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COUNCIL COMEBACK

by DANIEL JOHNSON
TREASURER

Upon reading the front page of our school newspaper, I was confronted with a rather disappointing criticism. I found the article, "Council or Clowncil" overly critical and by an obviously ignorant pair of students.

In their first argument, they stated that as concerned seniors, they must raise a few questions. I personally thought that that was great, but why did they not come to council and make us aware of their concerns? Another thing that I noticed was that in their comparison of us to previous councils they left out the 88-89 council of Alex Rappos, Rod Boudreau, etc. Were they not as worthy of recognition as the others?

One of the most disappointing things about the article was the fact that we were made out to be not dedicated and unmotivated. Not only have we had a sold out dance, many candygrams, and a incredibly successful Cabaret Night, we have also overseen the installation of a set of bleachers on the upper field. Greg Doria has spent many hours working with Specialty Sports

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IN MEMORIAM

Dedicated to those
Canadians who made the
supreme sacrifice in war for
their King, their Country,
and for Freedom

THE PRIDE, THE GLORY!

by KEVIN DOYLE

Toronto's and Canada's 'Rocket' has been launched at last! The Jays couldn't quite go all the way and the Leafs are bumbling along as usual, but on Sunday, November 24, the Argonauts redeemed our fair city by defeating the Calgary Stampeders and capturing the Grey Cup, boosting Canadian pride at the same time.

The money players performed at the right time and the grinders never gave up as the Argos beat the Stamps in every aspect of the game. Quarterback Matt Dunigan and running back 'Pinball' Clemens both played despite injuries and in so doing, inspired their teammates. Chris Gaines made three heroic tackles

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GENERAL AT BREBEUF?

by MICHAEL DA COSTA

When the Jesuits founded Brebeuf College School in 1963, the school had two main goals; to become a school of academic excellence and a bastion of Roman Catholicism. In a few short years, after a lot of hard work by staff and students alike, the dream was realised and Brebeuf took its place among the top schools in Ontario. Now, in 1991, the Metropolitan Separate School Board is proposing a change to the Brebeuf tradition by contemplating offering a few General level courses at this school. The aim is to make Brebeuf a 'community' school where anyone living in the district can attend, including students at the General level. This could change the way Brebeuf is perceived as a school and have major repercussions.

I will not discuss the pros and cons of General level courses since my intention is not to offend anyone, and since I am not an expert in educational matters. I will however refute the idea that since Brebeuf

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OPINION

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accepted public funding as a private school the logical conclusion is that we accept all and every student, regardless of their academic standing, and we alter our university preparatory image. Brebeuf accepted government funding to solve the financial problems that all private schools face, not with the intention of watering down its curriculum

Why can Brebeuf not remain an academic school only? In the public school system, many schools are set aside as 'academies' for serious university bound students. In the MSSB there are schools that accept students on the basis of special qualifications, for example St. Michael's Choir School, and the Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts. These are not 'community' schools. Even if I lived right beside them, if I can't sing, draw, or play an instrument, I cannot attend. If my sister was determined to be at a

Basic level she could not attend St. Joseph's Morrow Park, or Loretto Abbey. Certainly since the day Brebeuf opened its doors it has been an academic school. We do not have the facilities to be a 'sports' school, or an 'art' school. Currently, we have one of the smallest selections of courses showing our university oriented programme. Why can we not retain the right to keep it that way?

The MSSB trustees are elected officials, and thus are responsible to the people they represent. We must get involved to let them know our views, whatever they may be. A petition is circulating through English classes to keep the school all advanced. Brebeuf is a school with a difference, the last of a dying breed of academic schools in the old tradition. Together, staff and students, parents and alumni can band together to ensure that Brebeuf stays true to its roots and maintains its image as an academic mammoth in Toronto.

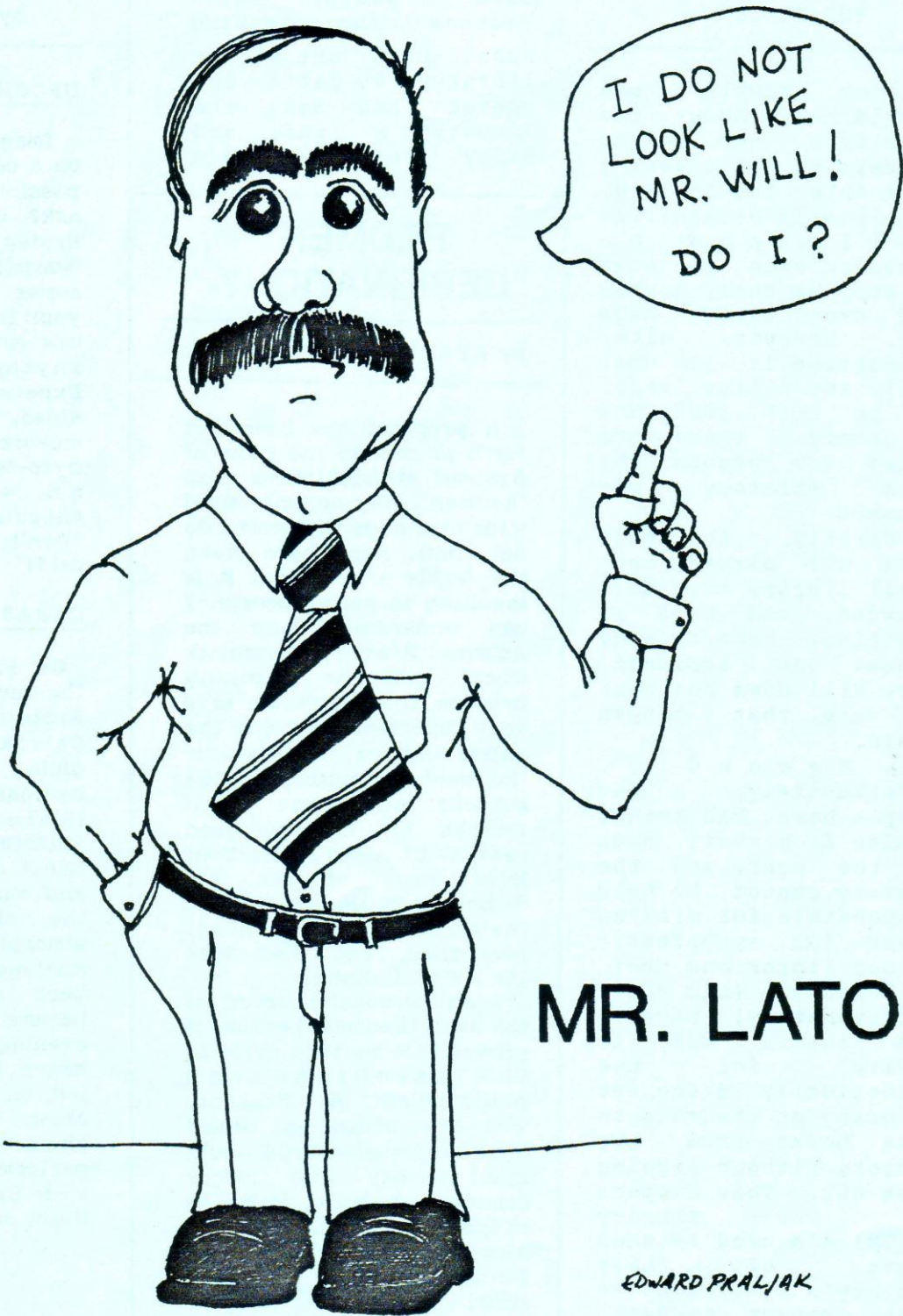
COUNCIL (cont. from pg.1)

Supplies in preparing our jacket orders. Jon Page and myself spent just over a month of our summer break looking for a formal location, and Chris Kuo has organized a sell out dance. Mike Miles, despite an overbooked gym held a successful three on three basketball tournament. To say that we are not dedicated is not only dead wrong, but it is an insult. But however I feel, everyone is entitled to his opinion.



This is the official logo for any youth functions related to the Archdiocese of Toronto's 150th Anniversary, designed by Brebeuf students, Jan Kosiba and Chris Wilcox.

THE 'B' BOY



EDWARD PRALJAK

211 STEELES

NO BAGS, PLEASE!

THE EDITOR

Many people have complained about the library's new policy concerning not allowing bags into the library. Many people consider it silly and an inconvenience to have to stop by their locker and drop their bags off. However, after discussing it with Mrs. Will, the policy seems to be both good and necessary. There are three main reasons why this strategy was adopted.

Firstly, the bags make our already-too-small library even more crowded, and bags on the floor have already caused one accident. Mrs. Will does not want to see that happen again.

Secondly, unfortunately, a few people have had things stolen from their bags in the past, and the library cannot be held responsible for missing items (as sympathetic as our librarians are).

Thirdly, (and again unfortunately) bags in the library make it easier for the pathetically dishonest minority of students to take books from the library without signing them out. This happens at any library (St. Mike's used to send lists of their library's missing books with report cards!). Our school hardly has

the budget to replace all missing items.

So I think that you will see that there are some pretty good reasons for keeping school bags out of the library. So let's co-operate and make the library a safe and happy place to study.

REDMEN RESIGNATION?

by ATANU ROY

A proposal has been put forth to change the name of Brebeuf athletic teams from 'Redmen'. Why anyone would want to change the name I do not know. Many have given the feeble excuse that it is insulting to native people. I can understand how the Atlanta Braves 'Tomahawk Chop' can be insulting because the tomahawk is a very important symbol in the native culture, but how is 'Redmen' insulting? Our school's teams were named Redmen for a very good reason. St. Jean de Brebeuf lived most of his life dedicated to the teaching of the native Indians. He lived, prospered, and died with the Huron Indians.

I am personally proud of the name 'Redmen' because it proves that we take pride in the teachings and philosophies of Brebeuf, who our school is named after. In conclusion, I would like to say that before someone brings forth a proposal like this, they should examine the fundamentals and traditions first. The name 'Brebeuf Redmen' must stand!

COUNCIL CORNER

by CHRIS KUO

UPCOMING DANCE

Imagine...hot summer heat on a cold winter night. Is it possible in Toronto, you ask? Of course it is! On Friday, December 13, the 'warmth of summer' dance comes to Brebeuf to thaw your frozen toes so that you can move your feet to the rhythm of the beat. Experience this all request video, light, special FX and ice-breaker, the popular pyro-technics show. Keep an ear open for announcements. Remember, "Don't get left out in the cold!"

CABARET NIGHT

On Friday, November 22, the night club came to the Brebeuf College cafeteria. Cafe tables were replaced by dining tables, school lights by chandeliers, and the cafe ladies by waiters. Performances put on by talented people from Brebeuf and our sister schools made the show and gave it atmosphere. The karaoke machine, popular throughout bars in North America, became the highlight of the evening. Thanks to all of the brave karaoke singers who put on a very entertaining show. An very special thanks to all those performers and helpers who made Brebeuf's first Cabaret Night such a success.



THE RIGHT TO WRITE

by BRAD BELANGER

A great tragedy has befallen the graduates of 1992. Mr Paonessa, the yearbook moderator, has informed us of the heavy restrictions involving the "Famous Last Words" section for the graduates in the upcoming edition of the Echon. I, and all of the Grade 13's, feel that we should be free to write ANYTHING (barring vulgarity) we want. Are we not paying for this book? This is CRIMINAL! He expects us to write complete sentences and included no initials at all! Most of us have many friends and many memories that we deem of equal importance and if initials and short forms, and choppy sentences are the only way we can fit them into 350 characters, so be it! Besides, it's 205 to 1 - whatever happened to democracy?

I feel that it is unfair to cut some of our memories of Brebeuf out just because we have to write in full sentences, and just because the yearbook moderator is concerned how other people will view our writing ability. Who cares? We are the ones graduating. We've sweated it out for the past five years and created our own special memories. It's only fair that we should be able to write them down anyway that we want!

UNIVERSITY: HOME OR AWAY?

by DUANE CRICHTON

Most of the senior students are looking to the different advantages and disadvantages of going away or staying at home for university. Hopefully, the following will shed some light on the issue and help you to make this fateful decision.

HOME

Staying at home is a lot less expensive than going away since out of town universities can cost upwards of \$10 000 (tuition + residence + expenses). Staying home will also provide easy living if you decide to stay with your parents (ie. laundry). If not, renting an apartment in Toronto is expensive, but not as much as many people think, and cheaper than dorm fees. You will also be able to keep ties with your friends stationed in T.O., and homesickness won't affect your studies. As well, you will have a quiet place to study at home, whereas residences are often notorious for 24 hour partying. By staying, you will be a master of your environment as people coming to Toronto might be overwhelmed by the big city.

AWAY

The major advantage of going away for university is freedom. Independence and a large new kingdom to conquer are some of the most exciting situations you will face in your life. You will meet new people because you are forced into the environment and chance to be shy. The change will prepare you for the future by giving you the ability to adjust and face new situations. But the best is yet to come; miles and miles of girls that know nothing of your past...hmm.. mistakes.

JAMAICA JOE SUCCESS

by PETER DENICOLAIS

This year's 'Jamaica Joe' campaign had to be the most successful ever. We were counting on you and you really cam through! Seventeen boxes of school supplies were collected and shipped down to St. Peter Claver's School. It was great to see so much enthusiasm for the cause and to see school spirit so high.

Special thanks must go out to our talented musicians who performed in the cafe for their time and effort. Thanks also to Mr. Daoust and Miss Barry and to their homerooms for their generous donations. And of course thanks to everyone who contributed and got involved for pulling together and making 'Jamaica Joe' 91 such a huge success. That's all from the J.J. committee. See ya later, mon!

HUMOUR

BERNARD BROS. QUOTES



par ALEX KLUGE
et L'EDITEUR

Yes, the Top 5 Bernard quotes are back! We have a whole new collection of them straight from the Bernard brothers 'bouches'.

MR. JG. BERNARD

1. "Just because you have glasses, that doesn't mean you're the prime minister!"
2. "Just because I drive a Monte Carlo, you think I'm fast!"
3. "I will make ground beef from my cat, I will save money that way!"
4. "Don't put your pencil in your mouth, you will get constipated!"
5. "When I give homework, it's not for the birds!"

MR. E. BERNARD

1. "Don't milk me for marks!"
2. "I will fry you, sir!"
3. "I will make some juice today...I will squeeze you like a lemon!"
4. "If you don't want to do the work, then drop the course. I will not put water in the matter!"
5. "If your feet smell, don't tell the vice principal!"

WHY IS GRASS GREEN?

by AMADEUS

One of the many questions which has eluded man over the centuries, among the questions of existence and being, is why is grass green?

Extensive research was done in this subject only to find that we cannot eat grass, it is illegal to smoke, and chlorophyll helps to freshen your breath. However, the real reason that grass is green is an obvious and simple one.

First of all, the sun is yellow, and the sky is blue. We know that yellow and blue are primary colours that, when mixed turn green, and as a result; grass. Why then is grass still green when it is cloudy outside you may ask? Well, grass has other properties yet undiscovered by scientists, one being its ability to remain the same for a long period of time, each blade the same as the other. Even when the cold wind blows, the grass blows in unison as a complete community, regardless of length or width.

It has also been proven that if a blade of grass was taken and planted somewhere else, it would continue to grow just as it did at the previous location, and the other blades of grass also continue to grow in unison. Maybe if we all turned green, we could all be like the grass.

BOB SPEAKS OUT!!

by BOB

RE: "Council or Clowncil?"

I would like to address this letter to the concerned students of this fine institution. When I read the article written by Mr. Cheung and Mr. Chang-Yen in last month's issue of The 'B', I knew that I could not remain silent any longer. I have noticed the corruption and pure evil that exists on our so-called democratically elected student council. Members of the council have failed to hide their capitalist, bourgeois tendencies. Their dictatorship oppresses all students of this school who wish to be happy and free. My fellow students, HELP END THIS OPPRESSION! You CAN make a difference. Rise up and overthrow these scurvy ridden oppressors!

Install me, BOB, as your new leader. I will break the chains that hold you down. Due to the near-sightedness of the school administration, my name was not put on the ballot in last year's student elections. Do not let the school administration intimidate you again! We shall prevail!

Power to the people!
We shall overcome!
Felice Navidad!
Doritos for everyone!



POETRY

The Grade 10 history classes of Mrs. Defilippis have attempted to rewrite the words to our national anthem. Below are some examples, both serious and fun, of their results. The real English words to O Canada! as written by Robert Stanley Weir start them off.

O Canada! Our home and native land.
True patriot love, in all thy sons
command!
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The true north strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada!
We stand on guard for thee!
God keep our land glorious and free.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee!

O Canada! land of diversity,
Throughout the years, we fought to be
so free!
And now we stand so great and tall,
The envy of the world!
The multicultural families,
Have helped bring down the walls!
God keep our rights, sheltered and
true.
O Canada opens its doors to you!
O Canada opens its doors to you!

by PAUL ROUSSET

O land of scope, from sea to shining
sea!
Glorious and hale, diversified and
free!
A nation of diversity,
A piece of all the Earth.
O Canada, our home and shield,
A place of new rebirth!
Raised high in pride, a flag for all to
see!
O Canada our hope and our shield!
O Canada our hope and our shield!

by JOEL PEREIRA

Yo Canada, land of great tax demand!
Through customs we go, with shopping
bags in hand!
With empty wallets we see the Factory
Outlet,
The Yankees close and cheap!
From here and there, Yo Canada,
Let's hang Brian from a tree!
God keep our land, free from GST!
Yo Canada we shed our tears for thee!

Yo Canada we stand in sorrow for
thee!

by NO NAME

O Canada! Our taxed and tired land.
True Senate loons, at Brian Mulroney's
command!
With aching hearts, we see thee fall,
Yet deeper and deeper in debt.
Whose fault is this, O Canada?
That nut, Mulroney, I bet!
God make our land,
Clean and tax free!
O Canada, we pray to God for thee!
O Canada, we pray to God for thee!

by JOEL PEREIRA

O Canada! I'm glad that I am free!
But I wish if I was a dog, if Mulroney
was a tree!
With GST and PST,
How can we say we're free?
Taxes we have to pay, no shopping on
Sunday.
Thanks to Bob Rae.
God help us now and set us free!
O Canada! We've got to get rid of
Mulroney (x2)

by A.P. GERGELY

O Canada, our home but deprived
land!
GST is rising, and Mulroney we can't
stand!
As American benefits, free trade has
gone sour,
At a time like this, our most desperate
hour!
Businesses will flock to the U.S. of A,
As inflation rises they just will not
stay.
Our economy's state has really been
fierce,
No one's got money, and jobs are now
scarce.
Everything's too expensive and I think
I'll just leave,
The government is falling, and
Mulroney's my pet peeve!
So until something changes in this God
forsaken land,
You'll find me in the Caribbean with my
sea, my sun, and my sand!

by SEAN ST. BERNARD

REDMEN SPORTS

FROM THE PHYS. ED. DEPT.

by MR. P. SOLARSKI

Over the past several months, many Brebeuf student athletes have donated their time, talent, and effort to assist elementary school athletics. When the call came in for soccer referees, our students were quick to respond. Over a period of three days, Brebeuf students ensured the success of the Grade Eight soccer championships.

The beginning of November saw yet another need for officials, this time for volleyball. The three day tournament at St. Timothy's brought out the best in Brebeuf referees.

The time donated by these boys not only allowed for these tournaments to continue, but it also gave the students an opportunity to interact with our feeder schools. Not only were these students promoting Brebeuf, but also Brebeuf athletics.

Many thanks to:

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GRADE 13 FLOORHOCKEY

by JASON BAYCROFT

The following are the results of the Grade 13 Floorhockey League for the first four weeks of action.

W-L-T Pts.

1 SHARKS	4-0-0	8
2 LEAFS	2-1-1	5
3 FLYERS	2-2-0	4
3 BLACKHAWKS	2-2-0	4
4 CANADIENS	1-3-0	2
5 RANGERS	0-3-1	1

SCORING LEADERS:

Anicio Difonzo, Pat Palermo,
and Mr. Turlo

VOLLEYBALL

Jason Baycroft
William Stynes
Steven Quatrone
Matthew Stockman
Julius Hegeous
Justin Fung
Ed Nadalini
Andrew Sulatycki

Congratulations on a job well
done!

BASKETBALL REDMEN

by IMAMU TOMLINSON

Another basketball season has rolled around. No, no, not NBA or NCAA, and not even YMCA Let's talk about Brebeuf basketball. The most competitive TDCAA title to win is the basketball championship and unlike rugby, Brebeuf basketball teams have one title between all of them in the last six years. But this is not to say that the teams were not good. It's more like hard luck.

This year, all three teams have a shot (maybe an outside one) of winning a TDCAA title. The senior team, comprised of mainly quick guards and guards/forwards will be hard to defend against but easy to rebound against. The juniors on the other hand have a vast majority of rebounders and should prevail during the regular season. But playoffs often do strange things to a team (both good and bad). The bantams, who usually no one knows about, and no one really cares, will probably do well because of the coaching, but it's hard to judge the little tykes when you don't even know them.

All in all, it should be a very exciting basketball season for all three season. Be part of the action and support your basketball Redmen!



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HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

by MR. MINT
& THE WIZARD

Here are the Top 5 Unsaturated (ask Mr. Krevs) Hockey cards.

1. Pavel Bure
2. Trevor Linden
3. Jaromir Jagr
4. Jeremy Roenick
5. Owen Nolan

Top 5 Saturated Cards

1. Sergei Fedorov
2. Ed Belfour
3. Gary Leeman
4. Bernie Nicholls
5. Sergei Makarov

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(including a sack) in his last CFL game, and my personal favourite, Darryl K. Smith, was his usual explosive self. However, it was the 'Rocket' Ismail who was the difference, making several returns for huge gains, capped by a game breaking, Grey Cup record 87 yard punt return for a touchdown that demoralized the Stamps and for all intensive purposes, won the game.

This year's Cup was classic Canadian sport. The East/West rivalry was stronger than ever, the -17 C temperature in Winnipeg made the players seem even tougher, and the fans were wild. The game itself was action-packed, high-scoring, and wasn't decided until the fourth quarter when the aforementioned speed machine put the good guys ahead to stay. With such a great display of

Here are the Top 5 reasons why Eric Lindros will not play in Quebec:

1. His mommy won't let him
2. He's scared he'll break a nail
3. Can't count to 50 million
4. He can't leave his mommy
5. Quebec sucks!

But seriously folks, did Eric Lindros actually graduate from a high school? By not signing with Quebec, he's sitting around doing nothing while some real stars like Pavel Bure are racking up the points in the NHL. If he had signed with Quebec for a minimum of one year, he could have made a tonne of money and at the end of the season he would have become a free agent and signed up with the team of his choice. Way to go Eric!

Canadian football, and with national treasures, Wayne Gretzky and John Candy, in attendance, how could anyone not be filled with a sense of pride. The CFL may not be as glamorous as its American counterpart, but when it comes right down to it; the NFL is pure entertainment and the CFL is pure sport. Besides, our brand of football is one thing all of us can identify with as being truly Canadian, and doesn't that make it worth supporting? Never mind the fact that three downs make the CFL much more quick-paced, more exciting, and high-scoring!

So let's all stop wishing we were somebody else and be proud of who we are. Three cheers for the Rocket, congratulations to the Argos, but most of all, long live the CFL!!

THANKS TO THE THREE AMIGOS!

by MARK KILLORAN

Mr. McNall, thanks.
Mr. Candy, thanks.
Mr. Gretzky, thanks.

Thanks, guys, for saving the CFL for one more year and giving us entertaining football. Right from the word 'go', you guys went. You brought back the 'Pride and the Glory.' The Sundancers. The Blues Brothers. Dan's Skybox. No blackouts. You made Skydome the launching pad for the Rocket. The Grey Cup.

After going to five Argo games this year, and that nail-bighter against the Winterpeg Blue Bommers, I have come to the this conclusion: leave the NFL where it is. I don't want it, and according to a Toronto Star poll, 54% of the city agrees with me.

Argo games are fun, entertaining, and exciting. At Argo games, you can actually hear the fans. You can't look around and admire the Dome or else you will miss something, and with a 11 and 0 home record it is very unlikely that you will see them lose the last three home games in a row. Can you say that about the Jays?

Thanks Bruce, John, and Wayne for getting the 92 and 93 Grey Cups so the home town fans can see the Boatmen hold Lord Earl Grey's trophy in person.