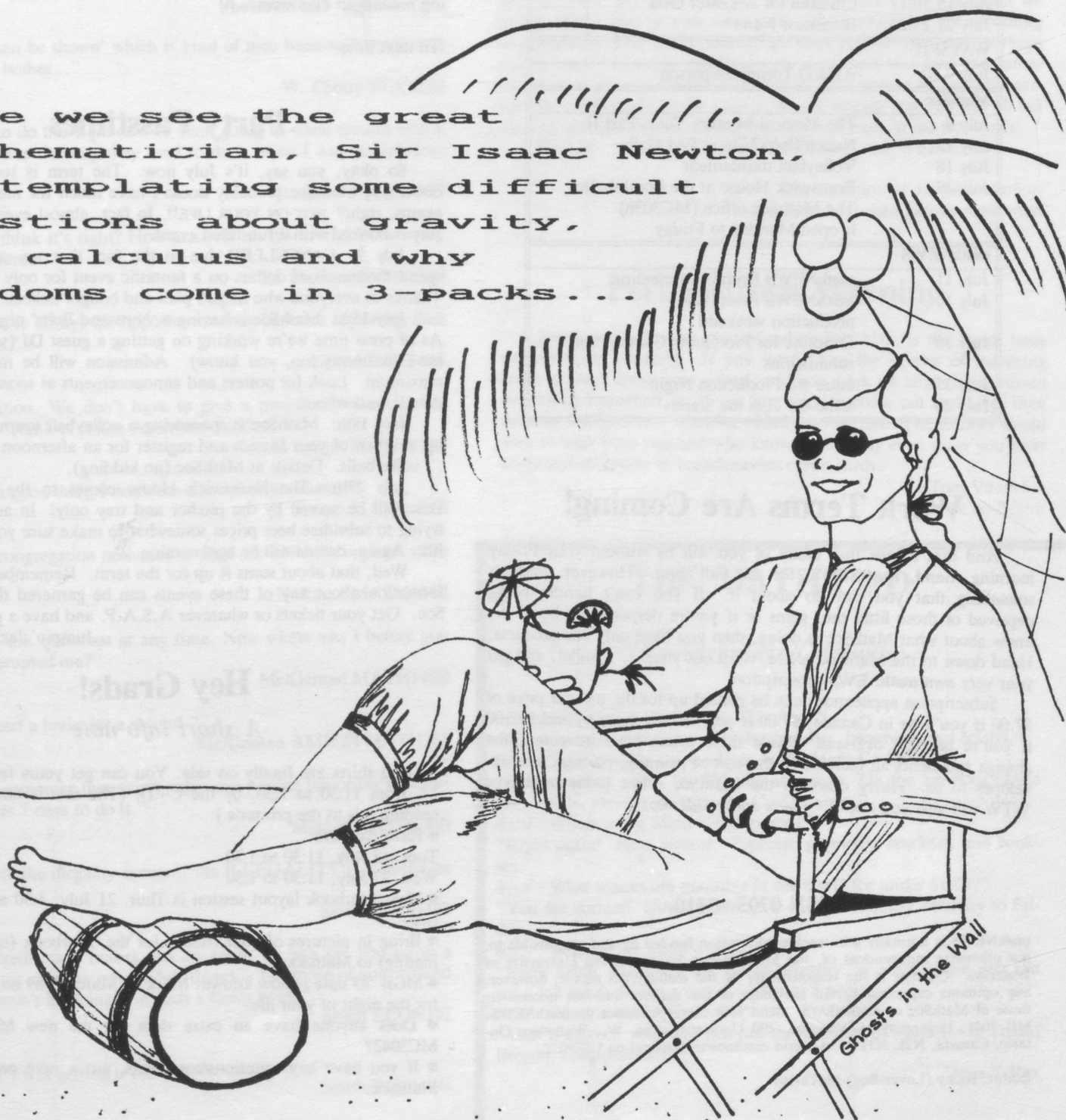


# math NEWS

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Here we see the great mathematician, Sir Isaac Newton, contemplating some difficult questions about gravity, the calculus and why condoms come in 3-packs....



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## Work Terms Are Coming!

And that means that many of you will be without your Friday morning friend, **mathNEWS**, for the Fall term. However, there is something that you can do about it. If you can't handle being deprived of those little prof gems or if you're desperate to be in the know about what MathSoc is doing, then you have only one recourse. Head down to the MathSoc office, whip out your . . . wallet, and get your very own **mathNEWS** subscription.

Subscription applications can be picked up for the meager price of \$7.00 if you'll be in Canada, \$9.00 if you'll be in the U.S., and \$12.00 if you're heading overseas. While these prices have increased, the change represents an increase in the cost of printing, postage, and envelopes to us. Hurry down to the MathSoc office today or maybe WTW will visit you and . . . (*eerie music fades up*)

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## Soc Talk

MathSoc's word of the month - "BUSY". There are lots of events being planned for July including a CFNY pub at Fed Hall, and a Brunswick House pub at the Bombshelter.... See "Party Passtimes" for more info.

On the "non-social" side, Summer '88 T-shirts have been ordered and will be ready for pick-up in a few weeks. Discussion is continuing regarding the proposed 40 credit degree. We need your input on this - any concerns/comments are welcome. Come and talk to us! We also urge you to attend MathSoc Council meetings. All are invited and encouraged to give their two-cents-worth!! The events calendar or the MathSoc office staff can be consulted as to times and places of upcoming meetings. Get involved!!

'Til next time:

DR, MJ, PT

## Party Passtimes

So okay, you say, it's July now. The term is sort of winding down and MathSoc probably doesn't have much for me to do before exams, right? **NOT ON YOUR LIFE!!** In fact, almost every weekend in July is booked with a fun-filled event.

**July 9:** CANCELLED due to the fact that we can't afford to spend thousands of dollars on a fantastic event for only a few people. Thanks to everyone who helped plan and bought tickets.

**July 15th:** MathSoc is having a 'Nuts and Bolts' night at Fed Hall. As of press time we're working on getting a guest DJ (social directors have midterms too, you know). Admission will be minimal at the maximum. Look for posters and announcements as soon as we get the details worked out.

**July 18th:** MathSoc is sponsoring a volleyball tournament. Grab up to seven of your friends and register for an afternoon of bouncing . . . volleyballs. Details at MathSoc (no kidding).

**July 29th:** The Brunswick House comes to the Bombshelter. Beer will be served by the pitcher and tray only! In addition, we're trying to subsidize beer prices somewhat to make sure you all get your fill. Again, details will be forthcoming.

Well, that about sums it up for the term. Remember that any information about any of these events can be garnered through MathSoc. Get your tickets or whatever A.S.A.P. and have a great time.

Jumpin' Jack Flash & Pat

## Hey Grads!

### A short info note

- Grad shirts are finally on sale. You can get yours from July 12 to 14, from 11:30 to 1:30, by the C+D. (The cost is not known as of sending this to the printer's.)
- Pizza days are:  
Tues. 12 July, 11:30 to 1:30  
Wed. 27 July, 11:30 to 1:30
- Next yearbook layout session is Thur. 21 July, 4:30 at MathSoc office.
- Bring in pictures of your friends for the Yearbook (not too incriminating) to MathSoc.
- MGB '89 date is now known! Mark 18 March 1989 on your calendar for the night of your life.
- Does anyone have an extra desk for the new MGC office in MC3042?
- If you have any questions/comments, put a note on my board in MathSoc.

Ritch



## ProfQuote Competition

### Part 3

This week in the ProfQuote Competition, I won't start off my comments with the word "Well", although I almost did, but since I did in the first two issues, I won't do it here, in this issue. Anyhow the leaders this issue are: Larry Smith-8, Rob Brown-5, Hoffman-4, McKiernan-4, and Furino-4. Keep listening and submitting...

"And this doesn't seem like the greatest thing since sliced bread."  
Bennett CS132

"There's five variables, so fuck the Karnaugh Map."  
A. Carrothers ELE323 T.A.

"We say 'It can be shown' which is kind of nice because it means we don't have to bother..."  
W. Cherry STAT230

"I want you to do this right now or I am going to come around with a whip... That was the way they used to do it when I was in University."  
G. Cross MATH230B

"How many think it's right? How many think it's wrong? How many don't give a damn?"  
L. Dickey MATH134B

"... when you're horny, the opposite sex may be more appealing than at other times."  
Dyal PSYCH 101

"It's a definition. We don't have to give a reason. It's the way we want it to be. Think of it like American Politics."  
S. Furino MATH134B

"Damn, it's a good thing I don't have to write this exam."  
S. Furnio MATH134B

"Would the congregation now turn to page six while the organist stops playing."  
Hoffman MATH144B

"Feel free to ask questions at any time. Now where was I before you so rudely interrupted me?"  
McKiernan MATH140B

"Now you need a brain for a second."  
McKiernan AM362/PMATH365

"The fastest computer that exists today can predict tomorrow's weather, but it takes 7 days to do it."  
Moskal MATH130B

"This is where the illegality occurs... the ILLEGALITY... is everyone awake?"  
Smith ECON102

"Having a credit card makes you an adult, so let's say you go to a hotel to do one of those other adult things... but those of you without credit cards won't be doing it in such a fancy hotel."  
Smith ECON102

"Meanwhile. I was getting it on with the computer..."  
Smith ECON102

## The Future of Mathies is in Jeopardy

There is a major crisis in the Math community. Yes, we are talking about "Geeky" frosh. We have a group of frosh who usually hang out in the "comfie lounge" of the C&D and play cards, you know who you are. The concern is not the fact that you play cards, but this possibly could be the cure. You see, there is one major rule that you guys seemed to have overlooked in your frosh kits. This sacred rule is **DON'T ACT LIKE AN ENGINEER!** The problem is that you're all very loud and rather obnoxious. (This is a major concern, especially when we're dealing with a hangover!) You sit around playing cards all day and have gay little wrestling matches. I don't know whether we should blame you or your orientation big brothers for not grooming you properly. This could actually go even further than this; perhaps you've been planted by the Engineers to try and take over the rather civil personalities of most of the Mathies. The reason we had said earlier that cards might be the cure is, we are hoping that you will all fail out and save the fine reputation that Mathies have in the workforce.

You see ... the world wants WINNERS ... not WEINERS!

The Coalition of 4th year Mathies  
concerned about their faculty reputation

## Perma-Frosh Warning

Just a reminder that next Monday, July 11th, is the Frosh Issue organisational meeting. If you would like the hordes of incoming frosh to know about your group, or if you think we might have missed something important, or if you just want to come out and help, then meet in MC3038 (the MathSoc office) at 7:00 pm. The Editors would love to hear from you and who knows, they may even show you their unrivaled collection of Scandanavian credit cards.

Tom Vandelooy  
Frosh Issue co-Editor

## THE MATH C+D

### The Adventure Continues

"I'll take Math C+D trivia for \$10, Alex."

"The answer is: doughnuts, bagels, danishes, brownies, and eclairs."

Bzzz! "What pastries are available in the Math C+D?"

"That's correct. Now for \$20, the answer is: On the 3rd floor of the MC, inside, cleverly enough, the C+D lounge."

Bzzz! "Where is the Math C+D located?"

"Right again! Next answer: Popcorn, popsicles, crackers, and cookies."

Bzzz! "What snacks are available in the C+D for under \$1.00?"

"You are correct! Now for \$40: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday."

Bzzz! "When is the Math C+D open?"

"Right again. Now for the whole category: a place where you can get a full lunch or just a cup of coffee or a pop."

Bzzz! "What is the Math C+D?"

"That is correct, you have just run the category of Math C+D Trivia, Brenda, congratulations!"

Alex T-Rex

## Co-op SAC

Feedback, we need feedback. This term, due to your requests, the space for late postings was increased and the procedure for second rounds was changed. Do ya like it? Also, Co-op is thinking of placing Engineers and Mathies together in a single stream. This would mean we could apply to jobs in either faculty but everything (including the Want Ads) would be more crowded and the interview period would last longer. We would get the results about one week later than we do currently.

Please tell us what you think of these ideas. We are Brett Martin, John Herbert, Wayne Feick and Amit Parghi. Our pictures are by the receptionist in Needles Hall. You can track us down through MathSoc or leave us a message on the SAC board outside MathSoc.

Placement Statistics - As usual, Math has about 1 and 1/2 times the number of jobs it needs. Future placement stats will be posted on the SAC board.

Brett Martin

## Vapid CSC Fire

### Furniture Donations Wanted

Hey, you! Yeah, you. Remember that closet the CSC had as an office? Well, guess what? It may not be that small any more! Yes, yes, the administrivia should be through, the drywall may sprout feet and walk away, and if you read this article backward you will find a Satanic message from the Ayatollah, but hey, that's life.

The CSC will probably by Friday have TWICE THE OFFICE SPACE it had before, due to an accident with a dimension-shifting machine, three doughnaughts and an outdated minicomputer. This means, for the first time in CSC history, we'll have merely inadequate office space as opposed to cramped office space. It also means that we will be accepting donations of spare luxury furniture items so we can once again feel as claustrophobic as we always have.

Aside from this, there is absolutely nothing to write about, so I'll stop now.

Trevor Green  
Secretary, Computer Science Club

## mastHEAD

Well, a bunch of stuff has happened since the last issue. The mathNEWS office was moved from its old local (MC3036) to its present local (MC3041). Much thanks to John Thoms and Ross Maye for pitching in helping the moving of the mathNEWS office. Also, on this glorious production night, the laser printers went down. If you are reading this on July 8th, then we managed to put the issue together Tuesday morning.

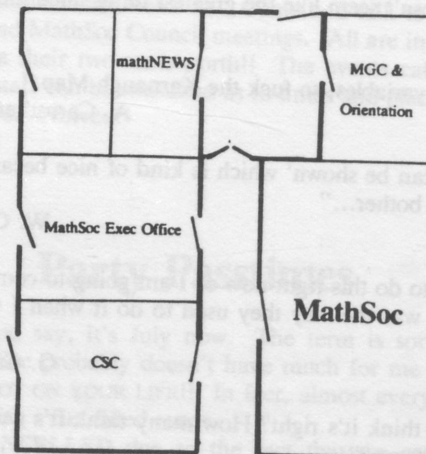
I'd like to thank all the people (and their favourite colours) who showed up for this production night: Brock Johnson (gangreen), Ted Timar (not pink), Kevin Smith (whitish black), C.J. Fievoli (pukey yellow), Frank Letniowski (5), Karen (I'm not related to Kevin) Smith (Ultra-Violent and Infra-Dead), Sandy Graham (maroon), Trevor Green (Blue... no yellow... AHHHHHHH!), and Mike Dean (YKLO).

I would also like to give thanks to Marion and Graphics Services, Little Caesars (anyone can get lost in the MC building), and Marlis for our interesting but different (not light) cover.  
P.S. My favourite colour is plaid.

Rick McTavish

## We Have Moved or, The Pink Tie Zone

Due to the movement of the CS grads to David World, MathSoc has been given more office space. This has resulted in the movement of mathNEWS from our old office to our present new, and better location, MC3041. The new state of MathSoc offices is shown on the following map.



## UltraClassifieds

UltraClassifieds are presented as a free service to Math students. If you have anything you would like included, write your ad down on a piece of paper or anything that's handy and submit it under the door of the mathNEWS office (MC3041) or in the BLACK BOX in the MathSoc office.

**Obituary:** Paul "Full Time" Chiasson  
Brutally gunned down in his prime during Math 134B on Wednesday, 19 June 1988. Memorial donations may be made to the WTW "Death to Larry" fund.

Got a keener you need washed out? A prof who needs to clean up his act? Call 1-800-REAL-WET. We can help.

The W T of W

The Killer Tomatoes are coming! The Killer Tomatoes are coming!

HI ANGIE!!!

A Secret Admirer

Giving away free hamster half-breeds. Contact Chris in Sudbury for details.

Think Hormel.

I'm out for revenge.

The Headless Gummi Bear

Have you ever noticed...? No? oh well.

Paul: So when are you going to kill me?

Mr. Death

Appearing on campus next week: *Angie the Pagan Sex Goddess*, at a C+D near you.

The Vogons are coming! The Vogons are coming!



## Rick's Big Chance

### The Story:

Captain's *In*, watdate 84-001-902. We have been sent by the Federation to the small asteroid Lorac, which is in orbit about a dead star. Our records show that the planet is inhabited by alluring females with old sexist ideas.

We have arranged for a landing party, composed (as usual) entirely of the absolutely indispensable command crew, to scout out the planet: our estimated time of arrival is 15 hours.

"Wake up, McToy," blurted Jirk as he repeatedly smashed McToy's head into the control panel, sending the Watprise into hyperspace.

"Cap'n, she's breaking up, I don't know if I can hold her much longer!" rolled the words from Scotch's tongue.

"The logical thing to do," said Schlock. "would be to invert the hypermodem of the Flux Warpdrive's interface capacitor."

"Good thinkin', Schlock, it's a-wirkin'," said Scotch.

"Mr.Schlock, what has this minor detour done to our ETA and course?" queried the Captain.

"By my calculations, Captain, we should be orbiting Lorac in negative two and one half minutes." replied the pointy-eared man.

"My God, man, that means we've already collided with the planet!" cried Jirk incredulously.

"Oh...my mistake, Captain, I forgot I was dealing with complex numbers when I squared the kolgit polynomial: our ETA is actually three point zero four minutes." replied Schlock, red-eared with embarrassment.

*At his terminal, Rick, the new editor, who was so well-liked by his staff, wondered why Schlock, who was infallible, had made a mistake...but there was no answer*

"Oh...well, good work anyway. Now, where were we, McToy?" asked Jirk.

"You were just tellin' me how to pick up the chicks on the asteroid; you gave me the line 'Destiny has brought us together.'" said McToy.

"Yes, yes, now I remember. Well, I think that's enough for today, we have to get ready. We're almost there."

The doctor thanked the captain and was off before the captain could tell him to get ready for the landing.

"Damn that McToy, always leaving without being dismissed. Lt. McGuckies, inform Dr. McToy that he is to join Mr. Schlock, Mr. Gorbachev and myself in the transporter room." With that, Jirk popped out of his chair and headed for the transporter room, with Schlock and Gorbachev at his heels.

The landing party met in the transporter room and Jirk gave them the rundown: "Gentlemen, I must inform you that we don't know what to expect on this asteroid. The federation received a distress call, and that's all we know. Will you play back the message for us please, McGuckies?"

Over the loudspeaker came a deep voice: "Can you get AIDS from playing baseball? Of course you can, but only if you get past first base."

"What do you make of the message, Captain?" was the first thing that came from Gorbachev's mouth.

"Mr. Schlock, will you please take it from here?" said Captain Jirk: it seemed to be more of an order than a question.

"I've looked through all of the computer records, and I just can't make any sense of it. It could be some form of code, but I haven't been able to break it." stated Schlock, and with that they were zapped down to the planet.

"Captain, where are we?" asked Schlock.

The landing party seemed to have been zapped into a very large cave with hordes of females all around. They were all bowing to an object that seemed to be on a revolving platform, and it was a cryogenic chamber. The landing party was dumbfounded except for McToy.

McToy didn't even notice the cryonic chamber, let alone its two occupants, he was thinking with his pants. He had rushed up to the first girl he saw. "My density has brought us together."

"You horny, self-gratifying pig!" yelled the very beautiful woman. The shouting seemed to snap the rest of the landing party out of their daze. They dropped to the floor and were rolling around in laughter.

"McToy, you kill me!" howled Schlock; his human ancestry seemed to be coming out in full force.

*At his terminal, Rick, the new editor, who was so well-liked by his staff, realised that perhaps this also explained Schlock's earlier error*

The crew managed to collect themselves one more time, and returned their attention to the cryogenic chamber. By this time, the front of the massive chamber had turned to face them.

Jirk knew right away that he was in trouble, because the two figures at which he was staring were none other than Watman and Duck.

"T.J., who are they?" asked McToy.

"It's Watman and Duck; they're characters from an old serial in mathNEWS. Editors bring them back every so often just so they can kill them off." answered the captain.

"Could this mean that Rick, our new editor, whom we like so much, will finally get a chance to kill them?" asked Gorbachev eagerly.

"No," replied Schlock. "The author of this article isn't going to give Rick, our new editor, whom we like so much, the chance to kill them. If Rick, our new editor, whom we like so much, wants to kill them, then he'll have to bring them back himself."

The landing party acted swiftly: the cryogenic chamber was soon shattered in a volley of phaser rays. Before Watman and Duck could be brought out of their deep sleep, Jirk had radioed up to Scotch to have the Dynamic Dips transported directly into the centre of the dead star. Their very lifeblood seemed to fuel the star, returning it to life.

- Can Rick, our new editor, whom we like so much, manage to kill Watman on his own?
- Will McToy get lucky?
- Will Star Trudge ever be the same again?
- Can Swami Brock possibly surpass his stunt of last term, when he tap-danced on broken beer bottles without a safety net?
- Will the author of this serial type in his own \$#@%\$# overlength article next time, when he sees what was done to this one? Or will he merely punch the typist in the head?
- Will these silly statements ever stop?

Find out next issue, same Wat time, same Wat paper...

Frank the Hamster

# STAR



# TRUDGE



## Youth Building the Future

Well, I have returned from the last frontier (although not for long)- Aussieland (Australia, for you illiterates). I have six weeks to organise and finalize the details of the second YBF Conference: meals, transportation, billets, financing, etc.

Acceptances from universities around the world are still coming in, and attendance should be just on target - about 100 students. Countries who have confirmed participation are Argentina, Australia, Canada, China, Egypt, Federal Republic of Germany, Fiji, France, German Democratic Republic, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Israel, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, South Africa, Sweden, Tanzania, U.S.A., and U.S.S.R.

Speakers who have confirmed attendance include:

- Dr. Hugh DeWitt of the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory in California, discussing the nuclear arms race in space and S.D.I.
- Dr. Valerie Thomas of Princeton University, discussing the nuclear and conventional arms race at sea
- Dr. Henry Hengeveld of the Atmospheric Research Centre in Ottawa, discussing the Greenhouse Effect
- Dr. Reginald Petty of the International Education Services in Washington, D.C., discussing the role of youth in Third World development
- Dr. Penny Andrews, a South African legal studies lecturer from La Trobe University in Australia, discussing the issue of Third World Development
- Father Elias Chacour of the Elias High School and Community, discussing the Middle East conflict

## Duh Flash

### *Ken We Get an Offis Too?*

Now thet thu Watrloo Duh Clubb is of too a runnin start, wer going to wholed a member ship drive. Annywun caught drivin around the lawns around Campuss this weekind wil be givin a Member and a Ship. Weel also pay a Member Ship fee too the nasty plice people ho dont like yu doing that sort of thing.

With thu Grate Offise Shuffle happeninng in the Math Bilding, weer gonna ask if they can giv us an officce. We unnerstand that thu Computer Seance Club has some extra rume now they cant wait to give away, so look fur the Waterloo Duh Club aroun sumwere.

Wee also lookin fer speakers this term. If yu no of any speakers wil yoo pleas give them to us and we will speak to themm.

Duh.

## Top Ten Things the Jays Can Do to Stop Losing

- 10) Hire Mike Tyson as pitching coach
- 9) Take up chess
- 8) Promise them lots of booze and loose women if they win
- 7) Start playing in the SkyDome NOW
- 6) Buy what's left of the Dominican Republic
- 5) Cry when they lose and make the other teams feel guilty
- 4) Pray for rain
- 3) Get Fergie Olver out of the dugout during CTV telecasts
- 2) Hide George Bell's glove
- 1) Fire Billy Martin as manager

Home Run Baker

## International Student Conference

Progress Report - August 15-19, 1988. UW

Some of the support, financial and otherwise, is being provided by the Feds, the Wilfrid Laurier Student Union, and students, faculty and administration from UW.

To date, the governments of Canada (federal, provincial and municipal) have not provided any support, financial or otherwise. This event will not occur in Canada for at least another 20 years. It seems to me that if Canada prides itself on being a nation at the forefront of cultural differentiation, education, openness, believing in its youth, etc, it should take this opportunity to present itself accordingly. The outcome of the conference, although small in its initial effects, will have a far-reaching impact in the years to come. Canada and UW can show themselves as pioneers in the development of an international student network unlike any currently existent in the world. Many of us know of the Student Pugwash groups; YBF will eventually be a name known on all campuses in the world. This conference can raise the profile of the university, the community, the province and Canada itself. In order to obtain financial support from anyone, one has to show the benefits to all parties involved without sacrificing the basic principles of the organisation. I feel that much can be gained from this conference in a positive light. I only hope that the governments open their eyes to this in time.

If you would like to help out or participate, we have an office: MC5146, x6467, or call Wilma at 884-4317 or John at 884-9860.

We need billets to take care of the students before and after the conference, transportation to and from the airport to pick up the students and administrative helpers.

Wilma van der Veen.  
International Coordinator

## Camping Misadventures:

### *A Review of The Great Outdoors*

Would it not be nice to go camping this summer instead of attending U(W)? After seeing the movie 'The Great Outdoors', you may change your mind. This movie depicts a camper's nightmare of what could go wrong as a result of Murphy's Law.

The plot of 'The Great Outdoors' revolves around the misadventures of two families on their camping trip at Lake Potowotominimac. The fun begins when Roman (Dan Ackroyd)'s family unexpectedly visits Chet (John Candy)'s family on their vacation. Tension is immediately created, since the two families do not like each other; however, they do bond together to face the catastrophes ahead of them.

This movie is basically a John Candy film costarring Dan Ackroyd, as opposed to the equal billing suggested by the advertisements. The acting is fairly good, especially Candy's as the lovable Chet; however, Ackroyd gave a better 'obnoxious neighbour' performance in 'Neighbours' than in this movie.

As in other John Hughes movies (such as 'The Breakfast Club' and 'Sixteen Candles'), there is a message hidden under the comedy; however, it is harder to find in this film than in his other projects. Director Howard Deutch did a good job transferring Hughes' script, especially in mixing the subplots with the main plot. One problem with the script, however, is that there is no depth to the characters, most notably in the case of Roman.

There are many funny scenes in this movie and, as expected, most of the funniest scenes involve the wildlife. However, you know a movie is in trouble when its funniest lines belong to raccoons. As a result, 'The Great Outdoors' receives a  $\pi$  on the Pie Rating System.

Dr. Movies



## mathNEWSquiz #4

(Or: Is George Bush? Does Mike Dukakis?)

Hello again. I hope you didn't mind the other half of Phil taking over the show last issue. He wasn't too rude, was he? Actually, it's a good setup. If one of us is too shagged out to come up with these questions, we dump it on the other guy. I'm feeling kinda drained myself tonight, so we'll hit the questions square off.

### Cheers

- 1) How many kids does Carla now have?
- 2) What was Coach's first name?
- 3) What sport was Sam Malone originally slated to play when the series was in the planning stages?
- 4) What colour ribbon does Sam tie up Diane's love letters with?

### Olympics

- 5) What Frenchman is the founder of the modern Olympics?
- 6) What country did two-time marathon winner Abebe Bikila (sp?) hail from?
- 7) Why were the 1956 Summer games held in December?
- 8) What Canadian downhill skier struck gold in Innsbruck in 1976?

### Fish

- 9) What was the claim to fame of the Coelecanth?
- 10) What Japanese city sports a baseball team known as the Carp?
- 11) What actor played Fish on *Barney Miller*?
- 12) Who played a Russian pope in *The Shoes of the Fisherman*?

What were the answers last week? I forget...but we'll give them a try: 4) 1,6,8 (Who's Dit Clapper?) 2) Sun City (I ain't gonna play...) 3) Joni Mitchell (Sorry, folks, should've been 1970) 1) Nixon (What?! 4,2,3,1? Hang on....) 5) The Silver Sow (Coveted! 6) The Ohio River (Giveaway) 7) The Stingers (Mike Pelyk et al) 8) The Who (Hope I die before I get old) 9) Dennis, Carl, and Brian (Mike Love, too) 10) Barry and Torrance (Couldn't tell you which is which) 11) Wagner's Flight of the Valkyries (Do you smell that?) 12) Jimi Hendrix (From "Third Stone From the Sun") And the winner is...drumroll...dramatic crap....STIG, a real disgusting individual, whoever he is. Other lurid folks are Tomas (8), Smurf (5), Scare-bear blah blah blah (5), Herc and the Keener (5), Lumpy Bum (4), Mr. Skin (4), Gleep Warp (4), Space and Guido (3), and The Snark (1). Stig can make up his own damn mathNEWSquizExpert certificate because I'm too lazy. But don't you faithful readers sit on your butts - do this squiz! Submit your answers by Monday, July 25, at 7:23:43:78 pm. Do so through the BLACK BOX, wherever that is, or under the NEW mathNEWS office door, wherever that is...3041?...thank you, Frank...sir. Aaagh, I'm deteriorating before your very eyes. I must depart...

One-Armed Phil  
The mathNEWSquizmaster

## A Different Sprite

By Mr. Coca-Cola (a pseudonym)

It all happened about four years ago, when Nutra-Sweet was approved for use as an artificial sweetener, and all the Diet soft drinks came out. Now I know most people abhor the taste of these diet drinks, but I was hooked from the first time I tried one.

I keep my fridge at home stocked with diet drinks of all kinds, from Diet Vodka to Sugar-Free Jolt Cola. However, I had always tried to behave as a normal soft drinker in the public eye.

Then one night, I was in a pizza joint and I said, "Could I get a medium with pepperoni and olives...and a Diet 7-Up." I was with my friends at the time, and when I realised what I had said it was too late to correct my slip.

Ever since that day, I have made a decision not to hide my affection for diet drinks. Although I don't flaunt it, I proudly go up to the counter at my 7-Eleven with my can of Sugar-Free soft drink and buy it. I have joined the SDDOW (that's Sugar-free and Diet Drinkers of Waterloo) and am now actively involved in helping to organise Sugar-free Parties, and working with people who have been discriminated against by Sugardrinkers. Remember, even though only a small fraction of the population enjoys diet drinks, it doesn't mean it's bad or wrong—it just means you're a little different. Like people who prefer the taste of the new Coke to the Old Coke, or the New Old Coke to the Old New Coke, or whatever. Don't be afraid to stand up and be counted.

If you're a Sugardrinker and you have a friend who's Diet or Sugarfree, remember: that person is no different from you. If you think that they are simply flaunting authority, remember: it wasn't a choice—there are Diet tendencies in each and every one of us, only most people tend to hide them due to the overwhelming pressure put on us by society and our peers. Go ahead and try a Diet drink! You may even discover you like it.

## Feds

Videos are in! Videos are in! Check the record store to see what I mean.

The Feds still need a Commissioner for Winter Carnival and for Homecoming. They also need a WatPub co-ordinator and director for each city.

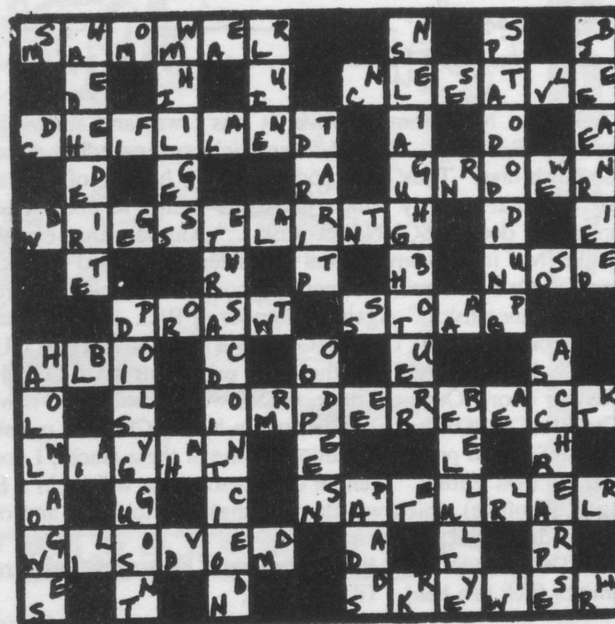
BEnt is continuing with its tradition of bringing in great bands to Saturday Rock 'n Roll nights at the Shelter. The last two for the term are:

Snow Blind: Saturday July 23

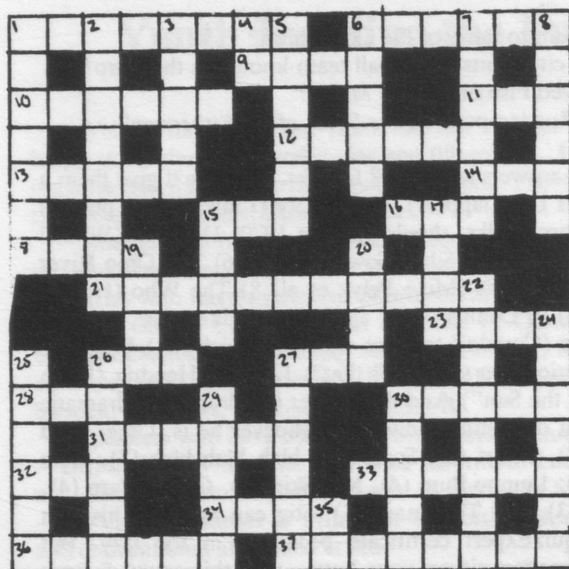
No Means No: Thursday July 26.

Did You Know? You can appeal a suspension from Fed Hall or the Bomb Shelter.

Brett Martin







## Across

1. Tartan pink tie
6. Rigid
9. Pout
10. Average
11. Decade
12. North
13. Band
14. Train part
15. Celestial
16. Is (archaic)
18. Upset
21. Huge
23. Ecstatic
26. Remedy
27. Bunch
28. Fade
30. Roasting chicken
31. Possibility
32. Girl's name
33. Wild
34. Repeat
36. Endear
37. See 25 down

## Conventional

## Down

1. Leviathan
2. Awful
3. Sturdy
4. Mc
5. Sneaky
6. Trick
7. In one piece
8. Period
15. Indulges
17. Circle
19. Part of forest
20. Knife
22. Mastadon
24. Densely
25. (with 37 across) Command
26. On deck
27. Oriental type
30. \_\_\_ section
35. Post- or Pre-



name/yr: \_\_\_\_\_  
 comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
 fav rave: \_\_\_\_\_

Hi folks, I'm back from wherever it was I was and am readier than ever to do Rick-digs. Oops, I mean Rick-our-new-editor-whom-we-like-so-much-digs. Thus, this gridword is in honour of Richard McTavish and that country which his name seems to come from. Even though he doesn't SOUND Scottish.... Anyway, that explains the clues like 'Mc' in the conventional and 'Eternal Scotland's Welkin' in the cryptic. Or so I hope. The point is, some of the solutions are a little weird and nonsensical. Again, in honour of Rick. So good luck.

Next important point: THE CSC HAS STOLEN AWAY OUR OFFICE!!!!!! Ergo, DON'T put the grids under our door. Or that which was our door. Our new door, whom we like so much, is MC 3041. The BLACK BOX has not been stolen by the CSC and remains safely in MathSoc. So put your solution in one of these places, I don't care which, by next Friday. Then all correct solutions will go in a Big Bin thing (CSC office) which will then be shaken (violently) and one happy winner drawn out.

Um... That's about all. Prepare yourself next time for a real Rick-slammer (heh heh heh). Til next time,

Phindol

## Cryptic

## Down

1. Devilish Mr. Stone (7)
2. Horrible Bert Riel (8)
3. Blast 'e! Git me horse! (6)
4. with 11 across: Consistently X-ish (5)
5. Tea? Arrrr.... I see, Kay. Why? (6)
6. Add cashews up to show off (5)
7. It can't - no - preserve it! (6)
8. Twist with ease for any length of time (6)
15. Holy boats take in water (4)
17. Band sound (4)
19. Helmsman loves trees (4)
20. Flying mice return with daggers (4)
22. Eeee! Le phantom, le grand chose, c'est la! (8)
24. Stupidly like a black hole (7)
25. (with 37 across) My best coup, mate, dethroned the captain (4,2,2,6)
26. Bad oar in boat (6)
27. Fu shanghai'd 100 homo sapiens (6)
29. Stir speed with alcohol (4)
30. See iconoclast wearing duncecap (5)
35. Surgeon wears Ocean Pacific (2)

## Across

1. Faculty's Celt lispng mascot (4,4)
2. Firmly and alternately, Saturn I'd cut (6)
9. Worry not about ferret (4)
10. Ron on the lam, as always (6)
11. See 10 down
12. Can a dale be a country? (6)
13. I, Bert, confounded group (5)
14. Remove horse and crossbar for modern version (3)
15. Eternal Scotland's welkin (3)
16. Garfunkel's masterpiece (3)
18. Removing part of gun irks owner (4)
21. Size of 22 across (It's not enough!) (11)
23. Happy young G-man (4)
26. 'El Condor Pasa' is sooting (3)
27. Short-fused explosive retreats crowd (3)
28. Tidal web backs off (3)
30. Behatted, fowl gelding (5)
31. It's a choice nip, too (6)
32. Farrow decodes a note (3)
33. Psycho wins a new personality (6)
34. Each call heard over (4)
36. Beloved last cob (6)
37. See 25 down

## Gridcomments

Since Cee Jay and I are not editors, we don't get an editorial column so I (note Cee Jay wimped out and has nothing to do with this) decided that this should become a place for concerned students like myself to express their views on critical subjects... Wait! Hold it! Before this ridiculous charade goes to far (imagine thinking that anybody out there is concerned about critical subjects other than what that green thing growing in the back of the fridge is) we should start talking about Gridword-type stuff... I managed to wrestle Cee Jay away from the keyboard so we can get back to the more serious matters at hand. Now, regarding that nasty Iran situation, how do you think we, as educated citizens of the world should respond... Good grief, first it's oxymorons like concerned students and critical subjects and now it's a guest lecture in PSCI 101!

Let's get on to the solutions. First for the conventional solutions. There were three entries but only one correct, which made my job of picking a winner very easy. The correct solution came from Carl, Mary and Mary Pat, and one of these multiple personalities can come to claim their prize (I'm not sure what it is, but if you're lucky it will be made of genuine bugatti leather). Both 'The Snark 2B' and LMH had one mistake (they had the same mistake so they must have been copying each other) so they don't win anything.

Six solutions for the cryptic were submitted this time (wow! Six! More than most people can count to on one hand!) with 5 correct and one with one mistake. The winner, chosen by the good old stick-the-names-in-a-box-and-pull-one-out-method, was... (drum roll please) ... TOMAS. This lucky person can pick up their fabulous prize in the MathSoc office whenever they get up the courage to go there. Other correct solutions were submitted by Jak & Lu, Smurf, Rob & WAD & the groom & Lynda, and the Snark 2B. The only non-correct (wrong is such an ugly word) solution was from Scare-bear from hell, Booger man Smiley and D-Day Dave.

As for your favourite summer activities, they were: Soaking up rays & suds between grids and assignments, weenie roasting, the gridword when it's published, same as in the wintertime but the bedroom has to be air-conditioned, not getting burned, Friday afternoon labs, doing the gridword, and homework???

And finally, your comments: they're coming to take me away ha-ha, nice one Cee Jay, gotta go clean those 'sconces' now, well done B.G. (who's B.G.?), let's celebrate, only two weeks between math-NEWS, you people are warped (or you've had more to drink than we have--which isn't very likely!), harder than Cee Jay's but conventional tend to be, Blair is a weenie (who's Blair?), and someone wants us to bring back Phindol, this was to weird (what do the rest of you think?). Til we meet again.

CEE JAY and the SLUG