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Golden Spatula

The Golden Spatula is an award that goes to those volunteers who will stop at nothing to satisfy the will of the Gauntlet overlords. Victoria Parent is this week's recipient of the insurmountable honour for going above and beyond to capture the scared utterances of the prophet's Delhi 2 Dublin. Though she had to contend with the devil's pestilence, Parent proved herself worthy.

Victoria Parent**Furor Arma Ministrat**

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The Cover

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Calgary needs Nenshi

On Nov. 7, Calgary's beloved mayor, Naheed Nenshi, announced he will be running for re-election in 2013. This news was not surprising, as Nenshi now seems to be as much a part of Calgary as cowboy hats and urban sprawl. With his approval ratings currently at an impressive 88 per cent, and high-profile candidates, including Alderman Andre Chabot already announcing that they won't run, it seems safe to say that Nenshi, a former Students' Union president at the University of Calgary, won't have much trouble getting re-elected.

While he is now seen as one of Calgary's most popular and influential public figures, Nenshi was initially an underdog in the 2010 mayoral election, running against Alderman Ric McIver and local news anchor Barb Higgins. Nenshi ended up winning by a landslide — 28,000 votes ahead of the runner-up — but at the time many people were still unsure of his ability to lead. Since then he has proven himself to be more than worthy of the title of Calgary's mayor, helping to improve the city in ways both big and small.

Transportation is, no doubt, the area that Nenshi enacted the most change. Through his efforts, it is becoming much easier to get around Calgary by car, bike and public transit. One of the biggest steps forward is the deal he made with the Calgary Airport Authority to begin construction on



the much needed airport tunnel, which was one of Nenshi's biggest plans for new infrastructure in the city. He has also implemented a new ice and snow removal program, which has been a noticeable improvement from previous years. Parking has also been improved, with Nenshi removing the \$3 park-and-ride charge at Calgary CTrain stations, and advocating for more short-term parking solutions downtown.

Some of Nenshi's improvements to Calgary's public transit are relatively minor, such as improving the transit fare machines so that they give change and accept debit and credit, and the addition of electronic signs at CTrain stations that display train times and delay warnings. Long-term goals have

been made as well, with a new 30-year capital plan being developed for public transit and the approval of a new strategy for the city's cycling infrastructure.

Another major part of Nenshi's first term in office has been his push to increase transparency in Calgary's municipal government. With the Peace Bridge debacle still fresh in people's minds, it has been refreshing to see Nenshi make public his expenses and a list of people he has met at his office, as well as creating a video archive of city council meetings.

However, despite Nenshi's impressive list of achievements, his record is not quite perfect. One of his main promises while campaigning was to legalize and regulate secondary suites across Calgary, which has

yet to be accomplished.

All of the things that Nenshi has managed to achieve in the last two years are impressive, but what makes him so special goes beyond his achievements. Because, in a way, he has done something once thought of as impossible: he has made Calgarians love their city. Nenshi has made it clear how much he loves Calgary and, through his continual dedication to improving this city and engaging its residents, he has made it easier for the rest of us to love Calgary as well. From large scale additions, like creating the Community Investment Fund, which allocates funds to community associations and social recreation projects, to smaller things like his food truck initiative and bringing in the Car2Go service, Nenshi has made Calgary a more interesting and exciting place to live. Plus, being able to brag that we have Canada's first Muslim mayor — one who routinely shuts down his critics on Twitter — is an added benefit.

Armed with an unceasing drive to improve the quality of life of his constituents and an absolutely overwhelming amount of charisma, Nenshi seems destined to go on to bigger and better things in his political career. But, for now, we're perfectly happy to have him in Calgary for at least two more years.

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Critical concerns about MacHall kitchens

Alberta Health Services inspection reports look at MacHall food vendors

Erin Shumlich

Editor-in-Chief

MacEwan Student Centre is the heart of the University of Calgary. An average of 30,000 people eat, study or socialize in MSC every day. With 20 food vendors, three restaurants and two convenience stores, MSC is a lifeline for U of C students. Health and safety standards need to be met in a building as bustling as MSC. However, recent Alberta Health Services health and safety inspection reports show health code violations at U of C food locations.

Students' Union vice-president operations and finance Scott Weir said that every facility in MSC that handles food has to adhere to the food and safety regulations set by AHS.

"Ultimately, it's a very high-traffic building," said Weir. "The amount of cleaning that has to go through it is fairly significant. We need to make sure that between [the SU] and the university, those standards are being met and exceeded."

Bars are inspected about once a year, but restaurants, like the Den and the Last Defence Lounge, are checked more often. March 21, 2012 was the Black Lounge's latest inspection, which had five critical health violations, including "A chemical fly repellent hanging beside the cooler near the pizza dough press equipment," and "Ketchup bottles being reused and not properly manually washed, rinsed and sanitized."

On Jan. 19, 2012, the Last Defence Lounge had four critical violations and the Den had three critical violations on March 21, 2012.



Louie Villanueva

MacHall is a high-traffic building. Is health and safety in the building up to standard?

AHS received a complaint about A&W that was investigated on Dec. 16, 2011 and uncovered food in the cooler that was considered a critical violation. Another complaint about Bake Chef was investigated on Dec. 16, 2011 — a critical health concern was filed about the temperature meat was stored at. A recent investigation of Bake Chef on Aug. 7, 2012 found three critical violations. An inspection at the Coffee Company on March 14, 2011 had a critical health concern because milk in a cooler measured at 6.6 C.

According to AHS Calgary zone supervisor of safe food Sarah Nunn, there are over 6,000 food facilities within city of Calgary limits, so AHS relies heavily on the public for complaints.

"We aim to get into the facilities more often, but we also have demands and complaints. If we get a large complaint demand, then our routine inspections will decrease as a result," said Nunn.

In 2011, AHS received over 700 complaints from the public. All complaints are followed up on.

"Alberta health and safety inspectors always come in at peak times and relatively often to check things out and make sure [vendors] are up to standard. Vendors have no idea when these things happen," said Weir.

Many recent inspections of the food vendors in MSC yielded critical violations. During an Oct. 17, 2012 inspection of Jugo Juice, a critical health concern was raised because "Two bags of chicken were thawing at room temperature for about one hour. Temperature of chicken measured at -1.5 C."

Any health and safety concern that is considered critical by AHS requires a re-inspection, which is done before the next routine

inspection to ensure that all concerns are properly dealt with.

"What we do is let the operators know what we would like to get done and then we work with the operators to get those completed," said Nunn.

The latest inspection with a critical concern was at Korean BBQ on Nov. 1, 2012. According to the report, "Tongs used for raw meat were stored in the same container as the tongs used for the cooked meat."

Other critical health concerns included "full access to the hand-wash station being blocked by the panini machine" at La Prep on Aug. 8, 2012.

A restaurant must pass an initial approval inspection before

it opens to ensure that all health standards are met. Fuel for Gold failed its initial inspection on Sept. 19, 2011 due to having no sanitizers at the location, which was considered a critical health concern.

Oriental Wok and Noodle & Grill Express also failed their initial inspections twice this year, on Sept. 6 and 12, due to no drain board installed and the lack of a cleaning schedule. Umi Sushi Express, however, passed its initial inspection on June 14, 2012 despite five critical health concerns, including "Vegetable tempura flour mixture used over the course of the day left out at room temperature."

Other restaurants in MSC passed their latest inspections without any concerns. No violations were found at Pita on the Run on Sept. 14, 2011, Subway on March 14, 2012 or Tim Hortons and Pizza 73 on Oct. 11, 2011.

Places with pre-packaged food, like Stör and Varsity Pharmacy, are also inspected, but less often than restaurants or food vendors.

"What we do is work on a low-, medium-, high-risk inspection regime," said Nunn. "So those with a high risk get inspected more often and those with a low risk get inspected less often. For example, if we had a full restaurant that is doing extensive food handling versus a small grocery store with only pre-packaged products, it makes no sense to have the same number of inspections at each location."

Before Stör reopened on Sept. 10, 2012, initial approval was denied due to three critical health violations: certain food products

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/// There are a number of things that would warrant closing down a restaurant facility. It will depend on what we find when we are there.

— Sarah Nunn, Calgary zone supervisor of safe food

What is your favourite thing to eat?



"I'm addicted to Tim's."

— Amy Milton,
third-year
biological sciences



"Pizza."

— Andrew Rofaeil,
first-year natural
sciences



"I like shawarma a lot."

— Adrina Kolijn,
first-year education



"Ceasar salad."

— Matt Demian,
first-year
engineering

campus quips

U of C is home to award-winning solar house

Pauline Anunciacion

Gauntlet News

The 2011 solar house project, Cenovus Spo'pi, is currently being built near the Calgary Centre of Innovative Technology building at the University of Calgary.

Fourth-year petroleum land management student and project manager Alexandre Ste-Marie estimates that this rebuilding will be completed and opened to the public by late November.

Cenovus Spo'pi, or the Technological Residence Traditional Living, was the sole Canadian entry for the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon competition in Washington, D.C. in 2011. The TRTL placed 10th out of 20 other competing schools. The solar house team also won an Emerald Award for sustainable leadership in Alberta.

TRTL incorporates a First Nations design with the teepee-inspired rounded rooftop and with east-facing entrances and south-facing windows. It was designed to be completely net-zero, producing



Adrienne Shumlich

The Solar House, or the TRTL, is being rebuilt at the U of C. It will be open for viewing this month.

its own energy with solar power.

"We expect a big launch event sometime in December to welcome the community and showcase what we've done. This is a display of the Albertan knowledge. Every Albertan should be proud of what we have accomplished," said Ste-Marie.

The reason for this incorporation was to address the social issues of deplorable aboriginal housing.

"Right from the beginning, our

goal was not just to create a solar house. It was more of solving a social issue," said Ste-Marie. "How can we use a home and leverage that to empower a certain demographic that didn't have access to homes that are not as well-adapted to their living conditions?"

The solar house team will be building a new sustainable home for 2013 called the Borealis solar house project. Ste-Marie and his team is building a house that is

both affordable and transportable to overcome the problem of home ownership.

"What came to mind immediately were Fort McMurray and other resource towns. There is a severe shortage of skilled labour to build homes in those remote Canadian areas. There is also the mismatch between who lives in those homes and what that home is," said Ste-Marie. "A lot of those who work in Fort McMurray either live

in camps or similar houses as we have here, but they pay \$700,000."

The Borealis is in its final stages of planning and design and is described to be "rearrangeable" and "reusable." The interior side modules are completely identical and it is very manageable in terms of space and furniture.

Ste-Marie and his team are striving to achieve a balance among proper living, leisure, affordability, flexibility and functionality for their new solar house. The project is estimated to cost between \$300,000 and \$350,000.

"This is quite affordable, especially considering the remote context and given that it is a net-zero home. You wouldn't have to pay electricity bills since the amount of energy produced is equal to the amount of energy consumed," said Ste-Marie.

The Borealis solar home will be a collaborative effort between students from the U of C, the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology and Mount Royal University.

"We expect to have a much better house and hopefully fare much better in the competition," he said.

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were located directly beside the sink, the sink was not equipped with a drain rack and installation of wall tiles was not complete. Varsity Pharmacy, on the other hand, passed inspection without any violations on Jan. 6, 2011.

Despite critical health concerns at food locations in MSC, all restaurants continue to operate, which means they are not a significant risk to public health, according to Nunn.

"There are a number of things that would warrant closing down a restaurant facility. It will depend on what we find when we are there. Health inspectors are experienced and well-trained and if they see a facility where they have concerns for public health, then they will initiate a closure procedure," said Nunn. "We take that very seriously. If something is a very significant risk, we will do the closure on the spot."

Weir said that there has never been a restaurant closure in MSC because of food safety concerns.

"When there are violations, ultimately, the place can be closed or fined by the health inspector," said Weir. "We have never had a

place close so everyone has met standards and expectations."

Weir said that the concerns raised are dealt with immediately.

"When a food establishment is assessed by a health inspector, any issues that arise are given a set timeline to be corrected. At

the end of this timeline, the health inspector comes back in to ensure that corrective action was indeed taken. All of the issues were addressed promptly," he said.

The university and the SU control the general cleanliness of MSC. However, sixth-year business and

actuarial science student Alexander Goh said that it is not entirely up to university employees to keep MSC clean.

"I think the students are very much to blame when it comes to a lot of the mess. I mean, you can hire people to do only so much

— you have to care for the place yourself," he said.

Any concerns regarding health and safety can be brought to the SU or Alberta Health Services.

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NEW UNIVERSITY TELEVISION

Student lobbying sees positive results

Michael Grondin

News Editor

Lobbying efforts by advocacy groups and student associations have improved recognition of students' struggles.

On November 8, student politicians and members of the Council of Alberta University Students met with ministers and leaders of

provincial parties in Edmonton to talk about educational problems. Amendments will be put forward to the Alberta Legislature to reform policies surrounding student voting on Nov. 19.

University of Calgary Students' Union vice-president external and CAUS chair Raphael Jacob, who is behind many of the talks and lobbying efforts in Alberta, said major

issues for students include loans, accessibility, fees and barriers to education and voting.

"Lobbying is something that is generally more behind-the-scenes work," said Jacob. "It's like a giant ship — you have to make those incremental changes to move in the right direction."

Members of CAUS met with political leaders, including Alberta Wildrose Party Leader Danielle Smith, to speak about these issues.

CAUS is composed of student politicians from the U of C, the University of Lethbridge and the University of Alberta. CAUS's priorities this year are regulating non-instructional fees, making voting easier for students in Alberta, restoring the provincial tuition cap, eliminating property taxes on residences and increasing participation among rural and aboriginal Albertans in education.

Jacob said the biggest improvement this year has been adjusting the rules that prevent students from voting. Alberta is the only province where students have to return to their permanent residence to vote, leaving many students who live in post-secondary residences from getting to the polls.

CAUS members spoke with Minister of Enterprise and Advanced



Michael Grondin

The SU's Raphael Jacob has been lobbying the government.

Education Stephen Khan about what CAUS calls Alberta's "archaic" voting laws.

"If you ask what this meeting explicitly accomplished, it might be hard to say x, y or z. The biggest thing that came out of the meeting was we started to break down the Elections Act and the changes to make student voting easier in the province," said Jacob.

The changes will likely make it possible for students to designate where they can vote

"We're optimistic, but we're going to wait to see exactly what form those changes will take before we declare a full win or not," he said.

Jacob said many politicians are sympathetic with student issues.

"[The meeting] was better than expected. A lot of people came out and were generally interested to hear and learn about student issues," said Jacob. "With things like tuition and fees, they were right there with us."

On a federal level, members of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations, including Jacob, SU president Hardave Birk and U of C government relations advisor Andrew McIntyre, will be meeting in Ottawa from December 19–23 with members of parliament to speak about loans and post-secondary accessibility. Jacob hopes the federal government can also recognize issues in Canada's post-secondary system.

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Underpass saves lives and cash

Fabian Mayer

Gauntlet News

A recent study published by the Miistakis Institute has found that a wildlife underpass on a section of the Trans-Canada Highway near Dead Man's Flats, located near Canmore, Alberta, is substantially reducing collisions between animals and motorists.

The study found that since the underpass was installed in 2004, the collision rate has declined from an average of 12 to three collisions per year. The study also recommended 10 other locations with a high number of wildlife-related crashes where crossings would considerably reduce animal mortality and increase driver safety.

The Miistakis Institute is a non-profit organization affiliated with the University of Calgary and has a goal of promoting sustainable land-use practices.

The study concluded that in-

stalling wildlife crossings of this sort reduces collisions and is a cost-effective venture, according to Miistakis Institute project manager and co-author of the study Tracy Hill.

"When we did a cost comparison, we actually found that there is a cost savings to society of over \$89,000 annually," said Hill. "Highway mitigation is something we should be doing outside of national parks, which is where we commonly see it. It is cost effective to society, good for animals and good for people."

In the six years previous to the installation of the underpass at Dead Man's Flats, the annual cost of collision damage averaged over \$125,000. The data for the years after the underpass was put in place showed that the average cost fell to less than \$50,000 per year, even after taking the cost of building the underpass into account.

The findings of the study will

likely influence the building of similar animal crossings in the future. Hill hopes this will be the case.

"[The study] has shown us that there is really no reason now for us not to be mitigating collisions. There are areas all around Calgary and all around Alberta where we know that there's high-collision zones," said Hill. "It's something that can be a win-win."

The Miistakis Institute also collaborates with U of C students and professors. Other projects the Miistakis Institute has worked on include studying carnivores in southwestern Alberta and the ecological effects of mountain biking.

"We raise a lot of our own money and develop a lot of our own research projects, but sometimes the projects are in conjunction with professors or students at the university," said Hill.

For more information on the Miistakis Institute visit rockies.ca

Divided or united

The harmful effect of American politics on Canada

by: Andrew Kemle

Canada has a history of separatist movements, mostly due to its multicultural society, which is constantly growing by welcoming immigrants from other countries. National unity can be hard to promote when there are many different voices, but unity is beneficial to all Canadians. Currently, there is little threat of any part of Canada seceding, yet, if Canada adopted a political culture similar to that of the United States, the new political culture would undermine the unity of Canada.

Political culture is defined as the orientation of citizens towards politics. This definition can mean a certain affiliation towards a particular ideology or the application of people's opinions in politics. Political culture is also cyclic and public opinion greatly affects democratically elected officials' approach to government. Government actions shape the way citizens view the inner mechanism of politics. Canadian citizens need to be aware of how their national political culture — and the influence of other countries' political culture — can influence their living standards.

The United States was founded entirely by British protestant immigrants with similar political and philosophical views. Canada, on the other hand, was founded by two distinct European nations and numerous Aboriginal Peoples, each with a unique outlook on politics. Canada promotes more of a cultural mosaic than the assimilating melting pot of the United States. There are hundreds of different groups of peoples that make up Canadian culture.

The American Republican Party and the American Democratic Party represent a similar confrontational style that, although divisive, is non-threatening in terms of national unity. Both Republicans and Democrats fight over the policies of one nation — there aren't any prominent parties that look to establish sovereignty in a certain region of the United States. Of course, there are small succession movements, such as for Alaskan independence or Arcadia, consisting of Alaska, Yukon, British Columbia, Oregon and Washington, but none have gained the

political power of the Quebec independence movement.

University of Calgary political science professor Dr. Thomas Flanagan describes American politics as being in a “very polarized phase.” Inter-party relationships are incredibly confrontational, yet not an imminent threat to the unity of America. Flanagan explains that the recent 2012 presidential election debates between then Democratic nominee Barack Obama and Republican nominee Mitt Romney are examples of open and unrestrained candidate talks, leading to implied resentment that is present in debates and the public sphere. This infighting splits American voters, with portions representing a strong Democratic base and a strong Republican base, as well as large portions of undecided voters. In the United States there are “political parties moving closer to the extremist sides of the spectrum, splitting moderate voters,” says U of C political science professor Katrine Beauregard, noting that as the two parties increasingly fight and become polarized, the group of undecided voters grows in proportion. As a consequence, candidates battle over the votes of independents, increasing the tension between the two parties, which in turn causes those already decided voters to either follow the party's direction or distance themselves from it. The influence of the public on a party and vice versa creates a chaotic cycle of confrontational and aggressive politics that continues to worsen.

As Canada's closest neighbour and ally, the two nations are politically connected by an intertwined web of treaties, trade agreements and joint defence contracts. Dramatic shifts in policy and candidates in the United States often transfer into Canada. Due to the influence of American politics on Canadian politics, sometimes even the choice of leader is similar. Franklin D. Roosevelt be-

came president in 1933 and began applying Keynesian principles — government regulations of the economy by spending money during recessions and increasing taxes during economic booms. Soon after, Canada elected Liberal governments that applied similar policy.

In the 1980s, President Ronald Reagan drastically moved away from Keynesian thought in the American economy and established laissez-faire capitalism. The next federal election in Canada saw Brian Mulroney elected with a Progressive Conservative majority in 1984, which almost immediately resulted in mass privatization and a dramatic decrease in the size of government. Both cases show political connection between Canada and the United States.

U of C political science professor Michael Zekulin says that, although there is minimal threat of Canadian separation, he does caution “the adoption of American-style campaigns and technology.” Zekulin adds that the total Americanization of Canada's political culture is not likely.

Beauregard says that Canadian political culture is currently much quieter and more reserved than the United States and that Canadians are “less tolerant of nastiness.” Although attack ads are used in Canada, their use is less extreme than in the United States.

However, Canada is constantly influenced by the United States and certain aspects could come across the border. With Canada's multiculturalism, there are nations and regions represented by several political parties or groups. Some of these nations have long histories of conflict with one another, which is currently being held in check by the notion of Canadian unity. Adopting American-style political campaigns would increase the aggression and tension between these different groups. When tensions rise between different nations in Canada, for example, the

French and English in Quebec, Canadian political culture becomes less tolerant and less reserved. The various ethnic and linguistic differences of the nations that make up Canada often lead to bills and propositions of self-preservation or cries for sovereignty.

Under certain circumstances, Canadians lose their reservations, for example, the War Measures Act during the October crisis in 1970 when the Quebec Liberation Front kidnapped two government officials. If an Aboriginal Peoples' interests are threatened, violent measures can follow, for example the Oka crisis in 1990 between the Mohawk people and the town of Oka, Quebec.

If these tensions between different groups or regions in Canada were ever to break Canada apart, increased nationalism towards a region or group instead of Canada as a whole, influenced by American political culture, would be a main cause.

Zekulin describes nationalism as “arguably the single most powerful force in modern politics.” Nationalism is a devotion to one's nation and its cause above other nations. The nationalistic discourse often portrays other groups as obstacles that hurt one's nation. Nationalistic fever is about excluding people from a group, instead of finding ways to be inclusive and support diversity.

Take the 1980 and 1995 Quebec separatism referendums, for example. In 1980 and 1995, a Parti Québécois government presented Quebecers with the question that essentially asked, Should Quebec become an independent state with strong ties to Canada? Though the questions were quite vague, particularly the 1980 question, the resulting numbers — 40.44 per cent yes, 59.56 per cent no in 1980 and 49.42 per cent yes, 50.58 per cent no in 1995 — continue to worry opponents of Quebec separatism. These referendums, coupled with the presence of the federal Bloc Québécois political party, served to forward the ideas and desires of Quebec provincial nationalism.

There are critics who doubt if Quebec actually wanted full independence, but threat-

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ening to secede is still harmful for Canada. Flanagan notes the wording of the 1995 Quebec referendum and, in his opinion, if the question did not mention the continued bond between Canada and Quebec, the yes votes “would be more likely around 20 per cent, instead of nearly 50 per cent — and even then that might be a stretch.”

However, for Quebec, this nationalistic fever nearly started the lengthy process of the largest province separating from Canada. This separation would have caused an enormous physical rift between the maritime provinces and the rest of Canada, and would leave Ontario with even more power and influence in the House of Commons. Canada would also have lost an important intellectual, economic and entertainment power.

Problems would also arise from within Quebec if they did separate. Quebec is not homogenous — though a minority, there is a significant English-speaking population within the provincial borders. Any separation between the mostly English-speaking provinces and Quebec raises the question of what the Quebec government would do for the English-speaking population. And Quebecois do not live exclusively within the borders of Quebec either. Are they not a



part of this nation? There would also be economic ramifications. Flanagan says, “the economic benefits of Quebec remaining a part of Canada are too high to seriously consider separation.” He mentions the provincial debt Quebec has incurred over the years as an example.

Quebec is far from the only splinter within Canada, however. Canada’s political system is unique in the power given to provincial governments. Unlike in countries such as Britain, Canadian provinces have sole authority over several policies, such as education and health care, and can give input into matters that affect Canada as a whole. Of course, this power leads to several conflicts of interest and, during the period of western alienation, nearly every province in the west fielded a separatist party.

There were divisive battles between the provinces and the federal government, such as Pierre Trudeau and Peter Lougheed fighting over the National Energy Program in 1980. When conflict arises between a province and either the federal government or another province, a nationalist and divisive feeling can be sparked for the residents of the province.

There are also many Aboriginal Peoples who live in Canada and demand more political power. The Assembly of First Nations, representing 90 per cent of chiefs across Canada, and the Native Council of Canada, representing Metis and non-status natives, actively work for changes in federal government policy such as economic development and education. Aboriginals, Metis and non-status native organizations along with the Inuit

Tapirisat of Canada worked to enshrine aboriginal rights in the repatriated constitution. “Existing Aboriginal and treaty rights” were recognized in the Constitution Act of 1982, which allowed for further political power, yet wholly functional aboriginal rights remain elusive.

A royal commission in 1996 called for major structural changes between the federal government and First Nations. There are still legal battles over the benefits Aboriginal Peoples receive from land and resources, and how much political recognition they receive. To this day, indigenous advocacy continues to change the political arena in Canada and remind everyone of how different nations and groups have different views.

With all these representative parties and regionalist feelings boiling under the surface, American-style political conflict could be the catalyst for further division, potentially separation. The confrontational nature of American politics coupled with the power of nationalism towards one’s group instead of Canada as a whole, showcases the danger of Canada adopting a similar political culture as the United States. If Canadian political parties further develop an approach to politics similar to that

of Republican versus Democratic, this approach would continue to pit one region of Canada against another. The Quebec referendums show that the push for sovereignty can be one solution.

Although there is very little chance of any nation in Canada seceding anytime soon, the issue of national unity being affected by the Americanization of Canadian political culture deserves attention. Each nation and citizen of Canada depends on one another and continues to make Canada an excellent place to live, from education levels to life expectancy. Canadians can’t take living standards for granted by continuing to talk about separation. Canada must remain together and avoid mirroring American political culture.

To avoid this change to a divisive and nationalistic form of political culture, the Canadian government should stress the unity and importance of each nation, and recognize their political authority. Allowing concessions for the Inuit in shaping Arctic policy, for example, or giving extra consideration to the prairie provinces in the production of wheat and barley. Allowing each unique group a stake in shaping political action in regions of interest will promote unity over division.

As well, the current process to determine how many seats each region receives in the House of Commons and Senate, which can promote feelings of isolation or resentment, should be restructured to prevent other groups and nations from feeling isolated or resentful towards more favoured regions.

If Canada’s political culture is influenced by the United States, the Americanized political culture would threaten national unity. The system that causes problems for the United States would be amplified in Canada because of the greater plurality of nations and voices, and would severely hurt unity and multiculturalism. Citizens need to pressure the government to enact changes that stress unity and cooperation among different opinions and cultures, so that Canada can remain a cohesive whole where citizens can work towards better living standards instead of taking for granted what citizens already enjoy. Canada is truly more than the sum of its parts, and national unity needs to be fought for and protected.

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Delhi 2 Dublin go coast to coast

Vancouver-based fusion group challenges music as they challenge each other

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Despite popular belief, being a successful musician isn't all about "living the dream." In reality, the life of a musician is a life of sacrifice. Musicians usually have to prioritize their music before friends, family, a beautiful IKEA-furnished condo and a standard nine-to-five office job. Life for most musicians involves a lot of time being on the road, living in hotels, unpacking equipment and doing it all over again in a new city. The Vancouver-based global mashup group Delhi 2 Dublin knows this life all too well. Currently on a cross-Canada tour, the Celtic/Punjabi fusion band plays, on average, 150 to 200 shows a year, performing in the United Kingdom, North America and the Pacific Rim.

"My band is my reality," says Tarun Nayer. "There is no escape, but at the same time I find it so awesome because four people know me better than anyone else in the world."

Nayer plays the tabla in Delhi 2 Dublin, an Indian percussion instrument, and also provides electronic sounds for the band. He explains that being in a band causes people to be more genuine, since they always have to be



The members of Delhi 2 Dublin come from a variety of musical backgrounds, contributing to the band's unique sound.

courtesy Delhi 2 Dublin

around their colleagues.

"If you are just living your own little nuclear existence in the world, going to your cubicle every day, [then] nobody is with you all the time. There is always an escape," says Nayer. "But with a band, that is who you are. We know each other."

Delhi 2 Dublin started as the musical equivalent of a one-night stand and turned into a six-year relationship. The group got together for an artist collaboration event in Vancouver in 2006, where their unique, genre-bend-

ing sound garnered a lot of attention. Their fourth album, *Turn Up The Stereo*, was released this summer.

"We like how punk challenged music. That is what we are doing," says Nayer.

Delhi 2 Dublin's style sits somewhere between electronic and fusion and, despite being influenced by Celtic and Punjabi music, it never truly imitates. Their fan base is evidence that their music targets multiple demographics. Concert-goers range from dancing grandmas, hardcore ravers

and friends getting dragged out for the night.

The band's fan base isn't the only thing that is constantly changing, however — Delhi 2 Dublin's five members have been growing and progressing through their shared experiences. The band itself is a product of five diverse musical backgrounds, which contribute to its sound and vibe. The musicians constantly challenge one another through performances, writing, experimenting and touring.

"You've really stepped into a Power Ranger version of your-

self," says Nayer to fiddle player Sara Fitzpatrick, who, according to Nayer, used to be "weird and mousy as shit."

"You found this onstage persona that you can inhabit. I think in some ways, you are more comfortable in that persona than you ever were — like you've found this goddess you can tap into and inhabit."

Nayer shares that electric sitar and guitar player Andrew Kim also came out of his shell over time. When the band first started performing, he was overweight and used to hide at the back of the stage. But one day Kim appeared onstage in a kilt with his shirt off and never looked back.

"Now he's a fucking sitar hero," says Nayer.

Memorable moments like this might not happen every night on tour — in fact, touring can get more than a little repetitive. But for Delhi 2 Dublin, it's worth it because they have all made the choice to live for their music, despite the difficulties that presents. For them, the life of a successful musical group is far from just being about the attention and popularity.

"It is about a little bit of luck, a whole lot of grace and a shit-ton of hard work," says Nayer.

For more information on Delhi 2 Dublin visit delhi2dublin.com.

Market Collective facing new challenges

Sean Willett

Entertainment Editor

Market Collective, a Calgarian independent market that showcases local artists and musicians, has had two of its three December dates cancelled by the Calgary Parking Authority.

This decision came after the CPA received complaints from the Kensington Business Revitalization Zone, which claimed that Market Collective uses up too many parking spaces in the area. They have also said that Market Collective takes away business from Kensington stores, although they don't have any statistics to prove this.

The market has been renting

Kensington's Ant Hill building from the CPA since June 2009. It shares the space with the Good Life Community Bicycle Shop, and is usually only active for one weekend every month.

For December, Market Collective made a special arrangement with Good Life — the market would give up its September and November weekends, and would instead have three weekends in December.

The CPA's rejection of this plan came as a surprise to the organizers of Market Collective, since it was previously communicated to them that the weekends would be available as long as Good Life consented to the arrangement. Additionally, the three December dates

were advertised on the website of the Kensington BRZ, the organization responsible for having the dates cancelled.

"We are a professional and hard-working organization, and we would not even consider booking 200 artists unless we were advised clearly that we could operate for the three dates," said the MC team in a response on Facebook.

In response to the decision, Market Collective has asked supporters to send emails to the CPA, the Kensington BRZ and the mayor's office. MC has begun to look for a new venue.

For more information on Market Collective visit marketcollective.ca.



courtesy Market Collective

NEW THIS WEEK

This week we are focusing exclusively on the launch titles for Nintendo's new video game console, the Wii U, which will be released on November 18. Brace yourselves.

Scribblenauts Unlimited — This quirky puzzle game expands on its Nintendo DS predecessors, adding a story mode and object editor into the mix.

Nintendo Land — Like *Wii Sports*, this is mainly a glorified tech demo. At least this looks to have more variety, with *Metroid*, *Zelda* and *Animal Crossing* themed minigames.

ZombiU — Even though zombies have pretty much been completely run into the ground, this seems like it will make some fairly interesting uses of the Wii U's unique controller.

Tank! Tank! Tank! — For a party game about blowing stuff up with giant tanks, this promises to be disappointingly uninspired.

Your Shape: Fitness Evolved 2013 — Staring at this game's box art is like staring into the mouth of hell. It's good to see that the Wii's legacy of half-baked gimmick games will live on.

Book review: *The Energy of Slaves*

A new world, a new type of slavery

Tamara Cottle

Opinions Editor

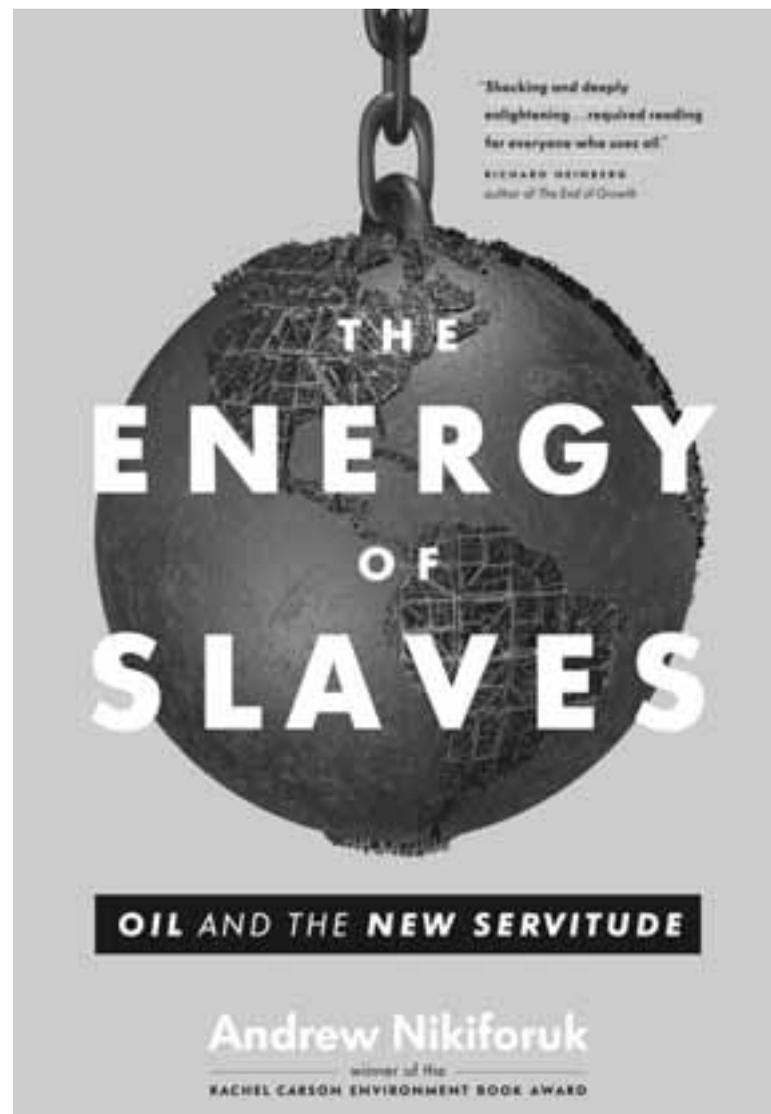
Calgarian Andrew Nikiforuk's latest book is a departure from his typical environmentalist critique of the fossil fuel industry. *The Energy of Slaves* examines our energy consumption from a moral perspective, equating our relationship with petroleum to that of a master and slave.

The book is presented as a thorough dissection of the historical context that led to the near universal adoption of what he calls "energy slavery." Nikiforuk draws parallels between our current use of carbon and the African slaves that were exploited in the trans-Atlantic slave trade. He even goes so far as to suggest that the only reason Britain abolished the slave trade was due to the discovery of an even more efficient energy source: coal.

The transposition of human slaves to a petroleum slave has resulted in a Western culture heavily reliant on massive surpluses of energy. Much like the slaveholders of the past, Westerners see their energy as an entitlement. Nikiforuk compiles the work of a number of notable experts, including David Hughes, a Canadian energy analyst who calculates the energy produced from a barrel of oil as being equivalent to 3.8 years of human labour. He estimates the average North American's "slave holdings" are about 89 slaves per year.

According to political scientist Terry Lynn Karl, another expert featured in the book, oil dependency reduces diversity in economics, fosters inequality and sponsors autocratic governments. With the excessive surpluses from a slavery, economic power is concentrated into the hands of a few major corporations who dominate the market with petroleum-based products.

The agricultural sector is an example of how markets narrow and power is concentrated. With the help of carbon slaves, three firms control all American meat packing, Walmart is responsible for half of retail food sales and Monsanto monopolizes most of the world's corn and soy production. Disparity can be witnessed in states like Nigeria, where oil exports account for 80 per cent of national revenue. The elite one per cent receives 85 per cent of this wealth while 70 per



courtesy Andrew Nikiforuk

cent of the population lives on less than one dollar a day. Nikiforuk mentions Alberta as being a Conservative Party "petro state," with an autocratic government that has lasted 41 years.

Though the thrust of the book is centred around morality, the environmental impact of energy slavery can't be ignored. Sometimes the side effects of carbon servitude can impact both environmental and ethical domains. The production of synthetic nitrogen fertilizer, which is made from coal to increase agricultural yields, has leached into oceans and waterways, creating dead zones. It was also used to make explosives by American terrorists in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. BASF, the German chemical company, produced insecticide Zyklon B that was used to kill millions of Jews in concentration camps during World War II.

Nikiforuk expertly wields stunning analogies to illustrate the state of energy gluttony happening on the planet today. According to him, one of the worst abuses is the automobile. In one day of driving, the

typical North American uses the fossil fuel equivalent of all plant matter that grew on land or in the ocean in one year.

This book confronts the reader with the cold, hard fact of complicity in the sacrilegious practice of energy slavery. Laptops, smart phones and cars may seem part and parcel to the convenience of modernity but, in reality, speak to a hidden evil that is harboured in our dependency.

In the last 50 years, people in the West have had more stuff than ever before, but are less happy. Anytime we enter a master and slave relationship, we are also binding ourselves to our property, thereby restricting our own freedom. *The Energy of Slaves* is a call for a new generation of "abolitionists" who "eat slowly, travel locally, plant gardens, work ethically, build communities, share tools and eschew bigness in economic and political life."

Nikiforuk suggests that when people start living within their own means, they liberate themselves and find happiness in self-reliance.

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Movie Review: *Skyfall*

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We have been watching James Bond on the big screen for 50 years. Bond's adventures began in print, authored by Ian Fleming, nine years earlier. Rooted in the Cold War and modernist ideals of the '50s and '60s, the Bond films defined the culture of those decades but have unfortunately struggled with relevancy for years. Where Bond once was the undisputed leader of spy films, for the last few decades he has been a follower of trends set by others. Until now, that is.

With *Skyfall*, James Bond returns to what he was always meant to be: escapist adventure entertainment for adults. In modern cinema, adults wishing for fun and excitement have had to contend with films intended for teenagers and children for years. But *Skyfall* manages to deliver the action, the fun and the style we expect from a Bond film, while infusing it with a dramatic, character-driven core and relevant themes, resulting in a film that entertains without condescending.

Producers Barbara Broccoli and Michael G. Wilson seem to have learned a lesson from the rebirth of Batman on the big screen. The fingerprints of Christopher Nolan's *Dark Knight* films are all over *Skyfall*. But perhaps that's to be expected — Nolan has said he was a Bond fan. Either way, director Sam Mendes and brilliant cinematographer Roger Deakins have restored James Bond to his former glory by giving him back a few crucial elements, the most significant being his sense of style. This is the best-looking Bond film since 1971. Deakins eschews the contemporary action cinema crutches of shaky cameras and fast-cut editing — elements that made *Quantum of Solace* nearly impossible to watch — and instead focus on sweeping long shots, gorgeous lighting and beautiful production design.

But it is not all style over substance. *Skyfall* comes packed with one of the best stories in recent Bond history. Drawing on elements from Fleming's later novels, it weaves a tale that examines Bond's role in modern society, attacks those characters most often held



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sacrosanct and delves into his past and his character in a way not done since 1969's *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*. Fittingly, for a film celebrating a character often deemed behind the times, its message is that sometimes the old ways are best.

Daniel Craig and Dame Judi Dench return, of course, as Bond and his superior, "M." The cast is rounded out by newcomers Ralph Fiennes, Ben Whishaw, Naomie Harris and Bérénice Marlohe, who plays a classically gorgeous Bond girl. Javier Bardem is the stand-

out performance and, as the villain Raoul Silva, he creates a character who is unnerving and evil in a way not seen on screen since Heath Ledger's Joker. He'll make your skin crawl — and that's a good thing. The producers seem to have realized that Bond is at his best while facing extraordinary megalomaniacs, and have given us the best Bond villain since Sean Bean in *Goldeneye*.

The film's climax may surprise some — there is no over-the-top assault on the villain's fantastic secret lair. While the film gives us many

spectacular locales and action sequences, its third act is more insular and dramatic, and thus quieter than many may want from a Bond film. But if you let go of your preconceptions, then you will realize that these final sequences are what make *Skyfall* a unique and memorable Bond experience.

However, it's not a perfect movie. Some of the 50th anniversary homages feel a little shoehorned in and, while it's nice to see Craig finally adopting some of the wit and levity of earlier Bonds, occasionally the shifts in tone from dramatic to comedic can be jarring. However, the final scenes of the film will certainly put smiles on the faces of Bond fans who have been patiently waiting for things to get back to normal.

This is the best Bond since the '60s and, although that speaks more to the series' declining quality in the ensuing decades than anything else, the fact remains that *Skyfall* puts Bond back on top. Unusual though it may be, it gives a deeper, more fully-rounded experience than any Bond film in years, which alone makes it worth the price of admission.

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Whose land is it anyway?

Enbridge needs to consult with the true owners of B.C.



Matthew Hiltermann

Gauntlet Opinions



With all the debate around Enbridge's Northern Gateway pipeline, competing interests fail to question the ownership of the land on which it is projected to be built. One look at a map would suggest that the land is well within the generally accepted boundaries of Canada, however, a closer look says otherwise.

As it stands, treaties have not been established in most of British

Columbia, except for Vancouver Island, 2,000 square kilometers in northwestern B.C. and the northeastern corner of the province. Therefore, the land on which the pipeline will be built does not technically belong to Canada.

English Common Law, which is the foundation of Canada's legal system, establishes four bases on which land can be acquired: by military conquest, where one nation takes over another during war; by cession or formal transfer, where a treaty is signed between two sovereign parties, wherein one of them relinquishes sovereignty

to the other; by annexation, where one nation unilaterally declares its sovereignty over the other without military action or treaty; and through the settlement of "no man's land," a place where no one lives and that no one claims, also known as terra nullius. Canada relied on the fourth premise, terra nullius, to justify its occupation of B.C. To deal with the obvious contradiction between the presence of Aboriginal Peoples in B.C. — like the Dene, Okanagan and Sekani — and the requisite of terra nullius that the land be unoccupied, it has been stipulated that land was unoccupied unless the peoples living there had a concept of land tenure. Research done in recent years demonstrates that the Aboriginal Peoples of B.C. have a very complex and deeply entrenched concept of land tenure.

As it turns out, the third premise, annexation or assentation of sovereignty, can't be taken when dealing with Aboriginal Peoples in Canada. The Royal Proclamation of 1763 explicitly states that the

"Nations or tribes of Indians, with whom we are connected . . . should not be molested or disturbed in the possession of such parts of our dominions and territories as not having been ceded to or purchased by us . . . Any lands whatever, which not having been ceded to or purchased by us as aforesaid, are reserved to the said Indians."

Section 25 of the Constitution Act of 1982 affirms the rights and promises made by the Royal Proclamation of 1763. This means that sovereignty can't be asserted over Aboriginal Peoples through military means, annexation or assentation of sovereignty. Aboriginal land, and therefore sovereignty, must be formally surrendered through treaty under Canadian law.

Most of the land in B.C., with the exception of the territory covered by Treaty 8, the Nisga'a Final Agreement and the Douglas Treaties, does not belong to the Canadian government. This creates problems for Enbridge since a considerable part of the Northern

Gateway's proposed plan transverses this land. Furthermore, according to the Royal Proclamation, the Canadian government is constitutionally obliged to prevent the exploitation of lands that have not been given up through treaty.

It follows, then, that the Northern Gateway project would be in direct violation of both Canadian law and aboriginal rights, according to both the Royal Proclamation and the Constitution. Because Aboriginal Peoples have retained sovereignty over their land, we are not dealing with an issue of majority rules. If so much as a single nation along the route is opposed to the construction of the pipeline, the entire process will be stopped in its tracks.

As it stands, Enbridge can't build the pipeline, nor can the federal government unilaterally give the go-ahead to build unless treaties are established or each individual nation agrees to the process. In the meantime, the Northern Gateway pipeline will remain a pipe dream.

Paradigm Shifter

Interview with Brigette DePape, rogue page

BRIGETTE DEPAPE WAS A PARTICIPANT of the Canadian Senate Page Program when she stood in protest holding a "Stop Harper" sign during the 2011 Throne Speech. DePape knew she had to do something to alert Canadians to the dire consequences of the Harper agenda, despite fears of losing her job. The *Gauntlet* caught up with DePape at the Food Secure Canada conference in Edmonton on Nov. 4, to talk about what she has been doing since her dismissal and to get inside the mind of the 23-year-old activist.

The Gauntlet: What have you been up to since your dismissal from Parliament Hill?

Brigette DePape: Since then, I have been able to meet with so many people from all walks of life who are organizing in their community. We're seeing an increasing trend of corporations deciding government policies and this is coming at the expense of what is good for people and communities. So it has been incredible to meet people who are exposing this and who are actively organizing so that people have control over their destinies.

I mean, we're in revolutionary times. From Occupy, to the movement against the pipelines, which has brought together such broad alliances of workers, of environmental groups and of indigenous groups, people are unit-

ing for a common agenda for a healthy environment and healthy communities.

G: How do you see young people fitting into this picture? Are enough youth getting involved in the political struggle?

BD: We often have this myth that young people are apathetic and, while there are some young people who feel powerless, it has been my experience that young people really do care. It's just that a lot of the time we feel powerless, and we feel there's nothing that we can do in the face of these massive problems, like climate change and inequality. But I think

there are many things that we can do, and in many ways we are beginning to reclaim our power.

G: During the Food Secure Canada conference you mentioned your involvement with the climate change movement. Can you speak about this?

BD: It has been so exciting to be part of organizing the climate justice movement. The real vision for the climate justice movement is, instead of having our government invest in the tar sands and reject the Kyoto Accord, we believe in transitioning to a society that is based on green and just jobs. Oftentimes there's this idea of a mutually exclu-



sive dichotomy between jobs and the environment, but we know it is possible to create a society where we have green and just jobs and where people are able to meet their needs that is also environmentally responsible.

G: What insights did you gain from working on Parliament Hill? Is there anything you think Canadian
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ans should know about the inner-workings of their government?

BD: One major aspect that I saw was the growing influence of corporations on our government policies and seeing how government is choosing to listen to corporations rather than its citizens. In the climate justice movement, we have tried petitions, we've tried lobbying, we've tried to meet with MPs. Often, Conservative MPs won't even meet with us, yet, they will meet with the CEOs of big oil and gas companies, so there's a real injustice there. I think that there really needs to be more of a focus on people power and growing people power.

G: Can you speak a little on the topic of civil disobedience as a method for protest and how effective you see it being in Canada?

BD: If we look at it historically, civil disobedience has catalyzed some really key changes. The civil rights movement in the U.S. led to the end of racial segregation of lunch counters and buses, and sparked massive movements for ending institutionalized discrimination against people of colour.

Civil disobedience has played a role in catalyzing massive change

against the worst injustices, and it's really inspiring to see that beginning to happen here in Canada as people are taking action to stop climate change and inequality. There's been a growing movement as we see that our government is not responding to us. We are doing whatever means necessary to stop climate change and for equality, like we see with the sit-ins in B.C. against the Enbridge pipeline. We've also seen it with the Quebec student strike where hundreds of thousands marched in the streets in one of the largest acts of civil disobedience in North American history.

G: What is the biggest challenge facing Canadians today?

BD: I think we are facing two overlapping crises. One is the economic crisis and the crisis of inequality where wealth is concentrated in the hands of the one per cent and not the 99 per cent. And the other crisis is climate change where the very survival of humanity is at stake. I think that there's so much we can do collectively to build a sustainable future where it is an equal, green and just society.

Interview conducted
by Tamara Cottle

Letter: MacHall renovations

[RE: "Letter: U of C student consultation a farce," Nov. 1, 2012]

One of the key platform promises of my election as Students' Union president was to consult students on the future of MacEwan Student Centre because the university had put forward a draft plan for renovations. But that's exactly what it is — a draft — and exactly why we need students' opinions on it.

This consultation is one of the most important initiatives the SU executive team is undertaking this year. We need to know what students want in MSC so that any redevelopment plan can reflect students' needs and wants. This doesn't mean that renovations will be happening today, tomorrow or even in five years, but it does mean that the needs and priorities of students will be reflected in a

long-term plan for a building that is the cornerstone of student life at the U of C.

To date, over 3,000 students have participated in the consultation. They are telling the SU what they love and hate about the MSC. We want everyone to get involved because student participation in our consultation will contribute to the recommendations we make to the draft plan. If students agree that parts of the university plan are unnecessary, they can make sure their voice is heard by taking our survey, walking through the compass, signing up for a focus group or attending a town hall. Go to mymachall.com to get involved. It's so important for the future of student life at the U of C and the future of your SU.

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Dinos win fifth-straight Hardy Cup

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Success in Canadian Interuniversity Sport football is difficult to achieve once. It is truly special when a team can repeat success over a number of seasons. A football program is an administrative and athletic ballet of developing, recruiting and organizing a vast multitude of athletes. With a 38–14 victory over the University of Regina Rams and a Canada West record fifth-straight Hardy Cup title, the University of Calgary Dinos have proven once again that they are a truly special football program. The 2012 Hardy Cup may not have been a Rembrandt, but the accomplishment itself is truly a work of art.

The Blake Nill era at the U of C has arguably been the most successful period in Dinos football history, winning four Hardy Cups, a Uteck Bowl title and a Mitchell Bowl championship. Notably absent from this list is a Vanier Cup, despite two appearances in the CIS

hosted in the same stadium three years in a row.

The Dinos entered the game as four-time defending champions and with a 7–1 regular season record. However, the only loss of the Dinos's season came at the hands of the Rams, the same team the Dinos were pitted against in this year's Hardy Cup. The Rams were led by the pocket-passing attack of their fifth-year quarterback Marc Mueller, one of the most proficient passers in the U of R's history. Mueller is also the grandson of CFL legend Ron Lancaster, a point that has been mentioned ad nauseam throughout his career.

A balmy –16 C at kickoff, the game started off quite slowly with both teams playing not to lose rather than to win. The game was billed as a struggle of two outstanding defences and during the first quarter, it lived up to the hype. Appearing nervous, the Dinos were stalled on their first few drives and scored their first points on a safety conceded by the Rams and a short field goal. The defences both produced



Louie Villeneuve

The Dinos were able to move the ball well throughout the first half but lacked anything resembling execution in the red-zone. The Rams answered with a touchdown late in the second quarter, drawing the game close headed into the dressing room. The first half ended 8–7 for the Dinos but the score did not reflect the nature of the half. The Dinos offence dominated the half, racking up 254 yards of offence but only had eight points to show for it and no touchdowns.

The second half started off rough for the Dinos. The Rams came out flying and scored a touchdown early to take the lead. Mueller was able to shred the Dinos secondary early in the third quarter. The Dinos then turned to the dependable hands of running back Steven Lumbala, who broke a 56-yard run, spinning off two tackles, which led the Dinos to score their first touchdown of the game and take the lead back 18–14. Lumbala broke the 100-yard mark in the third quarter with 72 yards on a single drive.

The Dinos were able to strike again quickly with a perfect pass from Dzwilewski and a difficult catch from receiver Richard Snyder to increase the margin to 25–14 heading into the final quarter. This touchdown would seal a Dinos

victory, though, as insurance, the Dinos scored 10 more points in the fourth making the final score 38–14.

“They brought over their half-back and we knew it was going to be a cover-zero with no one over the top. Eric [Dzwilewski] just threw a perfect ball and I managed to beat my guy there,” said Snyder, describing the touchdown catch late in the third quarter. “The offence was moving the ball in the first half but we just weren't finishing. It was frustrating but we focused on punching it in rather than settling for field goals.”

Dzwilewski set a U of C record with 33 completions in the game, while finishing the game with 381 yards of offence, a touchdown pass and two rushing touchdowns.

“I am so proud of our guys and how we overcame the deficit. I think in the second half you saw a team grow up. Our young guys grew up and our veterans led,” said Dzwilewski. Despite the emotional high of winning the CW championship, the celebrations were tempered by the challenge of the Mitchell Bowl on Nov. 17 in Hamilton.

“We are going to celebrate this one, but tomorrow we are going to get ready for an even better op-

ponent. We want to play the best teams in the country and have the hardest path, it truly proves who is the best team in the nation,” said Dzwilewski.

In a second half dominated by the Dinos, Lumbala was the centerpiece of the offence, rushing for 251 yards on 22 carries by the end of the game. The fourth-year St. Francis High School graduate had a superb regular season averaging 8.1 yards per carry and rushing for 636 yards in seven games.

“The O-line was blocking great, the receivers were making blocks downfield, it was a total team effort,” said Lumbala. “It was tough at halftime, we just told ourselves in the locker room that if we kept paying and kept executing, good things are going to happen for us. Once we got on a roll, we couldn't be stopped.”

The Dinos will now face the McMaster University Marauders in the Mitchell Bowl, a school that has been ranked first overall in the CIS since week one of the regular season and are the defending Vanier Cup champions. Marauders quarterback Kyle Quinlan is an Ontario University Athletics first team all-star, the 2011 Vanier Cup MVP, the CFL property of the Montreal Alouettes and this past year led the CIS in passing touchdowns with 19. The Marauders are strong on both sides of the ball, holding opposing teams to an OUA best 15.6 points per game. The Marauders currently have 13 OUA all-stars on their roster and finished the regular season unbeaten.

The Dinos have accomplished their drive for five, but now must beat the best from Ontario in order to punch their ticket to the Vanier Cup in Toronto on Nov. 23.

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title game in 2009 and 2010.

The 2012 team boasts some of the best individual talent in recent memory. Pivoted by the 2012 CW most outstanding player — third-year quarterback Eric Dzwilewski — the Dinos set numerous school records on offence. Dzwilewski was also nominated for the Hec Crighton trophy — the award given to the most valuable player in the CIS. On defence, linebacker Mike Edem was named CW defensive player of the year, finishing the season leading the CW in tackles for a loss, second in tackles and tied for fourth in sacks. The CW rookie of the year was Dinos receiver Brett Blaszkowski, who had five touchdowns, an average of 64.8 yards receiving per game and, perhaps most impressively, averaged 16.9 yards per catch in his rookie season.

For the third-straight year, the Dinos hosted the CW championship — the Hardy Cup. This year also marked the first time in CW history that the Hardy Cup was

a turnover early — the Dinos forcing a fumble on their own goal-line and the Rams intercepting a deflected pass.

In the first half, some of the demons from the regular season surfaced. Time and again, Dinos penalties extended Ram drives and nullified big-gains. In the first half alone, the Dinos were penalized eight times for a total of 63 yards.

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The number of Hardy Cups the Dinos have won since 1964. The Dinos are the first team in CW history to win five-straight Hardy Cups.	The total number of combined yards offence gained by the Dinos and Marauders over the course of the regular season.	The number of regular season statistical categories in the CW and the OUA led by either the Dinos or the McMaster Marauders. The Dinos led in 16 CW categories.	The number of Mitchell Bowl championships the Dinos have won. The Dinos won the 2010 Mitchell Bowl but have not won a Vanier Cup under Blake Nill.

The Dinos play the McMaster Marauders in the Mitchell Bowl on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. in Hamilton, ON. The game will be broadcast live on TSN.



Dinos depth key to success

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The Dinos women's hockey team has wasted little time building on last year's national championship season, starting this season with an 8-1-1 record and leading the Canada West conference.

The Dinos, featuring Canadian hockey legend Haley Wickenheiser and Russian national team star Iya Gavrilova, knew they would have a target on their backs coming into this season. The Dinos have shown no signs of pressure from the extra attention early on, rolling right into regular season after an undefeated preseason road trip to Ontario in September.

"The players trained hard this summer and came back knowing that every other team is going to play us hard," said Dinos assistant coach Tara Hammer. "The effort has been there from the start and our preseason trip to Toronto was a good opportunity for the team to bond."

While some of the team's most noteworthy names are sure to draw interest from opponents and hockey fans alike, the coaches take pride in the team's depth. Due to international tournaments, Wickenheiser has only suited up for six regular season games this season leaving players like Jenna Smith and Stephanie Ramsay with greater responsibility.

"They are key members of the team," said Hammer of Wickenheiser and Gavrilova, "but other teams are starting to pay attention to other players as well. We feel like we

have a lot of depth in our lineup and teams are forced to focus on more than just two players."

Nine players have scored more than five points in the team's 10 games this year, while goaltender Amanda Tapp has continued the stellar play that earned her tournament MVP at last year's CIS championships. Hammer expects simi-

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— Tara Hammer, assistant coach

lar game-changing performances during this year's run, even if those players aren't recognized with awards or praise from beyond the locker room.

"Last season, we had many unsung heroes that emerged to help us win the championship," she said. "At this point we are seeing lots of good things happening and are expecting many players to step up their game as we get closer to the playoffs."

Breakout performances from a variety of players will help the team in their goal to defend their CIS championship. The loss of star players and coaches to national team commitments in preparation for the upcoming 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi is an imminent challenge for next year's squad.

Wickenheiser and Gavrilova will almost certainly be called to play for their respective countries, while Dinos head coach Danielle Goyette also has assistant coach duties on the Canadian national team. Losing such big names may seem daunting, but it's the nature of running a high-

profile hockey program. Hammer is confident the team will continue to be competitive and stresses the positive impact of current high-profile players and team performance in future recruiting efforts.

"We are going to lose players to graduation every season," explains Hammer, who has spent time in November recruiting in northern

British Columbia. "Our program needs to build season by season and the success that comes from the team's efforts help draw new players to our program."

The U of C women's hockey program — in only its fourth season — has had tremendous success. Students should take the opportunity to appreciate the current incarnation of the team while they can. However, the Dinos coaching staff is working hard to ensure that future seasons will be equally as competitive.

The Dinos are currently ranked second in the CIS. The regular season runs until Feb. 8 when the CW playoffs begin.

"Our vision is to continue to build the program and attract high-performance athletes," said Hammer. "We have great facilities and support at the university and it's definitely an exciting time to be a Dino."

The Dinos play the University of Saskatchewan Huskies on Friday, Nov. 16 and 17. Both games are at 6 p.m. in Saskatoon, SK.

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SYDNEY HAMM
Dinos Field Hockey

A first-year goalkeeper, Sydney Hamm made a major impression on the CIS field hockey world this season. A nursing student from Rossland, B.C., Hamm was named a second team All-Canadian and the Canada West all-star goalkeeper.



MERCER TIMMIS
Dinos Football

Rookie running back Mercer Timmis had a fantastic outing in the Dinos' crazy 78-54 win over Manitoba to close out the regular season. In the game, Timmis tied a school record with five touchdowns, all of them on the ground, to help Calgary finish the regular season 7-1.

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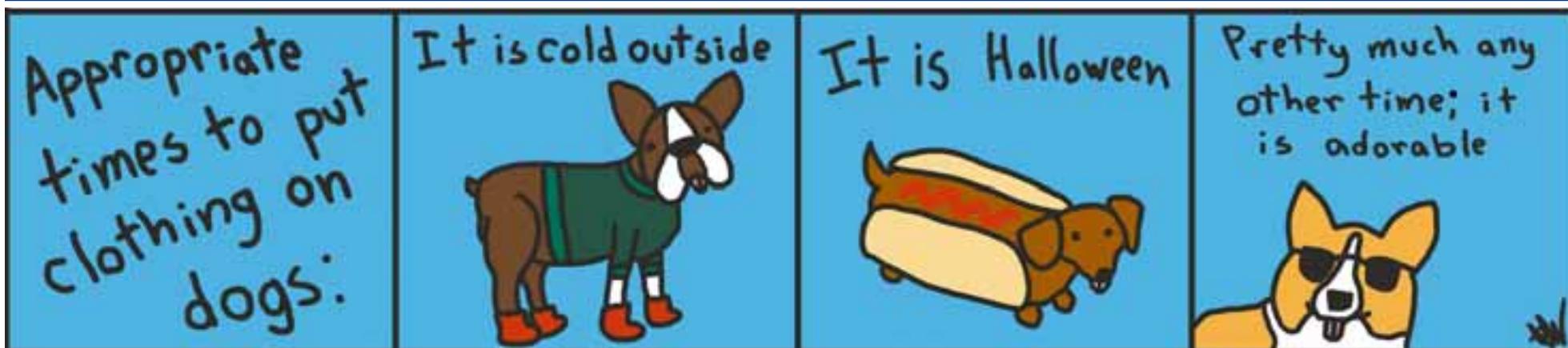


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Frostbite: The Most Fun You Can Have on Campus in January

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University of Calgary's Official Winter Games. Register your team by Dec. 14!

It was January, one year ago. You were sitting in Mac Hall, fighting the post-holiday blues and trying to concentrate on your new classes, when a group of students ran by excitedly, wearing colourful costumes. Later, while studying in the library, you swore you caught a glimpse of a yeti sauntering between the stacks. Finally, on your way home after a late night study session, you were cut off by a large numbers of student decked out with glow sticks chasing down some guy in a blue onesie.

Did you wonder what the hell was going on? Did you ask yourself "why aren't I having that much fun"? Well, let me solve the mystery for you: you were witnessing the first annual Frostbite competition. It's back again and this year you shouldn't miss out on the fun.

What is Frostbite, you ask?

Frostbite is the University of Calgary's official winter games, co-hosted by the Students' Union (SU), the Alumni Association and the Office for Leadership and Student Engagement. From Jan. 21 to 25, 2013, teams of ten students will compete in a series of outdoor and indoor challenges to

earn points for sweet prizes and serious bragging rights.

Points are not only earned by winning individual competitions, but also through spirit and enthusiasm, sportsmanship and even creative bribery of the judges. The team that earns the most points at the end of the week will win the coveted Frostbite Cup and a ski vacation for the team!

Who can participate?

The challenge is open to undergraduate or graduate students at the U of C. Build your teams with friends, people in your classes, floormates, club members -whatever! There are virtually no restrictions on how you assemble

your team. However, we can only take a limited number of teams so be quick and get registered!

How do you register a team?

Teams must register by Dec. 14. You can download the registration form from the SU website (www.su.ucalgary.ca/frostbite) or pick one up at the SU or the Office of Leadership and Student Engagement. All teams must pay a registration fee of \$50 (that's only \$5 per team member), and we promise you'll get your money's worth!

Registration is open now, so hurry up and don't miss out on the most fun you can have on campus in January!



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