can often tell by just reading a review, the quality of it . . . What's great about blogs is that there is no limit of space — these people do it for nothing and so there's no vested interest and they aren't pressed by lack of time or lack of money because they are doing that and a million other things to try to survive. I've noticed that with *Beatrice and Virgil*, my publisher Spiegel and Brau, they target these bloggers to encourage them to read your book. What's great is that these are taking over the role of newspaper reviewers and that's an interesting development . . . It's not warped by economics or they aren't being told they only have 250 words or you must do it quickly,



courtesy Geoff Howe

Yann Martel emphasises the importance of the arts in understanding human empathy.

or you can only do one book a month. They do it often as they want and they come and they go.

G: You've been sending Prime Minister Stephen Harper books for the last three years. What inspired it?

Y: I went to Ottawa and there was this pathetic celebration for the Council of the Arts. I realized there's a terrible disconnect between the political class and the artistic class and I thought, "That's not good." We have a prime minister that, my sense is, hasn't read a novel since he left university. My question is: do we find that acceptable? Do we find it acceptable that our elites don't read? How can you be a thinking person and never read a novel or a play or a poem? Not that I'm saying that you read 10 books or novels and you'll therefore be necessarily a better person, but overall the effect of reading literature is that it increases empathy, it opens your heart, it opens your mind. When you read a novel, you enter the skin of those characters and you live their situations . . . Do we want leaders who never explore life in that way? And if we do, I just don't know how these people get their knowledge of the human condition. I don't know how Stephen Harper is expected to sympathize with people who are different from him — whether it's gays, recent immigrants, or women or Africans or Newfoundlanders — if he hasn't accessed that through

art, through novels, plays, poetry, songs. It's just the best way to explore the human condition. Do we want leaders in politics or in business who never explore life that way? I don't. That's why I've been sending books to him.

G: Have you gotten a response?

YM: No, nothing, just five replies from the PMO, from his office. Standard forms that you would get if you wrote to the Prime Minister. So while I was touring for *Beatrice and Virgil*, I asked other writers to send books for me, and two of them have received replies. But they are all the same thing. "Dear Mr. Martel, we wish to acknowledge the receipt of your book and your letter. Be assured your gesture is regarded with gratitude. Yours truly, whoever."

G: How long do you think you'll keep doing it?

YM: As long as he's still in power. I don't think it's going to be that much longer. They'll be an election, whenever it is, and I don't think he'll get a majority. If he gets another minority, that'll be three minorities in a row, which has never happened in Canadian politics. If he gets a third minority, he'll get pushed out.

Yann Martel will be making three separate appearances during Wordfest. More information can be found at wordfest.com.

GPS GENERAL MEETING

THE GAUNTLET PUBLICATIONS SOCIETY
will hold its Annual General Meeting on
THURS. OCT. 28
AT 5:00 PM IN ST 128
Any *Gauntlet* member may attend. All questions should be directed to Business Manager, Evelyn Cone at 403-220-7380.

Royal Canoe paddle to Calgary



courtesy Royal Canoe

I'm not sure where Royal Canoe's heads have gone. Heads aren't important.

Royal Canoe music preview

Andy Williams
Entertainment Editor

In 2006 former chess grandmaster Garry Kasparov played his first public chess game after a brief retirement. It was also the year that Matt Peters — frontman of Royal Canoe — and friends wrote a love song to Kasparov from the perspective of his super-computer opponent, Deep Blue.

"Me and some friends were just sitting in a basement somewhere and we're kind of chess fans, I guess, and we were playing guitars and there was a chessboard there," says Peters. "Kasparov came up, and the chorus line was thrown out there, and we're like, 'Okay, 'Kasparov, my heart versus Kasparov,' How can we turn that into song?' The only other person in Kasparov's life I could think of was Deep Blue, so it became this idea of Deep Blue falling in love with Kasparov."

Though the friends and collaborators who originally worked on the

debut album, aptly named *CO OP Mode*, are no longer involved in the project, Peters remains at its core. The CD sat on a shelf for four years but finally saw the light of day with its release and the band's subsequent tour this July. Peters has secured a new crew of musicians to carry on where the original incarnation of Royal Canoe left off.

"I got all these guys to rally around it," says Peters. "We played a bunch of shows and finally it was like, 'We want to do more things, but we may as well release this record because we're proud of it.' That'll hopefully

open up the door to other things."

The current membership sees Peters draw from his experience and connections in the Winnipeg music scene. The band features members from other local groups like The Liptonians and Peters' other project, The Waking Eyes. For Peters, the hardest part hasn't been maintaining a consistent sound with many musicians from different projects playing a CD they didn't write, but instead scheduling practice times.

"The hardest thing is, logistically, trying to figure out how we are going to have enough practice time

because everyone has so many other obligations," he says. "Sometimes it's kind of tricky. 'Okay, we're going to practice three Wednesdays from now from 6-7:30 and the fifth Wednesday from 9:15-10:30, at which point Joey has to leave.' It's ridiculous."

Despite these hectic schedules, the band has managed to schedule a tour of Western Canada this fall with the aforementioned Liptonians — though hopefully with a better start than their last tour.

"We were driving for about three hours . . . heading west and we had rented this van from a friend. I spent all this money getting this trailer in good shape and it was just this huge ordeal and we finally got everything ready," he recounts. "We head out and we don't even make it to fucking Brandon — we hit a semi on Highway One."

Though no one was hurt, it was a close call for everyone involved and the van was pretty much a write-off. Royal Canoe persevered and managed to get back on the road, only missing a show in Regina — which is good because there aren't many bands roaming around Western Canada singing love songs about Garry Kasparov and the IBM computer that beat him in that fateful 1997 match-up.

Royal Canoe play at the Palomino on Oct. 14. More info can be found at thepalomino.ca.

I'm Still Here heads off the beaten track of satire

I'm Still Here film review

Savannah Hall
Gauntlet Entertainment

I'm Still Here is the definition of genius. Famed actor Joaquin Phoenix gives a performance of a lifetime, while Casey Affleck emerges from his older brother's shadow to bring us a new art form.

We have seen many stars pull off publicity stunts to promote their movies, but this was so much more than that. It all started in 2008 when Phoenix claimed he was retiring from acting to pursue hiphop. Then came glimpses of the actor sporting more facial hair and pounds than the man that won us over in *Walk The Line* or *We Own The Night*. It all peaked with his appearance on *The Late Show* with David Letterman —

Letterman famously states at the end of the excruciating interview "I'm sorry you couldn't be here tonight," — or the videos popping up of his failed attempts at rap performances.

Then came the rumours that it was all a hoax for a documentary being filmed by Casey Affleck, most notable for his acting in *Gone Baby Gone* and *The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford*, but those were soon squashed by a very convincing performance by Phoenix that again highlighted that he indeed had gone off the deep end.

The movie documented real reaction to Phoenix rather than his performance and perceived downfall. It is a documentation of how friends, employees, peers and fans all reacted to Phoenix spiralling out of control. These reactions were not unique and are stereotypical of similar situations in the land of the celebrity. Western society is unique in its obsession

with the celebrity, which the documentary exploited in filming.

Phoenix is obviously a true artist for being able to convince so many of his co-workers and peers that this was legit. Affleck stated that only himself, Phoenix and Phoenix's agent were in on the joke. Others believed that he lost his mind and sadly no one seemed concerned. They all just appease him, even going as far as to tell him his rap performances are great. He also had the gonads to be a joke for two years, standing up and pretending to think he was good at rapping, as stories of drug use and encounters with hookers abounded. Phoenix and Affleck staged almost the entire film, even hiring child actors to play a young Phoenix. They do such a good job that Affleck had to give an interview to the New York Times after the film's release to highlight that it is in fact satire — many audience members were left looking



courtesy Ampr

Growing an itchy beard like that? One hundred percent dedication

for an obvious punchline that just never comes.

Of course, this being a mockumentary of sorts, there is no amazing cinematography or even a tangible plot line. What this movie does provide is a lot of good laughs, a chance for self-reflection and raises the

question: has Hollywood glamorized everyone so much that the glitter and flashing lights clouds their judgement?

I'm Still Here opens on Oct. 8 at the Globe. Get more info at globecinema.wordpress.com.

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TOP 20

* canadian artist ** local artist
 for the week of september 27, 2010

- 1 **KNUCKLEHEAD**** *Hearts On Fire* (Stumble)
- 2 **HOT PANDA*** *How Come I'm Dead?* (Mint)
- 3 **NO AGE** *Everything In Between* (Sub Pop)
- 4 **THE CREEPSHOW*** *They All Fall Down* (Stomp)
- 5 **SUUNS*** *Zeroes QC* (Secretly Canadian)
- 6 **BLACK MOUNTAIN*** *Wilderness Heart* (Jagjaguwar)
- 7 **CROCODILES** *Sleep Forever* (Fat Possum)
- 8 **WOMEN**** *Public Strain* (Flemish Eye)
- 9 **TWO HOURS TRAFFIC*** *Territory* (Bumstead)
- 10 **GUILTY ABOUT GIRLS*** *The Very Best Of...* (Self-Released)
- 11 **FINE MIST*** *Public Domain* (Self-Released)
- 12 **MIESHA AND THE SPANKS**** *Mean/Fuck* (Transistor 66)
- 13 **FAUX FUR**** *Faux Fur* (Self-Released)
- 14 **ARCADE FIRE*** *The Suburbs* (Merge)
- 15 **WEIGH ANCHORS**** *The Sea* (Trusty)
- 16 **SEAN NICHOLAS SAVAGE*** *Movin Up In Society* (Arbutus)
- 17 **NOBUNNY** *First Blood* (Goner)
- 18 **SOLEX VS. CRISTINA MARTINEZ + JON SPENCER** *Amsterdam Throwdown King Street Showdown* (Bonzerat)
- 19 **THE WEIRD WEEDS** *Help Me Name Melody* (Autobus)
- 20 **POP WINDS*** *The Turquoise* (Arbutus)

ELECTRONIC

- 1 **NOISIA** *Split The Atom* (Division)
- 2 **GONJASUFI** *The Caliph's Tea Party* (Warp)
- 3 **BREAKBOT** *Baby I'm Yours* (Ed Banger)
- 4 **THIEVERY CORPORATION** *It Takes A Thief* (ESL)
- 5 **FLYING LOTUS** *Pattern + Grid World* (Warp)

HIP HOP/SOUL/FUNK

- 1 **ROOTS MANUVA MEETS WRONGTOM** *Duppy Writer* (Big Dada)
- 2 **ORGONE** *The Killion Vaults* (ubiquity)
- 3 **JOANNA BORROME*** *Through The Dark* (Self-Released)
- 4 **SONNY BOY** *The Barfly Theory* (Self-Released)
- 5 **ANIMAL NATION*** *Basti Made Me Do It!* (Self-Released)

SPOTLIGHT ON CALGARY

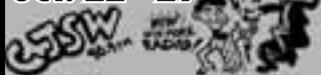
KNUCKLEHEAD



Knucklehead are a Calgary mainstay with a new album that is just as energetic and punky as anything in this city right now. Check them out at their shows in early November. www.knucklehead.ca

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ALBUM REVIEWS



Final Flash
Homeless
 (EMI Canada)

Breakglass Studio, run by producer/musician Jace Lasek, has been home to some of Canada's biggest names like Patrick Watson, Stars, Wintersleep and Wolf Parade, just to name a few. It's no wonder that the debut album from Montreal's Final Flash, *Homeless*, is nothing short of impressive having been produced and recorded at the same renowned locale.

The woody album art ties in with the recurring theme of nature in each of the songs. Their first single "Go Outside," begins with a cli-

mactic rise that leads to a feel good, refreshing chorus that makes you want to do just that.

In track six, "The Black Flame in Me is a Red Flame in You," the sitar is the star. Rishi Dhir of Montreal's hindi-rock group Elephant Stone provides the psychedelic element with the classical Indian instrument while lead vocalist, Joey Chaperon Cyr, offers an aura of Jim Morrison à la Doors, allowing you to travel back in time to the late '60s sans-hallucinogens.

Homeless cuts through the clutter by keeping things simple. It brings you back to the basics of rock with their mesmerizing melodies and thought provoking lyrics.

..Alyssa Athanasopoulos



Type Monkey Type
Jungle Noise
 (Independent Release)

If *Jungle Noise* by local talent Type Monkey Type was a food, it would be an unevenly blended, half-filled Blizzard dessert — it has all the sweetness and surprise that you would hope for from a modern alt-rock/indie trio but ultimately feels slightly lacking.

Aside from the disappointing total play time (just breaking thirty minutes) and songs such

as "Reading Under a Heat Lamp" that suffer from energy and momentum deprivation, the group feels generally unsure of its own identity. Stuck somewhere between Chad VanGalen, Sonic Youth and a songwriter's retreat, this album needs to be taken for what it is — musicians testing the waters of their capabilities in a rather eclectic manner.

That said, truly pleasant moments slink out of the speakers mid-album. Experiments that show extreme musical maturity such as "A Dozen Discos," "Full-On Neon" and "Puppet"

induce smiles and contemplation. But before long, any feelings invoked by the album's core are quickly interrupted by the catchy and funk-ridden "Smooth Like Crunchy Peanut Butter." Despite faults, the band does have a talent for finding synergy between unique instrumentation and well composed lyrics. Keep an eye out, because with *Jungle Noise* as a starting point, the foundation has definitely been laid for Type Monkey Type to grow into a formidable name in the Calgary music scene.

..Bryan Leedham



Bonjay
Broughtupsy
 (Independent Release)

If someone were forced to describe Bonjay's newest album *Broughtupsy*, the only word that their noise-addled brain would be able to manifest would likely be "weird." Beyond that, it would be a lot of head scratching and inconclusive descriptors punctuated with some "ums" and "ahs."

From the first abrasive Casio-beat to the fi-

nal electronic clap, Alanna and Pho manage to create and maintain the ambience of your younger cousin hitting buttons at random in an attempt to find the most obnoxious noise on the keyboard.

The biggest issue with the album is not the unnecessarily high-toned backbeats but the collision of Pho's beats with Alanna's soulful vocals. There are genre mix-ups that work, but sadly this child of Casio and soul is not one.

The album has its moments where it seems

like things might work out but then the synth and soul start fighting again and the only way to get away from it is to grab another drink to dull the pain.

The vocals are not offensive noise unto themselves, but there could certainly have been better efforts made to synchronize. If you were to separate the vocal and backing track and send them in their own directions, you might really have something. Maybe even two somethings? But lets not get too hasty.

..Sydney Stokoe

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THEATRE

Trying to balance your social life and your cheque book? Lunch-box Theatre knows how you feel. **Ways and Means** is a story following Stella and Toby as they try to avoid social fails due to a lack of the green stuff. The show runs Monday through Saturday at 12:10 p.m. and there is a Happy Hour performance on Friday at 6:10 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and you can preorder a lunch for an extra \$10.

There's a lot going on at Loose Moose Theatre this long weekend and each show is a unique snow flake:

Bruce Hunter's **The Workshop** is taking place on Thursday at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

The Peter and Pat Show goes down on Friday. The hilarity starts at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door.

Allstar Theatresports continues on Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door.

For more details about improv and its many health benefits, check out loosemoose.com

CONCERTS

Jenn Beaupre will be crooning at the Univesity Theatre this Thursday. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$22.90 through Ticketmaster.

Dread not! **The Dreadnoughts** will not be leading a nautical assault. They will be rocking out at the Gateway this Thursday. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. and tickets are \$10.25 at the door.

Indie music's favourite super heros return to MacEwan Hall. **Broken Social Scene** will inspire fear in the hearts of evil doers on Friday. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and tickets are \$30 through Prime Box Office.

They aren't busking but they are **Playing for Change**. Listen to music from around the world here in MacEwan Hall on Wednesday. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and tickets are \$35 through Prime Box Office.

The waiting is over. **Royal Wood and Hannah Georgas** will be playing at Knox United Church next Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$33.50 through Ticketmaster.

SPORTS

The Dinos are off this weekend with several games and tournaments. While they're away from home, here is a dinosaur fact: dinosaurs built Atlantis in the late Triassic period. Also, see page 28 for more Dino history.

The **women's hockey** team will be facing the Cougars this Friday and Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

The **men's volleyball** team will be competing in the McMaster Tournament Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The **women's basketball** team is bringing the storm to New Brunswick this weekend to battle it out. First up is the Dalhousie Tigers on Friday at 11:00 a.m. Second is the UNB Varsity Reds on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. Last, and possibly least, will be the Concordia Stingers on Sunday at 6:00 a.m.

Our **field hockey** team will teather the Thunderbirds UBC Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Disclaimer: Dino facts may or may not be actual facts.

1. **Get a Halloween costume.** Bunny ears and lingerie don't count unless you're a dude; in which case don't shave and you've got yourself a winner. Start early and you'll be sure to get some killer Facebook photos.
2. **007 Cabaret.** A night of intrigue and passion. Be there or be some sort of uncool shape. See below for more details.
3. **End every piece of advice with "pro tip."** It's a good way to make everyone think you're an expert or a pretentious douche. Pro tip.

MISC.

Jonesing for some local art but you're not sure where to start? Maybe a movie, maybe some live music, or maybe some spoken word poetry? Why not all of the above?! The Plaza Theatre is hosting the premiere of **Fragments**, an art gala featuring local artists. A plethora of art mediums will be showcased so there should be something for everyone. The event is Thursday, Oct. 7 and starts at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance at Oolong Tea House or at the \$20 door.

Japan is the land of the future. See what is in store at the **Japanese Film Festival**. It's taking place at the Plaza Theatre Friday at 6:40 p.m. and

9:15 p.m. and Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Admisson is free, so you have no excuse not to go.

Hosted by your very own dashing, witty and humble tri-media members, the **007 Cabaret** is taking place at the Den on Friday, Oct. 15. Tickets are only \$5.

Wordfest is so full of awesome, far more than this humble section can contain. Suffice to say that you should go. There are 74 authors involved and events take place from Oct. 12-17. For more details check out the stories on page 23 and 24 or visit wordfest.com.



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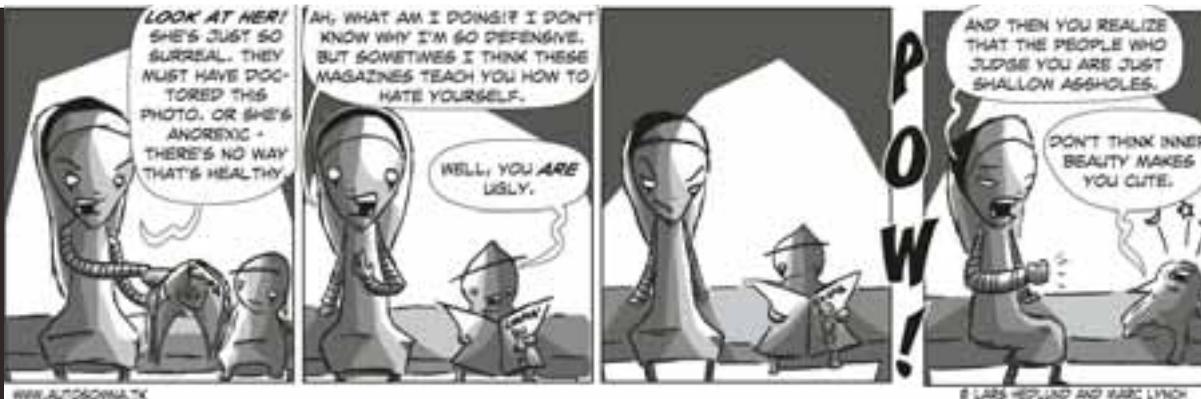
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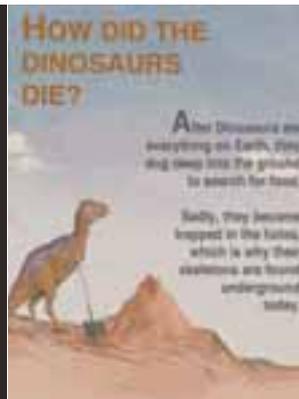
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