



# The RBC Camel

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LIFE

## It's World War III, not World War 3

By Justin Yoder  
THE CAMEL

Spring has come again to these United States, robins grace the Rosedale lawn, and a promise of warmth lingers in the air. But a cloud has come across this blessed change of season; our friends of the North envy us and are taking drastic measures. They have decided that since they cannot steal our weather, they will steal our geographical location. Sources say that Canada, Greenland, and the infamous Jardic Isle have been meeting since late

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FEATURE

## Spring Hits Ontario: Reflections on the Beloved Winter

By Debbie Wagler  
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In Canada there are four seasons: almost winter, winter, still win-

## Found: Cure for Boredom

By Justin Yoder  
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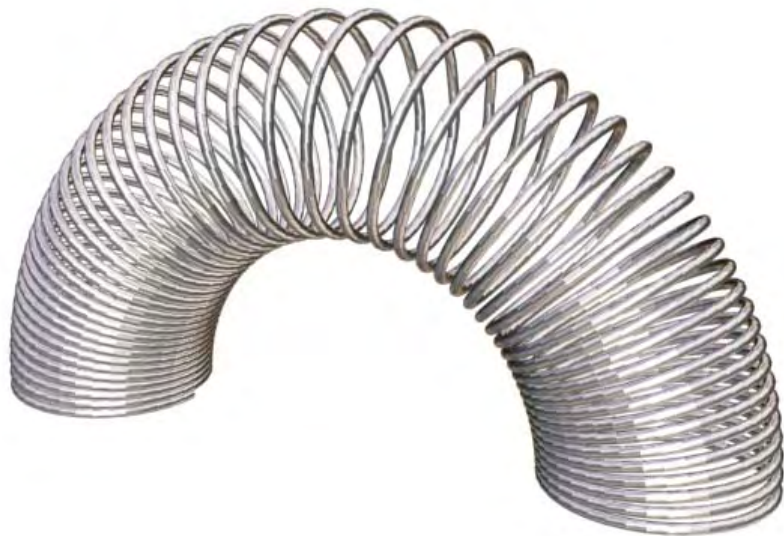
The year 1943 was destined to become the most boring year in history. Then Richard James invented the slinky! During an attempt at making his ship a little springier, the naval engineer dropped a particularly springy spring down a flight of stairs. While

**Below: How better to epitomize the childlike playfulness of full spring than with a slinky?**

chasing the spring from the poop deck to the bottom of the cargo hold James came up with a fabulous idea. He realized that this would be a great way to keep his annoying nephew busy during the long hours of babysitting while his wife, "Betty Crocker" James, was off making great recipes in her Crock Pot (a family of great inventors).

The first batch of slinkies

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ter, and roadwork. At home, winter lingers like some Rosedalians in the cafeteria, but spring will eventually tiptoe into southern Ontario in mid to late April. For us Canucks\*, spring brings to mind the proverbial storing of the dog sled, hanging of the snowshoes, and melting of the igloos.

Spring means no more sledding, snowmobiling the trails, or skating on the local river. Spring is the prelude to July and August ("the

months without hockey, when men wearing team sweaters wander aimlessly about the landscape on roller blades"). In spring you can venture out sans\*\* coats, mitts, tuques\*\*\*, and frozen nose hairs.

Spring begins road hockey and baseball. It is maple sap and syrup time in the bush\*\*\*\*. In spring the grass reappears and the landscape dissolves from white to brown to

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## Life

Student  
Profile

LYDIA ABIGAIL FATH

By Joy Musunuri

THE CAMEL

**How old are you?**

18 years old.

**How many siblings do you have?**

I have one younger brother and two older sisters.

**What do you like about being one of the youngest students on campus?**

I don't have the responsibility of 20+ year-olds!

**What's one of your favorite childhood memories?**

Building sand castles with my

brother in the backyard in Cincinnati and decorating them with buttercups and violets.

**Tell us about your time as a missionary kid.**

I spent six years in Samarkand, Uzbekistan. I miss the colorful Uzbek culture, the friendly smiles of the people, the bazaars, and the smell of pilaf cooking at a street-side cafe.

**What are your future plans after your time at Rosedale?**

I am going to Turkey to live with my family for a year. For the future, I want to live in a Muslim country and work with kids.

**Right: Lydia Fath is known around campus for her warm smile and her sincere questions.****How many languages do you speak?**

I speak English and Uzbek and understand some Russian and Tajik.

**What are some of your favorite things?**

I love Indian and Thai food, black-and-white photography, art, symphonies ...

**Thank you, Lydia, for taking time to share with us!**

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## SLINKY

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was sold in Gimbel's Philadelphia department store. The lot of 400 slinkies sold in ninety minutes. A reliable source claims that the 250 million slinkies that have been sold since 1945 could wrap around the Earth 126 times.

In 1960 our beloved Mr. James took a leave of his sanity, his company, his family, and his slinkies to join a Bolivian cult. Thankfully, Mrs. James took her husband's former position as CEO, preserving the slinky legacy and digging the company out of the debt left by Mr. James' gratuitous donations to his cult. She also got inventive and redesigned the slinky into the many forms we love today. She made Slinky Jr., Plastic Slinky, Slinky Pets, Slinky Dog, and those terrifying Slinky Eyes.



**Above: The ever-lovely Mr. and Mrs. Richard James. Known to practically no one as "the Slinkites," Mr. and Mrs. James spent many hours chasing errant slinkies up and down stairways.**

**Below: The spring that started it all. An original Slinky toy enjoyed by many American (and by that we mean North American and any other country that enjoys slinkies) children .**



## SPORTS STATS

## WINTER

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## RECENT GAMES

## Volleyball

2/26 - **A** vs **B**2/26 - **A** vs **D**2/26 - **C** vs **D**2/26 - **C** vs **F**2/26 - **E** vs **F**2/26 - **B** vs **E**3/5 - **B** vs **F**3/5 - **B** vs **C**3/5 - **A** vs **C**3/5 - **A** vs **E**3/5 - **D** vs **E**3/5 - **D** vs **F**3/12 - **A** vs **F**3/12 - **E** vs **F**3/12 - **C** vs **E**3/12 - **C** vs **D**3/12 - **B** vs **D**3/12 - **A** vs **B**3/19 - **A** vs **D**3/19 - **A** vs **C**3/19 - **C** vs **F**3/19 - **B** vs **F**3/19 - **B** vs **E**3/19 - **D** vs **E**

## Indoor Soccer

3/21 - **A** vs **E**3/21 - **B** vs **D**

## TEAM STATS

## Volleyball

W-L

A 4-4

B 3-5

C 4-4

D 5-3

E 6-2

F 2-6

## Indoor Soccer

W-L-T

A 2-0-0

B 1-1-0

C 1-0-0

D 0-1-0

E 0-1-0

## VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to Team E for winning an intense volleyball tournament. Teammates were Bethany Miller, Debbie Wagler, Justin Yoder, Kim Miller, Tyler Warfel, and Daniel Ziegler.

ULTIMATE BEGIN-  
NINGS

Daniel R. Ziegler  
THE CAMEL

Ultimate Frisbee is here once again. On the quad--or field as some of us call it--it is no longer uncom-

mon to hear shouts of "Box! Box!" and see people diving through the air to land a little short of breath but in possession--or perhaps not in possession--of a small plastic disc. Many of us welcome the physical activity frisbee brings, others just welcome the opportunity to shout.

green. Spring heralds the time when you can take your Timmie's\*\*\*\*\* to a ball game or the park instead of shivering at the arena or huddling indoors. Spring is bittersweet. It is good to park the snowplow, but nothing beats the feeling of skates on ice and hockey stick in hand, eh\*\*\*\*\*?

\**Canuck* is slang for "Canadian." The use of "Canuck" by Canadians themselves is usually affectionate or patriotic.

\*\**Sans* is French for "without."

\*\*\**A tuque* is a beanie\*\*\*\*\*.

\*\*\*\*As in this case, when a Canadian refers to the *bush*, she is usually referring to a woods. FYI: Maple syrup is specific to southern Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritimes of Canada. A.k.a. Maple syrup is not specific to the western provinces. A.k.a. Matt Plett does not make maple syrup.

\*\*\*\*\**Timmie's* is slang for Tim Horton's, a favourite donut and coffee shop that even a baby Canuck will recognize.

\*\*\*\*\**Eh?* is the classic ending to a Canadian paragraph. This eloquent monosyllable combines a confirmation of shared understanding with a solicitation of agreement.

\*\*\*\*\**A beanie* is a type of hat.

The Camel thanks Wikipedia for the definitions of "Canuck," "July and August," and "eh."

## THREE

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November '06 to plot their massive takeover.

The first plan involved peaceful, non-nuclear rockets propelling the Earth in such a way that its orbit would change and we would be fried to a crisp while the North would have tropical weather. Then the Axis of Chill realized that it did not have the fuel, power, or mathematical genius to carry out the operation. Our informant claims this was when they turned to drastic measures. Training their penguins and immigrant polar bears for war and arming their young Mounties with the finest muskets, Canada threw all of its "might" into the war. Greenland donated some of the extra money it made by advertising vacations to a supposedly "green" land using pictures of Hawaii. The Jardic Isle really didn't have anything to contribute that we know of, and some of our geographic experts debate its existence.

Last month a representative of Antarctica met with diplomats of the Axis of Chill to request permission to join this conquest. Canada, the real power in the Axis, voted to accept them under the condition that they send more polar bears and orcas to aid the Northern walruses. Talks are still underway in an attempt to clarify what percentage of South America will go to the Antarcticans if the battle is won. They are asking for at least half, but Canada is bartering for two-thirds of it since they have such a large population. All we Rosedale students can do is cower timidly and watch the unfolding of World War III: The War to End All Winter Suffering For Residents of Freezing Cold Northern Countries That Can't Afford Heaters.

## Early Birds

By Elizabeth Ziegler  
THE CAMEL

When I tell you to think of a robin, what is the first word association you get? A worm! Yes, that's right. Now, forget about the worm for a minute. Close your eyes (but keep squinting to facilitate the continuation of reading) and I want you to picture a robin. Do you see something like this?



Congratulations, you've proven your ethnocentricity. You've pictured the North American Robin. Have you disregarded its English ancestors that came over with your English ancestors on Mayflower? Okay, so there weren't many robins

on the Mayflower. And, okay, so maybe the North American Robin didn't fight on the Tory side in the Revolutionary War. But the English Robin, as a symbol of ancestry and for sailing on big ships across peril-wrought oceans, needs to be recognized, too, as you picture the robin in your mind. We'll call it your "mind robin."

Back to the worm that we forgot about earlier. I want you to picture the worm of your mind (your "mind worm," if you will). Now, envision with me the English robin of your mind eating the "mind worm." The worm symbolizes your desire to sleep in. The robin consumes that desire, which is of course representative of your alarm clock killing all hope you ever had of sleeping in. And now, for your enjoyment, a picture of your "mind robin's" ancestor.

\*\*Please excuse the cynical nature of this psychoanalysis, but understand that the author was cruelly forced out of bed at an inexcusably early hour this morning.

**Below: A picture of a North American Robin. Imagine that.**



# Feature

## The Rico B. Camel SBW

By Philip Troyer  
THE CAMEL

It seems that spring has finally graced us with its presence, but are we truly enjoying it? We can feel the beauty in the warmth surrounding us, but how can we appreciate the sights spring has to offer when we walk all the way down here? This is a problem; however, there is a solution: sky bubbles. Rosedale's campus can be revolutionized with these glass portals.

It's really quite simple. A string of these sky bubbles would float students, and faculty when needed, around campus allowing them to view nature's beauty, have study

sessions, relax, be dropped off near classrooms and make it in by dorm time. Do you remember those bucket rides at Disney World that take you up in the air? The idea stems from that, but ours would serve a better purpose.

In addition to creating a better atmosphere for students, the Sky Bubble Way would also attract more prospective students. People would flock to campus to see this transportation system and discover our academic programs. RBC would grow through the sky bubbles. Later on, thanks to the growth, there could be an expansion on the different lines provided for the bubbles. We would start out with something simple: several bubbles to transport students to and from the chapel, classroom and dorms. With

growth, we could add a food line, serving bubbles with different flavor accents like a pizza bubble. A line for music could be conceived offering contemporary worship bubbles. Think about the possibilities! Soon, personal bubbles could be available with customized features. All of this would be for RBC's growth. Can you see the vision? Isn't it filled with bubbles?

## The Silent Trek

By A. Nonymous  
THE CAMEL

Loping along, with unfrenzied gait  
heads bent to face the wind  
minds bent to face the darkness.  
Cloaks of warmth unwrapped by the wind,  
heads bent to face the wind  
Slowly, bodies move toward warmth  
clocks read eleven and fifty seven  
heads bent to face the wind  
moving as if cold-blooded,  
moving as if defying the hour.  
silently, all trek to the open door,  
Joined in solidarity, brother to brother  
unexpected communion, sister to sister,  
of returning for dorm time.

Inspired by an evening of going to bed early, and thus missing the mass exodus which doubles the population of the dorms in a matter of 3 minutes.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Puddle Jumping

By Elizabeth Ziegler

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Hello again Rosedale photographers! Thank you once again to Camel Staff **Philip Troyer** for these glimpses of a particularly muddy day on Rosedale Campus. It's great to see so many students outside enjoying the warm weather... by... dousing themselves in freezing cold rain water. Nobody said that college students were the smartest when it comes to being prepared for the elements.

Over this term break, we'd like you to be taking pictures of wherever you are travelling! Whether it's going home, visiting friends, or traveling to church after church after church on Chorale tour, we want to see what you saw!

Please send your photos as attachments to:

**rico@rosedale.edu**

Please submit them by:

**April 16th**

