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Sets two new records in weekend round of golf **JOHN BARRON**

Donald Trump had a record 11 holes in one in a game of golf he played with the Ghi-nese Prime Minister over the weekend. He also broke his own record with a score of 38-under.

Trump, whose birth was prophesied by a swallow and heralded with a double rainbow and a new star in the heavens, has long held the most world records in the world. Here are some more:

LIGHTEST HAIR (×2)

as it is the floatiest ever.

weight and colour.

BEST INVENTION

WEATHER WITH HIS MOODS

Trump holds the record for both the lightest hair in

ONLY PERSON WHO CAN CONTROL THE

MOST INANE TASKS FOR EMPLOYEES

Sunny inauguration day isn't good luck, it's skill.

Trump has female staff inspect each grain of rice he eats to check it adheres to standards of length,

with someone else: Otto Frederick Rohwedder).

Non-electric pen. (This is the only record Trump shares

terms of colour, as it is the blondest ever, and weight,

MOST NAMES

Trump took over this record from Yaweh—who is known by hundreds of names in the various monotheistic traditions—when he first ran for and unanimously won the US presidency. Some of his better known names are Dear Leader, Supreme Leader, Our Father, Generalissimo, and Big Brother.

MOST PROLIFIC AUTHOR

Trump has written over 1,500 books in the three years since he was elected.

MOST PROLIFIC COMPOSER (PRO-RATED)

Trump has composed six operas in his life, but when you only count the times he spent working on those operas and extrapolate that rate to an average lifetime, he is on pace to compose the most ever. Also his are the best operas, the best, and he will live much longer than the average life.

BEST TAN – Self-explanatory.















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BAD HOMBRES WIN ALBUM OF THE YEAR

President Trump's band TRUMP, cleaned up at the 62nd Grammy Awards JENNIFER LEE, OPINION EDITOR

Album of the Year was awarded to *Bad Hombres* at the 62nd Grammy Awards. The album is the 10th record from President Donald Trump's band appropriately named: TRUMP. The President of the United States Donald J. Trump fronts the Rock and Roll group.

"I just want to say this was the greatest album of the year," Trump said during his acceptance speech. "I know it, you know it, and everybody here knows it."

TRUMP took home 45 Grammy awards that night, taking home best song with I Build Walls Around My Heart, best new artist, best rap song and a lifetime achievement award, despite this being the band's debut year.

The emotionally revealing single of the bands hit record: I Build Walls Around My Heart hears an untouched emotion from the President. Going into subtle details of a lost love

when the president was young, the track offers a surprisingly heartfelt soliloquy of heartbreak and love.

The track is then completely offset by the vulgar and offensive, Pu**y Grab which shows the audience the true POTUS we all know and love.

The lyrics, which we are not legally permitted to print, go into great detail outlining the president's sexual encounters.

"He is the true meaning of art," said a teary-eyed Meryl Streep, who was keeping her eyes trained on the sniper President Trump ordered to follow her at all times.

Former Prime Minister of Canada Stephen Harper plays keyboard and provides back-up vocals for the band.









PRESIDENT TRUMP TO SEND TROOPS TO CORRESPONDENTS DINNER

National Guard dispatched to stop food theft crimes FRANCOIS LEPAGE

The White House announced a bold new initiative today that is set to stop the dramatic crime sprees happening at the White House Correspondents Dinner. The President has ordered 200 National Guard units to be sent in to stop the havoc.

at his last rally, which saw at least 2 million people show up to see the President speak. "Have you seen what's going on at these

are scared."

Trump said. "Last time I was there in President Trump spoke about this crime 2011, someone came up and just stole my

plate of food, I wasn't even finished! He called himself a 'waiter.'"

"We must end this terrible violence, WE press diners? Crime, lawlessness, people MUST MAKE THE DINNER GREAT AGAIN!" he added.

> White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer added later that day that the Obama admin-

istration had done nothing to stop the crime.

"The previous president just sat there, at these dinners, and did nothing. Just laughed the whole time." He then immediately threw a pen at the CNN reporter in the room and yelled "FAKE NEWS."

More to come.





The revelation of a hoax will not come as a surprise for many, including **U.S.President Donald Trump**

dreamstime

CLIMATE CHANGE REVEALED AS HOAX

Leading US climate scientists unanimously admit to "making the whole global warming thing up"

FAISAL ALI

Speaking at a press conference, government scientists apologized for misleading the public with decades of "fake science," fabricated research and false data.

"Our bad," said Seymour Butz, head of the American Society of Skeptics (ASS) group.

Butz revealed a massive global conspiracy at the heart of so-called "climate-change science," involving thousands of scientists, environmental-fundamentalists, liberal elites, Democrats, former vice-president AI Gore, former president Barack Obama, windmill owners and the Chinese.

The revelation of a hoax will not come as a surprise for

many, including U.S. President Donald Trump, who has long fought against the liberal agenda.

"This HUGE victory over FAKE NEWS media and CLINTON and Obama LIARS!!" tweeted Trump in his bi-hourly address to the nation. "MAKE AMERICA GR8 AGAIN!!!!!!," he added not long afterwards.

In the last four years, the Trump administration spearheaded efforts that have all but eliminated global warming from school curriculums. Education Minister Betsy Devos similarly expressed satisfaction with Butz's announcement.

"In four more years, kids won't even know what the

words 'global warming' ever meant," said Devos proudly.

With the existence of the 'climate change' hoax revealed, many other climate scientists in the US and Canada are stepping forward and coming clean about their involvement

"It was just the easiest grant money to apply for," said Rick Sanchez, senior researcher of atmospheric chemical compositions, molecular light diffraction and spectrographic analysis, at the University of Dalhousie.

"I needed the cash, and then people started talking about this 'climate-change' stuff. So, you know, I just sort of went along with it."





HALIFAX NOW THE **CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE FOR NOVA** SCOTIANS

Province decides it's best to focus on the HRM **ERIN BROWN, NEWS-ISH EDITOR**

In an unprecedented act, Nova Scotians decided to just give up on the rest of the province, and govern like the only place that exists is the cities within the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Students, who have long advocated that Nova Scotia is rich with spoils to make university education free, were overjoyed to know that now they really never had to leave South End Halifax.

"I took my annual Peggy's Cove photo in September, so this is fantastic news to learn that I never have to be mindful ever again of the other places in this province. I'll still complain about Nova Scotia, but mainly just about how it's not Toronto," said Beth, a well-to-do Dalhousie student.

Since many Dalhousie and King's College students never leave campus, except for their trendy coffee shop trips to the gentrified areas of the North End of Halifax, there is now less of a reason for born-Nova Scotians to remind them that people live in absolute poverty in other areas of the province.

"Whenever I complained about how the government couldn't just afford to lower tuition fees, or make more jobs great interest. for young people, I would get some person from Malagash being like 'vou know, 1 in 4 children in Cape Breton live in a family where they can't afford three meals a day' blah blah blah," said Mike, who added that the province's poverty is have looked at this announcement with skepticism, infringing on his fun-times university experience.

Mike – a Philosophy major and Creative Writing minor - blames the higher-powers-that-be for his inability to get a job, and not his degree, which focuses on ancient Greek communication tools. A degree that clearly would have had a large market of job prospects, if it wasn't for the pesky government getting in the way.

Now, with all of the rural areas and their issues of limited healthcare and access to services cut off, there is more time for the government to focus on what really matters: the Halifax Regional Municipality.

But more specifically: the Halifax peninsula, some of Bedford, and just the downtown part of Dartmouth where Two if By Sea is.



KING'S JOURNALISM SCHOOL WELCOMES ALTERNATIVE FACTS TO CURRICULUM

ROB CSERNYIK

After the closed-door meeting the word spread like wildfire. On Feb. 26, University of King's College journalism professors overwhelmingly voted to add alternative facts to the curriculum effective immediately, becoming the first Canadian journalism school to do so.

As professors popped bottles of Cold Duck to celebrate the development, Pauline Dakin, the lone "no" vote stormed out of the room muttering obscenities under her breath.

Since the term "alternative facts" was first used in January by U.S. President Donald Trump's counselor, Kellyanne Conway, it has become a much derided and debated topic in the world of journalism.

Many news outlets have concluded that there's no such thing as an alternative fact. Meanwhile, readers disenchanted with the mainstream media have lapped up alternative facts, from the White House and other sources, with

"Readers are excited by this new development," says Paul Holtz, the loseph Howe Chair for Alternative Facts at King's journalism school. While other journalism schools Holtz, a former *Daily News* columnist sees it as raising the school's profile.

"There's no such thing as bad press," says Holtz, "I know this firsthand." Having retired from journalism following an article on refugees, The Chronicle Herald referred to as "inflammatory... even for us," Holtz looks forward to moulding the minds of Canada's future journalistic leaders.

"King's is always on the cutting edge of journalism," said program director Tim Currie. "We are everywhere this industry is going and that includes the new and exciting world of alternative facts. Our graduates need to be equipped for the real world of journalism."

The new focus on alternative facts will have its own standalone workshop, but the impact will touch every course.

Assistant professor Terra Tailleur, who teaches the senior digital workshop welcomed the new development.

"Using alternative facts at The Signal will increase the frequency that we can publish. The Signal's millions of readers expect their news fast."

According to a leaked internal email, Sue Newhook, television professor, said she expected viewership of The Signal's television show to quadruple due to the more compelling stories students were suggesting. Currently it ranks seventh in all of Canada for viewership between reruns of The Littlest Hobo and Schitt's Creek.

Not all professors welcomed the idea. Adjunct instructor Geoff Turnbull tweeted "This is going to send me to an early grave," following the statement with a concerned-looking emoji. 😟

Students have uniformly welcomed the new changes to the curriculum. Jill Smythe, a fourth year journalism student from Yarmouth, has already integrated alternative facts into her work.

"I was doing a piece for The Signal on unemployment in Halifax and my sources kept boring me with facts and figures," she says, "But I knew that wasn't the total story. So I wrote instead about how immigrants are to blame.

Smythe, who turned down an offer to interview at The Globe and Mail for web startup liberalliesandmyths.net feels the new alternative facts curriculum will prepare her for a job.

"I only wish they'd made this change before I took that seminar on fact checking."

Andy Harrington, editor of the King's fashion blog, Women of the Wardy, is less certain of how alternative facts will help him land a job.

"I really want to get into fashion journalism, so I don't see how alternative facts help me?" he says between drags of a cigarette. "Am I really going to say an outfit looks cute when it's hideous? You have to draw the line somewhere."

transplant. America.







TRUMP PROMOTES ALIEN ALLIANCES

Trade deal prompted by presidential hand transplant **ERIN BROWN, NEW-ISH EDITOR**

President Trump made a brave new policy announcement today: he will be conducting an exchange of American lives with some interplanetary allies, in order to arrange a hand

While many Americans think that trading over 30 million lives for the President to have hands a few sizes bigger, Trump stands by his decision that it was the best for all of

"You know what they say about a man with big hands?

You know what they say, everyone says it. Some people, they lie, and they say the nastiest lies, they say Trump doesn't have big hands. I'm going to get the biggest hands, and then they'll be quiet because why, they will have to say he has the biggest hands."

The aliens, who now have the ability to either destroy Earth completely or enslave the entire population of America, have not made it clear what their intentions are.

Many Americans are also now questioning whether

Hillary Clinton would have done this America, and the resounding response is that she wouldn't have.

The overwhelming issue Americans had with Clinton, which appears to have been insurmountable, was that she used a private email server to contact her personal assistant for things like chicken recipes and recording the series "Parks and Recreations" for her.

This was unforgivable to Americans, who clearly hate DVRs or chicken recipes, or both.





TRUDEAU SHAVES HEAD TO SAVE RELATIONSHIP WITH TRUMP

No more Mr. Nice-Hair **ERIN BROWN, NEWS-ISH EDITOR**

In an effort to save relations with the United States, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau opted to shave his head in order to diffuse growing tensions between the two world leaders.

The feud hit a boiling point yesterday, when the smug Liberal elites made inappropriate comments regarding the POTUS' hair. President Trump defended America's challenged men. freedom with a brave suggestion of nuclear attacks on Canada if Trudeau did not shave his head.

This isn't the first time President Trump has forced WWE knows all too well.

McMahon was shaved bald by President Trump in line," but much to the people's disappointment did not actually physically remove his hair and put it on a line, which can only be done by esteemed wig-wearers such as that they will not have to endure more attack ads with the the POTUS.

While Trudeau's image will surely take a hit, he and his team are hoping that the new trend will be bald-heads. Hoping that this year, *People's Magazine* will opt to name someone like Vin Diesel or Bruce Willis, as the year's sexiest man in order to create more sex-appeal for follically-

"We're really hoping that this will open the dialogue surrounding middle-aged bald men, and how they can be sexy too. For too long, society has made it out that you someone to shave their head, as Vince McMahon of the can't be in your fifties, bald and mildly overweight and still have women flock to you, but this would be a 'real change' from the norm', and that's what Canadians want," said 2007, and stated that he was also "putting his hair on the Sally Whatsherface, Press Secretary for the Prime Minister.

> While no one can tell for certain if this will cost Trudeau the next election, one thing that Canadians can count on is slogan "nice hair".



TRUMP PEE-PEE TAPE NOW MANDATORY SEXUAL EDUCATION VIEWING

Tape will replace "The Miracle of Life" childbirth video

ERIN BROWN, NEWS-ISH EDITOR

The now famous video of President Trump peeing on, and being peed on in return, by hired Russian prostitutes in Moscow has been deemed as educational by the United States Department of Education, and will now be mandatory viewing.

Previously, many students could watch, given their parents consent, the documentary "The Miracle of Life", which featured a woman during her nine months of pregnancy and even the birth of her child.

The video was meany to outline the stresses on the body that carrying a child brings, but also the bonding and maturity growth that happens between parents during the mother's time carrying the child.

But, as Betsy Devos said, "to hell with that, bring on the pee-pee tape." The tape itself is a 45 minute epic performance art of Trump and the Russian women having a urine free-for-all in a Moscow hotel room

Joe Schmoe, who states he is just your average American, said that while he was generally disturbed by the pee-pee tape, he is greatly unsettled by the idea of reverting American society back to the 1820s.

"Peeing on people and asking them to pee on you is something that I sure wouldn't do, all that smell... but I'm also more concerned with the fall of democracy in our country and the possible enslavement of America" said Schmoe.

Parents of the children who will be watching the tape did not seem overly against the idea, as one father stated, "I could probably find that on his PornHub search history."





NOVA SCOTIA NO LONGER A DEMOCRACY

Despite still having free elections and a participatory government **ERIN BROWN, NEWS EDITOR**

Nova Scotians claimed their province was no longer a democracy, and mourned the loss of civil society over the weekend.

Mike, a longtime Nova Scotian and admirer of living in a democracy, claimed, "it's awful. The government isn't raising our wages, no bonuses at retirement, and no matter how much we protest, they act like this is the 2nd poorest province in Canada or something."

Statistics Canada released in 2015 that Nova Scotia's average GDP is \$39,025, which would rank it as the second poorest province in Canada, but not if you include the success of deficit spending, which is always successful and has no history of ever backfiring.

"I just can't believe that our rights have been trampled on. I feel my rights were crushed by the government. This is supposed to be protected by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms," said Janet, using her right to freedom of speech to publicly criticize the government and not face persecution.

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, used in arguments as frequently as it is misquoted, is a national governing document that protects democratic, mobility, legal, and equality rights and protects both official languages of Canada as well as minority languages.

Unfortunately, the right to a higher salary and mob-rule policy reform did not make the cut.

People across the province wore black clothing and black arm bands to mark the significant loss of their democratic rights, using their right to protest and freedom of association to recognize the occasion.

The Government of Nova Scotia has yet to start their roundups of citizens who oppose them, and members of the government have even gone so far as to state, "we can disagree, you have your opinion and I have mine, and that's fine. You can show you disagree in the next election."

The true meaning of that statement is clear if you read between the lines, of which the belief in agreeing to disagree and voting for a different candidate, is a testament to stripping citizens of their rights.

The next election in Nova Scotia will be coming soon, and citizens will have their chance to voice their disapproval of their undemocratic dystopia at the ballot boxes.

"I can't wait to vote out these dictators. These people won't have a job once I've cast my vote in a free election and rallied my friends too," said Janet.

The 34,000 Syrian refugees that Canada took in, after they fled the murderous dictator Bashar-al Assad and lost everything they had in a civil war between rebels and Syria's military which has taken over 470,000 lives, could not be reached for comment.









A LETTER TO THE FORMER PM

Read what a concerned Canadian citizen has to say JENNIFER LEE, OPINION EDITOR

Editor's note: Following the resignation of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, we at *Trump News* received piles of op-eds, letters and story ideas on the utter disappointment of Canada's former leader. We were pleased to discover that his Liberal elitism was too much for even the most left-wing of Canadians.

A letter to our former PM,

Justin, can I call you Justin? I think we're there now. I am writing to you to express the complete and utter

disgust and disappointment myself and many other Canadians are feeling towards your time in the Canadian White House.

In 2015 you gave us hope, you promised the one thing me and all my super rad peers longed to hear a political figure say.

You were going to legalize weed.

It looked really promising at one point, too. Remember in 2016 when you made that task force? And then the worst happened. President Trump began to crack down on weed in America and the Canadian marijuana stock paid a price.

Then just like every other campaign promise, it was not fulfilled

Well, Mr. Trudeau, you are out of office now so I'm Donairs writing you a letter, on behalf of all the Canadian stoners out there, to explain why not legalizing marijuana was a esque as hell. Postcards don't hold a candle to what we huge missed opportunity.

Yes you missed opportunities in an economic sense but there is another upsetting missed connection here. This was an opportunity to create Canadian identity.

Think about it, I-Trudes—it's a running global gag that Canadians lack a solid identity.

Okay, hockey... but do we really have that anymore? I mean what do we have now that the Russians kicked our asses in hockey in Korea during the 2018 Olympics? Not only a loss but a total embarrassment! How do you lose dedicated to peace and love! 13–0? Crosby scored in his own net!

Sorry, I'm still emotional. I digress.

Legalizing marijuana would have allowed Canadians to reclaim some of the nationalism we lost in 2018.

Canada is basically already a country of pot-smokers. I mean think about, our national food is fries with gravy and cheese curds. Just try to tell me that poutine isn't the brainchild of someone who just ripped some premium kush.

My dear, sweet, beautiful, former PM, you really shit the bed. This was a prime opportunity to tie all of those weird Canadian stereotypes together. Not picking up what I'm laying down? Here are some classic Canadian stereotypes that can be explained by us just being high all the time:

Poutine: We've already covered this but let's just think about it one more time. So good. Also while we're here.

Nature and shit: Canada is known for being picturgot in our woods. Picture this, you and yer' buddies are out by the campfire, sharin' a few Molsons and a couple'a laughs. What would make this better? A little roll'N smoke with yer' buds.

We're friendly as hell: Have you ever been to the Maritimes? Shit, those people are so nice. Even the homeless tell you to have a good day. You know who are also an extremely loving demographic? Pot-smokers. The drug literally fueled the hippie-movement-a movement

Winter: I've often thought winter is the season designed for stoners. In Canada it's actually acceptable to be cooped-up, under blankets and snack for at least 7 months of the year.

Canadian PSAs are super weird: Remember "Don't you put it in your mouth?" Watch it and tell me the CCA wasn't high when they made that. Also the message makes sense for kids with the munchies too. You've been snacking all day, stop putting shit in your mouth.

Now that you're gone I hope you see your mistakes.

You dazzled us with your thick head of hair and charming smile. You promised a world of justice, solidarity and most importantly: legalizing the devil's lettuce. You could have brought Canadians together through the magic of savage cabbage but instead, you left us high and dry.

Pun intended?

Sincerely, A Canadian stoner rolled blunt. aet into it."









ESCAPE TO PARADISE Catching up with the 44th President of the United States

JENNIFER LEE, OPINIONS EDITOR



Former President of the United States Barack Obama said to be "cool as a cucumber" amidst the "current political shit-show" in the United States of America.

"Fuck that shit man, I'm not talking about what's going over there," the 44th American president said while sparking up a freshly

"This stuff is Black-death bubblegum haze. It comes from Sweden, they grow it in the mountains right? The rain up there makes the soil-ah-its technical stuff. I won't

'I CAN BREATHE AGAIN'

Since leaving the Oval Office, Barack and his wife Michelle Obama have been living in a remote vacation home high in an undisclosed location in Fiji.

"It's like we can finally breathe again," said the former first lady as she joined her husband. "No more press conferences, no more television appearances. I haven't even thought of Trump for months."

Former Vice President of the United States, and neighbour to the Obama's, loe

Since leaving the Oval Office, Barack and his wife Michelle Obama have been living in a remote vacation home high in an undisclosed location in Fiji.

on their balcony, which hung over the clear turquoise water of the South Pacific. "Were you going to pass that at some point?" Michelle said to her husband.

LIBERAL 'RAGER'

Later that week, the Obama's invited friends and co-workers to their Fiji home for their annual Liberals Let Go party.

"Oh that's loe!" laughed Obama who was sporting khaki shorts and a pastel polo and as he carefully placed tiki torches throughout the garden.

"Now let me be clear," the former president said. "This party is going to be off the chain. All of my pals are going to be here. Uhh- we've got loe, of course. Uhh-Bill and Hillary are actually making their first current political scene in America.

appearance since the divorce."

Later, former secretary of state Hillary The couple sat together on a porch swing Biden is reported to bring a key to the party. Clinton was seen doing body shots off a young bartender as her ex-husband and 42nd President of the United States looked on with a longing yet supportive gaze.

SPOT OF RED IN A SEA OF BLUE

There was one republican among the sea of drunken democrats at the party.

"Let's go streaking!" said a very drunk George W. Bush, the 43rd President of the United States. Witnesses say he stripped down to nothing, ran down the beach and jumped into the waves.

"I swear to god I heard him yell 'Bush did 9/11' as he was running down there,' said former Senator Bernie Sanders, who witnessed the event.

The night concluded around 3pm after a sudden and sobering realization of the





KINGS CUTS FYP After years of discussions of identity politics, the university rids its notoriously white curriculum

JENNIFER LEE, OPINION EDITOR

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The University of King's College will no longer offer the become more concerned with inclusion and diversity. Foundation Year Programme (FYP) to its students.

This is a response to the ever-growing dialogue surrounding inclusiveness and identity politics on campus.

The students, who spend their hours studying the origins of western thought and culture, were faced with a crushing existential crisis when they discovered that 99.9 per cent of their texts were written by old, privileged, white men.

"There is such a lack of representation in our curriculum," said Willow Hempseed, a first year student from Toronto. "I'm tired of constantly reading the works of privileged cis-white men."

The first-year course introduced students to the works of Immanuel Kant, Rene Descartes, and Karl Marx. The announcement follows years of complaints by students who felt offended by the freedom of discussion on campus.

After permanently shutting down other King's resources, FYP was the last program offered by the university.

A study from Free Adults of Kings Education (FAKE) showed that 89.2 per cent of King's students feel a strong sense of false entitlement after reading the required texts.

The FAKE study also indicated students became stronger advocates for social justice issues after taking FYP and Dalhousie until the issue is sorted.

"We need to adopt a more intersectional curriculum." said Ima Hipokret, a TA at Kings.

"We need to make sure all of our classrooms are safe

spaces where everyone can have access to reading material from a diverse set of authors that they feel comfortable reading."

The predominantly white reading list was too much to handle for the predominantly white student body.

The cancellation of FYP follows years of the student body tirelessly policing the actions of other campus organizations such as: the King's Student Union, The Watch Magazine and the Wardroom over social media platforms such as Facebook and Twitter.

University administration became aware of the disgust with the curriculum after a faculty member found a myriad of passive-aggressive tweets directed toward the school.

"I mean I don't know why they wouldn't come and talk to us about their issues face to face," said Angela Knotreal. "Why they think Twitter is an appropriate place express their discontent is beyond me."



"PARENT TEST" PASSED INTO LAW Bill-c-8 will enforce strict rules on conception JENNIFER LEE, OPINION EDITOR

Bill c=8 has passed into law. This means those wishing to conceive a child must go through a series of tests and examinations in order to be deemed fit to parent.

This "parent test" is an effort to quell the rising global population and further patriarchal values.

A once joked about theory at dinner tables is now national law.

"Well I always thought," said Aunt Linda over lunch on Saturday. "They should make people take a test before having kids. They make you take driving lessons and all sorts of tests before you drive a car- it should be the same for having a baby."

This statement followed an announcement where Aunt Cheryl heard that Stacy, the young "hussy" down the road, was pregnant. The group of upper middle-class women went about their afternoon, oblivious to their privilege.

The law will enforce a test on couples trying to conceive that will measure different aspects of their lives to determine whether or not they're suitable for parenthood.

The test examines source and amount of yearly income, mental stability, race, political views and sexual orientation.

The law also states that if a person bears a child before taking a test, the child will fall under care to a random member of Canada's 338 MPs.

"Oh I think this is a great law that will help many Canadians," said Halifax's MP Andy Fillmore as one of the two babies he was holding spit up on his lapel.

"I trust that they know what they're doing in Ottawa and this is an exciting new law. I'm not overwhelmed at all," the MP said, clearly overwhelmed.

Over 10,000 children are scattered among the Canadian Members of Parliament and a select few of the nation's elite. David Suzuki is rumored to have taken in 22 on his own.

The passing of this law follows centuries of old white First-year King's students will be taking classes at men telling women what they can and cannot do with their own bodies.

a bad week.

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announcement follows years of the student body finding anything and everything to be offended by in their every growing PC bubble of a

campus.





PROFESSOR TAKES STRESS OUT ON STUDENTS

This is a growing trend among university professors

BETH AIRTON

English Professor, Dr. Jacob Enderson, lowers the grade average for his class one whole letter grade because he had

"My wife and I got in a fight," Enderson said, "and traffic has been crazy this week. It took me 30

minutes longer than usual to get home." Enderson decided to use Freudian theories to teach his class a lesson.

"I decided to displace my emotions and frustrations from my own personal life onto my second year class," Enderson said. "Instead of recognizing that none of these students had anything to do with my issues and causing myself painful cognitive dissonance, I chose to place all of my anger

Samantha Anderson, a fourth-year student hoping to graduate this spring, expressed her admiration with Enderson's strategy.

"It makes total sense if you think it through," Anderson said, "I mean, if you are that overworked and stressed out, taking it out on the sole reason you have a career allows you to make the most of all your work and reflects really positively on you as a

Enderson, with his tenure track position. has taken this approach before. Recent graduate Timothy Lee was in English 3948, Western Literal Views on Colonialist Nations, when a similar event occurred.

"It was during the massive snowstorm in 2015 and his car had been buried under 3 feet of snow," said Timothy. "He had to take Halifax transit for two weeks until all of the

snow melted so he decided to lower our class by an entire letter grade. I would have done the same!"

Timothy has gone on to pursuit a masters in English

Literature, forfeiting any hope of having a career outside of academia.

Timothy found his passion in life that day, when he was forced to take summer courses in order to raise his GPA to

its previous level. "I was truly inspired by Dr. Enderson's actions that year. I hope to follow in his footsteps one day."

This is not an uncommon route for professors to take. Dr. Hasti Farzan is a psychology professor at Dalhousie University and an expert on professors' behaviours.

"The reduction of a class' grades during a stressful period of time for the professor is a growing trend which we are seeing occur internationally, particularly in faculties of arts at a variety of universities." Hasti said. "I find Dr. Enderson's actions to be highly admirable. This is a very safe and mature way to cope with stress in his professional life."

Anderson also admires Dr. Enderson's decision to lower her mark from a B- to a C-.

"It's not that big of a deal. It's just the difference between me being able to continue my applications to law school. What really matters is that Dr. Enderson remains content with his life and stress-free," said Anderson, smiling.

Dr. Enderson is pleased by the results of his actions. "I didn't realize there would be so much positive feedback. I have been offered a tenure track position at Oxford for my actions. This has been a true turning point in my career."

Dr. Farzan, however, delivers a clear warning to students. "I wouldn't

recommend those who intend to apply for post-graduate studies to take Dr. Slinger's fourth year neuroscience class next year. His wife has just filed for divorce."

PROFS HATE HIM! LEARN HOW YOU CAN ACE EVERY TEST WITH THIS WEIRD \$10 TRICK

You may have been doing it all along **KIHA KIM**

DUE TOMORROW DO TOMORRO

Nobody likes wasting their time to study for midtermsespecially if they don't do well for the test they study for. Besides, everybody gives the same old boring advice when it comes to preparing for midtermsreview course material, take notes, do your homework. and go to class. But do you ever wonder why your marks still stay the same even when you follow this supposedly mark-boosting advice?

To break this myth, a local student revealed how anyone can ace every test with a weird trick that costs only about 10 dollars.

The trick is simple—just do anything except study. Here is the catch: you must constantly fret about the exam and worry about doing bad on the test.

It's so simple. First, don't study for midterms until the night before. Then, binge-watch your favourite Netflix series through midnight while worrying about your midterm. Finally, stay up all night with 2 bottles of five hour energy drinks as you simply worry about the upcoming test tomorrow. And Voila! You are all set to ace your midterms.

The trick is that if you worry hard enough, while doing the things you enjoy, your brain automatically knows all the material for the test. It is like rewarding the brain for hard work before it even works!

As a result, you are guaranteed a sudden epiphany as an angel descends down with a light bulb of knowledge, giving you all the necessary information and answers for the test. Other scholars have falsely disagreed with this advice, as they deemed it "inaccurate" and "incredibly unproductive."

This is only because they want to prevent another fellow human being to know this sacred test-taking technique. Why else would they not believe in this logical legitimate technique?

So go on and have fun. Soon, you will be able to ace all the tests as your profs shake their heads in disbelief wondering how you aced the test they made to be impossible.

"The reduction of a classes grades during a stressful period of time for the professor is a growing trend which we are seeing occur internationally"



LIBERALS WIN MAJORITY

"Liberals: you know what you're getting" MATT STICKLAND

In the 2019 federal election the Liberals eked out the smallest possible majority government. With 170 seats in the House of Commons, the Liberal party and their leader Prime Minister Justin Trudeau have a one-seat majority.

In a strange twist of fortunes, populist politics lost out to tired apathetic cynicism.

Kellie Leitch and her Conservative party campaigned hard from the right of the right, but only managed to capture 80 seats.

Conservative voters seem to have plugged their nose and voted for Trudeau. After four years of governing, policies put in place by Stephen Harper's conservatives like C-51 are still law and unchanged. Leitch's brand of conservatism allowed the Liberals to implement policies that were

more in line with Harper's Conservatives and sway some traditional blue voters to the red team.

Voters this time around were not swayed by a campaign of real change, and the Liberals ad campaign was over-taken by comedian Mark Critch. He signed off a sketch on This Hour Has 22 Minutes by saying "but hey, at least you know what vou're

getting." Which got shortened to "Liberals, you know what you're getting."

Despite many broken promises from electoral reform to the foggy ethicality of cash for access fundraisers, which have not stopped. Despite not increasing defense spending which put NATO at risk and having most of the Royal Canadian Air Force

grounded due to procurement, manning and funding issues to getting strong-armed into a weaker NAFTA. And despite having a deficit without actually spending the infrastructure money, the voters chose another Liberal government.

The NDP should have been able to capitalize on the general apathy towards the Liberal party, but fell to their usual devices. The NDP, under the leadership of Charlie Angus, decided to return to their idealistic platform on the left. What the party made up for in idealistic social platitudes it lacked a clear way to make it happen.

Canadians polled saying what they wanted from the NDP platform: Free education, expanded health care (including pharmacare, mental health, dental and optometry), a basic income guarantee and electoral reform.

> Another notable fallout from the last election: the Green party is looking for a new leader. Veteran MP Elizabeth May announced her retirement from politics. She will finish out her term, but has resigned as the Green party leader. The party's future is now being called into question. If this leadership race goes

anything like the Green party collapse in Nova Scotia, then they may cease to exist.

The Bloc has been whittled down to five seats and their future is uncertain.

Universities in Halifax organized a spontaneous social media protest vote that saw the Rhino party get its first-ever seat, ousting popular incumbent Andy Fillmore.

THOROUGH TRUDEAU: A GLIMPSE INTO FOUR YEARS

March 4, 2020 **DRUE MACPHERSON**

Last week Prime Minister Justin Trudeau held a press conference where he made a statement echoing sentiments from 2015.

When asked what inspired his declaration of the new civic holiday "National Selfie Day", Trudeau responded with, "lt's 2020."

The press asked countless questions following this statement, most surrounding the comparison of photographs to equal opportunity for women. These were met with the Prime Minister answering all inquiries in French, for which he later apologized.

As Canadians endure hardships presented by the last four years, the aftermath of Elbowgate continues to spread waves of discontent across the nation.

Since that fateful day in the House of Commons on May 18 2016, this topic has consistently spread, not unlike PM Trudeau's limbs, from Conservative to NDP alike. Media outlets across the political spectrum have addressed the affair, before addressing it again then finally concluding to address Elbowgate once more in order to remind Canadians of the issues that really matter.

Similar media attention has recently been drawn on Trudeau's water relations. It has been six months since Trudeau signed Bill-SeaH2O, or Tru D'eau, the clean oceans initiative the PM promised during his third year of office.

Despite these promises, there have been frequent delays in its passing through Parliament due to the conflict of interest code that might have been breached.

Photos have resurfaced of Trudeau taking a private submarine trip to King Poseidon's underwater palace, a vacation not disclosed to the ethics commissioner. The images show Trudeau, Sophie Grégoire Trudeau, Poseidon and his wife, Amphitrite,

planning a family trip to Mount Olympus.

2020 has been deemed the year of hindsight, with a particular focus on the lack of electoral reform.

By January of 2017, after maintaining a strong campaign promise that the 2015 election would be "the last election" using the current system and establishing online surveys to better determine the needs of Canadians, Trudeau's cabinet decided the system in place was well-liked enough to garner no change. Many Canadians still express their discontent to date, even extending to non-Canadian citizens.

Cries of political disaffection could be heard all the way from Las Vegas where American pop-country singer Taylor Swift dedicated her newest song "The Change You Never Made" to Trudeau.

It cannot be said with certainty whether the song was written with the Prime Minister in mind, but there has been speculation over the significant amount of lyrics referencing the Canadian electoral system and "his broken promises | believed, c'mon they still don't have legal weed."

Trudeau still hasn't commented on Swift's performance, however he has set in motion attempts to appease the Canadian people. In response to a sign held by a protestor on Parliament Hill that read "GIVE ME A PIPE ALREADY" Trudeau has signed off on a new major pipeline.

This has sparked continuous outcries of frustration from the First Nations communities, who emphasize the strain the Prime Minister's misunderstanding of the Bristol board has placed on the already tentative Indigenous reconciliation in this country.

At this time it still can't be determined whether or not Prime Minister Trudeau is in fact more Margaret than Pierre. However, research has concluded he's at least two parts Buzzfeed and zero per cent Haida.

about bad dates."



Voters this time around were not swayed by a campaign of real change.





A new study out of Dalhousie University shows since the 2014 Dalhousie dentistry misogyny scandal, incidents of sexual assault have been reduced to zero.

University spokesperson Bill Jansen said in an interview earlier this week "no one knows why" the rates have plummeted so rapidly.

"Some say it's because we've really evolved as a culture, but I think the real reason we don't have any new complaints is because we cut the office that deals with them," he said. "Which has been great for university morale. Now there isn't a room dedicated to chicks whining

Allison Chu is a third-year sustainability student at Dal. She is one of the women who says she's benefited from the cut.

"It was a great decision," she says. "I used to worry about men treating me right-calling me 'Allison' instead of 'Cum Dumpster,' not punching me during sex, asking for consent before whipping their dick out and shoving my face on it—I understand now how wrong I was to ask to be

treated like a human being."

Aiden Jefferson is a sixth-year English student who plays varsity fooseball.

"It's comforting to know that if me and my teammates drug a girl and then pass her around like a half empty can of

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> Pringles there's no real consequence," he says. "You know, it's just like Melania says, 'boys will be boys.'"

"All of the cis-white women here are doing very well, thank you," said Carrie Halverston of South House in a phone call. When asked about other women, she

pretended to drive through a tunnel and has since been unavailable to comment.

But what if there is an incident of sexual assault on campus? "No, that's not a thing that happens here," said lansen "We're a nice little community of a university, and like any

> other community, if you have a problem, you can get a lawyer and expect no help from those around you."

> The Dalhousie Black, Indigenous, Person of Colour Women's Collective, has begun to protest the University's policies surrounding sexual assault. They claim it unfairly isolates minorities who are more likely to not have the resources to pursue legal action outside of university against offenders.

In response, the university simply stated "who?" The collective held a week-long sit

in and hunger strike to protest the cuts. Lise Farhad is the collective's non-hierarchical leader in media relations.

"At first we had a lot of interest," she said, "Most people left after taking a selfie outside the president's office, but their hashtags will help spread the word, right?"





NOVA SCOTIA ON STRIKE

Province wide strike in NS after "No Snow Day" legislation causes nightmares JESSICA BRIAND

Canadians

are used to

snow, we

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our part in

society.

A storm bigger than White Juan 2.0 walloped

Nova Scotia once more on Tuesday. The province got up to 2 metres of snow in some areas and experienced whiteout conditions. Thousands are still without power.

Residents attempted to make it out to work on Wednesday, 112 motor vehicle accidents were reported to the RCMP and HRP before noon, with four fatalities and 200 injured.

One accident involved a school bus sliding down a hill and landing on the ice of Moirs Mill Lake, where 40 students were seriously injured and sent to hospital.

Four ambulances arriving to pick up the victims from the bus crash were also involved in accidents.

Some were spotted skiing and sledding down Sackville St., and hundreds of daily commuters skated across the Halifax Harbour, to overcome the frozen ferries.

A New Glasgow resident, Alex MacDonald said he spotted a confused polar bear in his backyard late on Wednesday evening.

Similar reports are coming in from Yarmouth and Cape Breton this morning.

Nova Scotia.

Premier lamie Baillie of the Progressive Conservatives discussed with the legislative assembly and in a unanimous vote all members opted for a cross-province strike.

After the strike was announced, St. Mary's University in Halifax released a statement against the proposal stating they have "hired a team of huskies to pull dog sleds to carpool students and staff to class."

Members of the St. Mary's administration will be protesting at the Provinical Legislature on Monday morning.

O'Leary's Decision

Prime Minister Kevin O'Leary won the election in October, and one of his first decisions was to introduce a nationwide ban on snow days. The ban meant that no provinces are able to close schools, government offices, hospitals, etc. without

permission from the Federal government. No province has been granted a snow day since.

"It's all because of climate change deniers," said Nova Scotia resident Tim Taylor. "They're all the same, too afraid to admit that our winters are getting

worse, and that there is a real problem with snow, especially in the Atlantic Provinces."

Many other citizens felt the same way, or had their own theories.

"It's all about the money for him," said Tammy Wells. "He'll do anything to make a dollar, and when things are closed, and not running **2. IMMEDIACY** as usual, he loses money. That's what happens when people elect businessmen to run a country."

O'Leary cited his reasons for placing the ban,

Enough is enough for the residents of "Canadians are used to snow, we all need to make sure we're doing our part in society. Not letting snow stop us from educating our children, saving lives, or running a country and you've got important information and for that matter."

An inside source, who works closely with the Prime Minister says that whenever a storm is forecast to hit Ottawa, O'Learv makes sure to schedule a foreign diplomatic really real. meeting in "more Southern climates."

As for the strike, Nova Scotians will be staying inside with their storm chips, until the federal government realizes their mistakes



HOW TO TELL YOU'RE READING A REAL NEWS STORY

A guide to help decipher the fake from the truth KAILA IEFFERD-MOORE, ARTS & LIFESTYLE EDITOR

These days, we're constantly inundated with the media. It's become hard to decipher what's the truth in the mass media and what are the falsehoods fed to the public by those with agendas to prove and protect.

Here at Trump News, we want to help you weed out that nasty fake news.

1. CHECK OUT THE PUBLISHER

Is this story from a trustworthy outlet? You can tell a good news source by the 3-acronym rule (if the organization has 3 letters in it's acronym it's legitimate ie. AAA, BPA, CRH, the GTA, etc.)

A breaking story is the story that will have the most facts with the most accuracy in it. The articles that follow the breaking one will have lots of speculation and hidden opinion and rhetoric to fill up the space where the original article had facts.

Any word attached to the front of "gate" the media doesn't play when it comes to gate. Watergate a few years ago? Collapsedgate of 2012? Aqueductgate of 2015? Elbowgate? The list goes on. They were all

4. SMART WORDS

If there are words you don't understand in the article, it shows that whoever wrote the article is much more knowledgeable about the article topic than the reader. Three-syllable words add needed emphasis to stories and help continue to teach the reader.

5. SOURCES

The main source of a news story is the voice of the story and often the closest witness, the central character or an expert. Fake news stories don't include the tiny details of a person's mannerisms because fake news stories wouldn't know them.

6. QUOTES

Any words within a quote means that the attributed source in the story is the one who said the words.

7. NUMBERS

Reading a ton of numbers in a written article can be really confusing and a sign that the reporter is trying to cover the insertion of alternative facts into the story and numbers. The mainstream media is just trying to confuse vou.

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3. "----GATE"



WHAT MAKES A GOOD ESSAY?

How to write a great essay. The best essay ever. A fantastic essay of the biglyest proportions. One worth an A. KAILA JEFFERD-MOORE, ARTS & LIFESTYLE EDITOR WITH FILES FROM SABINA WEX

Times are tough on campus. With the recent reform of the post-secmess and still haven't stabilized to a consensus.

It's become hard to decipher what makes a "good" essay as it's of view.

so relative, but after receiving countless A's and unabashed praise for her unorthodox writing style, Sabina Wex has virtually

Goodbye terrible APA, MLA, Chicago, Michelangelo and BPA-free writing styles! Here are some excerpts from two of Wex's A+ material essays, one on 50 Shades of Grey and femininity, and another on the seclusion of flip-phone users in a

In third-wave feminism, the very name of the Slut Walk is a Simpsons-Nelson Muntz-laughing-meme that women can

use derogatory names and make them empowering rather than oppressive. Whenever a new wave of feminism comes along, so does a way of reversing the sexual images that come along with it. Inserting actual memes and written-out memes add colour and make it much more tolerable for your professor to read through dry Make any pop-culture reference you can and uneducated thoughts in the essays they read.

grade 7, when Motorola Razrs were the shit. The mini-antenna had gone out of use by then, but the defiant sound of a phone clicking as you hung up on someone echoed through the Abercrombie-clad halls. Drop at least 4 expletives per 100 words of text

Swearing heavy throws a curveball into the essay and adds ondary education structures, grading scales have become a bit of a bonus points. Professors love to see their students loosening up and enjoy seeing their topic of expertise from a millennial point

> Apparently, because I've decide to not put my whole life onto my phone, I am a loser. Everything nowadays is available on an app and I'm totally missing out on winning free shit and getting a taxi fast and not getting lost around random small towns

> Pointing to your sorry self will make your professors feel sorry for you and although they all refuse to say it outright, they will give you more marks because of it.

> So turn off the lights, chain yourself to the bed, and think about feminism.

Ending your essay by leaving a closing remark or advice to leave your prof on their toes and thinking.

3 GOLDEN RULES TO THE NEW STYLE

Many people haven't seen a flip-phone since the good ol' days of Use one meme and hyperlink to the source so your prof can share with their hip friends and on their killer power point slides

PRESIDENT TRUMP **TO SEND TROOPS TO CORRE-SPONDENTS** DINNER

National Guard dispatched to stop food theft crimes FRANCOIS LEPAGE

The White House announced a bold new initiative today that is set to stop the dramatic crime sprees happening at the White House Correspondents Dinner. The President has ordered 1500 National Guard units to be sent in to stop the havoc.

President Trump spoke about this crime at his last rally, which saw at least 80 million people show up to see the President speak.

"Have you seen what's going on at these press diners? Crime, lawlessness, people are scared.

Trump said. "Last time I was there in 2011, someone came up and just stole my plate of food, I wasn't even finished! He called himself a 'waiter.'"

"We must end this terrible violence, WE MUST MAKE THE DINNER GREAT AGAIN!" he added

White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer added later that day that the Obama administration had done nothing to stop the crime.

"The previous president just sat there, at these dinners, and did nothing. Just laughed the whole time." He then immediately threw a fish at the CNN reporter in the room and velled "FAKE NEWS."

More to come.

APA, MLA, Chicago, **Michelangelo** and **BPA-free** writing styles!

Goodbye terrible





AREA MAN LIES TO SELF FRIENDS: "NO REALLY, I LOVE WINTER."

Last seen trying not to enjoy recent stretch of warm weather ALEX ROSE

DALHOUSIE SPORTS TEAMS LOOK TO WILL FERRELL TO ENGAGE STUDENTS

Real tiger mascot set to debut next year ALEX ROSE

HALIFAX, NS—In a year in which Dalhousie's athletic teams have attained a historic amount of success, the achievements have barely registered among the student population.

The men's basketball team was the best team in the AUS for the third year in a row and are hosting the country's Final 8 this year. The men's and especially women's track and field teams added to an unprecedented run of dominance. The football team won their first championship in over 60 years. yet students only pay attention to them on homecoming and even then, it's only as an excuse to get drunk.

In an attempt to boost their sports teams' popularity among the student body, the Dalhousie administration is considering all sorts of out-of-the-box proposals. At least three of them seem come from Will Ferrell movies.

"Have you ever seen Semi-Pro?" asked university president Richard Florizone. "That scene where lackie fights a bear? We're gonna try something like that." The proposed plan will see the introduction of a real tiger as an alternate mascot, who will battle against the current

mascot—a person in a tiger suit—during the half-time of the women's basketball games.

Another proposed publicity stunt will be modeled on Ferrell's Frank Ricard character from Old School. The losing captain of every single game played on Dalhousie turf will be expected to go "streaking through the guad and the gymnasium," according to Florizone.

Finally, in lieu of holding individual championship events for each AUS sport. Dalhousie is proposing that each team at each school fight amongst themselves in an Anchorman-style brawl featuring medieval weaponry and werewolves.

The winning team from each school would then be their school's representative in every AUS, and eventually U Sports, event.

When reached for comments, the school's athletes almost universally agreed that yes, it would be nice to have more interest from students, but they were more than happy to keep working hard, having fun and succeeding with their teammates

HALIFAX, NS – After slipping on ice while chasing the bus, area man George Gervin, 24, maintained his love for the winter season.

"I don't understand my friends who can't wait for spring. How can they call themselves Canadian?" asked a bewildered Gervin as he later struggled to clear the ice from his steps.

"Think about all the amazing things you can do in winter that you can't do any other time of year," the man continued after he peeled his drenched socks off his damp and wrinkled feet.

When pressed for an example of those things, Gervin thought for a moment before answering. "Well there's skiing, obviously. I can't wait to hit the slopes this year. All this snow will make for great conditions," he said, despite last going skiing six years ago.

"Look at all this pow!" he continued as he went outside to shovel for the third time this week, aggravating his already bad back. "It's perfect for shredding," he said as he shredded up his lower spinal ligaments.

"Every year for Christmas he asks for long underwear." said Rodney Monroe, Gervin's longtime boyfriend. "Long underwear and thermal socks. And then he only ever uses them in the apartment!"

At press time, Gervin was reportedly proving how little the cold affected him by wearing shorts in -6 degree weather.

LEAFS PLAYING WELL, INSPIRING HOPE, ENSURING INEVITABLE HEARTBREAK MORE PAINFUL THAN USUAL Shanahan: "How can we hurt our fans









if we don't have any?" ALEX ROSE

TORONTO, ON-The Toronto Maple Leafs are having arguably their best season since the lockout that cost the league the '05 season, and definitely their best since the lockout-shortened 2013 season-the last two times the Leafs made the playoffs.

Unlike those two veteran-laden squads, though, the Leafs are winning in an unfamiliar way for their generations of weary fans: with youth. With hope. With a legitimate chance at sustainability in the future. They have three rookies-Auston Matthews, Mitch Marner and William Nylander-who look like future stars.

Brendan Shanahan, the club's president and head honcho, says it's all part of a bigger plan. "It's no secret that we've been losing fans with our chronic incompetence. Our streak of sellouts ended last year, people were jumping on the Raptors and Jays bandwagons after they actually made the playoffs... And obviously that just won't do. Not because of the money, no, God knows how we've remained so profitable through all this, but no." (Here Shanahan paused to fan himself with a handful of hundred dollar bills.)

"It's because we as the Maple Leafs have a mandate to break as many hearts and crush as many dreams as possible, for anything?" in the cruellest way possible. The run-of-the-mill cellardwelling gets old after a while. With our young guys, we have the potential to disappoint Leaf fans young and old in new and creative ways for at least a decade, maybe more."

Wilma Twill, an esteemed psychologist and Bruins fan with a passion for Canadian hockey schadenfreude, says Shanahan is right to focus on developing the Leafs' future misery.

"Don't get me wrong, being a consistently awful hockey team has its benefits. The Leafs had just created a void in a significant part of their fans' lives. They brought absolutely no joy to the people who cared about them most," she said.

"This strategy is a little riskier because it involves at least some semblance of glee and happiness for the fans, but the payoff is much greater. The Leafs' inevitable downfall will be all the more delicious thanks to the great number of hopeful fans. Remember the Game 7 collapse in '13? Oh boy, do l remember. That was amazing."

In a year full of sports upsets and miracles, Lou Lamoriello, the Leafs' general manager, knows the Leafs will need to

make a bigger splash than usual. "Game 7 was bad, sure, but it was in the first round. We gave up a 4-1 lead in a game. The Warriors gave up a 3-1 lead in a whole darn series and not just any series, but the Finals! The Falcons blew a 28-3 lead in the frickin' Superbowl! And now, this whole La La Land Moonlight thing? Get outta here. How can we compete with that kind of devastation if we're not playing

Quite simply, they can't. And until this year, they couldn't. But with the addition of Auston Matthews, Mitch Marner, William Nylander and others, the Leafs are set up to be upset for the foreseeable future.

In an effort to undermine Toronto sports fans of all stripes, the Raptors have announced that their star point guard Kyle Lowry will miss the rest of the egular season. The announcement comes after the aptors retooled at the trade deadline to create heir best and deepest roster in team history.

"Classic example of getting the fans' hopes up, said Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment (MLSE) president Michael Friisdahl. "And then breaking hem down. Last year we let the Raptors and Jays do well; that was a mistake. There can be no refug for Toronto sports fans whatsoever."



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