LET THE SPRAWLING AND CRAWLING BEGIN

UVic’s ESS is soon to host a pubcrawl, expects much fun to be had.

I personally can’t think of anything more fun to do on a Friday night than hopping on a smelly old school bus and venturing around downtown Victoria enjoying some of the finest company there exists on campus. For those of you who feel that there are more fun things to do, you can come too, but be aware that you will be socially ostracized.

Miss Marnie, as she likes to be called, has lined up a legger and an array of pubs rivaling an array of irrational numbers, and we will crawl our bestest to all of them throughout the evening. All this adventure for a meagre twenty bones.

The hit list is as follows, in haiku, in no particular order:

At the Fox we drink
too many BEverages
We leave, memories
Next is Sapranos
Upstairs Cabaret ensues
Element, then more.

Looking for something more productive to do in class than Facebook? Take note of the funny quotes your profs rattle off in class and send them in to essa-com@engr.uvic.ca. Here are this week’s contributions:

“My great grandfather had to compute log nine to sixteen decimal places using only a pumpkin and a burnt stick. Ln nine required a scientific pumpkin” - Yunken, MATH 101

“Nobody likes fuzzy bits” - Jed Chapin, PHYS 125

“...That prof was a hard-a**...but he did get me drunk before convocation. You don’t know how hard those stairs are to walk down when you’re drunk” - Jason Corless, CSe 360
How to Score the Ladies
By Marnie Woodman

Wooing Scarlett Johansson requires more than mad Smash skills, but follow these tips and you’ll have to start fending off the ladies on the daily.

1. As soon as you are somewhat interested in a girl, make your moves as fast as you can think of them. Remember this rule of thumb: With more enthusiasm comes more progress.

2. If she says no, don’t give up. Consistent pursuit is not only flattering, but confirms your intentions with her.

3. On dates, speak about yourself unless unavoidable. She wants to know about you, what you like to do, who you like to do, and where you like to do it. Formulae and theorems always impress the ladies, especially if they include drawn out proofs scrawled on napkins.

4. The follow up calling and Facebook messaging is important, and is often under emphasized. The same rule of thumb as before applies. Know that quantity overwhelms quality in most every case.

5. Girls love to talk about family. Cram as much talk about kids, weddings and marital bliss as you can into the 15 minute date you’ll have. If she doesn’t like kids, talk about your DINK (Double Income No Kids) plan, and how it is such an economical decision.

6. The best place to break the ice is an isolated and personal place. Try getting her home address on Facebook, and use that to learn more about her; financial information and marital status can often be found in the recycling bin.

7. If she sits within arm’s reach, be sure to fondle her jewelry casually and caress her upper triceps. This is a casual way to initiate a tickle fight, and is a sure winner.

8. If you go to a bar to meet, get as loaded as possible. So badly that she needs to take care of you. She’ll probably end up staying at your place holding your hair well into the night, which is a mega score on your part.

Talking to Artsies
By Erik Johnson

My mission is to “evaluate the competence” of the Art department, as judged by myself, Erik Johnson, pertaining to subjects in Engineering and general life.

This week was less than successful, as I approached three nameless young ladies from a ‘mystery’ department. It’s fair to say they were less than helpful in my attempt to make them look foolish.

EJ: I’m looking to ask you a couple questions about engineering if you have a sec, and no worries, I’m not from Amnesty International.

Group: (silence)
(Note to self: no more jokes, these girls mean business)

EJ: Can you now explain to me the right hand rule.
(I get a glare like I’m making a feminist joke)

EJ: Okay we’ll move on, Do you know what a matrix is?

Girl 1: Well I saw the movie with that guy who had a coat. What was his name, like Leo or something.

EJ: I think it was Neo.

Girl 1: Yeah Neo, yeah that’s the Matrix right?

EJ: Yeah, you nailed it; What about imaginary numbers, I bet you didn’t know they existed?

Girl 2: Yeah, that’s like that i stuff right. I learned it in a math class.

EJ: Damn you girls are ruining my plan of making fun of you.

Girl 2: Yeah, engineers are cocky.

So this one didn’t go well. I have faith in the ability of the Arts Department not to disappoint, and with time, I’m sure I can delve into the vast confusion that is a Creative Writing Major.

Why I dislike .5mm mechanical pencils

Ever been scratching away at some godforsaken assignment past two in the morning when your mechanical pencil starts spewing tiny chunks of lead at you? What the f**k you’ll say; why can’t there be some decently sized pieces of lead in this beast? So you try to use the tiny pieces of lead, and they just keep getting pushed back up into the pencil, and you can’t write anything, and you’re super pissed because you haven’t watched Mean Girls in like two weeks. This whole debacle can be avoided by making the move to .7mm pencils. You’ll find they have a darker font, and are way less hood that their diminutive brothers. Plus, you’ll get cooler colors on the little tab thingy when you buy them in the big box of twelve, rather than just gray. Stop suffering, increase yours by .2mm. You’ll never be happier.
Who is Riko Bailly’s guest?

Recent classroom sightings have confirmed recent suspicion that Riko Bailly has been entertaining a blonde mystery girl with visits to Math101 and Csc115. Suspicion had arisen when Riko was found texting in secrecy after Mech141 in late October, but this had yet to be confirmed until now. FishEye caught up with Riko, but he insisted the friendship was platonic. FishEye then became suspicious, and so approached Riko’s friend Taj and inquired about the relationship. He commented that there was, in fact, very little platonic about the relationship, but rather that the two are expecting their first child in late April. No names were confirmed with Taj, but potential names are expected soon.

Carrie and Nevin finished?

You heard it here first - Nevin and Carrie’s relationship is over. Nevin has been spotted eating dinner with numerous gal-pals, and rumour has it that last week he has lived every male engineer’s fantasy – studying with two girls at the same time.

While the two appear cordial in public, our sources indicate that a separation agreement is in the works. Carrie, a.k.a. Heather Mills Jr., is reported to be in negotiations for Nevin’s TI-89.

Friends and family seem to be taking the news in stride, but for some the tension is difficult. Hoshua Ichimashi states, “It’s hard choosing between good friends like Carrie and Nevin, no one wants be in this situation. I choose Nevin.”

Credit Abuse?

Barry White!

Distance can take its toll on a young relationship. Craig Buicks was not to be found in Victoria over reading break. It would seem Chanel provided us with further evidence that there is a flame between these two by rampaging out of control on shopping trips and in nightclubs. There are unconfirmed reports of maxiing out not one, not two, but four credit cards. After consulting the gap store manager, we were informed that all goods purchased by Miss Chanel Lilms were later returned. She was even seen on the night scene partying with friends and eating late night pizza. No doubt she may have let down her guard for some reason but it would seem that she is much more composed when Craig Buicks is around. Since his return, neither of the pair have not been spotted, and it has been suggested that they have been spending some much desired alone time together, with scented candles and a Barry White mixtape.

Ninja Mind Games

There was a loud crack of thunder and the power went off. Inspector Gadget started to look for a candle when he heard a knock on his door. “Come quickly!” cried Phil Stop. “My Uncle Cecil has been shot!” Gadget grabbed a flashlight and ran to the nearby house of Cecil Breath. When Gadget shone the light on Cecil’s face he knew he was dead. Phil explained that he and his uncle were watching TV, when suddenly, the window smashed in and Cecil fell forward dead. “At that moment there was a crash of thunder and the power went out. That’s when I ran and got you.” Just then the power returned and the two reading lights came on. Gadget and Phil sat in total silence for a full two minutes, unable to believe the gruesome scene before them. Inspector Gadget finally turned to Phil and said, “Your story is an obvious lie” Why is Phil full of it?

What is the product of \((X-A)(X-B)(X-C)(X-D)\ldots(X-Z)\) ?

The solutions are hidden somewhere in this paper
Think you’re better than a Computer Scientist?

If you do, and think you can game harder than the hardest gamers on campus, then bring your A-game to the ECS to LAN like none other. You don’t need to bring anything, just a competitive attitude and nimble thumbs. So show up at **7:30pm Friday on March 14, 2008 in ECS 249** for gaming of magnitude twelve.
Poetry in full form

Ode to a FishWrap editor

When I heard that the ‘wrap was taking submissions
I thought I’d try to get,
my poems in its editions
But then I remembered
Who edits it
and i knew my submissions
would get also be hit
No one has been so obvious
someone working for free
as when Liam is editing
its depressing to see
Liam has a talent
i’m sure you’ve all seen
he takes good writing
and makes the spelling obseen
your grammer is poor
your punctuation needs work
...
Here’s a question
I just have to ask
Why’d they elect a first year
to do a third year’s task
But I’m faithful to the ‘wrap
Why, do you ask?
it’s good for one thing...
for whiping my a**

Caitie Rosen’s Poetry Section

Guelph’s ESS President rattles off more awesome poetry than any
other single person since Yeats. So much, in fact, that she gets
her own section.

The Connection

He caught my eye and paused
I felt the beginning of a smile but resisted
It was too soon
He began his approach
My hand started to itch in anticipation
I fought to keep still
He was close enough to touch
It was time and we were both ready
I allowed the smile
He raised his hand
My own began its ascent, mirroring his
They moved together
He held my gaze the slap reverberated
throughout the room
Our hands became one
He gave a satisfied smile
I felt the perfect sting work up my arm
The high five was our connection

Electronic Tabulating Machine

Convert negative to positive
Answer all my questions
Let x represent my uncertainty
Clear the screen of any doubt
Undo all my boundary conditions
Linearize my curves
Add hope to my equation
Trace the inverse of my tangent
Operations in black on grey
Reflect a life in numbers

Important Business

The UVic ESS is in need of a new Vice President External, and it could be you.
Extenuating circumstances have forced our beloved VP External to step down from her position in the interest of the proper
functioning of the ESS. This means that we must hire a new ESS Executive to fill the spot. If you want to become involved
in what is the most fun thing to do with your pants on, write up a paragraph about why you’re the best person for the job, and
bring it to the ESS Executive meeting on Monday the 3rd of March at 7pm to be considered for the position.

For more information about what the job description, check out engr.uvic.ca/~ess under Students’ Society, Executive
Interview with a First Year

For this week’s interview, I met with a pair of first years. Sam and Ashley are a pair of pillowfighting pie eaters with a love for hardwood flooring.

LB: What are your least favorite words? Like wallet, that’s a bad one.
AN: This is weird, but I hate the word ‘pants.’ I just don’t like it.
LB: What are your cell phone ringtones?
SH: I usually stick to vibrate
LB: Mac or PC?
SH: I like Mac because they’re prettier
AN: But PC is more reliable, more powerful
SH: But Mac is prettier.
LB: And that’s really all the matters right. And Linux?
   (blank looks)
LB: Moving on. So you’re roommates, how often do you have tickle fights? Maybe the occasional pillow fight?
SH: Sometimes. But pillow fights get violent, blood is almost drawn.
LB: I say single force member, you say?
   (both laugh)
LB: So both your minds are in the gutter then. What’s your ideal waffle?
AN: I’m not a big waffle fan, but it would be soaked in syrup for sure.
LB: Pluto or Ceries?
AN: Pluto is past its prime, but its tried and true. I’d say its a toss-up.
LB: How long can you hold your breath?
SH: I’d say about 10 seconds
AN: If she can do 10, I can do 50.
LB: Wow, competitive. Would a Jello wrestle between you two be really competitive too?
SH: It would. I think we’d have fun at the beginning, but it would get very angry.
LB: Hardwood or tile?
AN + SH: Hardwood (simultaneously)
LB: How much Facebook stalking is too much?
AN: You can never have too much.
LB: So you went to Catholic school. What do you think about the uniforms.
SH: I liked them, they’re easy.
LB: I’ve got to say that I like them too. Ok, finish off with some word association. Rhubarb?
SH + AN: Pie (simultaneously)
LB: Pumpkin
SN + AN: Pie
LB: Pie
SH: 3.14159
LB: I was hoping you’d bring pi in somewhere.

Gaming Opportunity for anyone and everyone

The Faculty of Engineering Design Office is hosting an exhibition of its, up until recently closed, Video Game Design Challenge on Friday starting at 13.30 in the ELW Lobby. There we will game the thirteen submissions on the giant screens come morn’. There will be loads of fragging, and Jason Corless might even show up.
What Got Done This Week

Contrary to popular belief, we actually sometimes do stuff here at the ESS. So in the spirit of proving this, the following is what went down this week:

- Karl shot a cow with a .22, Michelle skinned it
- Liam got 7th place on the Tetris machine in the office
- Early Monday morning, Andrew was detained and brought forth to a barber. After 70 solid minutes of chainsawing and weedwacking, and after the dust had settled, to everyone’s relief, Andrew was rocking a brand new haircut. In conjunction with this groundbreaking event, he snagged some new duds and cleaned up a little. He is now the most eligible bachelor in the ESS Exec, now that Erik and Sean finally announced their engagement.
- Investigation proved that the French burn their nuts on railroad tracks. Seriously, the braking systems use peanut oil, so they smell like peanuts.
- Marnie mugged another senior at the home, her twin grabbed his wallet and they made of with $11.43
- Colin was arrested on charges of Stock Fraud; he was later bailed out by Dr. Struchtrup
- We designed some ESS Bling

You’d think with a week of no classes we’d have done more, but that’s actually it. Almost a shame really.

FROSH 2008 needs FROs and an Artsie

The first years are anxiously awaiting their first excuse to swim in the cesspool that is Petch Fountain, and they need FROs to spur them on. This is your chance to influence the lives of the young and eager, and to show them that being an engineer isn’t just FBDs and Dr. Buckham.

The Frosh Organization Committee needs copious volunteers to help run Frosh 2008. We need FROs, a tee-shirt designer, and Liam needs new tennis shoes. For those interested in the opportunity to encourage those less aged than yourselves to do environmentally unfriendly things, there will be an informational meeting for just this purpose.

Said meeting will be in ECS 123 on Tuesday the 4th of March at 6pm

This meeting only happens once, like that thing that happened to you in prison, so make sure you come. It shan’t be long, just informative and entertaining.

For more information, join the Frosh 2008 Facebook group, or contact:
Liam - lbutters@hotmail.com
Brendan - bmorgan@uvic.ca

What did she say?

Contrary to very popular belief, the witty retort “that’s what she said” is not a byproduct of the many lampoons Hollywood tends to churn out, but rather from a classic tale of two men and their desire to party on. It’s first documented usage was in Wayne’s World, as Garth holds up a photo of Claudia Schiffer and asks Wayne “Are you done yet? I’m tired of holding this,” soliciting the appropriate and grotesquely popular catch phrase. In honor of such brilliance, the FishWrap would like to entertain you with the following quotes:

- As Simba eats his first grub, Pumba says that grubs are ‘slimy but satisfying.’
- Gaming some Foos, ‘That one was too dirty to go in.’
- Playing with glue in the ESS Office, ‘I’m not very good at making it come out’
- Talking about organizing the FishWrap, ‘If it doesn’t fit in the front, just put it in the back.’
- After playing an hour and a half of tetris, ‘My wrists are starting to hurt.’

Orgasmic, every single one of them. In addition to the plethora of writing you had intended to send me, feel free to share similar tidbits of glory with your friendly neighbourhood FishWrap Publisher at essa-com@engr.uvic.ca
Sudoku, fun to say, fun to do

So this week, it was totally barren around campus, but not so barren as to allow me to neglect pants for any satisfying amount of time. It has also been brought to my attention, aside from my pantslessness, that people do in fact sometimes read this? Who would have guessed that. So for now, make sure to keep kicking it old skool, and be sure to take that thing off facebook before everyone sees it.

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