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Surfing Your Way to Work

The arrival of the internet has brought about changes in the way we find and retrieve information. Indeed, it has changed the way we view and explore our world. For the job seeker, the internet provides the opportunity to access a wealth of information on careers, job search techniques, company profiles and resume data banks throughout the world. The challenge for the electronic surfer is to wade through this mass of information to find the resources that meet their needs. An organized approach will help you find the information you want on the broad lanes of the information highway.

Career and Occupational Information

Looking for information or resources to assist you in your career exploration? Check out CanWorkNet at <http://www.canworknet.ca> for a wide range of career, occupational and employment information. This site offers a very broad selection of information, training and qualifications, jobs and recruiting, financial help and community interests and services. In addition, this site offers a number of links to other informational internet locations. UNB/STU students and graduates should also check out the Counselling Services site at <http://www.unb.ca/web/counseling> information on career counselling and services available on campus.

Job Search and Employer Research

The internet provides a wealth of information for the job seeker. Several sites offer an extensive listing of jobs across Canada and around the world. In Canada, the National Job Bank (<http://www.nrc.gc.ca/nrc/job/index.html>) offers job listing by occupational area and location. The job bank offers a description of the position as well as application procedures. If international employment is on your mind, there are several sites you can visit including <http://www.career.com/>, a large web site that links international employment opportunities in the U.S. and around the world. As a student or graduate you should also check out the Student Placement Service web site at http://www.unb.ca/UNB/units/Student_Service/place.html for a listing of current job notices as well as information on programming and services that are available to UNB/STU students. You can also find other university home pages and linking to student/graduate employment listings. A complete list of university web sites in Canada can be found through CanWorkNet.

If you're conducting a job search, researching potential employers can be a lot easier thanks to the internet. Many large (and small!) companies have informative and useful web sites that allow you to complete most of your company research at the touch of a button. In addition, some companies allow for e-mail employment applications to be submitted via the web site. Watch for this to become a more common application procedure in the near future.

Resume Databases

Active job seekers can take advantage of several resume database web sites that allow graduates to place their resumes on-line for review by employers with job vacancies. These sites are quite user friendly and permit the graduate to tailor the application to all or selected Canadian locations. University and community college graduates can access the National Graduate register (<http://nrg.schoolnet.ca>) to register their profile or receive further information. Job seekers can also access the Electronic Labour Exchange (<http://ele.ingenia.com>) to enter their resume information for review by employers who require employees with a wide variety of skills and experiences. Both of these services are free of charge for users.

Notes on the Internet

If you do not have access through the university or a home provider, internet access is often available through the public library or local service agencies. The internet serves as a valuable tool in your career exploration or job search. Be sure to take advantage of all resources and approaches available in order to ensure a successful search. Also, be aware that the information on the internet is only as good as its source, so be a critical reader particularly when encountering job notices through anonymous or unmoderated web sites or news groups.

Despite these cautions, the internet remains a convenient, efficient way to find and retrieve information for your career and job search. Make it work for you! Happy surfing!!

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The Body Spirit column ran a story in issue # 19 titled "Coping With Anxiety". The story was credited to Mary-Louise Luck, it should have been credited to Dr. Richard Nicky. Sorry for any inconvenience that this may have caused.



Hypocrisy is the Real Danger

STEVE FAY THE BRUNSWICKIAN

The recent controversy raging in the United Kingdom over the prospective publication of Vladimir Nabokov's *Lolita* and my recent reading of the novel have prompted some thoughts on the nature of society's reactions to obscenity, pornography and other sexually related topics.

Lolita tells the sad story of a European scholar, Humbert Humbert, satiating his passion for nymphets (young girls between the ages of nine and thirteen). Twelve-year-old Lolita is his passion; America, his playground. He marries Lolita's mother to be close to his nymphet. After the death of his new found wife Humbert takes his new found nymphet on a coital tour of the country. After two years of consumption Lolita runs away with another man, who is eventually murdered by the jittered lover. The book is Humbert's defense delivered to the court trying him for murder.

The plot is obviously amoral, but not oppressively so. Nowhere in the book are one's sensibilities shattered by blatant sensuousness or jarring Anglo-Saxon expostulations (as they are in many of Henry Miller's works). Nabokov creates whimsical characters who, if they are not believable, are imaginable.

Work of Art

According to the precedent set by a United States court's decision on the publication of *Ulysses*, *Lolita*, as a work of art in which any scenes which are pornographic are an essential part of a complete plot, can in no sense be regarded as obscene. Any person who has the mental curiosity and ability to finish the book (which is more than some publishers did) is no more likely to be corrupted by it as by *The Arabian Nights* or the *Song of Solomon*. Yet some of the British publishers and public have raised hysterical shouts about "the pornographic filth" in *Lolita*, it is greatly to the credit of the American reading public that they have accepted *Lolita* for what it is - a

beautifully written work of art).

Now, the British are not normally particularly sensitive or corruptible, yet one publisher proudly announced that he tore up the manuscript (before or after finishing it?) and one of the prospective publishers, Nigel Nicholson, was reviled during his recent attempt to retrieve the nomination for the parliamentary constituency of Bournemouth, as a propagator of filth. What sort of society introduces such virulent intensity into the social norms? Surely it must be hypocritical to create such unattractive taboos. The environment seems to demand blind condemnation of supposedly obscene literature, just as it so nonchalantly condemns the homosexual.

"Flippant Foolishness"

The parallel is, I think, an acceptable one in light of a report of a meeting of the SAP Society carried on in *The Brunswickan* of March 10th. One was immediately impressed by the dismissal of homosexuals as "abnormal and harmful in society." Kinsey suggested, 60 per cent of North American males have indulged in homosexual relations, one might assume that a quarter of this number are permanently either homo- or at least bi-sexual. To say that 15 per cent (or even less if this figure is not acceptable) of North American males are abnormal and harmful to society is flippant foolishness. One might ask how much more perverted homosexual relationships are than some heterosexual

relationships. Surely perversion is a standard to be applied to all varieties of sexual practice, not only to those between males.

If a standard of harm and abnormality is to be applied, it must apply to a far wider range of relationships than merely the homosexual. The accusations of harm and abnormality are surely foolish as are the accusations of filth leveled at *Lolita*.

Our Mortality

The conclusions to be drawn from the *Lolita* controversy and the local observations on homosexuality are many. But most important, I think, are the values of our culture. Our society has replaced one morality with another. My complaint is not against moralities in general, but against ours in particular. The over emphasis placed on sexual habits and values, to the exclusion of other corrupt practices, verges on unnecessary interference with the individual. Society has the right to make laws to provide for the safety and welfare of its citizens. For this reason, punishment for statutory rape and homosexual offenses against minors is permissible. Legislation against the publication of *Lolita* or against homosexual relations between consenting males over the age of twenty-one is not.

Societies are going to be corrupted by hypocrisy as quickly as some people believe they have been by homosexuality and obscene literature. If a strong society demands restrictions on the individual of this type, then give me decadence!



Pisces (Feb 18 - Mar 19): The two most common elements in the universe are hydrogen and stupidity. This week you are apt to be a magnet for the latter. Concentrate on the basics, and you just might make it through this time-look both ways before crossing the street and breath in, breath out.

Aries (Mar 20 - April 19): They say that money can't buy happiness, but wouldn't it be great to have just one chance to disprove that theory? It sure would make misery easier to deal with. Unfortunately for you, this is not your week financially - the laws of nature apply and nothing in the known universe travels faster than a bad check.

Taurus (April 20 - May 19): Statistics dictate that one in four people are mentally ill. Check three friends - if they're okay,

Gemini (May 20 - June 20): In regards to all aspects of your life this week, remember the age old theory pillage before you burn. Before you break it off with old what's-his/her-name get that sweater and CD back!

Cancer (June 21 - July 21): Disaster is your word of the week. If you are given an open book exam you will forget your book, if you are given a take-home test you will forget where you live. Turn out the lights, unplug the phone and enjoy a week of making secret hide-away forts out of your blankets.

Leo (July 22 - Aug 22): As spring brings to mind major life changes and you ponder your reason for being, take a deep breath - it may simply be your sole purpose in life to serve as a warning for others. Be satisfied in the knowledge that others may achieve greatness by not following

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 21): Boredomville and Brokeville are your scenic visiting spots this week, so why not start a new hobby? Maybe collecting Kinder Egg Surprises is suited to you. After all, they are the two things a child likes most.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22): As you cause a ruckus down at the bars this week, keep in mind one important thing: clothes make the (wo)man. Naked people have little to no influence on society. So lets keep those shirts on - it is nippy out there.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21): Try as you might, chaos and disorder are destined to rule your life this week. Vital papers will demonstrate their vitality by moving from where you left them to where you can't find them. Dust bunnies are in their breeding cycle and your hangers will go missing. Now would be a good time to buy a pair of ruby slippers and start clicking your heels three times.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 20): The law of probability of dispersal applies to you: whatever hits the fan will not be evenly dispersed. In fact you'll get all the blame for everything. Take it for now, content in the fact that next week you can be the master of revenge.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19): Time to re-evaluate your diet: beef-jerky and moon pies are not two of the major food groups! You should also be concerned if Jack Daniels is on your list of most admired people.


Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 17): This is your week to be annoying. Tips for success: sing the Batman theme incessantly, sew anti-theft strips into friends' backpacks, hide dairy products in inaccessible places and lie about obvious things like time of day.

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- Nominations:** Nominations or applications to be received by the Dean of Students
- Awarding Agency:** A Committee formed by the Dean of Students to include representation from the Undergraduate Awards Office
- Timing:** Intended for presentation by the Dean of Students at the annual Student Union Awards Banquet

Nominations and applications must be in writing and describe in detail that person's "outstanding contributions to student life". While past accomplishments are significant, recent contributions will be of particular interest to the Selection Committee. To be eligible, the nominee must have been a student at UNB (i.e. paid the Student Activity Fee) this year. The written consent of the nominee must be obtained by the nominator and attached to the nomination. All Nominations and applications must be received at the Office of the Dean of Students, Room 8, Alumni Memorial Building by 12:00 noon on Friday, March 21, 1997.



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