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Tigers dream of victory

by Joe O'Connor

It has been my journalistic duty during these past few months to "talk the talk" for the Dalhousie Men's Basketball Tigers. Today, I continue to talk, and this weekend at the Metro Centre our storied hoopsters will continue to "walk the walk" all the way to an AUAA championship.

Trust me on this, I am not just blowing smoke. It all came to me last Saturday night.

As I sat amid the tattered furniture and scattered debris that is my living room, a mug of questionable Scotch in one hand, the converter clutched firmly in the other, I was struck by a bolt from the heavens. I

shook my head and promptly drained my beverage, yet could not elude an overwhelming sense of celestial clairvoyance that pulsed through my veins. I turned my attention to the television set and was stunned by what I saw.

A tidal wave of Tiger faithful, decked out in full black and gold regalia, hoarse from cheering. It was Sunday March 13, it was the AUAA championship game, it was Dalhousie versus Saint Mary's. The scoreboard hovered into view: Dal 81-SMU 83. Time left: 19 seconds, Tiger ball.

Jeff Mayo pushes the ball up the floor and deftly snaps a bounce pass to Shawn Plancke who stands as our

Gibraltar in the paint. Plancke freezes the defense with a textbook pump fake, then, to everyone's surprise, snaps a behind-the-back outlet pass to Shawn Mantley. The fifth-year senior heaves one up from three-point land, the buzzer sounds, nothing but net. Final score Dal 84-SMU 83.

Well folks, there you have it, a long-awaited AUAA championship banner. The problem is I only saw the last 19 seconds of the game. Thus it is up to all of us to come out this weekend (starting Friday at 9 pm) to watch and see just how the Tigers get there.

As an important afterthought, Shawn Mantley closed out his regular season university career last Saturday versus Acadia. He was fittingly brilliant, scored 26 points, and led the Tigers to a 74-65 victory. I guess Shawn and the rest of the fellas were just getting a feel for the floor where they will be crowned the Atlantic champs.

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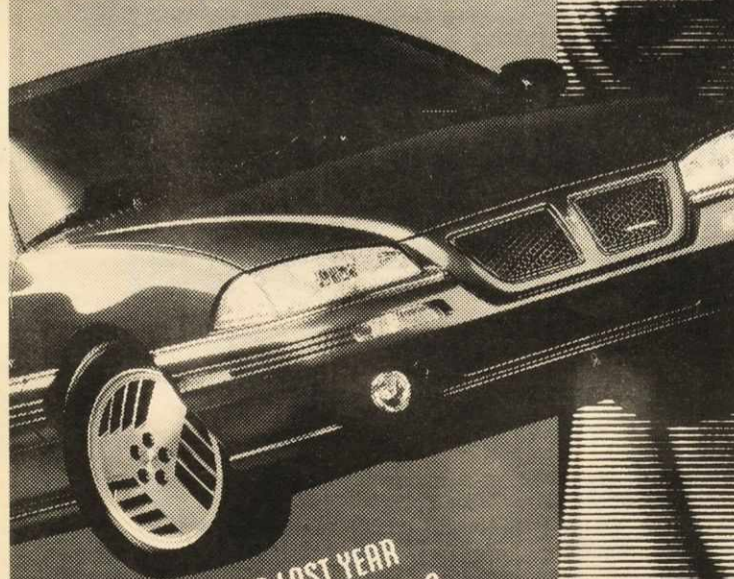


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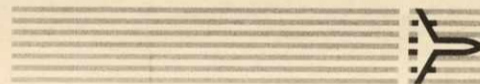
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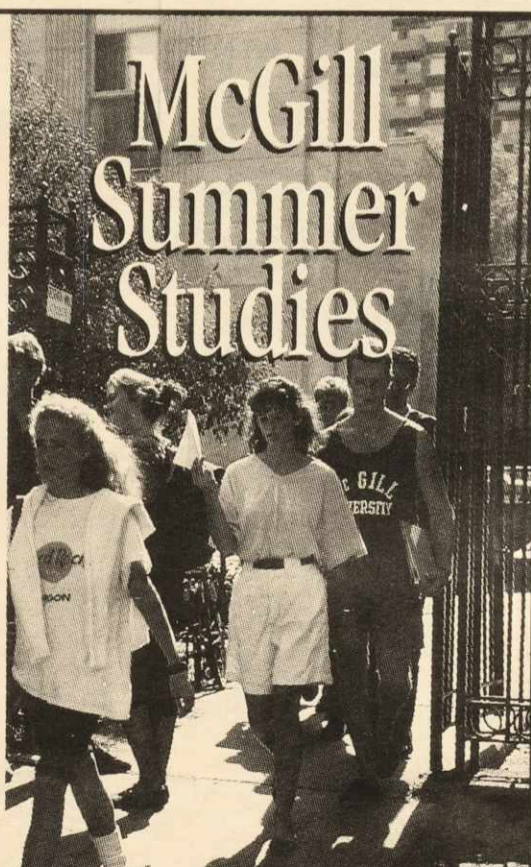
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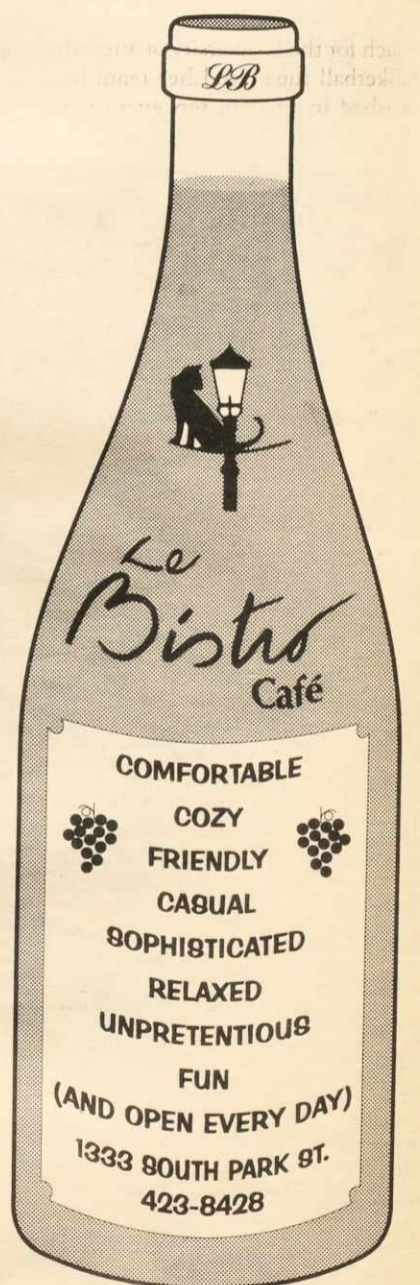
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