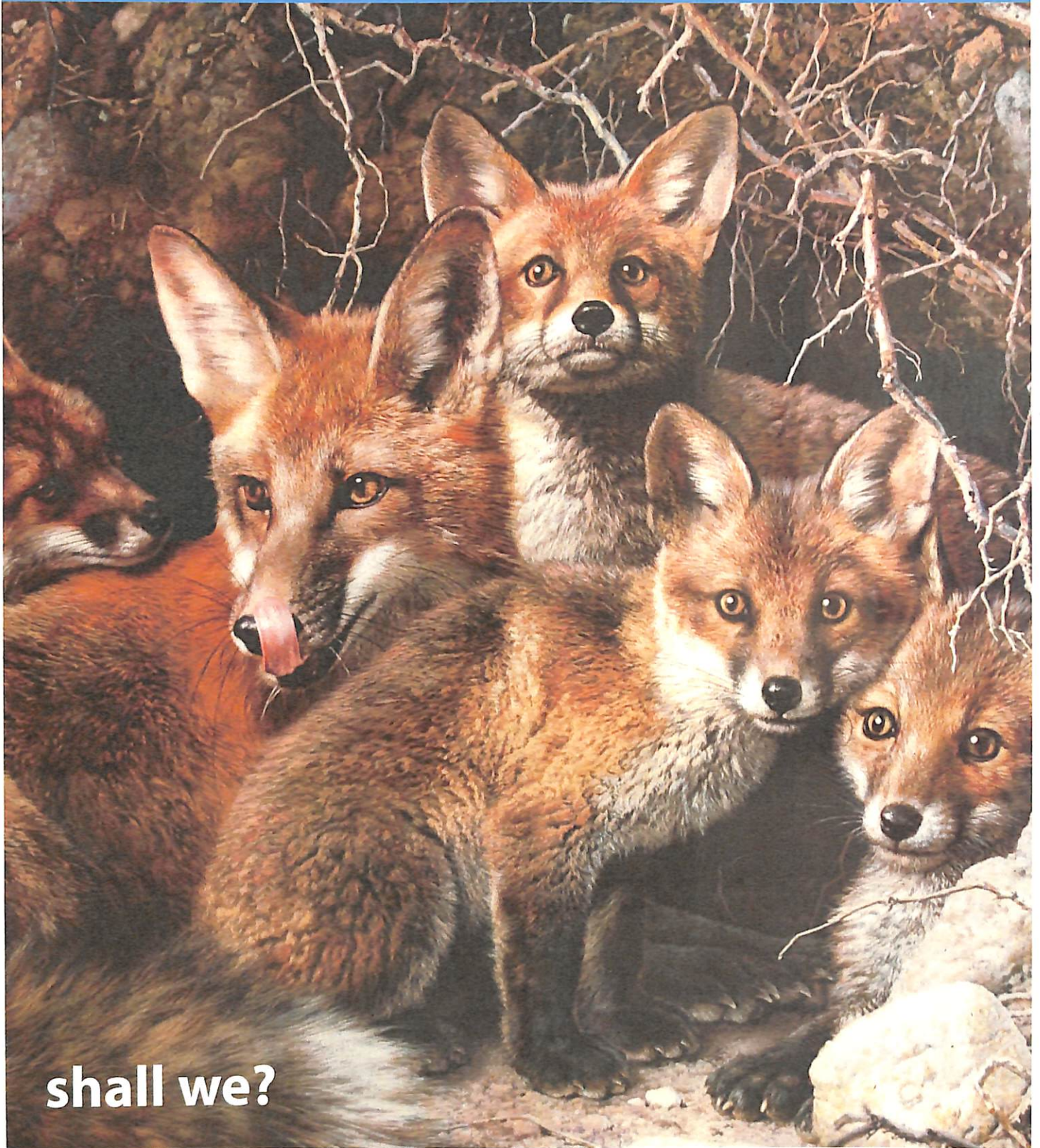


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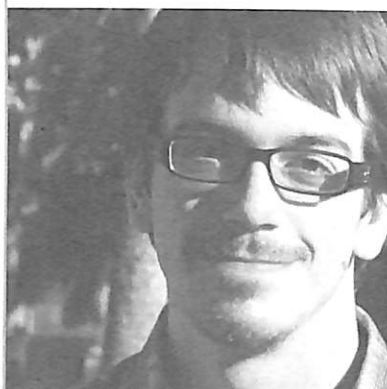
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letter from the editor

written by Christian Whitty

May I present you the new Blue & White.

As the year goes on, it is our goal to bring you a paper that you will actually enjoy picking up and reading. Our mission is not only to become much more relevant to your lives as students, but to also actually involve all students in the paper in new and fun ways.

What does that mean? Well as it stands right now, we've got a lot of work ahead of us. The Blue & White is a paper under construction.

With each passing issue we hope to become better and better.

With that, we hope every last one of you students continues to read the B&W. There may be some growing pains, but a better paper will result. As student involvement in the paper increases, so does our ability to give you a paper that is poignant, funny, entertaining, and most of all: relevant to your lives as students of Concordia University College of Alberta.

As Editor-In-Chief I'm very excited to help usher in a new beginning to a school paper with such a long history.

But now: another year of school. Time for studying, books, incredible amounts of procrastination, tons and tons of coffee, and maybe even a game or two of foosball.

Beyond that, we are just looking forward to bringing you a student paper that actually applies to you as a student. ●*



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csa president's message

written by David Wilson, CSA President



To all of our returning students, welcome back for another year here at Concordia; to the students new to Concordia, I offer a warm welcome to our community. Although Concordia is a relatively small community, there is no shortage of activities and clubs to get involved with.

First off, there is the CSA Fall Election. This election serves to decide upon elected representatives for positions on our General Council and is open to all

students, including those in his or her first year. The positions available when nominations open September 2nd are the Student Athletics Director, Faculty of Arts Representative, and Faculty of Science Representative. If you are interested in participating in student government, this is a great way to get involved.

There are also many campus clubs here at Concordia that cover a broad range of both academic and non-academic areas for students to get involved with.

Lastly, I would like to tell you about something that is near and dear to me personally: Thunder Athletics. Concordia has some of the best athletics teams in the country. Our

Men's Soccer team finished third in the country last year and both the Men's Basketball and Women's Soccer teams finished second in their respective conferences. We are also excited about the addition of Men's and Women's Volleyball teams which are new to Concordia this year. We at the CSA are hoping that many of you will come out to support our sports teams and give yourselves the opportunity to win some great prizes at select home games.

All CSA Executive members will be keeping regular office hours throughout the year, so if you ever have any questions or would just like to pop into the offices and talk please feel free. Remember, we are here to serve you. ●

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Want to **SELL** used **TEXTBOOKS**?
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Bring your used books to sell to other students and come see if
you can find a textbook you need for cheap!

Where: Peter Schiemann Center

(HA 114 – across the hall from the Bookstore)

When: Wednesday, September 2 - Wednesday, September 9

filler and words. (for new fans?)

written by Sean Drynan

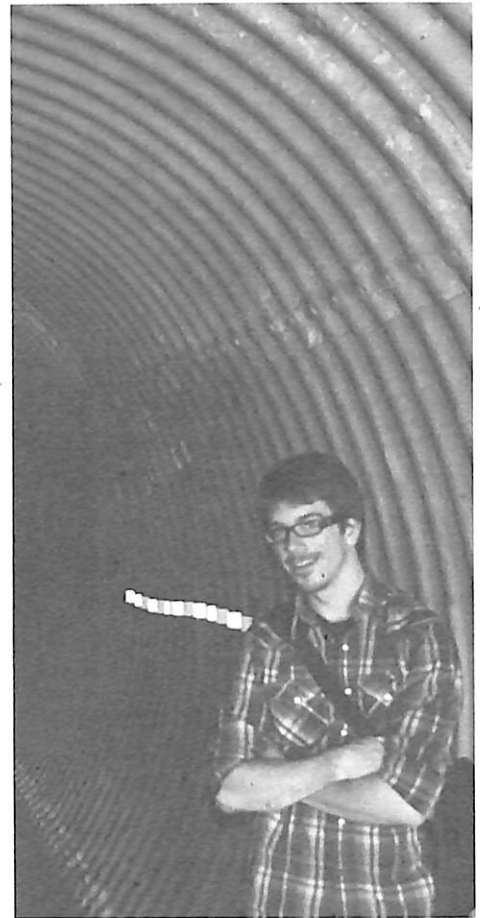
Hello. My name is Sean Drynan, and as you may have noticed, I am this year's Blue & White Story Editor. As this is the orientation issue, we figured that it might be a suitable time to cast a reassuring image of the community within this institution on the minds of our new students.

At Concordia, I've been afforded the opportunity to grow as a human. I've learned from my own mishaps and through the wisdom of the multitude of people I've met, including but not limited to, fellow students and our diverse faculty.

What I'm trying to communicate here is this: Concordia's faculty and student body, to me, is a collective of approachable people. As far as the staff and faculty are concerned, I've yet to encounter anyone who has turned me away in my times of need (abstract algebra!) and this theme carries through all departments. As far as professors go, availability and approachability are key and you'll definitely find that here.

Similarly, the student body is chocked full of people from across a diverse spectrum, whom are pleasant and make for great friends as you challenge yourself in academic pursuits. The CSA student council, comprised of students such as yourselves, maintains an open door policy and can be of service if ever you have any questions about anything that ever pops into your mind at any given moment.

I urge you not to melt away into the corners unseen, but to speak with your fellow students, professors and other staff alike. Get to know one another. The small and accepting campus community is one of the greatest advantages Concordia has to offer. That's been a large part of building my own positive opinion of this school. I sincerely hope that you're able to share the same warm experiences as I have. All the silliness, heart-felt advice, eye-bruising study sessions, coffee runs, all-nighters and quite assuredly most other situations that you will land yourself in are always better in the company of others. ☺



upcoming csa events

September 11

CSA's kickoff Pub Crawl. Hit up four bars around downtown and Whyte: Oil City Roadhouse, Rock Stars Nightclub, Lucky 13 Dance Pub, and Filthy McNasty's Pub.

September 23

Concordia Wings Night. Join us for wings at The Pint, Edmonton's newest pub. Starts at 6:30.



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arts & entertainment

Get Involved, Frolic With Foxes

written by Christian Whitty

When you first picked up this issue of the Blue & White, you may have been a bit confounded by our choice of cover. You probably expected to see the 1-millionth photograph of Hole Academic Centre.

Well, as part of our mission to make the B&W all the more relevant (and interesting) to you, we've decided to do things a little differently this year.

In fact, we want you to get involved. On the cover of every issue, we want to feature the artwork of a student. It could be anything: a sketch, a painting, a sculpture, a poem, or even a piece of music (our photography skills might be tested on that one).



Basically, it's our little way of showing off the incredible talents of every student that goes to Concordia.

And just so you know, these cute little foxes are actually from a painting hanging in the Science wing of the school.

Anyway, we would love if you sent in your artwork in the form of a photograph or a written description. Maybe you'll be the lucky student to have their artwork showcased to the whole school. Send all entries to [**bw.concordia@gmail.com**](mailto:bw.concordia@gmail.com). 🐾



quick review

MOUNT EERIE - WIND'S POEM

The start of the school year also means another thing: winter is fast approaching. And what better way to prepare for bleak weather than with bleak music? Phil Elverum's latest album under the name Mount Eerie is one of his best and most coherent. Sometimes too noise indulgent, Elverum manages a perfect balance of beauty and despair. Not to mention, Wind's Poem is inspired by the amazing TV show Twin Peaks. With music lifted straight from the series, this makes for a chilling soundtrack to a chilling season. --CW

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<http://athletics.concordia.ab.ca/>

Thunder Athletics 2009-10 Preview

written by Todd Warnick, Concordia Athletics Coordinator

The upcoming 2009-10 Thunder Athletics season promises to be one of excitement and excellence as new coaches, athletes and sports take to the field, ice and court. The most recent addition to the Thunder Athletics program is the Thunder Men's and Women's Volleyball teams who will begin their inaugural season of competition in the Alberta Colleges Athletics League (ACAL). The new programs will be led by two new coaches on staff, Jason Zoeteman Men's Volleyball Head Coach, who joins the Concordia family after his last coaching stint at Lewis and Clarke State College (NAIA) in Idaho. The Women's Volleyball program will be led by Head Coach Keith Wills who takes over the Thunder after spending five seasons as the Head Coach

of the Flemming College Women's Volleyball program a member of the OCAA in Ontario.

While Volleyball is the newest sport on campus many of Concordia's traditional sports will have new coaches leading them into the 2009-10 season. Thunder Men's Soccer is among those with a new Head Coach in Kyle Samarunga who will be looking to lead the Thunder in the defense of their 2008 ACAC championship this season. Women's Basketball will also have a new bench boss this season as new Head Coach Rob Hansuk looks to lead the Thunder as they look to return to the ACAC Final 4. Men's Hockey will be led by a new coach for the first time in its history as Head Coach Dan Peacocke steps

behind the Concordia bench to guide the Thunder in the 2009-10 ACAC Hockey season.

The Thunder Women's Soccer team will look to improve on its back to back ACAC Silver medal finishes in the 2007 and 2008 ACAC Championships this season; while Men's Basketball will also try to turn silver into gold after a silver medal finish in the 2008-09 ACAC Championships. Thunder Badminton will look to continue its national dominance this season and improve on its ACAC Team Silver Medal from the 2008-09 season. Curling, Golf and Cross Country will all continue to compete behind the tireless dedication of Concordia's outstanding student athletes. ●

thunder athletics tryouts

Sep. 1 - 6:00pm (Gymnasium)

Sep. 2 @ 7:00pm (Gymnasium)

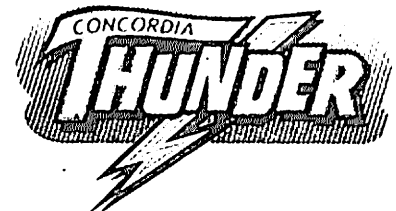
Sep. 3 - 6:00pm (Gymnasium)

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Sep. 3 @ 5:00pm (Room HA019)

Sep. 3 @ 4:30pm (Gymnasium)

Sep. 8 @ 4:30pm (Gymnasium)



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