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How do you annoy me? Let me count the ways ... This is a crusading newspaper of sorts (ask anybody who works here; it's in our constitution), and being appointed editor finally gives me a chance to tilt at one of my favorite windmills. To wit: henceforth, the *Gateway* will no longer differentiate between mens' and womens' athletic teams. All will be Golden Bears, or nothing at all.

This makes more than a modicum of sense if you think about it. In theory, or so we should hope, all athletics at this university were created equal. All should be of equal interest, based on merit alone, and not the idea that womens' athletics should be held separate through the maintenance of a separate identity.

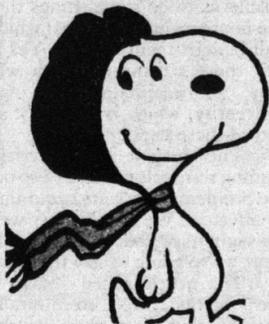
Besides, the names they come up with are so godawful! "Pandas"! "Dinnies"! "Huskiettes"! for Odin's sake! "Lady Pronghorns"! AAAAAAAGGGGGHHHHH!!!! It's all enough to make one perdu one's dinner, to lapse into our other tongue (messy, that).

The implication of these cutsie diminutives, y'see, is that womens' athletics is (are?) somehow less important or less vital than mens'. I don't happen to think so — and if there is anybody in a position of power over at the Phys. Ed. complex who does, then we got trouble right here in River City.

Now there are those who will say "Hey, Skeet, it doesn't matter, does it? Pandas isn't an offensive name — yer making something out of nothing!" All well and fine — and if Pandas is cool and inoffensive, then we'll call the *mens'* team Pandas. How does that grab you, guys?

Now I realize that confusion would result if we took to referring to every sporting event as "Golden Bears this" or "Golden Bears everything else." So some differentiation will have to be made. But I'd much rather write "Bears' men's basketball" or "Bears' womens' basketball" than "Pandas basketball." And, bonus of bonuses (boni?), some sports won't change at all (football, for example; field hockey, can be referred to as Bears field hockey without causing confusion, either, I presume).

The question has been raised: Just how demeaning is the word "Panda"? Well, pandas themselves are certainly no pushovers. But what is the popular conception of the panda? Something cute and roly-poly? Sorry, folks, but if women can be every bit as athletic as men, they should be given equal treatment, even in an area as seemingly-trivial as a team name. And they should be able to hold on to their own identity at the same time.



Ha!

Now that I've annihilated BAZ, I'm once again the dominant cartoon character on campus. The joke's on you.

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### Student Counselling Services & Faculty of Law

#### Pre-Law Orientation Seminar

designed for students who have questions or desire more information about pre-law and/or law.

Thursday, Sept. 17th, 1981  
4:00-5:30 P.M.

Tory Lecture Theatre (TLB-2)

Presenters:

Mrs. Anne Hopp, Student Advisor, Faculty of Law  
Dr. R. Kimmis, Student Counselling Services

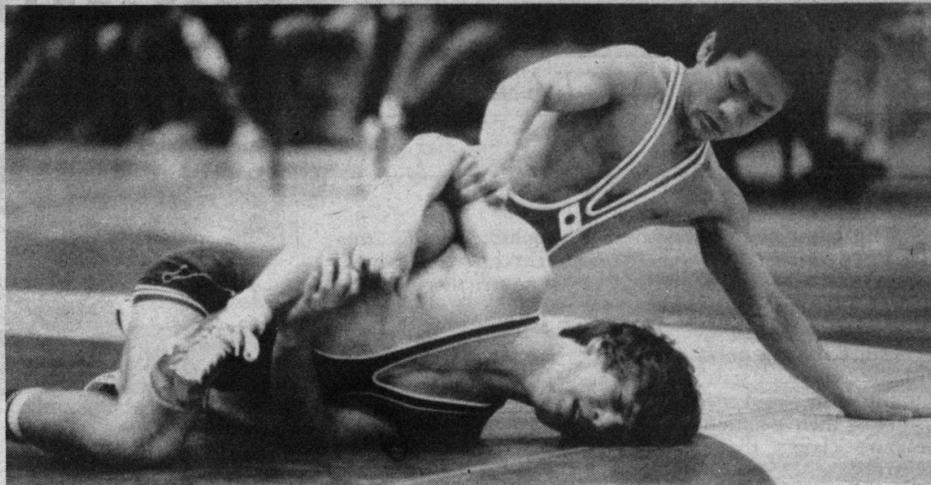


photo Tom Freeland

There is more of the same on John Barry's wrestling team.

## Raucous wrestling at U of A

*(Editor's note: the following is reprinted exactly as it was delivered to the sports desk. We couldn't have done better if we'd tried.)*

So you think yer tough? The University of Alberta Wrestling Team wants you. We will take your miserable under developed and physically corrupt little body and turn you into a hulking brute capable of defending yourself against small dogs, children and professors.

The first Golden Bear Wrestling Team meeting will take place on Monday, September 14,

1981 at 5:00 p.m. in W1-39 (West wing of the Physical Education Complex).

Absolutely no experience is necessary. The only thing required is a willingness to learn and attend daily practices (Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 4:00-5:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 5:00-6:30 p.m.).

The team is composed of 12 weight classes ranging from 112 pounds to heavyweight. The travel schedule is intensive with tournaments being held in Vancouver, Thunder Bay, Regina, Montana, Saskatoon and Calgary.

All equipment will be provided and practice gear laundered daily.

Pre-season training begins now. Wrestling practices commence in early October with the first tournament taking place November 15.

So if you think you are tough and enjoy a physically demanding contact sport and fascinating social atmosphere — come to the meeting and find out what the wrestling team is all about. In the meantime, drop by Coach Barry's office (W1-57B) with any questions you may have regarding the upcoming season.

## Get your intramural moving again

by Garnet DuGray

Tired of missing weights? Want to supervise weight-lifting instruction at the same time?

The men's intramural office is looking for avid weight-lifters who use the facilities regularly, to sign-up for "user-crews" who watch for weight thefts as well as to supervise instruction of weight-lifting for others at the same time. Dedicated people are needed for both the day and evening shifts. For further information please contact the men's office in the lower floor of the P.E. building or call 432-3614.

The ever-popular "Stamp around Alberta" jogging program will get started once again this month after a summer break.

The program which runs from September 23, 1981 to April 7, 1982, has no entry deadline but anyone can sign-up at any of the Campus Recreation offices on or

after Wednesday, September 23.

The showcase beside the men's/co-rec office will list the designated trails marked out in kilometres as well as the track or around the ice arena. Weekly totals should be handed in to the men's or women's locker equipment room and will then be displayed in the showcase the following week.

With the first week of school underway that means there are already some necessary deadlines for the intramural programs.

The flagfootball and outdoor soccer deadlines are in the men's department Thursday, September 10 at 1 p.m.

As well the Archery tournament for men and women and the men's Golf tournament are scheduled for a one p.m. deadline on Tuesday, September 15 and Tuesday, September 22 respectively.

September 15 is also the women's deadline for their golf

pitch n' putt to be held at Kinsmen Pitch n' Putt on Saturday, September 19 between 2-4 p.m.

Finally in the deadline department, the Co-Rec softball league begins Thursday, September 17 at Windsor Park school with the entry deadline set for one p.m. at the men's/co-rec office on Monday, September 14. Get those entries in now.

With all the team sport entries coming in this week there is a big demand for officials in flag football and soccer in the men's area and for softball in the women's and co-rec departments.

There is no experience necessary as a clinic will be held prior to the start of each league and each official will be paid \$6.00 for each game that he or she officiates. Sign-up now in the men's/co-rec or women's office between 12-1 p.m. and 4-5 p.m.

### Sport team practice times

SPORTS	PLACE	DATE	TIME
Women's Bears volleyball	W1-38 Phys. Ed. Bldg.	Thurs. Sept. 10	5:00 p.m.
Men's Bears soccer	Lister Hall Field	Thurs. Sept. 10	6:00 p.m.
Women's team gymnastics	E-05 Phys. Ed. Bldg.	Mon. Sept. 14	4:00 p.m.
Women's Bears' basketball	E1-20 Phys. Ed. Bldg.	Mon. Sept. 14	5:00 p.m.
Bears' wrestling	W1-39 Phys. Ed. Bldg.	Mon. Sept. 14	5:00 p.m.

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Sept. 8-18, 1981 from 10-4 p.m.

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