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Hundreds of thousands of people across Canada joined in on the Global Climate Strike on Sept. 27. Protesters gathered on the lawns of Queen's Park demanding governments take action.

Youth take to the streets for climate change in Queen's Park

Emily Wilson

NEWS REPORTER

Chants of Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg's name "Gre-ta! Gre-ta! Gre-ta!" echoed off the pink sandstone of the Ontario legislature.

Thousands of demonstrators — mostly young — congregated on the lawns in front of the building at Queen's Park and beyond. And colourful protest signs blossomed like springtime tulips.

The youth of Toronto, like many young people around the world, turned out in throngs on Sept. 27 to demand action on climate change at an event Humber College's Devon Fernandes called this generation's Woodstock.

And like the 1969 concert, the protests signified the beginning of a power shift.

"We're not going to see change immediately," said the college's sustainability specialist. "The system

has to change first."

The world-wide event helped make celebrities of 16-year-old Thunberg and Canada's own Autumn Peltier, the 15-year-old water activist from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory who was named water commissioner for Anishnabek Nation, an advocacy group of 50 First Nations in Ontario.

"We can no longer continue with business as usual," said the Facebook page of Fridays for Future Toronto. "This is a crisis. Our governments need to treat the climate crisis like the emergency it is."

Indigenous communities lead the march, which also included infants and the elderly, down Bay Street, frequently stopping to form a drum circle.

Ryan Kroon, a Humber Arboriculture Apprenticeship graduate, attended the strike, which he says is unusual for him.

"I am not normally a protester but this one I am passionate about,"

he said.

The Toronto native, who now studies at Ryerson University in the Environment and Urban Sustainability program, said his home is along a ravine in the city and wants future generations to experience the joy of nature like he did.

Fernandes said it was empowering to see so many people at the strike who are committed to addressing climate and injects a sense of urgency into public discourse on the environment.

"Many students are interested in sustainability and think they are helping but getting feedback on ways to contribute will open the conversation," he said.

Fernandes said being open to different ways of looking at things can shape how people view their contributions.

"Traditional environmentalism" of reducing waste and paper are the best first ways of contributing and being more energy efficient



EMILY WILSON

Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg led an estimated 500,000 protesters in Montreal on Sept. 27, demanding action on climate change.

by walking, biking or using public transit whenever possible, he said.

Going to protests are just one way for people to get involved, along with voting, Fernandes said.

Politicians now campaigning for the Oct. 21 election could hardly fail to get the message about a new generation's priorities.

"Passion drives people," he said.



Liberal Kirsty Duncan (left) and Conservative Sarabjit Kaur (centre) are running for the riding of Etobicoke North while NDP's Branko Gasperlin (right) is running in Etobicoke-Lakeshore.

Election 2019: North and Lakeshore run to win students' votes

Jared Dodds and Josh Bergant
NEWS REPORTERS

In many respects, the federal election battles in the ridings of Etobicoke North and Etobicoke-Lakeshore reflect national themes and trends.

Liberals held both seats in the last Parliament and, according to a poll from 338Canada.com, are in the lead heading into the Oct. 21 vote. The Conservatives are gunning for upsets while the Green Party and New Democratic Party trail far behind.

Kirsty Duncan, the Liberal candidate for Etobicoke North, is run-

ning to secure another four years as a member of Parliament.

"I am born and raised here," Duncan said. "This is where my home is. This is where my heart is. I left a job I loved to serve the community I love," she said.

Duncan is a cabinet minister in Liberal leader Justin Trudeau's government, filling multiple roles as the Minister of Sports and Science and Minister of Sport and Persons with Disabilities.

She and Etobicoke-Lakeshore Liberal candidate James Maloney, who could not be reached for comment, are running on a platform

that includes tax breaks for the middle class and stronger gun control.

"For the last 11 years I've advocated for affordability and for making life better for our families," Duncan said. "Serving them is the greatest honour of my life."

Conservative candidate for Etobicoke North Sarabjit Kaur is also looking to support her riding, just in a different way.

"My plans for the riding, they are not my plans," she said. "They are coming from the people."

Kaur was adamant that affordability is the most important issue facing the riding.

This answer lines up with the platform of Etobicoke-Lakeshore candidate for the Conservative Party Barry O'Brien, who could not be reached for comment.

Their party's platform includes cutting back on foreign aid, lowering the countries deficit and getting rid of the carbon tax.

Kaur said Conservative leader Andrew Scheer will be the change the country needs to get back on track.

"He grew up in a middle-class family," she said. "I think he knows everyday struggles."

The NDP are fighting back and forth with the Green Party for

third, and some of the candidates acknowledge that their chances for a win are slim.

Nancy Ghuman, the Green candidate for Etobicoke North, said her place in this campaign is simply as a paper candidate. She is looking towards the provincial election in three years.

Ghuman and Chris Caldwell, the Green Party candidate for Etobicoke-Lakeshore, say the party platform includes putting \$10 billion towards post-secondary education and finding a solution for the climate crisis.

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AI may judge you for writing in ALL CAPS and using !!! marks

Kristen Cussen
NEWS REPORTER

Tweets at 2 a.m. with an excessive use of capital letters and exclamation marks are just a few ways "meta-data is used to judge you," said Frank Pasquale, a recent speaker at the President's Lecture Series.

Pasquale, a professor of Law at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, a leader of algorithmic accountability with an emphasis on AI, machine learning and algorithm, said AI governance has two meanings in the 21st century: governance of AI and governance by AI.

In a world where credit history transformed into algorithmic credit scores, his lecture posed the question of whether there are areas of people's life that shouldn't be processed or automated by machines.

Pasquale cited credit scores to highlight the good and bad in machine learning.

In one sense, if a credit score

algorithm is applied equally to everyone, it has no bias and is more objective. On the other hand, it is precisely the lack of human intervention that removes due process and the ability to appeal from the equation.

"There are now systems that even use what are called fringe alternative data, like how you use social media," Pasquale said.

"There are ways in which your meta-data is used to judge you," he said. "For example, are you a person who is tweeting at one or two in the morning?"

"That can be seen as discrediting according to some of these entities," Pasquale said.

He said we need to ensure these algorithms are not systemically discriminating against people or creating self-fulfilling prophecies.

"Do we want to be judged in all these dimensions?" Pasquale asked.

Pasquale said there are flaws and potential in AI in regards to tainted training data.

An example involves a dataset with pictures of various lesions and moles that can be used as a primary visual diagnosis of skin cancer. But Pasquale wonders if AI governance provides scientists a dataset for something like skin cancer with an equal understanding of skin type based on the sample size.

"How can we ensure equal representation?" he asked.

In an attempt to remove bias and discrimination from policing, a dataset of criminals' faces was used to identify a person's criminal potential. By breaking down the method, Pasquale said datasets like these are prone to show correlation without causation, thus creating discrimination rather than eliminating it.

Pasquale also cited red-light cameras, a form of machine governance.

Going through a red-light camera will result in a ticket and fine and while the opportunity to appeal still exists it is against a photograph, rather than an officer who issues a ticket.



KRISTEN CUSSEN

Maryland law professor Frank Pasquale spoke at a President's Lecture Series event about algorithmic accountability and artificial intelligence.

"If a cop were there, is there a chance he would have let you off with a warning or not pull you over at all?" Pasquale said.

Fairness, due process and empa-

thy are key components of decision making. By removing that from algorithmic processing, Pasquale said people are no longer governing AI but rather letting AI govern them.

Not enough beds for sleeping students

Emily Wilson

NEWS REPORTER

IGNITE opened the doors to its sleep lounge three years ago and there aren't enough beds to handle the demand.

The 12-bed facility, located above the cafeteria at North campus, is a getaway for tired students to get some shut eye. And there's been a steady increase in use by students since the lounge opened in 2016.

Last week alone more than 250 students were using the facility.

Shay Kedroe, vice-president of IGNITE North campus, said the service is much needed.

She said Humber is "a huge commuter school, commutes for some students is two hours."

Paul Noriega is one of them.

He commutes from Guelph every day and starts his drive to the school early to beat the traffic.

"I get up at 5 a.m. and I have classes sometimes until 10 p.m.," said the third-year Architectural

Technology student.

Noriega, 24, also has long stretches of breaks between his classes where he can do school work but sometimes sleep is more valuable.

Kedroe said the facility moved closer to the IGNITE office and cafeteria area last year to double the number of beds because of the demand.

Robin Quiambao, a second-year Media Studies student at the University of Guelph-Humber, appreciates the sleep lounge and uses it often.

"I think we're really fortunate to have it," she said.

The 19-year-old said between her early classes and work schedule it's hard to have a proper sleep routine.

The first time she used the lounge she was insecure about the privacy but the need for sleep quickly took over.

Quiambao said the cafeteria can sometimes be loud but it's more like white noise. Noriega agreed.

"I hear white noise, but it's not really a bother to me," Noriega said.

"I put my headphones on anyway."

But not everyone likes the location or the noise.

Brian Cao finds the area too loud.

The third-year Mechanical Engineering student feels uncomfortable in the area because it doesn't feel private.

"It was really uncomfortable and noisy," he said. "There was a lot of light coming in."

Nevertheless, he feels the new facility is still better than the previous lounge.

Cao said he prefers to sleep in the new CTI building, despite the possibility of being nudged awake by security.

Kedroe said even with soundproofing efforts and the use of earplugs the noise from the cafeteria can be challenging.

IGNITE's sleep lounge is the first of its kind among post-secondary schools, so it may take some time before trial and error develops a lounge that makes everyone happy, she said.



EMILY WILSON

Some students prefer to sleep in the CTI building, despite the possibility of being woken up by security, because of noise and privacy concerns.

"As for privacy, students' safety is our top priority so space must be accessible, inclusive and safe for our staff to operate," Kedroe said.

James MacFarlane, a clinical consultant for the MedSleep school in Toronto, said it's necessary everyone to get between six and nine hours of sleep a night.

"There is nothing wrong with napping as long as it does not affect

getting a full night of sleep," he said.

A proper amount of napping time is 20 to 40 minutes and any longer risks not being able to get a proper sleep at night, MacFarlane said.

Kedroe said IGNITE wanted to listen to what students are needing to boost marks.

"It was evident that [the sleep lounge] was a need for our students," she said. "We always listen."

Pathways to success for some students are barriers for others

Donna Akbari

NEWS REPORTER

Where some Humber College students see a ramp leading to their classrooms, Onally Kabagu sees a barrier to her education.

"I have all of my classes upstairs except on Wednesdays," the second-year Co-operative Education student, who uses a walker for mobility, told Et Cetera. "My classes are usually in the K building, so I have to use the ramp, it's very deep and I get tired once I reach my class."

Lisa Salem Wiseman, Associate Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Wellness said, accessibility is important for special needs students, especially those who have mobility needs.

Though she has not heard complaints from the students they provide accommodation for by informing their instructors to be more lenient in terms of time as some routes are more inconvenient than others.

But for Kabagu, the ramp is challenging both going up and down, as it is easy to lose control of her speed.

She said the elevators around the school are mainly in the LRC build-

ing, which are comfortable and accessible because of their structure, space and placement.

"I feel safer in the large elevators than I do in the smaller one," said Kabagu.

The smaller one she refers to is the one in the F building, which is aged and worn down, something that is for her out of a horror film. It is not in plain view and is small, she said.

"I feel scared but sometimes I have no choice," said Kabagu.

Sacha Ally, a specialist member of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Committee, said the committee works with the college and other organizations to help ensure barrier prevention and removal for all Humber campuses and beyond.

"The AODA committee meets every two months to discuss accessibility issues and to develop strategies to remove barriers for students and staff. One of the tools that have been developed is the committee barrier identification form," Ally said.

The barrier identification form is a feedback process that enables people to provide feedback in person, by telephone, in writing or by

another method. The form can be accessed through the Centre for Human Rights' webpage.

The AODA committee also provides a pilot workshop that addresses difficulties or challenges experienced by a person with disabilities that result from misunderstanding, confusing or ignoring the disability and using the disability to dismiss the person or to make unfair comparisons.

Adam Benn, manager for Human Rights, Equity and Diversity, said to be able to provide better mobility access for special needs students is to ensure there is a level of understanding and respect between people who are mobile and those who are not.

"Currently the Centre for Human Rights, Equity and Diversity is in the process of reviewing Humber's new Accessibility policy," Benn said.

"Both the North and Lakeshore campuses underwent an accessibility audit project which took place between June and August of this year," he said.

A recent accessibility upgrade includes the Access Hub for Wheel Trans buses was recently created and is now operable at Humber at the bus



DONNA AKBARI

Onally Kabagu, second year CICE student, said she does not feel safe using the F building elevator but does not have another alternative.

hub outside the LRC, said Desta McCalla, associate director of Accessible Learning Services.

"We are making small steps to be able to ensure easier access for stu-

dents who need more access to mobility, over time we will be able to fulfill the dream of having a college without barriers for any students," McCalla said



MELANIE VALENTE-LIETE

Njacko Backo (left, standing) with staff, students and local residents who joined together to celebrate Toronto's cultural diversity during Culture Days at Humber's Lakeshore campus.

'I've never felt like Canada is not home'

Melanie Valente-Leite

NEWS REPORTER

Nivedita Bhalla, Culture Day programming intern for Humber College, is from India but has never felt more at home, especially when planning events at Humber like Culture Days.

"Since I'm an international student here, it's been almost two years I've been in Canada, I belong to India. However, I've never felt like Canada is not home to me," Bhalla said.

"The reason I chose to be the programming lead for Culture Days was to indulge in such a community event where I'm able to learn more about different cultures," she said.

Humber College and the City of Toronto joined forces to celebrate culture. The annual event was held at the Lakeshore campus on Sept. 28 and 29.

It was hosted by students and staff from Humber College, the City of Toronto and Toronto residents, with funding from Toronto and donations.

Culture describes the way of life of people from different nations, including the art, customs,

behaviours, beliefs and values, that are passed on to generations without drastic changes.

"My favourite part about Culture Days is that it brings people together to celebrate culture and the arts, in an environment and setting that is not only just supportive and nurturing but also just like, celebrates community," said Nawfal Sheikh, the Community Cultural Coordinator for Toronto.

A variety of free activities during the event were provided such as Chinese lantern workshops, fabric dying, DIY South African jewelry making and Peruvian mat weaving of mats.

Culture Days ended with Canada's global orchestra Kuné, who performed an hour-long set that included musical instruments from all across the globe.

"Culture days is full of people from all walks of life, so this is a platform to express themselves," said Kathleen Vizuete, second-year Humber student for Visual Digital Arts. "As an artist, that's what I'm all about. It's to be able to voice ourselves out of wherever, matter what our capabilities are."



MELANIE VALENTE-LIETE

Local resident Ofelia Noal takes part in the music and dancing at Lakeshore campus' Culture Days event.

CTI at crossroads of culture, hospitality and tech

Nathaniel Marksman

BIZ/TECH REPORTER

A mix of state-of-the-art technology, Indigenous culture, and hospitality. This is what the new Barrett Centre for Technology Innovation has to offer.

Noah Webster, an Architectural Technology student and captain of the Humber eSports Counter-Strike: Global Offensive team is fascinated with the new building.

"If you told me that in a year, I would be sitting in the brand-new building with an insanely specked out computer, having this area to practice and play... I would say that you are joking," he said.

The Barrett CTI has many innovative technological features, such as smart windows that open and close depending on the temperature inside, and net zero energy which draws power from solar panels on the Humber College parking lot. The building has a green space on the roof which will be used for growing plants and vegetation through research, as well as life labs such as the green screen room which students can use.

The Barrett CTI pays its respects



NATHANIEL MARKSMAN

Marcin Kedzior, a design and architecture professor (left), discusses a video project with his students in the CTI.

to the Indigenous land it occupies, with a structure called the Anishinaabeyaadiziwin Miikana which was created to honour and respect Indigenous culture.

Humber's hospitality program is also involved with the Barrett CTI. Domestic and international guests who are invited to Humber can stay

in one of the three hotel suites on the fourth floor created by Humber students, in case they cannot find an immediate hotel to stay in.

With all the gadgets and infrastructure developed in the Barrett CTI, the institution has become a popular resource centre for faculty and students to bring together their

ideas and projects.

Humber Professor Marcin Kedzior, who teaches in the Bachelor of Design and Architecture Technology programs, instructs a class called visual communication and design.

Kedzior said the class focuses on current issues by researching ideas

and initial exploration for large-format communication projects.

Students get the opportunity to present a video, which involves them discussing a present-day problem from a design point of view. The video will be presented in the Barrett Centre at the end of the semester in front of senior designers from Facebook, Google, Sidewalk Labs, Indigo and Uber.

"The Barrett CTI is an unbelievable resource in the way it makes students engage with projects beyond class, allowing them to pursue projects they find relevant and interesting and that connect directly to communities and industry in the city," he said.

The Barrett CTI is an institution where students get the opportunity use the building to their advantage and bring their ideas to reality.

"It's great to see an idea being developed into a real-life project," said Temu Moore, a project coordinator for the Barrett CTI. He said Humber is always ready to take on new challenges.

And Neal Mohammed, director of the Centre for Technology Innovation, couldn't have said it any better than "Humber is moving forward."

Guests and alumni share experiences with students in TechWeek

Ryan Michael Wanzala

BIZ/TECH REPORTER

Students honed their computer analytics and creative skills with special guests and Humber alumni in a two-week workshop hosted by Humber's Digital Student Business Association.

Eight seminars, collectively named TechWeek, touched on a variety of productivity resources to enhance students' skills while utilizing the latest software available on the market.

"My passion is to give individuals additional skills," said Microsoft certified instructor Isabella Annouza, who's been working in the field of corporate training for 35 years.

"And that's really my mission, that they get the skills for employment, or to be used for potential employment," she said.

"Because at the end of the day, education is to land that job and to shine in that job with these polished skills."

Annouza was among the in-



RYAN MICHAEL WANZALA

The agenda was projected to students by instructor Isabella Annouza at a Microsoft Excel workshop.

structors featured in this semester's TechWeek and was elated to share her knowledge with the students who attended the beginner and intermediate levels of the Microsoft Excel workshops.

"We looked at different types of functions, like logical functions, if-statements, date functions," Annouza said.

"And then we worked with tables,

defining an area of the worksheet and looking at all the tools that are available, like sorting, subtotaling, formatting, as well as applying conditional formatting," she said.

The Lakeshore-hosted seminars were delivered by an assortment of certified professionals and Humber alumni who volunteered to share their experience with students.

"They are all hands on," said Ha-

nadi Alnawab, Professor and program coordinator at Humber Faculty of Business.

Many of the tools featured in this year's TechWeek spanned from analytical software such as Google Analytics and Microsoft Excel, creative software such as Canvas and Filmora, marketing suites such as Facebook Ads and Mailchimp, and business networking websites such

as LinkedIn.

"They all take place in a computer lab," Alnawab said. "Two of the workshops are related to Microsoft Excel, all the other six are other workshops – they were all delivered by alumni."

"Those are the students who graduated from our program, and they come back and volunteer their time and they share their experience with the students," she said.

Alnawab, who planned previous iterations of TechWeek, is preparing to continue forward with the workshops next year.

"We'll like to do this every semester," she said. "So, if we have presenters who are willing to volunteer their time – and so far, we have been successful, for sure."

As for Annouza, she knows the next TechWeek will be a success under Alnawab.

"There's a lot of behind the scenes work for this and from her team," Annouza said. "I think the effort she has put for the students and for the college is tremendous."

LinX soup bar is back with big plans

Beatriz Balderrama Baleeiro

BIZTECH REPORTER

The Café LinX is more than a friendly place where people can play board games with friends and grab some coffee. It's also the home for Humber's community program, the Soup Bar.

Patrons can choose from one of the many kinds of soups, seasonings and bread between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday at North campus. Students are encouraged to bring their own soup containers.

The "Pay-What-You-Can" program has partners such as Feed it Forward, the Faculty of Business, campus services and IGNITE, making it possible for students, faculty and staff dealing with food insecurities to have a nourishing meal.

"If you have five cents, you can leave five cents," said Alexa Hoa, assistant manager of Cafe LinX and retail services. "If you have \$1, you can leave \$1. If you don't have anything, you don't have to leave anything."

"It's really just a feel-good program, I think it works well, especially here in this space, because it really pulls away the stigma of hunger," she said.

Jagger Gordon, the Canadian executive chef and founder of the Feed it Forward community program, uses "feed Canadians, not landfills" as its motto, with the concept of handing out soup to people who are living with food insecurities in the city.

"As a chef, when I threw away my first tray of food, I noticed that there's a waste.

So I popped up in 2014, and Trinity Bellwoods was my first open kitchen. Thanksgiving we fed, I think 200 to 300 people, and that opened my eyes to the need to feed," he said.

Feed it Forward, created in 2014, rescues food from grocery stores that would have been thrown away, repurposing it towards some of its many programs, such as Humber's soup bar.

"All of our produce is basically obtained from my farm, and also Whole Foods is my sponsor," Gordon said. "So all the products and everything I put in my 'pay-what-you-can' grocery store, and through



BEATRIZ BALDERRAMA BALEEIRO

Patrons can choose from one of the many kinds of soups, seasonings and bread between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Tuesday to Thursday at North.

the soup bar is strictly organic."

The National Zero Waste Council conducted research on household food waste in Canada in 2017, and its findings were staggering. Canadians throw away 2.2 million tonnes of food worth about \$17 billion each year.

The Soup Bar uses Humber's

to serve everybody. And make sure that you have a great experience," Hoa said.

Hoa had full support from campus services, IGNITE, the Faculty of Business and Feed it Forward to come together and feed the community one more day a week. It's also expanding to the Humber Lakeshore community due to its high demand.

"When the Soup Kitchen returns, there's this really nice and warm welcoming that we get from

students, they really appreciate the soup, and they also really miss our company," Hao said.

An average of 400 students are served every day, said Gordon, which is why he is considering keeping the Soup Bar open five days a week in the future.

Gordon cited former U.S. president John F. Kennedy and said it's not about what your community can do for you, but what you can do for your community.

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If you don't have anything, you
don't have to leave anything."**

-ALEXA HOA,
ASSISTANT MANAGER OF CAFE LINX

HRT program facilities to cook healthy and delicious soups made from food diverted from the landfills that are still perfectly edible, with the help of volunteers who chop and combine the ingredients with seasoning and a dash of passion with no experience necessary, feeding students, faculty and anyone who is hungry.

"It's just one of those great initiatives that no matter what walks of life that you come from, it's here



BEATRIZ BALDERRAMA BALEEIRO

Alongside the Soup Bar, Chef Jagger Gordon donates meals and produce to people who are food insecure through his Feed It Forward program.

Surprise guest soccer star Leaford Allen wins FIFA tournament

John Grant
BIZTECH REPORTER

Humber Hawks' soccer star Leaford Allen added to his impressive year by winning North campus' annual FIFA20 tournament.

The rookie has been sensational for Humber's soccer team, as he is on pace to break the College's goal-scoring record.

Allen showed that he isn't just a virtuoso on the soccer field, but in the gaming world as well, winning the tournament by edging out some of Humber's finest eSports players to win a pair of Toronto Maple Leafs tickets.

"I love seeing people dominate their competitors if they can, showing off the nicest goals, and to get the W," said Ryan Stafford, the IGNITE Lakeshore Vice President.

That's exactly what Allen did by dominating the final match 5-0 to win the tournament. Allen had nothing but praise for competitors in the Humber eSports community.

"It's a community, you know what I mean? It's somewhere for people to come around and meet up and enjoy something that they love to play...so it definitely brings a lot of people together and it opens up people's minds," he said.

IGNITE and Humber eSports are now collaborating so that they can do even bigger gaming events, hoping to eventually host tournaments on campus.

"We are currently working out a plan with [Humber] eSports, so they can host their own tournaments in our space, but also we can host tournaments bigger than the ones we have now with them as well," said Mellissa Khuai, IGNITE's Services Coordinator.

Just like sports, video games unite communities and bring people from different backgrounds together for the common goal of playing and enjoying their favourite game.

Ali Ahmed, a marketing student, who finished second in the tournament, has been playing FIFA for over five years, and has met many friends playing the game. He said he never lets competition tarnish his friendships.

"It's really competitive, but at the same time, like once the game is over, both sides are happy about it," he said.

Khuai hopes this partnership with eSports will breed more prominent and better things for Humber College, so the scene grows even bigger.



JOHN GRANT

FIFA tournament champion and soccer star Leaford Allen went home with Leafs tickets

"They've been great at supporting us in making our game rooms at Lakeshore and North bigger," she said.

Video games are no longer laughed at as child's play. They have big stakes. And big pressure.

Allen said competing in the FIFA tournament proved pre-game jitters happen even in the gaming world.

"Honestly, from literally the moment the game started, my hands were shaking, like, absolutely shaking," he said.



JOHN GRANT

Lakeshore IGNITE Vice President Ryan Stafford supported the tournament.

Gamers work to balance school and eSports

Nicholas Eveleigh
Nathaniel Marksman
BIZTECH REPORTERS

Mackenzie Coates, a member of the Super Smash Bros. Ultimate eSports team, knows when to drop the controller and pick up the books.

"Video games are a part of my life, they can stop me from homework sometimes, but I like to balance it out by setting a certain amount of time aside for assignments," he said.

Coates, a graphics design student, advised student gamers who might be struggling to find a balance by making gaming a reward, suggesting video games should be a hobby and not the top priority.

Video games can become time-consuming and distracting when there are priorities such as readings, studying for tests and assignments.

Humber eSports players would prefer practicing for an upcoming tournament or playing just for fun rather than tackling the books, but

they also understand the importance of education.

Humber eSports teams have a strong reputation across Ontario, including the best Call of Duty players in the province, said Kevin Tang, Humber's eSports Communi-

ty Coordinator.

"When we see that an individual is dropping, they will not be able to play, when the student experiences that, hopefully the switch flips in their mind," he said.

Ashraf Ahmed, a professional

"Video games are a part of my life. They can stop me from homework sometimes"

-MACKENZIE COATES
ASSISTANT MANAGER OF CAFE LINX

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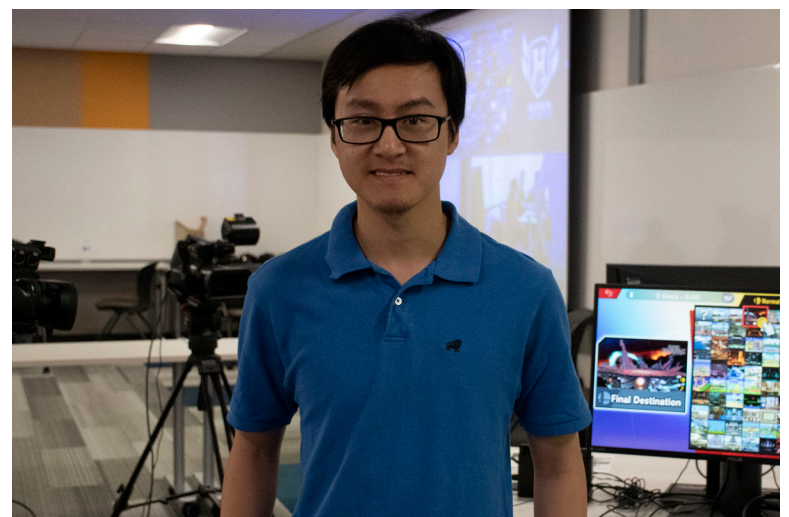
The faculty and coaches have big expectations for these gamers but also expect players to maintain their grades to be able to compete in tournaments.

"Humber ensures students won't slip in grades by making sure students maintain a 70-per-cent average in order to be a part of Hum-

ber's gaming team," Tang said.

Super Smash Bros. player and content creator, also known by the alias StylesX2, has been in the competitive gaming scene since 2014. Ahmed played in major tournaments such as the Evolution Championship Series, commonly referred to as EVO.

A former student, Ahmed recently attended Humber's Super Smash Bros. Tournament to show



NATHANIEL MARKSMAN

Kevin Tang, Humber's E Sports Community Coordinator, helped organize the first Super Smash Bros. Ultimate tournament of the semester.

his support for the school's eSports community. This was the first tournament of the semester, featuring a series of monthly events called Hawks Den. This event series was a collaboration between Humber eSports alumni and faculty.

Ahmed remembers the demands of trying to balance school and video games when he was a student.

"Don't forget your studies, it's important," he said. "Sure, you can make money playing video games. But that's if you're lucky."

MPP Andrew returns 'home' for BASE homecoming

Jaeybee Martinito

ARTS REPORTER

An educator holds a pivotal role in a college student's journey, says NDP MPP Jill Andrew.

"Representation is important, but even more so when the institution listens to students," said Andrew, who is a Humber grad. "Every student demonstrates what they're good at and it is for an educator to see and identify that."

Black Academic Success and Engagement (BASE) hosted its annual All About The BASE fall homecoming event at Humber Lakeshore on Oct. 2.

Coming back to Humber College's BASE felt like returning home for Andrew, who was in part the guest speaker at the event because she was a graduate of the Child and Youth Worker program back in 1995.

"It's an opportunity to share some words of wisdom," she said.

Andrew says she learned the ethics of caring when they were a student at Humber. She said the impact of their college experience to their career success was from the resources in the community spaces.

"It's important for students to have a direct line to administrations and faculty, where they can bring suggestions, construction criticism, solutions," she said. "I am a work in progress, as we all are."

Andrew is the first black and queer person to be elected in the Ontario legislature and continues to work in advocating to end size and appearance discrimination.

"All About The BASE is a sense of homecoming, a call to students so that they can feel at home," said Yamikani Msosa, coordinator of BASE.

The BASE collaborates with Humber's Aboriginal Resource Centre (The ARC) and LGBTQ+ Resource Centre to promote inclusivity among students by hosting the Diversity Labs now known as At The Intersections once a month.

These labs are also a way to make first year students as well as returning students feel safe and welcomed when they go to school every day.

"There's so many opportunities at Humber, especially the task force to be able to continue the lineage of inclusivity," Msosa said. "They



JAEYBEE MARTINITO

NDP MPP for Toronto-St. Paul's and Humber grad Jill Andrew spoke at the All About The Base event on Oct. 2.

are here to listen to the experiences of students and also celebrate their accomplishments."

The talk was followed by a student panel of four, where they asked Andrew questions and vice versa.

Jamie Caine, The BASE Outreach and Engagement leader, said their educational journey has been far from linear.

It was the staff in the BASE program who changed the expectations

and encouraged further education, Caine said.

"I had staff, who are in this room, that supported me in my accommodations and even getting onto the honour roll," Caine said.

RADIO HUMBER-CAFE LINX BRING BC MUSICIANS TO NORTH



Victoria, B.C.-based singer-songwriter Adrian Chalifour (left) and Dave Zellinsky (right) were touring at Humber on Oct. 2. The duo played a breakfast pop-up organized by Radio Humber and Cafe LinX. Chalifour was on the second season of CTV's *The Launch*.

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WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE CAF OFFERING BEYOND MEAT BURGERS?

“Those people that don’t want to eat meat burgers, it’s cool for them. They want different things.”



FATEHPAL SINGH
TRAVEL AND TOURISM, 2ND YEAR

“A lot more people are becoming vegetarian and vegan and it creates those options for those people.”



RACHEL LESTER
SPORTS MANAGEMENT 2ND YEAR,

“It gives everyone an option. There’s a lot less anxiety over trying to find something that works for them, which is nice and more inclusive”



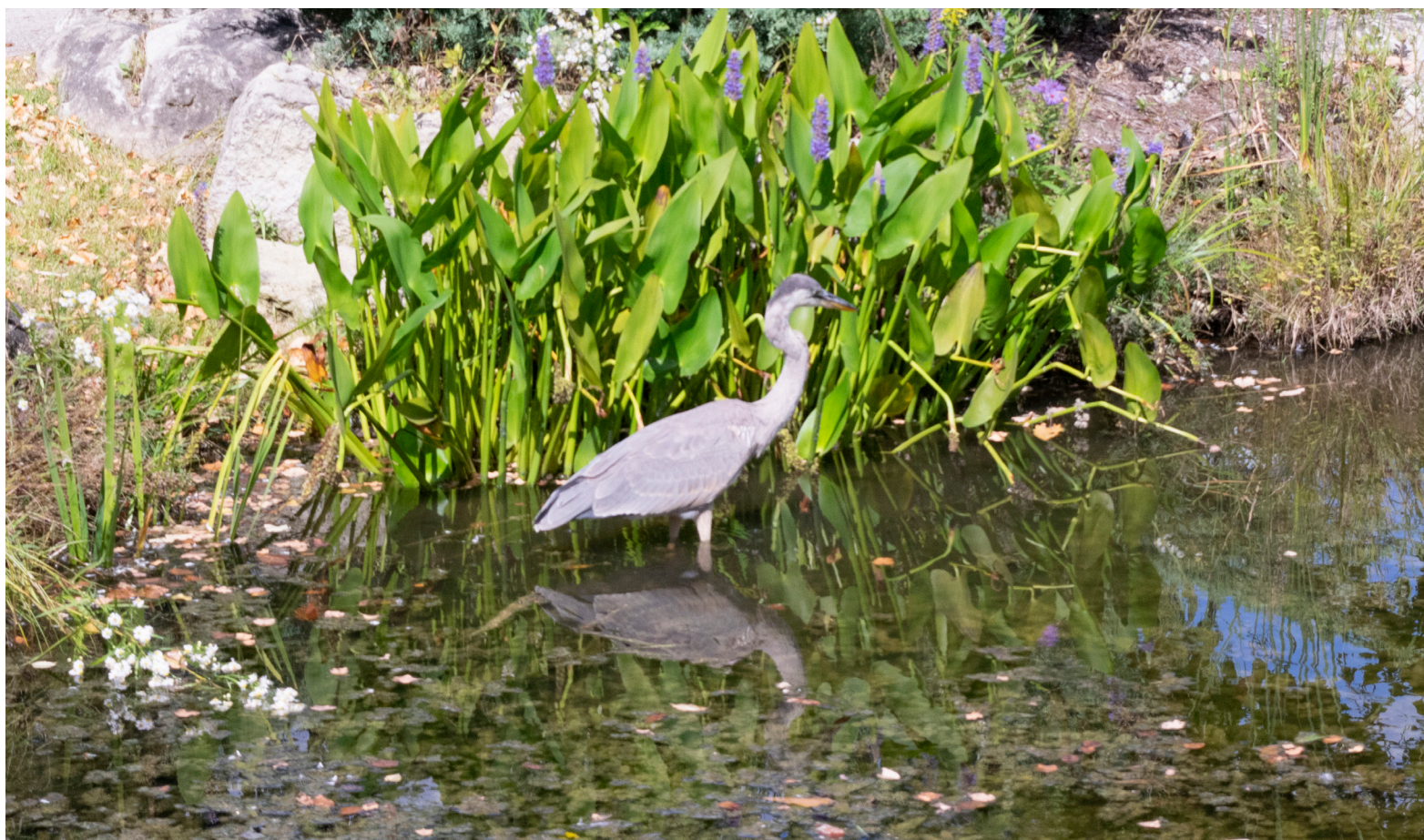
EMILY GALANTAI
FUNERAL DIRECTOR, 1ST YEAR

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

ARB 5-YEAR PLAN AIMS TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE

A blue heron hangs out in the pond at the Arboretum. Arboretum staff recently launched its five-year strategic plan, with the goal of improving the quality of life for creatures in the park as well as students who pass through.

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EDITORIAL

We don't have another 20 years to spend ignoring climate change

Last Friday saw the one of the largest protests in Canadian history.

The last day of the Global Week for Future strikes saw more than a six million protesters worldwide, many of them students and young people, calling on world leaders and politicians to take the ongoing climate crisis with the urgency it requires.

The message Swedish activist Greta Thunberg gave to the United Nations the week previous echoed across every chant and march since.

The world however has been through this before.

The Kyoto Protocol was signed in 1997, recognizing humanity as the cause of climate change and calling

on nations to reduce the emissions of six greenhouse gases.

Kyoto was in many ways a failure, committing to modest reductions of six per cent in its first period, but it was still a landmark agreement on climate change. It acknowledged the human cause of climate change and was considered better than nothing.

Because of the lack of enforcement mechanisms, and a focus on the developed nations to cut their emissions, the targets of Kyoto have not been met, and in some cases have been abandoned.

The United States in particular was vocal in its opposition to Kyoto, weakening the protocol's support.

Canada announced in 2011 its intention to withdraw from Kyoto entirely, citing similar reasons as the United States.

During the 20 years between Kyoto and Paris, governments have met regularly to negotiate further reductions. A key point was to include and support the developing nations, who objected to being held to the same level of responsibility as the developed nations for emissions cuts.

The world came together again in 2015, negotiating a series of ambitious targets beyond Kyoto's 2020 deadline, with funding and support for developing nations to ease the much harsher transition

away from fossil fuels and their greater vulnerability to the effects of climate change.

The result was the Paris Agreement, and like Kyoto it was celebrated as a landmark agreement on climate change, and the first to put binding targets to reduce the global temperature increase to between 2 and 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels on all nations.

But, when nations returned home to determine their own targets, the results have been lacklustre. And again, the opposition of the United States, by far the largest polluter except for perhaps China, weakened the effectiveness of Paris,

and the willingness of its parties.

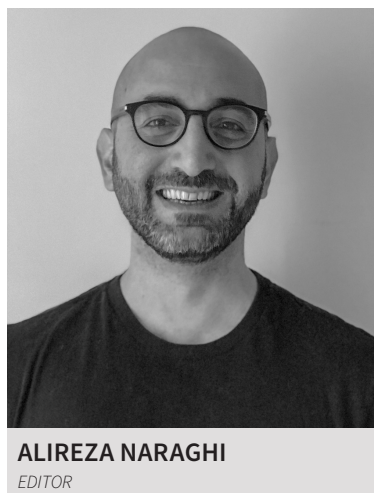
Greta Thunberg's outrage is exactly what the leaders of the world should expect, after more than 20 years of knowing the cost of inaction.

The fight against climate change has been going on far longer than Kyoto, and yet the world still seems to waver between action and inaction. Concerned about the immediate economic costs over the long-term consequences of climate change.

But the price of doing nothing, or not enough, will be high. The crisis will grow every year drastic action is not taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and the cost will become insurmountable.

OPINION

Young activists demand to be heard on climate crisis



ALIREZA NARAGHI
EDITOR

If the scale of the challenge to the political system and the planet was not clear last month when Canadians came out in droves to demand climate action and joined the global school strike organized by the movement's founder, Greta Thunberg, now there's certainly no doubt. "You have stolen my dreams and my childhood with your empty words," said the teenage climate activist. "My message is that we will [be] watching you."

Grassroots movements and the idea of protecting our natural world have been around for decades. But since the school strikes for climate began last year, young people called on adults to recognize the gravity of the problem – and to demand to be heard. Trade unions and NGOs representing hundreds of millions of people globally mobilized in sup-

port: employees left their workplaces, teachers, and nurses marched, and workers at giant tech companies, such as Amazon, walked out to join the climate protest.

The idea of protecting the natural world has been around for decades, but this past year the explosion in youth climate activism has dramatically altered the debate around the issue and shifted the perception among the broader electorate. Driven to desperation by the repeated failures of governments and the limitations posed by the economic system and increasing fearfulness about the warming and ecologically degradation the young are set to inherit, youth movements are sending a message to political classes and highlighting the dire consequences forthcoming if they fail to respond.

How politicians can take such sentiments seriously is still unclear, and much of that depends on how they view the climate emergency and whether they treat it as a problem directly connected to prevailing economic and political narratives.

Early indications show some of these ideas are gaining ground in Canadian politics. A recent Forum Poll for the Toronto Star found the environment and climate change is the top issue among 32 per cent of the 1,853 people asked between Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, even over the economy and jobs, at 21 per cent.

Also, for example, the aggressive



EMILY WILSON

Thousands of Toronto protesters descended on Queen's Park during the global climate strike on Sept. 27

campaigning by the Liberal Party around the issue in recent weeks on campaign trails and implementation of a carbon tax. The Green New Deal, championed by young Democrats in the United States and supported by the NDP through its "Green New Democratic Deal," is just another example of this massive shift, which was unimaginable only two years ago.

Such a comprehensive policy, if enacted, would transform the energy sector, the very concept of transportation, and reconfigure the approach to agriculture. Canadian climate emergency advocates can take heart their plight, and direct actions like school

strikes, are having a significant impact, even if the political will among governments is moving slowly.

It is hard to argue how much movements can achieve by translating this momentum, which is gained through social movements, into considerable political power.

Internationally, the trends are mixed. The rise of Donald Trump and, subsequently, the emergence of far-right politics, which are inherently suspicious towards the issue of climate change, resist genuine change while dragging the progress backward. Such variations, as well as the unprecedented nature of the climate activism of the past

year, make it hard to predict where we go from here.

But the climate emergency is not the only issue to have strong support among voters. In Canada, First Nation rights, job security, and affordable housing, especially among the young, are other issues that have an intergenerational dimension. Indeed, the dire predictions for the future of the planet, and, by extension, the western political economy, show the divisions between old and young.

With Millennial voters making up the biggest voting bloc in the upcoming federal election, a new fault line in politics is crystallizing.



KEVAUGHN WILSON

University of Windsor Lancers won the 2019 Humber Cup, defeating Western University Mustangs for their third consecutive title. The Hawks didn't qualify for the finals.

Hawks came up short as three-time champs U Windsor take title

Jonathan Frasco

SPORTS REPORTER

The Hawks men's volleyball gained the valuable experience a young squad needs by battling top-quality competition at Humber's annual tournament.

"I think the calibre of this tournament is quite possibly one of the best, not just in the OCAA but in the OUA [Ontario University Athletics] as well," said Humber coach Wayne Wilkins.

Teams from colleges and universities across Canada — including the Universities of Ottawa and Western and Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel (CEGEP) Limoilou from Quebec — participated in the battle for the Humber Cup between Sept. 27 and Sept. 29.

"I think if you can compete in

this tournament and finish in the top three or four, it bodes well for how you can do in the year," Wilkins said.

Humber got off to a good start against Mohawk Mountaineers opening day, winning 3-1 before falling to Limoilou in its next match by three sets to one.

The Hawks came back the next day with a win over the University of Ottawa in a 3-2 battle. Later, the Hawks lost 3-1 to the Western Mustangs.

Against Western, all games except for the fourth set were decided by two points, Wilkins noted. "That was some really good volleyball for September."

Wilkins is more than happy with what he has seen so far from the team. "I'm excited to where I think we can get to, so I'm looking forward

to see these guys develop," he said.

The team finished the tournament with a 3-0 loss to Durham College early Sunday morning with University of Windsor taking first place over Western in the finals.

Rady Kim, the Hawks' veteran setter, saw the tournament as an opportunity to help integrate new players on the team.

"A lot of young guys this year, a lot of opportunity for these new guys to prove to themselves and prove to league, prove to everyone we can hang," Kim said.

He said patience is going to be key as the team needs to grow over the season but feels they can compete with anyone.

The Hawks continue its pre-season at a tournament at Seneca College against Conestoga Condors on Oct. 4.



JONATHAN FRASCO

Joshua Fadare (left) and Eduardo Silva Ferreira, celebrate after a point.

Streaming service shows OCCA games

Jayvon Mitchum

SPORTS REPORTERS

Over 50 seasons, the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) has gone through many transitions especially with its new streaming service, OCAA Live. The streaming service lets anyone watch games from colleges across Ontario.

This widens the atmosphere for students that want to watch their favourite games with Apple and Android mobile phones and tablets.

Users can also watch games with AppleTV, AndroidTV, Amazon Fire TV and Roku smart TVs.

Brian Lepp, Humber's coordinator of Sports Information, said coverage and quality will depend on all colleges filming their games and making them available via OCAA Live.

"It all depends on each school and how they live-stream," Lepp said.

Shae Phillips, Hawks men's basketball player, was enthusiastic about the initiative.

"I think it's really good, especially

for a lot of people who don't watch sports as much," Phillips said. "People who are in first or second year, and in post-secondary that want to get more involved with extra-curriculars in their school, then this is it."

This will give athletes a chance to keep tabs on the competition.

"I could just be at home, on my phone and I could just tune in, watch the game while I'm doing homework, or eating dinner, stuff like that, so I think it's really good in that as-



pect," he said. Humber student Noel Hunnigan, a first-year Behavioural Science student, said OCAA Live will be more convenient than finding the websites of other schools in order to follow games.

"I tried it a couple of times and I found it accessible to use, just because I didn't have to go towards other school websites to get games

on my phone and my laptop," Hunnigan said.

Lepp understands most colleges will support and cooperate with OCAA filming their games. It could open doors for many students not willing to travel far for different school games.

"It's just an essential source for the streams," Lepp said.

Women's soccer extend streak to five wins

Kyle Drinnan

SPORTS REPORTERS

The Humber Hawks women's soccer team beat the Redeemer Royals 4-0 on Sept. 25 to win its fourth game in a row.

The win set up the Hawks for a strong second half of the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association. Humber lost its opening game of the season and tied its second before starting the current winning streak.

"What we are going to focus on will be dictating the play and always keeping pressure," Hawks coach Mauro Ongaro said.

The Hawks started to take control after a deadlock in midfield to open the game. Midfielder Lily Campbell netted her sixth goal of the season off a corner kick to open the scoring in the eighth minute. Shortly afterwards, midfielder Giulia Zanardi doubled the lead.

Despite losing Campbell with a leg injury in the second half, the Hawks continued to dominate.

Zanardi's second goal of the game was a penalty kick while first-year defender Alyah Spence scored in a breakaway two minutes later.

However, the Royals were not finished. After being down by four goals the women started to rally, pressuring the Hawks for the last 40 minutes of the game where they

forced the game to the midfield and pressured the Hawks defense with scoring chances

But it was not enough as the Hawks defense didn't buckle against the pressure. Humber goalkeeper Vanessa Fiore only had to make one save for the shutout.

"It was a dominant game," said Hawks captain Rebecca Spratt.

"We had really good energy and everyone on the team came here to play," April Douwes, head coach of the winless Royals, said she wanted her players to recognize and build on "the little successes."

For instance, Royals goalie Lilly Brown stopped nine shots and was key to the Redeemer's defence when Humber pressure was in full force.

"In the last few years we had times where we coasted when we shouldn't have," Spratt said. "This year we are keeping our heads up."

Despite the win, the Hawks are still fighting for the top of the Western Division against Fanshawe and Sheridan.

They beat the Bruins 3-2 on Oct. 2 with forward Emma Stushnoff's game winning goal with the Titanic music playing in the background.

Humber's last home game of the season is against U of T Mississauga on Wednesday Oct. 9 and Their last game is against the Mountaineers at Mohawk.



KYLE DRINNAN

Hawks midfielder Giulia Zanardi fighting to keep the ball from a Redeemer Royals player on Sept. 25.

OPINION

Parade would be great for Andreescu but rally sends the message



PIRASANTH GUNASEKARAM

SPORTS EDITOR

It's been the summer of championships in Canada. Bianca Andreescu brought gold and the Toronto Raptors brought the NBA

championship trophy to the country.

Andreescu won the U.S. Open by defeating one of the greatest tennis players of all time, Serena Williams, is one of the all-time greatest Canadian sports moments.

Andreescu's fans grew every time she advances to the next round. Once she won the finals, the whole country fell in love with her performance.

The Raptors celebrated their championship with a parade, while Andreescu celebrated her win with a rally.

The rally was successful but, one wonders if should Bianca get a parade for her accomplishments instead. And just how would a parade work with Bianca?

What both the Raptors and Bian-

ca Andreescu did was special but it doesn't mean she should have a parade in Toronto or her hometown Mississauga to honour her. The rally Mississauga hosted for her was perfect.

The Raptors — a team of 15 players plus a host of coaches and support staff — needed five double checker buses, a number of cars, a marching band, a bus with sponsors, Drake and Raptors superfan Nav Bhatia, who was the parade marshal.

A parade wouldn't have worked for Bianca because she couldn't have a parade like the Raptors. Her parade would have been short because it would have just been a marching band, a bus with sponsors and her-

self with her family and friends.

Bianca's fans wanted a parade. I get that, but it wouldn't be feasible financially. A rally with her as the focal point at Mississauga's Celebration Square is far better than Bianca potentially getting her moment taken away from her.

That almost happened at the Raptors parade. It went three hours longer than it was supposed to during a mid-June heatwave. And there was a shooting nearby that injured four people.

With the rally, it was all about her, not anything else that would have affected it negatively.

Even if she never had a championship rally, she still was honoured with a street named after her called

Andreescu Way. She also has a day named after her.

She also accomplished a lot this year beside winning the U.S. Open. She won the Indian Wells Open in March and in August she became the first Canadian to win the Rogers Cup Canadian Open title since Faye Urban in 1969.

She is currently ranked sixth in the world where as she was ranked 152nd in the world.

The 19-year-old phenom also won both the female summer athlete of the year and the performance of the year at the 42nd Canadian Sport Awards.

Despite fan interest, the parade talk isn't relevant anymore. She's beyond that.



REMI DROUIN

Humber Hawks catcher Hunter Bisser, an Electrical Techniques student, prepares to catch a pitch in a game against the Seneca Sting on Sept. 25. Hawks defeated the Sting 11-2.

Hawks pitcher Hough dominates in his final season

Remi Drouin
SPORTS REPORTER

Pitcher Steven Hough has been nothing short of dominant in his fourth and final season for the Hawks.

In three starts this season, the 32-year-old right-hander pitched 17.2 innings and owns an astonishing 1.98 ERA (Earned Run Average).

"I just take the ball when they give it to me and give our guys a chance to win," Hough said. "I'm not a huge strikeout guy, I'm not a power pitcher by any means.

"I just try and let my guys do their job," he said.

His performance this season caught the attention of the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) and was named male athlete of the week in mid-September.

Hough pitched a complete game shutout against the St. Clair Saints recording a pair of strikeouts and allowing only three hits on Sept. 14.

He worked in a warehouse for five years before making the decision to enrol in Humber's Sport Management program.

"I hated it, I couldn't do it anymore," he said.

Hough tried out for the Hawks

baseball team four years ago and the rest, as the cliché goes, is history.

He started playing softball when he was four years old and transitioned to baseball three years later.

Hough's love for the game began when the Toronto Blue Jays won back-to-back World Series in 1992 and 1993.

"Back then, playing baseball was the cool thing to do," he said.

Hough said once he got older and started pitching, he enjoyed the control and impact he could have on the game.

"With an older, more mature athlete coming in, it's almost like you inherit another coach," said Matt Ferreira, director of Athletics and Recreation, who was also former Hawks head coach.

"Steven is someone who is very selfless, wants to win and will do what he needs to do to succeed," he said.

Hough's favourite memory playing for Humber was two seasons ago when he threw a one-hit shutout against the St. Clair Saints who were the eventual league champions.

"He's a good mentor for a lot of these young guys," said Justin Marra, Hawks assistant coach and former catcher. "The two years I



REMI DROUIN

Hawks pitcher Steven Hough watches his teammates warm up for a game against the Seneca Sting on Sept. 25.

caught for him, he dominated."

Hough chuckled at the thought of how long he's been playing the game compared to his teammates.

"I've been playing senior ball

longer than some of these kids have played in their entire lives," he said.

The next game for the Hawks is on Oct. 5 against the Fanshawe Falcons at Connorvale Park.

Hough said he has no delusions about what happens to his baseball career when he graduates.

"This is me riding off into the sunset," he said.

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