## sports

# **Dalhousie gets #1 NHL prospect**

#### by Jo Kitch

Surprising news came across the A.P. news wire late Wednesday night.

housie Tigers. This stunning development comes in the wake of speculation that Daigle would be the first player picked in this year's amateur Junior sensation Alexander Daigle draft. Alexander has decided that an of the Victoriaville Tigers has signed education is necessary before entera letter of intent to play for the Dal- ing the NHL and chose Dalhousie

for its low tuition, warm affection for upper Canadians and exceptional hockey program. Coach Young, when contacted about this news, had the following to say, "This is great news for Dal hockey. Book your flights to Toronto."



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## Alexander Caplin At the tender age of 25, this

Montreal artist has racked up some pretty impressive musical credentials. After studying jazz, focusing on voice and bass guitar, he lived and worked in Los Angeles, playing with the likes of Chuck Mangioni and Santana's Michael Calebero. After a brief stint in London, he moved home and started working on his solo debut, recently released on fre Records. The first single and video, "It's Just The Raid," will surely push him into the international spotlight.



Bachman Remember the Guess Who? B.T.O.? Of course you do. And you'll be glad to know legendary Canadian rocker Randy Bachman, guitarist of the two legendary bands, is still taking care of business with a new album, Any Road. With guest turns from Neil Young and Margo Timmins (Cowboy Junkies), the new album features some great new material, including the instant classic "Prairie Town." Produced by Chris Wardman, with the solid rhythmic backing of

drummer Billy Rea Chapman and bassist Richard Cochrane, Any Road is Bachman doing what he does best: "rock'n roll".

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## **The Last Sports Report**

#### by John Dancy

Congratulations to Adrian Ibbetson and Angie McLeod for being voted Dalhousie's Athletes of the Year. Angie is a two-sport student athlete who excelled in women's soccer and basketball and won the Class of '55 Award. Adrian was a member of the varsity soccer team that won the bronze medal at the CIAU championships. The Rookies of the Year were Shawn Plancke (basketball), and co-winners Katherin Dunn (swimming) and Paula Peters (track). The Coach of the Year award went to swim boss David Fry. Penny Laroque received the Dalhousie Award for significant contribution to Nova Scotia sport. The following were named Most Valuable Players:

Jennifer Clark Anne-Marie Farnell Katherin Dunn Paula Peters April Delorme Kate Gillespie Kevin Meisner

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John Spoltore, a forward with the Wilfred Laurier "Golden Hawks" hockey team, has won the United Parcel Service Rookie of the Year award and Ryan Campbell, a forward with the Manitoba "Bisons", has won the UPS Most Sportsman-like Player of the Year award ... Congratulations to the following dominant world athletes from Canada; Bruny Surin, Mike Smith, Mark Mackoy, Sylvie Fourchette, Kurt Browning, Lord Eisler, Isabella Brasseur, Elvis Stojko, Kerrin Lee Gartner, Kate Pace, Mario Lemieux, Mark Tewksbury, Larry Walker, Dawn Coe-Jones, Lennox Lewis Vic Peters, Miriam Bedard, Silken Lauman, Men's Rowing Eights, and all the other Canadian athletes that excelled in the past year ... Last week Kevin Meisner wrote an informative, hands-on account of what really went down this year for the hockey team. That was great and I hope if he is at Dal in the fall he considers contributing to the paper regularly. That perspective is only available to a member of a team and makes the Gazette a more interesting paper to read. As for my article bashing the coach, it was simply one voice from one seat in the crowd. After the disappointment of losing to Acadia I wrote an irrational commentary based on thoughts I had, comments I heard, and discussions I had from that seat in the crowd. Many people thought da Tigers could go all the way and my opinion, however acute, is one side of the story. Feedback tells me that with last week's factual account in place, both extremes have been heard... As for Ben Johnson, I was confused as to how people could interpret me as a racist. Because of space we could not include an article on Ben in the spring Sports Wrap-up issue March 11. It matters not that Ben is a man, is black, or is from Jamaica. My point was that he lied to the Canadian people repeatedly in the days leading up to Seoul discounting steroid rumours and then denied using them for months into the Dubin inquiry. That was disgraceful for all Canadians who supported Ben and now he should take his ill-gotten rewards and go back where he came from. Scarborough, Jamaica, wherever, just don't continue to waste Canadians' time, money or trust for your personal gain ... It has nothing to do with Canada putting our problems off on other countries or racism ... The Gazette sports section needs an editor and writers. After inquiring about contributing to the sports section in mid-January I was given the entire section and made sports editor. As there had not been an editor or section all year there was a desperate need for articles. I would like to thank the boys from Windsor Street (where 60% of your sports section came from this term) and the others who wrote this term. You all picked up the ball without notice and upon review it looks like we created a decent section. I had hoped to have 10-15 writers each week contributing copy so we could pick and choose. As with the rest of the paper, we were copystarved. Next year some students should step forward and fill this space. Our pinnacle issue, March 11, had six pages and the cover. This school should have that every week. It's too easy to sit back and fire off a short letter criticising the paper (or articles therein) and saying how wrong the author is. Why don't you contribute to this forum with an article, story or report, and tell how you see it. It was so much fun to lay out this section and read what everybody wrote. I hope the sports section next year gains a consistent identity and you the students control this paper, it's yours. We are here at Dal for such a short time and there's so much you can contribute. Look for the Leafs to win the Cup, the Bulls, Jays, and Cowboys to repeat and Alydeed to win the Triple Crown in the year to come. Enjoy the games sports fans and conitinue to support your provincial brewery products! Adieu.