

HUMBER ET CETERA

Funding cuts likely to mean disaster for jobs, tuition

by Mike Browner

Students may be paying more and teachers may be getting less when the Collective Bargaining Agreement for Humber comes out next August.

Funding cuts from Mike Harris' provincial government will mean Humber will have less money to pay its faculty and may result in tuition increases.

"But how much can we raise tuitions," said Dr. Robert Gordon, Humber's president. "We can only squeeze the students so much."

Limiting tuition increases means teachers may not get the pay increases this year.

"There's no room for moving ahead on traditional things like raises," said Gordon. "They cost money."

The faculty union is looking at the negotiations as their opportunity to get the raises they missed out on while the Social Contract Act was in effect.

The Social Contract, which expires in March, states that no government employee could negotiate for a pay hike during the three years it covers.

When bargaining begins in the winter, the union's hands will no longer be tied.

"We've lost ground," said Maureen Wall, faculty union president. "In the last three years, salaries have been frozen."

Gordon, however, does not see the Social Contract as a bad thing.

"The Social Contract was a bit of a honeymoon," he said. "At least there was some stability."

Wall said that money is not the main issue she wants to discuss at the negotiations. Instead, she said, the reduction of full-time staff and the increase in part-timers has the union worrying about job security.

"This is no criticism to the part-time staff," Wall said. "But part-time workers can create a lack of continuity, cohesion and community."

But President Gordon said that part-time workers are cheaper than employees being paid salaries.

The union will discuss issues such as these and others when demand setting meetings are held



FILE PHOTOS
Humber President Robert Gordon (above) and Faculty Union President Maureen Wall

sometime in January. Wall insists that everyone must keep an open mind while negotiations are in progress.

"It is important that we have reasonable expectations," Wall said. "We cannot approach collective bargaining without looking at the whole picture. The faculty has to be very sure of its values and should not apologize."

"We can't enter defensively. We'll be setting ourselves up for failure. But, people are pessimists," she said.

Gordon agrees that things may be difficult.

"So many pieces must fit together," he said. "I've been in the business for 30 years and this is the most difficult crunch I've seen. It's very complicated."

One other area that both Wall and Gordon agreed on was the future of the students and how the bargain may affect them.

"How many students are on welfare?" Wall asked. "Or are dependent on the subsidized daycare facilities that are being cut?"

"(Students are) the future of the country," Gordon said. "The future is not (with) the old."

Bouncing back to school



AMY VEREGGEN
Lise Janssen, activities coordinator for SAC, is the first from Humber to try the Trampoline Thing on Monday, September 11. The ride was set up by the registration entrance and was free to all students.

Bendera resigns

Dean of Student Life leaves after 25 years at Humber

by Michael Miller

Rick Bendera has resigned as Dean of Student Life.

In an interview at his home on Tuesday night Bendera said "my family has been threatened."

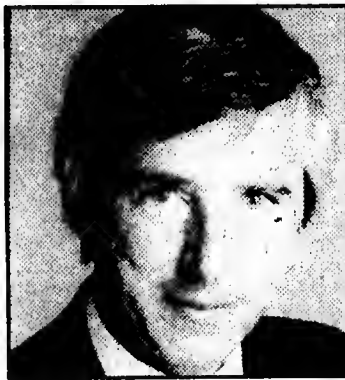
His position at the college involved him in student discipline and as a result, he said, he and his family have been receiving threats from irate students over the past two to three years.

Bendera said there has been a tremendous change in what is involved in student discipline during his 25 years at the college.

"It's no longer dealing with chewing gum offences," he said. "(I have been) involved (in cases) with weapons and drugs."

As a result of the threats, Bendera said he has been suffering from severe stress. At his doctor's suggestion he has been on disability leave from the college since early summer.

"The stress of everything just (hit me) all at once."



FILE PHOTO
Former Dean of Student Life Rick Bendera.

Bendera said he had been planning on taking early retirement two years down the road, but the stress and a new job offer forced a quicker decision.

"Leaving the college was a very difficult decision," he said. "Humber has been good to me. The people at Humber have been tremendous."

He said the new job was an offer he could not refuse. He now works out of his home for the United States based Collegiate Health

Care. Collegiate provides private health care programs to universities and colleges. Bendera is their Vice President of Business Development and Client Services for Canada.

"I know about that (the threats)," said Humber President Robert Gordon when interviewed about the resignation. "One or two students - we have a few crack pots here - might sort of say 'I'm going to get you.'"

"He may have it in his own mind that it's one of the reasons he resigned," said Gordon, but the College's position is that there were other reasons.

Gordon and Vice President Roy Giroux, in earlier interviews, declined to comment regarding the detailed terms of the resignation.

Bendera expressed shock at the College's position on his resignation.

"I've been at the College for 25 years," he said. "Why after 25 years would I want to jeopardize that?"

With files from Lisa Weir.

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SAC trims expenses, cutting frills and phones

by Renee Desjardins

The 1995/96 Students' Association Council has embarked on a mission to shave bucks off the budget and cut excess spending.

For this year's budget, SAC has \$635,785 to spend, and according to the 1994/95 revised budget, last year's council spent \$715,620.96.

Many of last year's expenses have been trimmed and more cost effective spending habits are being used. The cellular phones for SAC

executives are gone, and have been replaced with pagers. SAC is only paying for the airtime on the pagers.

"They (pagers) are all ours," said Shirley Forde, vice president of finance. "No rental, no nothing. No one gets a free beeper."

Leadership expenses are down \$8,000 from \$13,000 last year. Leadership pays for retreats and conferences that SAC members attend to better their leadership skills.

"This year we are not taking as many retreats," said Forde. "Instead of going on it for a whole weekend it'll be for one night."

Capital purchases, including things like buying furniture, have been cut by \$43,000, allowing \$32,000 for such expenditures. Office supplies, which only includes items purchased for use in SAC offices, has been dropped to \$4000.

"Instead of buying a filing cabi-

net from (places) like Business Depot," said Forde "we get it from a cheaper place."

SAC allotted \$92,000 for part-time salaries in the 94/95 budget, but only used \$50,000. This year SAC has allotted \$40,000 for salaries. These include staff for the games room, A+ Computer labs and part-time staff when necessary.

Directorships, which SAC members undertake to bring in

activities, have increased \$30,000, in an effort to improve activities at Humber. Printing costs which are used for advertising are up \$600, said Forde. A new SAC newspaper will also be included in the printing costs.

Forde said SAC intends to take the money they are saving, and put it towards the students. She talked of a pumped up Discovery Week with more activities for students around campus.

Challenges recognized at President's Breakfast

by Mascia Gori

Humber President Robert Gordon challenged all staff and faculty to maintain a high quality of education with less money at the annual President's Breakfast.

The audience listened attentively as he tried to make the best of a serious situation.

"We're faced with major challenges related to the way we deliver education. Simply because our funding is being cut, does not suggest we do not do anything," he said.

Gordon said the College has a responsibility to everyone.

"We have to rally and examine ways that we can deliver more, probably with less resources. We must utilize our teaching faculty and others in ways that I think we have not yet explored," he said.

Gordon described ways to avoid hindering the quality of education.

"We have to become more business-like. I don't mean we have to be like business, we are definitely not a business, but we have to be more business-like in the way we approach some of our spending," he said.

Some suggestions given by Gordon to increase revenues were to open new programs at full cost to students, charge university graduates differently than those who have never been to college, and expand business in private sector training areas.

In areas such as Human Resources and the Registrar's office, changes are already apparent.

"(In) this office in particular, as people are retiring the position isn't being filled. The work is still there and people aren't," said Clay MacDougall of the Registrar's office.

Barry Hemmerling, who also works in the Registrar's office said, "The workload has doubled with basically the same staff. Where cutbacks affect us, there just isn't additional money to deal with the additional workload. One of the objectives here right now is to try to automate as much as possible."

The Registrar's office is trying

to automate routine situations which take up to 80% of staff time; in order for the staff to deal with exceptional situations.

Sherry Fast of Human Resources said, "We're working with other colleges to try to come up with different ways that we can all do the same thing, because all the colleges usually have the same things they have to do for the unions and for the government."

Staff and faculty should not expect "quick fixes" because it would take many years, said Gordon. He suggested taking advantage of opportunities, such as less government intervention.

"We don't particularly like governments that mess around in our activities. In any case we like them to give us the money and leave us alone," said Gordon.

The School of Business has started a three-year program called the Golf Management Program and it is not government funded.

"We need to be more creative than we have been in the past. Our programs are wanted and are needed and we have strong programs here," said Anne Bender, dean of Health Sciences.

"We expected this. We expected it three or four years ago because you can see this and that is part of leadership too. It's starting to organize and operate in a responsible way. We try to plan well," said Bender.

Gordon told staff and faculty of the themes discussed at the Futures conference held last year that will be addressed in 1995/96. Some of the themes include:

- flexible delivery systems
- improve administrative efficiency
- enhance programming and student services
- improve working relations with the two unions and the administrative association
- improve communications
- professional development
- have another conference to discuss the results of the year

"We cannot afford mediocrity," said Gordon. "We have got to be the best."

Modest winners surprised and honoured

Some faculty dumbfounded as names called out

by Mascia Gori

Humber College celebrated the accomplishments of its staff and faculty members by presenting them with special awards on August 25.

No one knew who would win, and when their names were called, some were dumbfounded.

"I was stunned. I was operating outside myself," said Anne Bender, dean of Health Sciences and recipient of the Robert A. Gordon Leadership award. "I had been so pleased with the awards that had already been given out that morning. Three of the teachers in health sciences had received awards and one of our support staff. I think I sort of blissed out on that."

"When you consider that all of the college employees are eligible (for the Leadership award) you don't think of it as something you may or may not win," Bender said.

The award winners were selected after nominations were sent in by the staff and faculty of the College, and committees were set up to make the final decisions.

"I know there are an awful lot of others who deserve it. It must be very hard to be able to choose," said Cathy Zeimet of the School of Business, and winner of one of the Support Staff Distinguished service awards.

Zeimet was almost moved to tears when she heard her name being called out. "We used to be one of the largest divisions and now we're one of the smallest ones and I thought what are the odds?" she said.

Barry Hemmerling, of the Registrar's office, won the Distinguished Administrative award, but thought he was giving an award to someone else.

A couple of days before the breakfast, the Vice President's office called and asked Hemmerling to sit at their table.

"I thought this was the surprise. Now this all makes good sense to me and everything is fine, but when Squee (President Gordon) called my name out, I



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Food services staff honored at President's Breakfast.

was blown away. Doris had been over there setting me up for this for about three weeks."

Another winner from the Registrar's office was Clay MacDougall. "I was not expecting it. It was nice to receive something like this, to know that you have been acknowledged."

MacDougall, who "fixes all the problems to do with the Registrar's office," received one of the Distinguished Service Awards for Support Staff.

Sherry Fast of Human Resources also won a Support Staff award and was "surprised, but flattered" when she heard her name. "Walking in front of the stage was really hard for me," she said.

The winners said they have received congratulations from their peers and the recognition has made them feel even better.

"Winning the award was nice, but it is also the people who have been by since - that have been congratulating me - people who have been by to acknowledge it have been more than generous with their words. It is probably worth more than the award," Hemmerling said.

The winners all said they are proud to work at Humber College. Zeimet said what she does is more than just a job.

"I enjoy dealing with students. I know that I help them as much as I can and when I can. If there is something they need to do, I find out what they need... I have often received thank you cards from students - in appreciation for what I have done for them. It goes a long way. It makes me feel good that I have been able to help. I feel like a mother to them (students)."



SCOTT CRONKRIGHT

President Robert Gordon congratulates Anne Bender, dean of Health Sciences.

Keeleesdale campus closing

by Amy Lennie and
Christine Siemiernik

A lack of funding turned a silver anniversary into a tarnished disappointment when the new provincial government rejected Humber's Keeleesdale campus' bid for a new building.

The 25-year-old campus is closing its doors, after 10 years of negotiations have failed to secure land and funding for a new campus.

"The bottom line is to get out of Keeleesdale," said Keeleesdale Principal, Ian Smith.

Plans for the new campus were scrapped this summer because of the Harris government downsizing. The campus was supposed to be located near the Eglinton West subway line.

The college is left with no land, no funding and no subway for a new campus.

The fall 1995 issue of Humber Today reported that the proposed \$6.8 million campus, included a 300 seat auditorium, and would have been part of the new City Centre of York.

The current Keeleesdale location, at 88 Industry St., will be closing at the end of December due to a lack of funding and space.

Closing Keeleesdale will save more than half a million dollars, he said.

"At 130 students, it's not economical to keep the campus open," he Smith.

At this week's Board of Governors meeting, Robert Gordon, president of Humber College said, "We've gone from kind of ecstatic...to it being snatched away from us."

"It's too remote for continuing education courses and too small for post-secondary programs," Smith said. "You can't run full services, like a library, that are needed for post-secondary students."

Night courses were finally stopped at Keeleesdale because there was no bus service after 6 p.m.

"The building needs significant capital repairs if it's to proceed with continuing education courses," Smith said. "The heating system was supposed to last 15 years and has now lasted 25." The roof also needs expensive repairs or it may need replacing.

The administration now has several options. They can stay at the present location and spend \$300,000-\$400,000 on the necessary repairs.

Another option is to move Keeleesdale's 130 students to the North campus of Humber College. Smith says that a move to the North campus is likely.

The end of December will be the closing date of the campus, because it is the time of year that will cause the least upset.

Pam Hanft, dean of Liberal Arts and Science said the "ideal location would be...a number of classrooms outside the new Open Learning Centre, which would give the upgrading students access to our computer lab, the Writing



CHRISTINE SIEMIERNIK
Renovations to Keeleesdale will cost more than \$300,000.

Centre, the Math Centre, the Test Centre."

Keeleesdale campus specializes in adult remedial programs which are mostly training in computers.

"We have a very good Windows computer lab, so we have a lot of Windows courses," said Smith.

They also have federally-contracted courses like automated accounting, intermediate micro-computer, and labor market language training.

Andrew Davidson, who has taught at Keeleesdale since it opened 25 years ago said, "I feel sorrow" that Humber will no longer have a physical presence in the City of York and "regret that we can't serve our community."

Karen Hen, the executive assistant to Mayor of the City of York said she couldn't comment on losing the campus because they haven't officially heard the Keeleesdale campus is closing.

The loss of jobs due to the closing is expected to be minimal. Union representative Eleanor O'Connor, second vice president of OPSEU Local 562, said that all faculty will be relocated to the North campus.

Professor may be gone, but not forgotten

Students attribute their success to John Finn

by Rosanna D'Souza

John Finn, a man who spent much of his life surrounded by death, was always full of life.

Professor in the Funeral Service Education at Humber for over 20 years, Finn died on June 25, 1995 after a battle with cancer.

Not only was he a teacher, but faculty members viewed him as a role model and counselor for students.

"He would listen from 30 to 40 minutes and help them work their way through their problems," said Paul Faris, a professor in the F.S.E. Program.

He built a firm but caring approach with his students and many of them would not have graduated without his guidance, he said.

Born in West Toronto on July 29, 1940, Finn left high school as a football star to pursue his Psychology Degree at York University.

He later became a funeral director with McDougall and

Brown and Turner and Porter in Toronto. After teaching in Alberta for a few years, he joined the Humber staff in 1972.

Like father like son, Finn's son Brent became an F.S.E. graduate in 1990.

Finn's daughter Jennifer, a Humber nursing graduate, married Michael Huehn, one of Finn's F.S.E. students.

Finn enjoyed spending time at home and golfing with his wife Lynn.

Living by Finn's words "one day at a time," family and friends are slowly recovering from the void left in their lives.

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COURTESY PHOTO

John Finn, will be remembered by those he left behind.

Upcoming rally will stress public's opposition to cuts

by Mike Browner

The Labour Council of Metropolitan Toronto and York Region has organized a demonstration to criticize cuts made by the provincial government.

The rally will be held at Queen's Park on Wednesday, September 27 at noon.

Maureen Wall, Humber's faculty union president, will be attending the meeting and is trying to promote support from the college.

"It's an important way of showing the government a lot of people aren't happy with the cuts and values being shown," Wall said. "We want to focus public attention and show real people are affected by the government (cuts)."

The cuts made by Harris were done without the opinion of the people, she said. "He's made

major changes and cuts without debate in legislature.

"I'm not sure a lot of people who voted for Harris expected him to be slashing at this extent."

But Wall insists that this demonstration is not designed to bash Harris, but to show displeasure with his decisions.

"What we hope to accomplish is to organize a broad base of people together," she said.



MIKE BROWNER

Maureen Wall, faculty union president will attend rally.

Residence waiting list inconveniences students

by Pamela Fawcett

Many students on the residence waiting list are wondering when their call will come.

The Humber College Residence has a larger waiting list this year because of fewer room cancellations. One thousand students applied to residence but only 719 received a room. Students were required to pay a \$400 deposit before having their name put in a lottery. In past years, no deposit was required before the lottery, and people could easily call and cancel their rooms.

"This year by asking for the deposit we got a commitment from them," said Kim Carr, the residence office coordinator. "Because of that the application rate was down and those who weren't serious about residence didn't apply. If they did get in after the lottery and did cancel they would lose their \$400."

Because of the low cancellation rate, many students have been inconvenienced by the wait.

"They told me I had a really good chance of getting in," said Joe Mercer, a second-year journalism student. "They called me two days before school started and told

me I had no way in hell of getting in. I'm fifty-eighth on the waiting list. I could have been looking around for another place. Now I'm going to have to commute all the way from Barrie."

Kara Sabo, a first-year Business Administration student, is fifty-ninth on the list.

"They told me I had a really good chance of getting in. But, if I was on the waiting list and I didn't get in, I'd probably get a room by the end of November," said Sabo. "Right now I'm staying with my aunt and uncle in downtown Toronto. I hope I get in soon."

Some students who managed to get a room this year felt the \$400 deposit was unfair.

"It's stupid because they're going to make \$400 off another person," said Kathy Anderson, a second-year travel and tourism student.

Dan Bennington, a first-year civil engineering student said, "You don't know whether you're going to get into residence so you have to apply around and look for some place else just in case. If you do find someplace then get into rez you're screwed. You've lost your \$400."

No further cases reported after student dies of Meningitis

by Sean Ballantyne

A Humber student has died after being infected with meningitis, but there is no cause for alarm, said the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Alwyn Egbert.

Richard Thompson, 20, was admitted into Etobicoke General hospital on Wednesday, August 30. He was diagnosed with bacterial meningitis, and died later that evening.

Thompson was from the Kitchener area, and was a first-year student at Humber's North campus. Thompson had attended

orientation, and a few classes before his death.

The Etobicoke Department of Health issued a statement to the community, explaining that there is no cause for widespread concern. Close contacts with Thompson have been notified and are being treated.

Dr. Egbert has advised that no precautions need be taken in order to protect the community as bacterial meningitis is not highly contagious.

No other reported cases have since been reported.

Bookstore grows in size and security

by Mike Ferrara

The campus bookstore has been expanded, and with the larger area there must be more security.

Humber has increased the size of the bookstore from 540 square metres last year to 675 sq. m. With this expansion comes the need for a more sophisticated security plan.

"I believe there are more honest people in the world than dishonest people," said Kim Seifried, manager of the bookstore. "However, there are shoplifters out there and we need the security to protect the merchandise in the store."

After managing the store for two months, Seifried launched her

security plan. The plan requires students to leave their bags at a bag check located just outside the store entrance. The bag check is supervised by a store employee to help protect the student's belongings.

Seifried said she doesn't think the store has a problem with shoplifters. However, the store needs more staff to watch the larger floor area.

Staff was assigned by Seifried to stand guard at the separate entrances and exits of the store. The door staff will not enter the store to assist customers as they have in previous years.

An alarm system at the store

exit senses magnetized strips on store goods. The alarm will sound if goods pass through the system without being passed over a desensitizing pad by a cashier.

"Anyone caught shoplifting will have to deal with college security and administration, and the police may be involved," said Seifried.

Seifried has integrated many of the security measures for the start-of-school bookrush only. She has kept the bag check, but it has been moved into the store and is no longer guarded by store staff. The alarm system has been used for about four years and will remain indefinitely, she said.

Security equipment ranges in cost from three cents for each magnetized security strip, to \$400 for the cashier desensitizing pads, and \$6,000 for the alarm system.

All of the security equipment in the bookstore reaches a grand total of about \$18,000, according to Seifried.

The book-

store allows a monthly loss of 1.5 per cent of all the material in the store. Monthly and yearly losses are calculated by examining the actual loss of money and goods to see if they have stayed under or gone over the 1.5 per cent limit. According to Seifried, the store's losses were "slightly" under 1.5 per cent last year.

"I think we'll be on par with last year's losses, and we'll hopefully again be slightly under. I am confident in that," said Seifried.

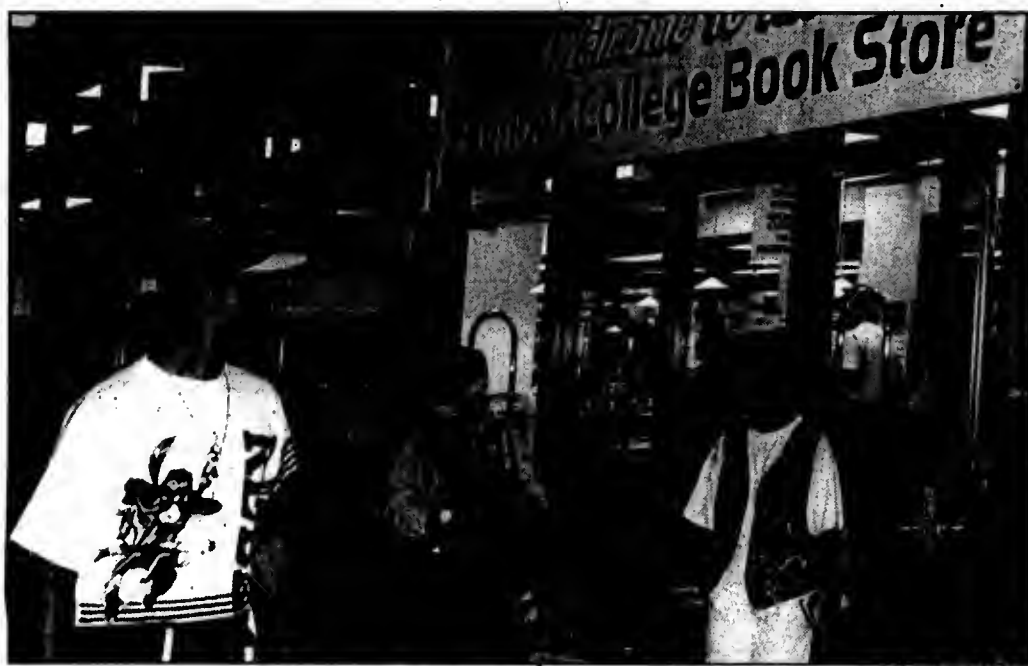
Some students agree that the security measures seem to be working.

However, others believe the

changes from last year are insignificant.

"It (security) seems to be pretty effective. I mean, if you walk out of the store with stolen merchandise, the alarm goes off," said Chad Edmunds, a first-year Marketing student.

"It (security) was all right last year, but it doesn't really seem to have changed much. I didn't like the fact that I had to leave my stuff unattended at the bag drop last year. I'd like to see them change that," said second-year Business Administration student Brian Sadler.



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Students passing the bookstore will notice new security measures.

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Crime Stoppers may come to Humber if student program approved by Admin

by Allison Haines

Humber College could be the first post secondary institution in the Toronto area to have a Student Crime Stoppers program.

The Metro Police department approached Humber this summer about starting the student oriented program in the college. The request will be reviewed at the end of the month.

"At that time we'll decide whether we want to do this or not," said Gary Jeynes, director of Inside services.

If the program is approved, it is expected to start in November.

"I'm sure we'll decide to go ahead and do it," said Jeynes. "I don't see why we wouldn't."

Humber President Robert Gordon agrees. "This is a very big place, it would be foolish not to start it."

Crime Stoppers is an anonymous phone line that students can call to report a crime. Every call they receive is investigated and most lead to an arrest. If a tip leads to an arrest, the caller is then entitled to a reward.

Student Crime Stoppers is run by a committee of students from the institution. "The students have to take control of their environment," said Constable Lou Zenny.

West Humber and Elm Bank Secondary Schools have already implemented the program. "It has decreased a lot of vandalism, theft and a lot of criminal activity," said Zenny. But he warns that the program is only as good as the students in the institution.

The Crime Stoppers program was started in the United States by a Canadian named Greg Macalease and in 1982, Calgary became the first city in Canada to try the program.

There are currently 77 Crime Stoppers locations in Canada, 40 of which are in Ontario.

Student Crime Stoppers was introduced to Manitoba in 1991, and by 1992 they had placed it in Notre Dame College in Welland Ontario, with great success.

It came to the city of Etobicoke on April 5, 1995. Only two secondary schools have it in progress. "The biggest asset (of crime stop-

pers) is for the students to know the phone number," said Zenny.

Zenny plans to target the University of Toronto and York University and 12 more schools this year.

If Crime Stoppers comes to Humber, students could make a little extra money, and help make the campus safer just by following these directions:

STEP ONE: A person calls 222-tips to report a crime.

(Completely anonymous)

STEP TWO: Crime Stoppers gives the caller a code number for the crime they are reporting.

STEP THREE: The person is then instructed to call back in about a week for an update on the investigation of the crime.

STEP FOUR: The person calls back.

STEP FIVE: If the tip that was given leads to an arrest, the person is then entitled to a reward issued by Humber College.

Ramsuchit aims to cut SAC spending

by Sara Paine

Humber's North campus Students' Association Council (SAC) President Loreen Ramsuchit wants to reach out to as many students as possible, not just a select few.

To do that, she needs to know what the students want.

"In any level of government, a selected few are addressed because the majority do not express their needs, they don't make it known," Ramsuchit said. "If I don't know what you need, how am I going to help you?"

Ramsuchit said students should realize that even though the gold sign on her door reads 'President,' she essentially has only one vote.

"In a lot of ways the students are more important than the council members because the number of council members is 14, while the number of students is 10,000," she said.

This year, Ramsuchit hopes that she can change SAC's image.

"Even now, we're still finding out things that were done last year that I object to. Things such as renting a Lincoln Town car. I don't agree with that because I don't think you need to rent a Lincoln Town car. If you must rent a car, you can rent a \$15 a day car."

She also disagrees with charging alcoholic drinks to the SAC expense account while at SAC conferences, and said that this will not be done this year.

"No one claims drinks this year unless it's a Coke," she said.

Ramsuchit said there are other ways to save money on SAC's expenses for conferences, such as car pooling with other executives from surrounding schools like Sheridan College.

The newly appointed president wants to show the students that SAC is not interested in sitting back and "spending the students' money like crazy."

Instead, she would like to give



something back to students. Ramsuchit has begun by negotiating to change the old system of getting prescriptions.

With the old system, a student in need of medication would buy the prescription up front, bring the receipt to SAC and then wait for a reimbursement. The problem with this system is that often cash strapped students don't have the money to pay for their prescription.

"What I'm trying to do now is change that," Ramsuchit said, "to where you just go in, and they take your student card and they take your identification and

swipe it through and then you just pay them \$10 rather than coming here, applying for the reimbursement and waiting six weeks—you just don't pay the money to begin with."

Among other priorities on Ramsuchit's list are addressing such issues as student apathy and the proposal to end smoking at Caps, Humber's student pub. If the proposed by-law comes into effect, smoking at Caps could end this year. Ramsuchit said that even though she is asthmatic and a non-smoker, such an issue is important to defend because it would affect many students.

And, while she is also concerned about student apathy, Ramsuchit said it is not a concern at Humber alone. Many schools across North America share this problem.

Ramsuchit hopes student indifference will decline this year. "Students have to become more involved. It's

not enough to sit out there and bitch, it's different when you come in and actually make an effort. Then you can say to me, 'Well Loreen, I've been making an effort, I've been trying to work with you, you're not working with me.'"

Above all else, this year's SAC doesn't want to immortalize themselves.

"I know I'm going to make mistakes," said Ramsuchit, "and I hope that when I admit to it that the students are going to be accepting enough in terms of realizing that I am a human being."

Lakeshore President seeks to promote greater student interaction with SAC

by Patricia Wilkinson

Better communication and student access to the Council are what Lakeshore's Student's Council President, Julie Couturier, aims to achieve this year.

Couturier, 23, wants to see students on campus have a greater rapport between both Students' Association Council (SAC) and each other.

A graduate from the University of Ottawa, Couturier is in the Business Administration co-op program at Humber. She was a student representative and a student life assistant last year before running for SAC president.

"Our main goal will be more participation. We want more people to know we're here and we represent them if they have any problems," said Couturier.

The student council is planning to have special events, classroom visits, and information booklets to help with its goal.

"We make sure we organize quite a few things throughout the year," she said.

Discovery Week, September 19-21, is the first scheduled activity. SAC is planning a barbecue with lots of entertainment, and for September 19, Couturier is trying to get a mini stock car racetrack in the lower cafeteria.

"It's to welcome back the students," she said. "If you're in a program you don't have a (chance) to meet people from other programs," adding that events like this bring students from all over the school together.

The Discovery week will also welcome the Music and Theatre students who moved to the Lakeshore campus this year. Couturier said she is very excited about the additional programs.

"It's a definite change of atmosphere. They're a different kind of study than something like business," she said. "It adds more diversity to the school."

The Ottawa native said the new students and the additional buildings make the campus more like a university, and makes the challenge of involving people more important than ever before.

"Students last year had a bit of a transition to make. Walking from building to building kind of separates students," said Couturier. "We want to involve more people... I wasn't involved with many things while I was in university, I concentrated on my studies. It was definitely an adjustment, but I love it right now."

Couturier is working on many other ideas this year. She and the College are trying to get a bank machine on campus. However, because a minimum number of transactions can't be promised, nothing is definite.

"We're still waiting to hear from a couple of banks, but all the ones we have approached so far have said no, due to not enough students and staff," she said.

Couturier is also working to get a pub on campus.

"(Overall) I want to be a good leader and open to new ideas, and to have fun as well."



Lakeshore orientation a hit

by Patricia Wilkinson

Hot Dogs, entertainment and lots of team work helped to make Lakeshore's Orientation a hit.

About 800 students attended the August 23 orientation which included learning about the College's support services, a barbecue and a session on creative dating.

"The main thing when they come here for the first time is to make them feel relaxed," said Students' Association Council vice-president Mike Villeneuve. "Nothing was rushed through the lines where they got their information. They could take their time and ask lots of questions."

The students met their instructors, and were then taken down to the gymnasium where 12 to 16 tables of different support services were set up. The Health Centre, TTC, Counselling, and Student Life were on hand to give out information and answer any questions the new students had.

"It was extremely helpful (to the students) just to become familiar with the services that are in the College," said Anita Clarke, a worker at Student Life.

SAC had a booth in the gym and handed out Student Handbooks along with booklets of information on how to join the council. SAC President Julie Couturier felt this was



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Students line up for hot dogs at the barbecue.

an essential part of the orientation.

"A lot of people might not be aware of SAC and what they are there for," Couturier said, adding that's why they make sure SAC is represented.

SAC was successful in letting the new students know what they do and the importance of everyone's participation in the council, said Office Co-ordinator Sue DeSousa.

"I do think the feedback has been positive. This week lots of students have come by wanting to know how to get on council and the benefits of it," she said.

There was also a free barbecue supported by SAC, Student Life, and Beaver Foods who gave out hot dogs while the new students enjoyed the student council's entertainment.

One of the highlights was a session on creative dating performed by Dave Coleman. He talked about the ten worst places to have a first date, and asked the audience to fill out cards with their own fantasy dates.

"It was really, really good. There was great audience participation," said Villeneuve. "We didn't hear one negative comment about orientation from either staff or students."

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College serving own interests rather than those of students

The primary objective of educational institutions should be to educate and help students develop the skills necessary to function in an increasingly challenging world. Humber College works harder at maintaining its own massive bureaucracy than at educating.

In a policy which defies all common sense, Humber demands that students pay tuition fees half way through the summer work period. There are few other products or services available to the public where such a policy would be tolerated. And the school doesn't stop there: students who apply for financial aid are automatically assessed a \$37.00 late fee penalty. Thus, those students with the least money are forced to pay even more.

When asked about this, the associate registrar responded with rhetoric about funding procedures and the school's financial obligations. There was no concern about students' financial constraints and the hardships these policies impose on them.

The associate registrar argued that the early payment of fees informs the college which students are seriously committed to coming here. This argument is weak on two counts: first, if it works so well, why isn't every other school in the country following suit? Second, the commitment could easily be confirmed with a small deposit.

Humber has other policies which are inherently unfair. Students who think they might want to live in residence in September have to pay a \$400 deposit at the beginning of August. If they change their minds, they forfeit the deposit. Residence students are also hit with a 12% administration fee if they don't use all the money advanced for the meal plan.

Add to that parking (over-priced and over-monitored) incidental fees, lockers etc. etc. The list is endless.

What on earth does Humber do with the interest generated by hundreds of thousands of students' dollars sitting in the bank for the better part of the summer? It doesn't appear to be going toward improving the quality of our education.

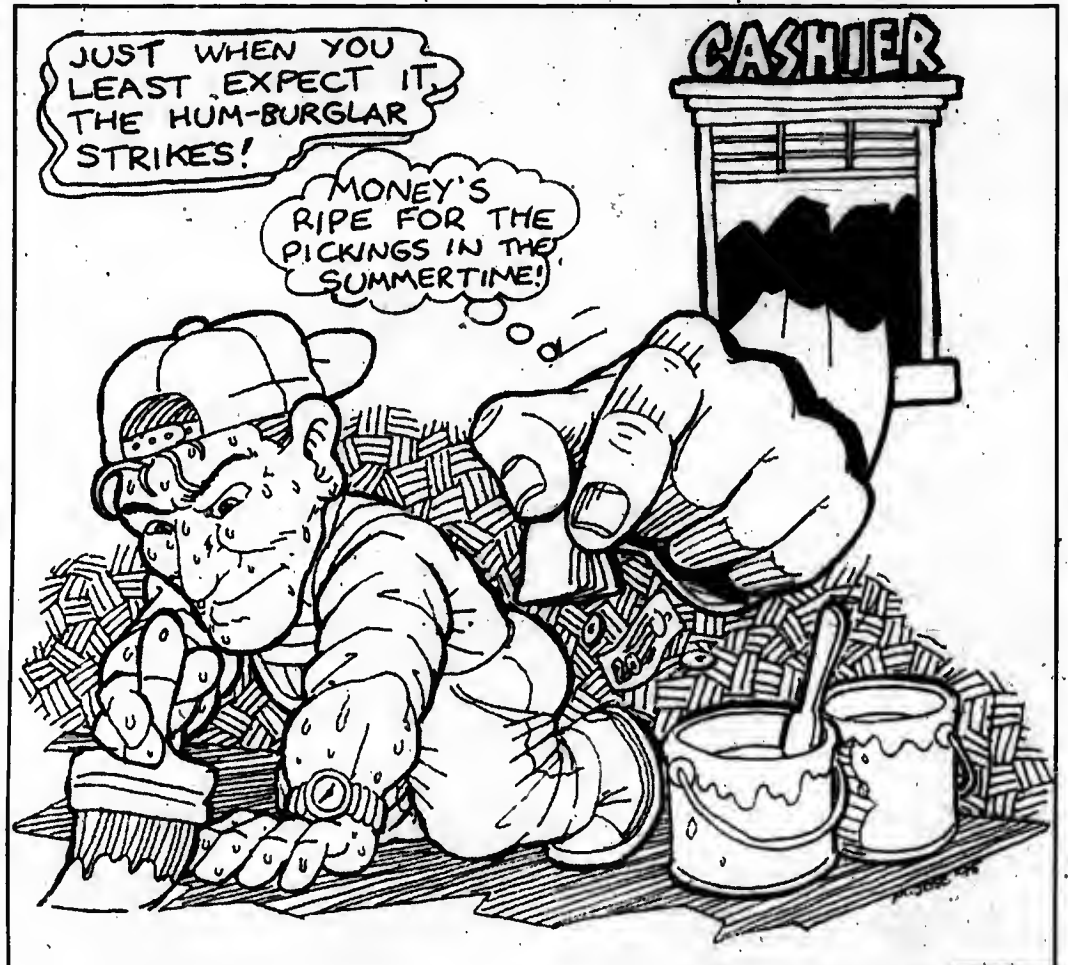
Bidding an institution farewell

The Keele campus is closing after Christmas of this year. It may be the latest victim of cuts to education by Mike Harris' conservative government. Forced budget cuts and cancellation of the Eglinton West subway extension have made the feasibility of a new campus grim. The current campus was supposed to be temporary, and negotiations for a permanent site have been going on for 10 years.

Keele specializes in adult programs, primarily computers. They also have several federally-contracted courses, but those courses will be ending before Christmas. Which is just as well, since there is no transit service to the campus after 6 p.m., making it impractical for continuing education.

There is the option of spending \$300,000 or more to update the current buildings, but with the college facing certain budget cuts for the '96-'97 academic year, that scenario is not likely.

So we bid farewell on Keele's 25th anniversary. We assume we'll be seeing the 130 students here, at our pleasantly over-crowded North Campus.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Information on ACC incorrect

I would like to make a correction to the information provided in the article "Portrait of a College Divided", written by Ralph Tasgal and printed in "Tribes".

There was a white member of the ACC (Afro-Caribbean Club) last year, and I was that person. I attended several ACC meetings last year. I joined the ACC late last year during my campaign for presidency of SAC. Although I later lost that election, I still wish to attend ACC meetings this year when I can.

I would like to encourage more Humber students to investigate all the clubs in operation regardless of what ethnicity is most prevalent in that club. You may feel slightly awkward at first, but once you get to know other mem-

bers, your anxieties fade away and you realize that we aren't as different as we fear.

Sincerely, Vasselle Kizoff
 SAC Media Studies Rep.

Editor's Note: Tribes was a magazine published by last year's graduating journalism class.

We welcome letters to the editor. Letters must include students' name, phone number, signature and program. Letters of a libelous, racist or sexist nature will not be published. Bring letters to room L231, or deposit them in drop boxes around campus.

Hallowed halls of Humber invaded by corporate advertising



In my opinion...

by Shellee Fitzgerald

Walking around Humber these days, people might find themselves wondering if they've stumbled into some nondescript suburban shopping centre rather than an institution of higher learning.

Humber is awash in advertising, with huge Pizza Pizza posters plastered near some entrances, and the more stylish Doc Marten ads that have recently made their way into Humber's washrooms - to adorn

even the interiors of individual stalls.

Is a corporate invasion of Humber College at hand? Unfortunately, it seems that way.

The corporate world has always exerted an influence in colleges and universities, but this influence has traditionally taken a more subtle form. Scholarships and work placement programs have served the dual purpose of supporting educational institutions while at the same time boosting a company's image and exposure.

But the direct approach currently being used by businesses to target youth markets like Humber's is a much more blatant form of commercialism that cheapens the educational environment.

Of course, Humber benefits from all this

advertising, as John Mason of Ancillary services, and the person responsible for the presence of the ads, is quick to point out. He said the revenue generated by selling advertising space is directed toward the upkeep of buildings.

The problem is, once it starts, where will it end? Given the current economic climate, cutbacks to educational institutions can be counted on. Thus, schools such as Humber may find themselves more vulnerable and more open to the advances of business.

This is already a problem in elementary and secondary schools, where corporate influence is permeating curriculums more and more. Companies are offering cash-strapped school boards slick educational

packages that are often geared toward self-promotion. The problem is pervasive; one consumer's group estimates that businesses imprint brand names into the minds of nearly 20 million North American students every year.

Will ever more ads adorn Humber's halls? Mason would only say "it depends" adding that given the current economic climate, colleges must find ways to generate income.

Mason said: "As long as the advertising is in good taste, doesn't upset the moral standards of the college or infringe on curriculum, I see no problem, I see it as a good alternative to generating revenue."

That's an admirable ideal, but will Humber hold to it?

HEAD TO HEAD

Should all full-time students be obligated to pay SAA fees?

No

by *Nada Krizmancic*
Humber Et Cetera



No. Why should all full-time students be required to pay for a service used by only a few?

Every semester, the athletics department takes a portion of the non-tuition related fee paid by every full-time student. The money is spent on varsity teams, intramural activities, part-time staff and equipment maintenance. This year, full-time students are paying \$19.63 per semester. This adds up to \$39.26 for the year.

The issue is that there are approxi-

mately 10,000 full-time students at Humber and only 3,000 to 4,000 students actually use the facilities. The athletics department is even having difficulty getting students to show up at the games to encourage the varsity teams.

In an interview with Doug Fox, the athletics director, he said students should take the time to use athletics facilities to avoid getting out of shape. Most students at Humber come here to learn, not to play basketball or volleyball. It is also a question of time. With classes, assignments, and jobs, many students just don't have the time to use the athletics facilities. Humber is a learning institution, not the Premier Health Spa.

Fox also confirmed that faculty and staff are allowed to use the athletics

facility for free. He described this as a "perk" to get them involved in college activities. The primary reason for this school's existence are the students, so shouldn't they be the ones to get "perks?" They are the ones dishing out over a thousand dollars every year to be here.

To make the system more fair, only students interested in using the athletics facilities should pay, perhaps through a user fee. There is presently a \$107 athletics membership available for non-students. Even if they raised that fee a little, it would still be cheaper than using a public gym. This could then be charged to those students who want to use the athletics department.

If taking this money is necessary for the college, then the students should be

allowed to choose where they want their money to go. It could be given to the library, to help buy new books or other useful items. It could also be given to other services like special needs, counselling, the placement office, health services, or even the athletics department.

Many students who come to Humber are supported by student loans. This means that once the tuition portion of their loan is paid, the rest of the money is supposed to support them until the end of their school year. The money allocated to the athletics department could be very useful to low-income students. Students would probably find this money more useful in paying for textbooks or equipment for their courses.



Francis Felice
Second-year Radio
Broadcasting

Yes, because it promotes school spirit and brings Humber College together as a community. By contributing SAA fees, Humber College is promoting physical fitness. For example, if you know you've paid, you should go to the gym and get your money's worth.



Elizabeth Pontes
Human Resources,
post grad

Yes. If they were to provide step aerobics at better times, or if they had a track, I would use them. I can't use the facilities here, the weight room is small and stuffy, and it doesn't attract women.



Jennifer Wilson
First-year
Nursing

No. Why should I, a Nursing student, pay for an athletic facility when I have no time to join the basketball team? It should be optional; if you want to use the gym, you should be charged a user fee.



Dan Markov
Human Resources,
post grad

No. It should be a user fee. I didn't ask for that privilege (access to the gym), so why should I pay for it?

Asked by *Lauren Serio*

Yes

by *Maurice Robinson*
President, SAA



Yes. Students should support the athletic department. There is more to college than just classrooms. Extra-curricular activities provide us with critical social skills that help us interact in society. Self-esteem is developed through achieving excellence. Being part of a team builds character and helps communication skills. Extra-curricular activities shape us as individuals and instill life-long learning experiences.

According to Robert Pritchard, president of U of T, "athletics develop indi-

viduals through sport. Recreation helps students acquire skills and attitudes they will need in their personal lives and careers."

Some may argue that a student has the right to send his or her money to the department of their choice, such as science, computers, nursing, or film. There are a few problems with this idea. Some programs are more expensive than others. For example, if photography students were to send their money to their program, the non-tuition fee, \$118.80 each term, would increase. Also, only a select group gets the benefits of that program. Furthermore, if you are in a small program, you'll have to spend more, while large programs such as nursing will have little to pay because of the large number of students.

Athletics is universal and everyone

can benefit from it. The centre offers a variety of programs to accommodate all Humber students who choose to use the services.

Also, what few realize is that sport is a money-maker. When varsity teams are successful, outside funding for the college is easy to attain. Humber college has one of the best varsity programs in Canada. The men's basketball team has won five straight provincial championships, and four national championships. Women's basketball has been in the OCAA final four for nine straight years. Because of these successes, companies such as Reebok and Brooks have sponsored the college.

Another fact unknown to some student is that both the Canadian men's and women's national basketball teams use Humber's athletic facility as their train-

ing site. Both the national men's and women's teams have played in our facility. The reason they use Humber's gym is because it is a world class facility.

The facility also attracts many people from the community. Now in its ninth year, SAA has done fund-raising events, given to charity, and solicited sponsorship from big-name companies. Hundreds of students use the athletic centre all year, and in the summer that number increases.

U of T President Pritchard sums it up best.

"Athletics will continue to play an important part in the years ahead, even in the face of unavoidable budgetary pressures - in education of the whole person - informs our current practices and our plans for the future."

Start me up with Windows 95

A Review

by Jason Chiles

Windows 95 is here. After three years of planning, hundreds of hours of development, over 500 programmers and three different names, Microsoft's new operating system is now chugging away on thousands of computer systems across North America.

And the computer industry is spending an estimated \$1 billion US to convince consumers that it is the most important innovation in computer history, and that you must have it on your computer. Perhaps you've heard a lot of the Rolling Stones' "Start Me Up" recently?

Thousands of users have already switched over to the new operating system after it was released August 24. However, many other users are taking a wait and see approach, unsure if it is worth upgrading to a brand new system. Many are unsure about what the new system has to offer and why they should bother upgrading at all.

This second approach is probably the best bet for the present. There is no driving need for a user who is comfortable with their current system to upgrade. Waiting for Windows 95 to become the standard is the best plan for users of any level, as there is not much of an advantage to be gained by switching over yet. But still, questions remain.

So what exactly is Windows 95?

Windows 95 is Microsoft's newest entry as their operating system of choice for the IBM-PC computer market (an operating system is the basic software needed to allow your computer to run other programs). The new system

is meant as a replacement for the complicated combination of MS-DOS and Windows 3.0 used by more than 75 million people world wide. The new Windows 95 merges these two separate programs into one streamlined system.

Microsoft sought to solve existing problems in the old systems and create a more user friendly interface. They hoped to make it easier for the average user to operate while maintaining the adaptability the power-user wants.

To do this, Windows 95 uses a new graphic interface as the primary means of running the computer. You are now immediately launched into the graphical interface where you can run all of your programs, even if they are old DOS programs. DOS programs are run in their own windows, or in an optional full screen mode where they use all of the systems resources.

Windows 95 includes an updated version of DOS (7.0) as a secondary means of operating software that has difficulty running in a graphical environment. The programs with the most difficulty are graphically intensive games that require a good deal of your systems resources. To run these, Windows 95 offers the ability to use an MS-DOS mode which removes all of Windows features from memory and allows the game to use all of your system's power.

In testing, however, I found that the need to run in MS-DOS mode was very limited, as most programs ran quite effectively from Windows. Some games do tend to run a little slower under Windows, but it is up the user to decide which way is best for them.

One of the newest features of Windows 95 is its 32-bit archite-

ture. This is a fancy way of saying that Windows 95 accesses programs and disks faster, and allows programs to run simultaneously without interfering with each other. Also built into the interface is a program that allows the user to access the new Microsoft Network (MSN). The MSN is Microsoft's entry into the world of the information superhighway, and for a monthly fee, allows users to log onto an online system that runs off Windows 95.

Those are the major features that Microsoft is offering in its new operating system, but the proof is in looking at the product and not the hyperbole.

Before beginning you must go through the rather intimidating prospect of installing the system on the computer. The installation process begins with Windows scanning your hard disk for any errors. It then proceeds to offer to create an emergency backup disk, which is highly recommended. The most critical portion of the installation occurs when Windows attempts to detect all of your computer's different components. This period can be very temperamental, and freeze ups are a common occurrence.

Once the installation is complete, you must begin the next process: learning the new Windows interface.

Users who are familiar with Windows 3.x will immediately notice significant changes. The Program and File Managers are gone and replaced by a desktop that looks remarkably similar to a Macintosh. The first thing you will see will be an icon depicting your computer, and a toolbar at the bottom of the screen with a button labeled "Start". This Start button is the key to just about everything you do in Windows 95.

On clicking this button you will find a list of seven options that allows you to access different parts of Windows. When installed, Windows places all of your old program groups into folders that can be accessed through fly out menus that appear after clicking start. Most of your programs can be accessed under the programs option, though you must wade through layers of menus before finding your program.

Windows 95 can also be accessed by double-clicking on the computer icon. Once in



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Easy pull out menus, similar to the Macintosh desktop, help organize files at the click of the mouse button.

this function, Windows 95 works exactly like a Macintosh, and you can open programs and documents, and move files into different folders. In fact, Macintosh users will be amused by how similar Windows 95 is to the system they have been using since 1984.

Once users are used to the new interface, they will probably find it is much less restricting than the old versions of Windows. However, there is a rather steep learning curve, and figuring out how the features work will not occur in one sitting.

In providing help in understanding the system, Microsoft has offered a mixed package. The manual included with the program is skimpy at best, giving the user only the most basic information to run their programs.

If this was all that was provided, I would immediately give Windows 95 a failing grade, no matter how good the program was. However, the system does offer an in depth help function that can answer just about any question the user may have. This is the only saving grace in the Windows learning process.

For all that Windows 95 has going for it, it falls far short of the goals Microsoft set. Computer users were under the impression that working with computers would be revolutionized by Windows 95. Unfortunately, Windows 95 is such a complex program that users will have to spend a lot of time simply learning the quirks of the new system. The average home user may not have the patience to learn how to use their computer all over again.

At present Windows 95 is also a victim of its own power. Upon its release there were very few programs that could take advantage of the system's most powerful features. The majority of programs on computers today will receive little performance improvements from Windows 95. While software com-

panies are beginning to produce software designed specifically for Windows 95, it will be a while before they dominate the marketplace.

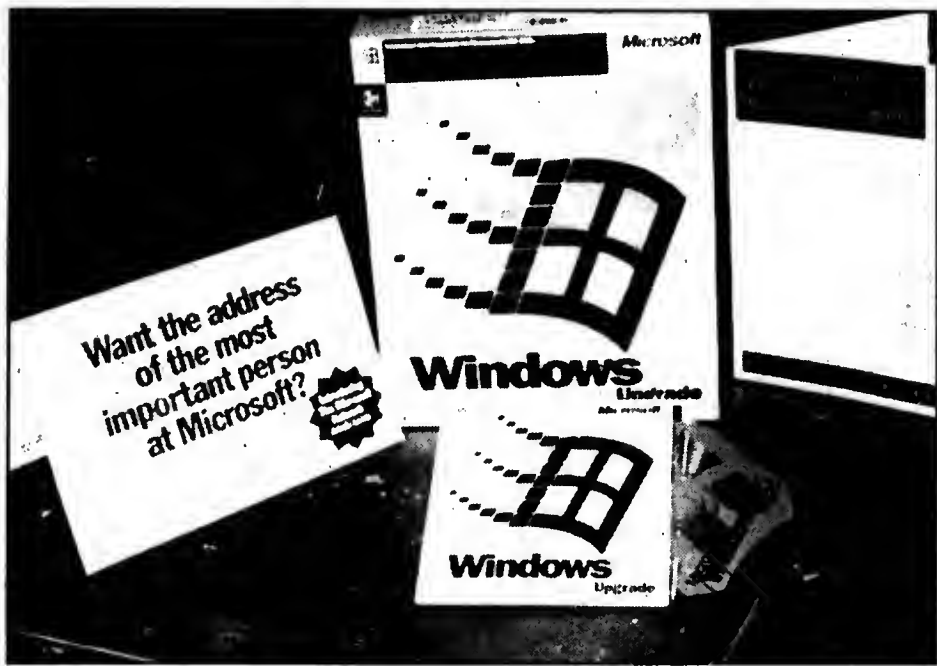
So should the average home user worry about upgrading to Windows 95? In general the answer is no. At the present time there is no pressure to change to the new format. Thousands of computer users have finally accepted the difficulties of older DOS and Windows combination and have learned to work around them. If you are happy with your current system then do not feel you need to change.

Windows 95 can also be extremely expensive. The program itself ranges from \$100 to \$130, but the real expense comes from the need to upgrade your computer to meet Windows 95's minimum requirements. Add to that the expense of purchasing programs that take advantage of the system's new features, and costs can rise very quickly.

My advice is to wait. In a few months most of the bugs should be worked out of the new system, removing many of its quirks. There will also be more programs to take advantage of the new system. All of this means that in time Windows 95 will become the standard for the IBM-PC market. Hopefully by that time it will also become easier for the average user to use.

Overall Windows 95 ends up being a major disappointment. With all the hype generated before the release of the product, people assumed the new system was going to forever change how computers would be run.

Unfortunately, this is not the case. Windows 95 is a significant improvement on the IBM-PC front, but users of the Macintosh platform will look at the new system and smile. As a graphical user interface, Macintosh is still the superior performer.



JASON CHILES

Windows 95, offered on both CD ROM and high density 3.5" diskettes, is Microsoft's newest operating system for the IBM-PC computer market. But is it worth the investment?

Cheaper by the bundle

by Blair Sanderson

Students who want to buy computers can get "the NOD" at Humber's computer store.

The NOD is a loan program for post-secondary students buying computers. Students pay \$49 up front and then pay the remainder of the cost in weekly installments over a period of up to four years.

Bob Brown, manager of the computer store at Humber College's North campus, said that campus computer stores usually get discounted prices from manufacturers so that students get the best possible deals.

Brown cautioned, however, that on many of the more expensive items in the store, such as computers, "we have to enter into very specific agreement that requires checking for current student I.D." Those unable to produce proper identification can't be given the special student discounts, he said.

Brown indicated that computers are available for as little as \$400-500, but noted that at that price you get only the bare minimum.

Packard Bell and Apple are both offering computer packages; many of which include such accessories as CD-ROMs, printers, mice, and fax/modems. The prices on these packages range from just under \$2000 to just over \$3000. Apple is also offering rebates on some of their printers.

"For people considering Apple computers, the educational discount is excellent," said Brown, adding that most of the computers

in the store are somewhat cheaper than what other computer stores can offer.

However, it appears that both Business Depot and Mega Plus Computer Ltd. have better deals on 75 MHz Pentium computer packages. Including upgrades in hard drive capacity from advertised deals, Business Depot and Mega Plus come in at about \$2400-2500, while Humber checks in at \$2750.

Mega Plus manager Derek Li has put together a package which includes multimedia software. Business Depot's offer is on AST computers, Humber's is on Packard Bell. The Future Shop has prices one dollar below Humber's on Apple Performa 580s and 6200s, said sales representative

Dante Longo.

Buyers should, however, be warned about package deals. When computer stores "bundle" items together so they can be offered at a discounted price to their customers, you usually have to take the package as is. If you wish to add or delete items, the discounted price doesn't apply or the savings become considerably less. Ask at the store before you start shopping to save a hassle.

Brown said he would like to add a much more extensive selection of software to the store, which has expanded this year. Brown, who managed the University of Toronto computer store for the last four years, is in his first year managing the computer store at Humber.



CHAD T. KEOGH

The computer store, located beside the concourse at Humber's North campus, sells computer hardware and software to staff and students.

Library offers Internet access

by Nadine Gagnon

Changes and improvements to technology are taking place all around Humber College's North Campus, and the next few months will be no exception.

"We can't pinpoint an exact date, but we are hoping that by October students using the library will have full access to a CD-ROM network and to the World Wide Web," said Lynne Bentley, system librarian.

The library received \$180,000 in funding for the new equipment from Canada Ontario Infrastructure. The file server that allows multiple user access to the CD-ROM, wiring, and setup costs totaled \$140,000. The library was also given \$17,000 by the Committee on Learning Technologies to fund the site licence for the CD-ROM database.

Bentley said she hopes the new services the library provides will make it easier for students to do research because they will have access to more information.

Even though the changes are still in the works, students are already looking forward to the new system. Kerri Temousky, a second-year Business student at Humber said "it's great that the

library is getting these services, I think it will really help students."

"Students who are not sure how to use the new services will find the library staff available to help them," said Bentley.

"The library staff has been helpful in showing me how to use the CD-ROMs that are already in place," said Vanessa Chalifoux, a second-year Chemical Engineering student. "I think I'll



NADINE GAGNON

CD-ROM systems and WWW Internet service allows students to access more information in the library.

be coming back to use it in the future when I am working on another project."

Rita Roch, a first-year Film and Television student also thinks the new services will be great, but she is disappointed with other aspects of the library. "The library has a very limited amount of books, they seem to have more magazines than anything else. The library is big in terms of space, but in terms of the quality of the material, I don't think it's good at all." Roch added she would like to see more journals and a better selection of books added to the library.

One of the other changes taking place within the next year will be the replacement of the library's automated system. By using a computer located in the library, students will be able to place an item on hold, see what fines they have, and what books they have on loan.

Plans are already under way to convert the fourth and fifth floors of the library into quiet areas.

The library is located near the college's main entrance and is open Monday to Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m., Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Humber honors coordinator

by Lisa Sauer

Friends and co-workers joined together on August 30 to offer their best wishes to Mary Carr, who is leaving her position as Health Services coordinator after 10 years.

"We're here to celebrate and honor a very special person," said Dr. Roy Giroux, vice-president of Education Faculty Services, as part of his opening speech at a farewell party for Carr.

Giroux, who organized the party complete with cake, cards and gifts said: "Mary is everything best about Humber. She lives it ... nobody cares more about quality."

Judy Harvey, dean of Student Services said: "Mary built the health center from a one bandage nurse to an educational, treatment and outreach service ... Mary wouldn't sacrifice anything."

Carr admits she made many changes to the Health Services department in her 10 years here. Equipped with a secretary, nurse and part-time doctor, Carr was able to respond to minor illnesses and emergencies, as well as start new programs geared towards Humber students' needs.

Some of these programs includ-



MARCO TARANTINO

Mary Carr opens a gift during her farewell party.

ed: information about AIDS, date-rape seminars and counselling. She was also responsible for ensuring inexpensive birth control pills were available for Humber students.

"I started out alone but I had a lot of cooperation ... you do your job daily and the years go by. I've had terrific experiences ... having the right job has something to do with the enjoyment," said Carr who had "mixed feelings" about leaving Humber.

Carr wasn't the only one with mixed feelings. People who have

known her were sorry to see her go.

"Anytime students or staff suffered from stress or a medical ailment, Mary was always there to help. We're sorry to see her leave," said Pam Hanft, dean of Liberal Arts.

Carr, who graduated from the University of Toronto, is returning there to start her new job as nurse manager in the Health and Wellness Department.

"One day I hope to feel as much at home as I was here, then I will be very fortunate," she said.

Health staff keeps students fit for school

by Linda Farr

The Health Services department at Humber College is alive and well, offering all students a wide range of services and wellness counselling five days a week.

Several nurses are on staff from Monday to Friday and will see students without an appointment. Two different doctors are available on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

The staff are very friendly and everyone should feel comfortable enough to visit the health department, and talk to the nurses about any concerns they may have.

"Wellness is the whole goal of Humber and the community," said Marg Anne Jones, a registered nurse at the Health Centre. "If you are in an optimum state of health, everything is better."

All of the consultations that take place at the Health Centre are confidential with no exceptions ... not even parents.

Help can be given for a variety of health problems such as colds, flu, birth control or the morning after pill, as well as pregnancy tests. Birth control pills can be purchased at a rate much cheaper than most pharmacies. Each package is approximately \$7, with a few exceptions that are a bit more expensive.

Students interested in purchasing birth control pills can simply bring a prescription from their family doctor along with documentation of the date of a recent Pap test and physical. They will then fill out a form in the Health Centre and make an appointment with one of the nurses.

If for any reason students can-

not see their family doctor, they can make an appointment to see one of the staff doctors. These arrangements can take up to one week, so don't leave it until the last minute.

Immunization shots are available, as well as flu shots for high-risk individuals. Allergy shots can be given to the patient on the days the doctors are in the office by having a family doctor send the medication to the college.

There are many pamphlets available on topics from How to Quit Smoking to Hepatitis B, AIDS, and other Sexually Transmitted Diseases. These pamphlets are free and are located in the reception area at the Health Centre.

If the health staff cannot help you with your problem, they will refer students to a professional who can help them. Jones called the Health Centre, "a beginning centre to deal with a health problem." She said, "The Health Centre knows the community resources and agencies very well and we know what is available."

The Students' Administration Council (SAC) offers a drug plan to Humber students that covers 80% of certain medications. Students can go to the SAC office to find out more about that plan.

The Health Centre is located on the first floor at room K137.

The hours are from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone during business hours at 675-6622, extension 4533.

Read this column carefully—there's a test on it tomorrow



KEOGH'S KORNER

by Chad T. Keogh

Should education be taught by the book? Many teachers in Humber don't seem to think so.

A few of my professors would stand up at the front of the class on the first day and say, "Here is your copy of the course outline. Just ignore whatever it says."

They either didn't believe in the format in which the material was to be presented, or they didn't like the text book recommended. Most of these professors had what would be considered maverick teaching styles, a.k.a. ones that actually make us think instead of just memorize and regurgitate information.

I'm sure every one of us can remember having special teachers throughout our schooling who wouldn't just read from the textbook like some sort of robot. They would virtually act out the text with feeling in their voices and animated body movement.

They would ask for student input about the subject at hand and promote constructive debate.

I don't know about you, but I remember almost everything taught in those classes. Whereas, the memorize and regurgitate classes are just one big, boring blur.

Do you remember all those algebra formulas from high school? I don't.

If I became a physicist maybe I would have, but the majority of us did not choose that route.

One thing that I'll never understand is why people would want to pay more money to attend an institution which is known for the by-the-book method of teaching.

To be in larger classes, where most of the teaching is done by the book, in huge lecture halls, is just not my idea of true education.

If you guessed that I'm talking about university, then you are correct.

You pay double the money to be in classes up to 5000% larger than average Humber classes.

Some classes in universities are as large as 1500, whereas Humber's classes are about 30 people.

How can anyone receive a complete education in the back of a lecture hall, filled with 1499 other students, by merely writing down everything the professor says, so that they can regurgitate it all on exam day?

All 1500 students can't have all their questions about the subject matter answered.

Maybe I'm just slow or something, but when the teacher basically reads straight from the textbook (and I haven't fallen asleep yet), I usually have some questions that need to be answered so that I can fully comprehend the subject.

I definitely wouldn't pay double the tuition just to have the textbook read to me. I'd save myself a couple thousand dollars and buy it myself.

Chad's column will be a weekly feature in the Lifestyles section.



LINDA FARR

The Health Centre provides students with pamphlets on a variety of issues.

Students affected by more TTC increases

by Leanne Lavis

Since September 5, riding the rocket to and from Humber has become more costly for students.

According to the Toronto Transit Commission, a post-secondary student is classified under adult pricing. This month, the cost of five tickets (tokens) increased to \$7.50, up one dollar from the month of August; and 10 tickets are now being sold for \$15, an increase of two dollars. This is the first time the TTC has increased fares in three and a half years.

As well, the Metropass has

gone up \$11. Up until August the cost of the pass was \$67, but now students have to pay \$78 for a pass.

If riders take the TTC 52 times per month, they will break even on the Metropass. Students who do not ride that often should continue to buy tokens since it is less expensive, said a customer service operator.

A one-way ticket will remain \$2, but, a two-fare ticket will go up 50 cents to \$3.50.

Students who bring children on the TTC with them will also be affected by the price increases.

Although children under the age of two are free, and children 2 to 12 years old pay 50 cents per ticket, the cost of ten tickets is now \$3.75.

The increase in fares is not being paid for without a grimace from Humber students.

"I think they (the TTC) should have student discounts not only for high school students but for college and university students also. The price hike is ridiculous," said Kim Heroux, who rides the bus to Lakeshore campus every day.

"The price increase is kind of hard on students who are paying their own way," said Bill McArthur, a student in the General Arts and Science program. "It would be my guess that they increased the cost to help pay for the drivers," he said.

The three TTC routes to Humber College will remain the same as last year. From Finch Subway Station, students should take the 36 Finch West bus; students coming in at Wilson Station should take the 96 Wilson/ 96E Wilson Express bus; and students arriving at the Kipling Subway Station should take 191 Highway 27 Express bus.

Alternative means of transportation are available such as: riding bikes, walking, roller blading or during the winter months, car pooling with classmates.

Student lobbyists call for subsidized public transit fares

by Holly Crawford

The Metropolitan Universities Colleges Caucus (MUCC) and the TTC met for preliminary talks about reducing fares for post-secondary students last Thursday.

MUCC is an organization made up of post-secondary student governments around Metro and represents about 140,000 students. They have lobbied the TTC for reduced fares in the past with little success.

TTC Media Relations Officer Marilyn Bolton said for students to receive a reduced fare, someone else would have to make up the difference in revenue.

TTC WILLING

"They are willing to give students a reduced rate if the university will pick up the difference," she said.

MUCC spokesperson Andre Bastion said there was a preliminary meeting with the TTC September 7 to discuss a student rate. He said there are plans for a survey and feasibility study at

York University and Humber in mid-October.

If they succeed, the TTC will offer a three for four rate for students. It will probably be a four month metropass for the price of three months, Bastion said.

The 25 per cent savings would be subsidized by the TTC, the schools and a student levy.

"We haven't determined yet what it will be ... we haven't determined ratios, we haven't determined anything yet," he said.

TOO MUCH MONEY

The recent hike in TTC fares has increased the price of a monthly Metropass from \$67 to \$78, making more students interested in the possibility of a reduced rate.

"That's about \$15 to come to school for one week. That's just too much money," said Amanda Watson, a first-year Design Foundation student.

The TTC is on the agenda for the next meeting of MUCC.



LORRIE KRALKO

Humber students will have to fork out more money to ride the rocket.

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Coping with homesickness

Helpful hints for homesick students

by Luke Hendry

When it comes to homesickness, Mike Keogh's heard it all.

Keogh, a counsellor at Humber's North Campus, along with three other full-time and three part-time counsellors, deals with those suffering from homesickness every year.

"I had one person who was very homesick," he says. "We were talking and a name kept coming up. I thought it was a member of their family ... Then I found out it was the horse they'd been riding all summer!"

For many students, first year or otherwise, homesickness is a very real and sometimes very scary problem.

"It's so stupid," says Steve, a first-year student from Barrie who didn't want his last name published. "I constantly grumbled about getting out of my hometown, and now I realize I really love it there, and it's all I think about."

"I don't believe that anyone is really prepared for post-secondary education at a community college," says Keogh.

Comparing the move to college to "jumping off an ocean liner" into shark-filled water, Keogh says many people are simply not ready for the "new and constant noise" of college life, or the culture shock of moving to a city like Toronto. He points out that while homesickness depends greatly on the individual, many become overwhelmed in their spare time. That's when the "closing in" feeling can start, and, he says, "hours can go by of thinking of nothing else but home."

It's at this point that people must stop being controlled by their longing to go home, or to see others who aren't with them, said Keogh.

So what can be done? "Look for something new that you can do in the new place you're in," Keogh suggested. Instead of picking out

all the negatives of this new and different place, find some advantages to help you appreciate it.

Keogh's most important advice is to "find a new friend." Let people know you're willing to meet them. But, he laughs, it's "not a good idea to go around and tell everyone you're homesick!"

He notes that often people meet just by eating together. People should try to find others that they are comfortable just talking or eating with, to pass the time outside classes.

Keeping in touch with home is also important. "Get into the habit [of keeping in touch] ... just that is sometimes enough to tide you over."

"Hours can go by of thinking of nothing else but home."

-MIKE KEOGH
HUMBER COUNSELLOR

Another source of counselling is the Kids Help Phone, (KHP), a youth-crisis line based in Toronto.

"Find a friend and just share with them," agrees "Pat", a counsellor at KHP, who agrees with Mike Keogh. (Pat is not her real name - KHP staff don't give out their names, and don't ask for those of callers.)

Unlike some crisis lines, the KHP is available 24 hours a day, and is staffed by trained counsellors, not volunteers.

While they sometimes may refer callers over 19 or 20 to an adult hotline, Pat says this depends on the caller.

Like Keogh, Pat suggests finding others to spend time with, and joining whatever social groups there may be around campus or residence.

"Set up a regular time to call home, or a time that you can definitely go home," she says. That will give you something to look forward to when you're feeling

down. Pat also encourages writing home.

Another, KHP counsellor reports that some homesickness sufferers have "physiological signs of anxiety" upset stomach, shaking, uncontrolled crying, tense muscles, sweating, shortness of breath, vomiting, anxiousness, and even unusually frequent urination. This is the body converting the emotions that are troubling the mind. If this happens, the person should seek counselling, suggested the KHP counsellor.

While there are lots of things to do to stop homesickness, there are also things to avoid.

Humber's Keogh warns that partying is one of the best ways to meet people, but must be approached with control and common sense.

"The freedom of doing what you want with your time - some people find that difficult," he warns. "To say that partying is the answer ... it isn't, and drinking isn't either. I'm afraid some people really depend on alcohol."

Those who have been through first year say the first month of a new college or university is the worst, and that after Thanksgiving, it picks up.

"Once the work starts coming in, you have stuff to do, and the time flies really quickly," says Sean O'Brien, a third-year Public Relations student. "And if you are homesick, it doesn't take much to call home."

If you have a problem, homesickness or otherwise, and need to talk, visit Humber's counsellors or call the Kids Help Phone free at 1-800-668-6868. There are also other crisis lines listed in the front of the Bell phone book.

At the North Campus, counselling is available at D128 (by the information centre and registrar's office), and at rooms A120 at the Lakeshore campus and 8A at Keeclesdale. Appointments are necessary.



LUKE HENDRY

Counsellor Mike Keogh suggests finding a new friend

Suggested tips for coping with homesickness

DO

- Find someone you're comfortable with. Let others know you're there.
- Keep in touch with friends and family at home. Write letters, give them a call.
- Get involved with campus activities such as trips or intramural sports.
- If you have access to a computer and modem, find out about the InterNet and other forms of E-Mail.
- Try creative visualization: picture yourself a few years down the road.
- Get out!! Find out what your new place has to offer. Toronto has something for everyone - call the TTC at (416)393-4636 to find out how to get there.
- Do something for yourself. Buy some new music, clothes, something that you like to eat, or for your room to make it feel comfortable and make you want to be there.

- Concentrate on small amounts of time. Try to get through each day, and work towards the weekend.
- If you have physiological signs of anxiety, see your doctor or the school nurse.
- Seek counselling if you're really upset. You may be surprised how much it helps.

DON'T

- Don't try to be in two places at once. Don't dwell on what's happening at home.
- Don't dwell on your bad feelings and let them control you. Cry or get angry for a while and then move on.
- Don't depend on substances like alcohol, pills, or other drugs as a way of coping. They'll only lead to more trouble.

These tips for coping with homesickness were suggested by the Kids Help Phone counsellors and Mike Keogh of Humber College.

Newly renovated Java Jazz : bigger and better

by Biatriss Danso

Students at Humber College's North campus can now take an espresso break sitting in their new \$300,000 coffee shop, the Java Jazz.

Serving up 12 different flavors of coffee, alongside espresso, latte and cappuccino, the newly renovated Java Jazz is the most significant change made by the Food Services Department in over 20 years said John Mason, head of Humber's Ancillary and Customer Relations.

What was once just a coffee cart that sold a few baked goods has now transformed into an ultra-modern eatery in efforts to rede-

velop the integrity of the building.

New students to Humber College like Alana Richter, an Interior Design student, notice the coffee shop immediately. "This is definitely the best looking part of the school right here. I can't imagine how dreary it must have looked before."

The new Java Jazz is situated directly across from the bookstore, through the main library entrance.

"This is a lot better," said Gord Lewis, a returning student in the Business Management program. "The hallway feels a lot less congested now. It was too crowded before."

Rina Vertolli worked at the

Java Jazz before the changes. "It is much better, easier for customers to shop, easier for us to keep neat and the line-ups go much faster," she said.

Plans for the improvements had been underway for the past two years. Mason said that the project would have been undertaken last year but there was shortage of time.

"The college has wanted to do this for a while and there are several reasons for wanting to make the changes," said Mason. "Among these reasons were long line ups at the coffee cart, congestion in the hallway, lack of outside light, isolation of the student

centre, and a decreasing revenue at Kites.

"Coffee is an impulse item and sales are facilitated by the location of the coffee cart," said Mason. "With the change of the old main entrance by Kites now to the library there is a different traffic flow."

Java Jazz II, which was in the hallway that leads to F wing, was combined with the original Java Jazz in hopes of taking advantage of the large numbers of people who travel through the hallway, and past the bookstore.

The cost of the coffee shop, which was reconstructed at the same time as the bookstore to save

money, came within budget estimates of \$300,000.

The money to renovate Java Jazz came from the Food Services department. "We were responsible for the entire capital requirement of the project," said Mason. "That includes the building, renovations equipment, operations cleaning and maintenance, utilities, products and staffing."

Aside from repairing an open front refrigerator, there were very few design problems. "All in all it appears fairly user friendly," said Mason, "It meets a need and is more convenient for users. So far we haven't had any complaints."

Recycling Program celebrates anniversary with audit

by Kerry Bader

Humber College's Recycling Program recently celebrated its first anniversary with a waste audit. An Environmental Consultant was hired to dig through Humber's trash, and see what is being recycled and what is not.

"We recycle polystyrene, glass bottles, cans and paper, cardboard, wood, scrap metal. I still find recyclables in ordinary garbage containers," said Janice Flynn, manager housekeeping services. A former Waste Consultant herself, Flynn is in charge of Humber's Recycling Program.

"We've actually had very very good participation in those blue bins," said Flynn. "I was a bit leery when I put them in last year, but I think we've had really good results."

With 11,000 full-time students, 750 of whom are living on residence, the college plays a large

role in the production and disposal of waste in Etobicoke.

"At residence the waste is picked up by the city," said Flynn. But the Etobicoke Municipal Recycling Program does accept some 'mixed' materials, so students don't have to separate all of the items into different bins.

"The recycled material gets sorted after it's dumped," said Patti Snow, who works for Etobicoke Customer Relations. "Ninety per cent of the material gets re-used and ten per cent gets thrown away," she said.

But campus waste is handled by a private company, and must be sorted before it leaves the school. When items are put into the wrong bins, the material is 'contaminated' and cannot always be recycled.

"When you have a big place like Humber College you get a lot of contamination, and you have to figure out how to get better," said Flynn.

"A lot of that is just educating people. It's not just a matter of putting out some bins... you have to let them know what you're trying to do and why you're trying to do it."

Last year Humber sent more than 694 tonnes of garbage to the dump, at a disposal cost of \$75 per tonne.

"With recycling, we don't pay any disposal fee. In the long run it's cheaper to recycle," said Flynn.

Humber student Alejandro Ordonez, said that he sometimes put the wrong items in the wrong bins, and had a few suggestions to improve the system.

"Have the containers labeled clearly, and maybe different coloured boxes. Everybody throws everything in the blue box no matter (what type of recyclable) it is," said Ordonez, a student in the Hotel and Restaurant program.

"In Etobicoke the program is



MARCO TARANTINO

Litter placed in wrong bins contaminates the whole load.

working," said Christopher Fernandes, an Information Officer at Metro Works.

"The blue box is paying for itself now with the demand of recycled materials. I think the blue box has become normalized... part of people's routine."

Overall, Humber's program is

going well-except for one item.

"The main thing we're not recycling is newsprint, and that newsprint is mainly generated from (Humber) Et Cetera...."

noted Flynn. Flynn said she hopes to implement a newspaper recycling program soon.

Culinary Arts Prof whips up a gold medal for Canada

by Tanya Duggan

Humber College's Professor of Culinary Arts, Robert G. McCann was one of 14 chefs who won a gold medal for Canada at the International Banquet Competition in Limerick, Ireland this month.

McCann was asked by John McSweeney, executive chef of

Mon Rêve Restaurant in Mississauga if he would help him make up a team. The chefs practiced together throughout the summer so they would be prepared to compete against teams from countries such as Japan, England, France, Ireland and the United States.

"It was a very prestigious event... it was a great honour to be there," said McCann.

Each country randomly chose an envelope which had a list of ingredients in it. The team had one hour to create a menu and then cook an eight-course meal based on those ingredients for 100 people.

"We did not relax until after the competition," said McCann.

McCann said "organization" was the key to their success. They spent days studying and trying to figure out what products go well together.

McCann said in most competitions the chefs know what they are going to cook beforehand.

"Not to take away from other competitions but the challenge of this one was not knowing what we had to do."

Their menu consisted of a vari-

ety of dishes including chicken, duck, monkfish, salads and hors d'oeuvres.

"We were the only team to get a standing ovation," said McCann.

The team received international recognition, two medals, and a personalized letter from Jean Chretien. The Canadian Ambassador to Ireland also attended the competition.

Toronto has promised future support to the competition as it is scheduled to be held in Canada in 1997.

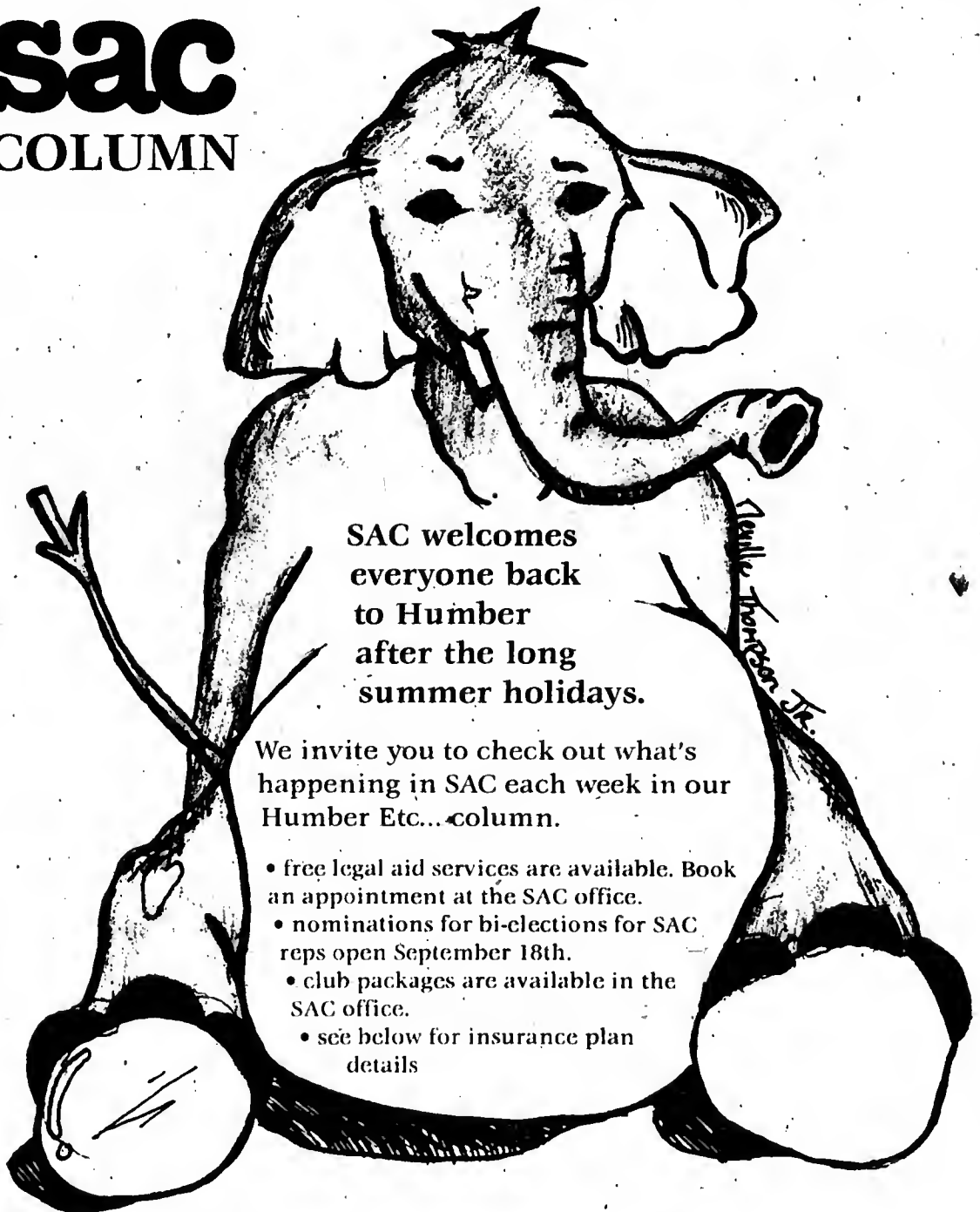
McCann has been teaching in the Culinary Department at Humber for 12 years.

"I began cooking 33 years ago because I liked it and was interested," he said.



COURTESY PHOTO
Robert G. McCann

SAC COLUMN



SAC welcomes everyone back to Humber after the long summer holidays.

We invite you to check out what's happening in SAC each week in our Humber Etc... column.

- free legal aid services are available. Book an appointment at the SAC office.
- nominations for bi-elections for SAC reps open September 18th.
- club packages are available in the SAC office.
- see below for insurance plan details

Convenient new pay-direct drug plan

We are pleased to announce that effective September 11, 1995, each day student will be participating under the Humber College pay-direct drug plan. To fill a prescription, you simply present your prescription along with the student identification card to the pharmacist and pay 20% of each prescription up to a maximum of \$1,000 per year. Each student's eligibility under the Humber College drug plan is confirmed when you verify your student number and date of birth, by providing the pharmacist with your name and address when preparing your prescriptions. Therefore, please take full identification with you. There may be certain circumstances where you have to pay cash first. Please keep the receipts which identifies the total amount paid. Drop by the SAC office (KX105) for complete details and claim forms.

Frosh week packed with 'rez' events

by Bob Salverda

Humber's first year residence students got a taste of Toronto and had the perfect opportunity to make new friends during a week of frosh activities.

The "REZMANIA" events, which took place the week before school, were based on the theme of Looney Tunes.

Both first-year and second-year rez students were invited to join in the fun.

The week started on Monday August 21, when students went off to Wild Water Kingdom and the Canadian National Exhibition. The warm weather brought a large turnout.

"It was a really good frosh week," said Dana Hogg, a first-year Film and Television Production student living in rez. "There are hall parties all week and you meet a lot of people."

Dan Asselin, a first-year Ambulance Attendant student living at rez, agreed: "It was a great way to meet people ... the mystery

bash was the best! It was great fun!"

"Marvin's Marvelous Tour Of Toronto" and a stop at Ontario Place highlighted Tuesday's activities, with yet another enthusiastic turnout.

Michele Beckstead, the program and activities officer at rez, coordinated the events. She said the off-campus activities help the students "become more familiar with the area, and help the new students meet others right away." Beckstead said this raises the level of comfort for the students.

In keeping with the Looney Tunes theme, the students participated in a "Bugs Bunny Sports Fest" on Wednesday August 23, which included rollerblading, softball and volleyball. Then, it was off to "Bowlerama" for the evening.

"Yosemite Sam's Rez Round-up" took place on Thursday August 24 and involved teams from each floor competing for best skit, dance and cheer on a stage set up outside the residence. Later that evening,

Caps was filled for "Toga Pub".

Other events during the week included: a scavenger hunt, an excursion to a ranch in Milton, a barbecue, and a trip to the SkyDome for a Blue Jays game.

Points were gained for participating each day and coming out on top in competitive events. Awards were given out to the teams that accumulated the most points throughout the week.

The week's overall winners were the students in the Shac two high crew with a total of 297 points. A close second was the Shac three high team, with a total of 242 points. Shac three low took the bronze with a respectable total of 220 points.

Along with the eight program assistants, who sold tickets and made sure everything was running smoothly, 20 additional people were part of the Spirit Crew and helped hype the atmosphere.

"Everyone worked hard and did an excellent job," said Beckstead. "There was a lot of positive feed-



MICHELE BECKSTEAD

Rez staff are ready to go to the Caps' "Toga Party."

back, and the fact that everyone had a good time was the biggest reward."

Beckstead said the week of August 21 to 27 was ideal for frosh week because "it's not interfering with academics, and it helps to fulfill a need that is there."

"REZMANIA" artwork was

done by Manny Jose. Program assistants included: Shiela Dougall, Rosanna D'Souza, Dorothy Luksic, Leena Naik, Michelle Virtue and Andrea Russell.

The "REZMANIA" sponsors, who supplied prizes for the winning teams, included Pizza Pizza, ACC and Labatt's.

Time management, study skills important for student success

by Lisa Cartwright

There's one in every class. The student who spends more time socializing than doing homework, but still ends up graduating with honors.

But not everyone is able to do it. Although it's only a few weeks into the new semester, many students find they can't do what's expected of them without falling behind.

Most post-secondary students not only go to school, but they also have part-time jobs which take up a lot of their spare time.

Karen Henderson, who graduated with honors from the journalism program at Ryerson Polytechnic University, had 35 hours of classes a week. Her professors expected students to do one hour of homework for every

hour of class. Henderson also worked as a cashier for 25 hours a week to help pay for university.

Since there are 120 hours in a five-day work week, if Henderson were to do everything people expected of her, she would be working 85 hours, leaving her only 35 hours to eat and sleep. This leaves little time for socializing.

But Henderson said by using careful time management skills, she was able to complete all of her tasks.

"(The) most important thing for me, was to make time for (just) me. If you make time for yourself then you ... work better. You can balance yourself out. Spend time thinking by yourself."

In the *Anti-Stress Book*, Larry Richard, a faculty member and

former member of the counselling department, said to avoid stress, students should get help with budgeting, time management and study skills. He said students should also pamper themselves and do one thing at a time.

Melissa Koski, a second-year fashion arts student at Humber, works at a clothing store for approximately 18 hours per week. She has 19 hours of classes and spends at least six hours per week on homework.

Koski suggested students use a day planner to organize themselves. She said they should write down everything they have to do and the hours they work, so they can manage their time.

"If I had used a day planner before, I would have figured everything out," said Koski.

Adele Judges spent two years at Ryerson Polytechnic University for architecture. She has since switched to interior design at Humber College because she realizes that architecture isn't what she wants.

Judges is also a counsellor at a group home for the mentally challenged. During the school year, she works 24 hours per week, has 25 hours of classes, and spends the same amount of time doing homework. She is an honors student who tries to find time to socialize.

"I make sure I do because I would go nuts. I need to keep my sanity. It's the only time I can see my friends," she said.

Judges said using careful time management helps students get everything accomplished and still come out on top academically.

Students scramble for jobs on campus

by Amy Tait

Students are already taking advantage of the many job opportunities at Humber's North campus.

The Career Service Centre, located at A138, offers the Ontario Work Study Program, which provides jobs for those students in need of work throughout the school year.

"Last year, 263 students were hired through the program and this year about 175 to 200 students have already applied for the positions available," Co-Op/Placement manager Margaret Antonides said.

After September 5, applications for the Work Study Program are no longer accepted because such a large number of students have already applied for the positions available. When interviews and hiring are finished, applications will be available again.

Most, but not all jobs, were filled by September 5, Antonides said. Others are in the interviewing and hiring stages.

The job opportunities range from working in the library and the gym to working at the service centre. These jobs offer a maximum of 10 hours of work per week and pay ranges from mini-

mum wage (\$6.85) to approximately \$10 an hour.

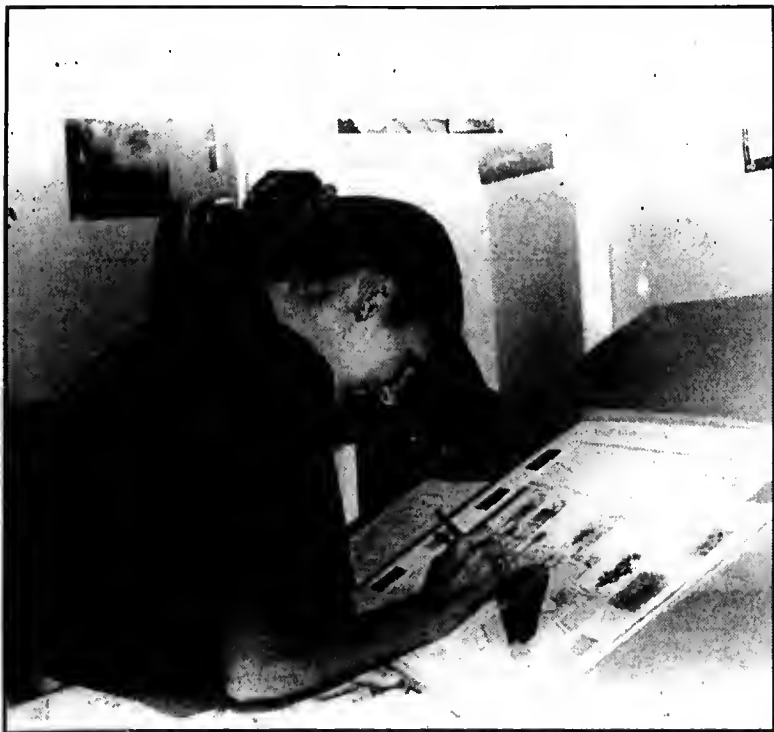
To be eligible for the Work Study Program, a student must be an Ontario resident for at least one year, be enlisted in a full-time course, and have expenses exceeding income.

Humber also offers jobs in peer tutoring and helping the disabled. Last year, the peer tutoring program had 200 tutors at the Lakeshore and North campuses combined. Currently, the counselling department is in the process of advertising and finding out how many tutors will be returning from last year.

"It is too early (to determine how many tutors we need). It will take a couple of weeks (to figure that out)," said Mary Vesia, a tutorial clerk.

To become a peer tutor, a student must have finished at least one semester and have 80 per cent or more in the course they intend to tutor. They need a faculty reference before applying in person to the counselling department.

Anyone interested in helping students with disabilities can contact the Services for Students with Disabilities Office. Both this office and the counselling office are located in D128.



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Internet at no cost to the student

by Angela Gilchrist

It has been referred to as the "network of networks," and the "information highway," but one thing is for sure, when the new student computer lab opened, it came with the Internet and a whole new world of research and communication for Humber students.

The Internet had been offered in the past to Humber students, but only if it was in their specific program's curriculum. Many students in the past have requested Internet use, but it has become a reality only this year.

Vice-President of the Students' Association Council (SAC), Chris

Sawyer said, "Internet use for students is possible because of a partnership between SAC and the administration."

Sawyer sat on a committee with other student representatives requesting services for the new student lab. The lab will have 70 computers equipped with the software package Netscape, giving students access to World Wide Web. For now, Internet will only be offered in the new student lab.

Ruth McLean, director of Professional Development at Humber College said, "expansion depends on how much lab space is available and how successful Internet is with the students."

McLean said she is hoping for a high turnout in the lab.

"Computer literacy is now a requirement to be in the work force, you've got no choices today," she said.

Paul Petch, director of the Data Center, said there are no increased costs that come along with the new system. "We are utilizing resources that are available from the main frame," he said.

Around Campus

•What's happening at Humber?

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•Read about a few of the services Humber has to offer.

The Internet services cost Humber students nothing, but it will cost to make copies. Getting an Internet account is an automatic process. When students register, they are automatically given a password that is found at the top of each student's schedule. If a student didn't get an e-mail address, they can go to their division and ask for one. Users change their password once they are on the system.

Fifteen thousand full, part-time and continuing education students already have an Internet account.

Humber is one of many Canadian colleges and universities connected to ONET, a regional connection to the Internet system. ONET is connected to the Canadian Internet backbone, which is connected to the United States and around the world.

However, Petch said, "We're going to be monitoring our link to

ONET because if it becomes saturated we're going to have to add more capacity."

Both McLean and Petch are excited, but also concerned.

"So many students are expecting so much," McLean said.

"It's a new system we're introducing," Petch said. "There's the question of capacity, but I'm interested in seeing how many do use the system."

Students and employees are already planning how they will use the system.

"I'll use it to gather information for my projects," said Ann-Marie Williams, a first-year business administration student.

Kim Carr, office coordinator for Humber Student Residence also said, "The Internet could benefit me by linking me up with other colleges and universities to help me find different policies of my industry, not just Humber's."



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Internet allows students to access new information.

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A wide range of services available to Humber students

by Brandon Grigg

After the first week at Humber College, many students are unaware of the services available for them. This is a small guide to Humber's student services.

CAREER PLANNING

Margaret Antonides, manager of the Career Planning Centre, said her job is to help students as much as possible.

"Our main concern is to help students find jobs related to their programs not only when they graduate, that's our biggest goal, but we also service the students while they're looking for part-time jobs and summer jobs," she said.

The Career Planning staff also holds workshops on job search advice, interview coaching, customized resume assistance and other in-class seminars on various career-related options. Handouts, files on employment-related topics and business directories are also available for students who need information for their classes.

The Career Planning Centre is open to all students at both the North and Lakeshore campuses, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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The peer counselling office helps students with their personal or school needs.

"Let the students know, in this labyrinth of confusion here in the first weeks of school, that there are people here willing to listen to their concerns, whatever they are," said Bulanda. "Nothing is too small and hopefully nothing is too large."

Students having difficulty with their courses can get the assistance they need by dropping in or phoning the Peer Tutoring Centre.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance is available for part-time students or for those students with special needs or circumstances.

This service helps students with financial needs, such as tuition, books or other scholastic supplies students may be unable to pay for.

Pat Scrase, manager of the Financial Aid services, reminds students that financial aid is for those students who really require the money.

"It is a needs-based program, and I wouldn't like you to take the wrong way of thinking that just because you need money, you can come in and get money," Scrase said.

However, if you have been turned down by the Federal and Provincial government, the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Bank of Montreal offer student loans as an alternative source of money.

Those students still waiting for their OSAP to arrive, can go to Financial Aid at room H107 or call the CHRIS hotline at extension 798-1034.

LIBRARY SERVICES

The Humber College Library provides services that help students successfully pass their courses.

Both the North and Lakeshore campuses carry over 120,000 books and 1200 periodicals, including selections of CD-ROMs, cassettes, phonodiscs and other equipment designed to help

Humber students.

Jacqueline MacNeil, a librarian at the North campus, said the new software will help students with their studies.

"We are getting a number of new computers, so that will lighten things a lot," said MacNeil. "Also there will be places where you can plug in your notebooks, powerbooks and that will help a lot."

Both the North and Lakeshore campuses provide materials useful to special needs students who need their books translated to braille or transcribed to tapes.

FOOD SERVICES

New at Humber is Java Jazz, located directly across from the Campus Book Store at the North Campus.

Pizza Pizza has a new outlet located in the main cafeteria. It provides a wide selection of pizzas, salads, snacks and drinks.

Along with all the new places are some old favorites. Mr. Submarine, for instance, is still available in its usual spot deep in the Pipe, the main cafeteria.

Kites has also returned, serving cafeteria-style food in a smaller, more quiet area. Along with the usual cold food, Kites, located beside the registration entrance, also provides an array of hot meals to students.

Also available is Backa Yard, located where Java Jazz once stood. This new restaurant will serve Jamaican-style food for everyone to try.

BOOKSTORE

The Campus Book Store, located directly across from Java Jazz, provides students with their college supplies. The book store houses a diverse selection of magazines, books, posters, greeting cards and snacks for students. The gift and clothing section has a large selection of seasonal and Humber-crested items.



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The Campus Book Store offers a variety of items for students.



LISA CARTWRIGHT

Java Jazz has changed to offer students a larger selection of snacks and drinks.

Food services offer an array of new tastes

by Sharon James

If you're hungry but don't know what to eat, check out one of Humber's new restaurants.

Humber has introduced two new fast food restaurants, Pizza Pizza and Backa Yard - serving Jamaican cuisine that offers a wide selection of food.

"We wanted to modernize our food service facilities by offering a broader variety of choice... we want to be able to specialize," said John Mason, director of food services.

Now, not only can you get a charbroiled burger at Kites, but you can enjoy a plate of Italian food from Pizza Pizza or, if you like ethnic dishes, Backa Yard offers a hot Caribbean menu that includes Beef Oxtail, Jerk Chicken, Chicken Roti and more.

Erica McKnight, a Fashion Arts student, and a fan of Caribbean food said, "I haven't tried any of the food here on campus yet, but I can assure you that when Backa Yard opens, I'll be

the first one in line."

Christopher George, one of the co-owners of Backa Yard said, "we want everyone who doesn't know what our food tastes like to enjoy it."

Midge Smith, a General Arts and Science student said, "I've only bought food from Pizza Pizza and it tastes great. The prices are not bad as well."

With the relocation of Java Jazz, students have easier access to the facility, and can now enjoy a convenient seating area, all designed for better comfort.

Even though money and space are limited, Mason said he hopes Humber will be able to serve a complete line of multicultural foods.

"We would like to incorporate an oriental concept within the next 12 months," he said. So grab a friend and enjoy a cheap lunch at one of Humber's finest. After all, according to Mason, "food is fashionable."



LISA CARTWRIGHT

Christopher George, one of the co-owners of Backa Yard wants everyone to try the food.



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The library allows students to access information.

PEER TUTORING COUNSELLING

Students who need tutoring and/or counselling should phone or drop by D128 to make an appointment with the staff.

Counsellors assist students with program choices, course load management and orientation to the college for the first three weeks of the semester on a drop-in basis.

Academic advising and individual counselling are available at specific times throughout September. For further information on start dates, consult the Humber College Calendar.

Cy Bulanda, a 20-year veteran of student counselling, doesn't want students to give up college.

SAC awards grant to Humber's daycare

Emergency fund available for low income students

by Maredyth Shevchenko

The North Campus Students' Association Council has awarded a \$10,000 grant to Humber College Children's Activity Centre at the North campus. The centre will use the money to make some much needed changes and improvements to the facility.

The part-time daycare centre is located behind the college and is available to staff, students and faculty on a part-time basis. For a fee of \$5.50 an hour, up to 24 hours a week, parents can drop off their children while they attend class.

The issue has been discussed by

SAC over the years but has never become a reality until now. SAC President Loreen Ramsuchit, said she was told by former SAC President Lesia Bailey that the idea to give the money to daycare was brought up in February 1994 and approved by SAC. The money, however, was never given.

"We're supposed to be here to provide a service for the students so let's help out the daycare. At least we'll be taking the students' money and giving it back to them," said Ramsuchit, whose daughter is also in the daycare.

The \$10,000 will be broken

down to improve different areas of the centre;

– \$1,500 will be used to paint all of the interior walls.

– \$3,400 will be used to purchase new furniture.

– \$1,000 will be used to buy new toys and equipment.

– \$2,000 will be put towards the resource cupboard for the Early Childhood Education program.

In addition, \$2,000 will be put into a fund to assist low income students using the centre who find they can't meet their payments.

If a student is in a position

where they are forced to quit their schooling because they can't afford child care, they can use the reserve to pay for their fees.

"What can happen on occasion is that the student begins to use the program for their child and realizes financially, that even with the bursary that's available to them from OSAP, they still can't continue and therefore are faced with potentially having to leave school because they can't afford to pay for child care," said Bridgette Woodcock, the supervisor of the daycare.

The system will allow parents

to pay for daycare when they have the money.

Parents and staff in the daycare are also raising extra money by selling chocolate covered almonds. The money raised from this will be used to purchase extra toys and equipment for both the part-time and full-time daycare centres.

Parents can book to use the activity centre at the beginning of the semester to cover their whole timetable. If a student finds themselves in need of emergency daycare, they can call the centre when it opens at 7:45 a.m. to arrange to drop off their child(ren).

Humber daycare not affected by slashed spending

by Racquel Lewis

Parents are continuing to send their children to daycare despite the provincial government's plan to slash funds.

Recently, the Conservative government announced they would take major steps to bring Ontario's spending under control and cancel programs and projects they cannot afford.

"Government spending is a problem and the only way to get the province back in order and to keep the debt under control is to take a look at how the government spends money," said Janet Ecker, parliamentary assistant to the Minister of Community and Social Services.

But Nancy Roscoe, supervisor of Humber College's Child Development Centre, said "The majority of the people can't afford full fee and those who are paying (it) because they can't get subsidy are scraping ... trying to pay \$950 (for day care) and pay your rent is pretty hard so that's when people get concerned with, 'is it worth working when I'm paying so much?'"

According to Roscoe, the fee for a full-time infant is \$950, where the fee for a full-time toddler is \$750 and \$650 for a preschooler.

The parents' income determines whether they qualify for a government subsidy.

Currently there are 78 children enrolled at Humber's daycare and 51 of those families are receiving government subsidy.

There are alternatives, but it is not always easier for parents to have private babysitters, said Roscoe.

"A lot of people are having a difficult time finding people they are comfortable with ... For most people, when their child reaches two, two and a half they want social interaction for their children."

Roscoe's advice for those parents who need daycare is to immediately get on the subsidy waiting list.

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Getting fit at Humber

by Verena Varga

As league teams for are filling up fast and sign up deadlines are approaching, students looking to play for Humber this year should sign up before it's too late, said Humber's Athletic Coordinator Jim Bialek.

"The response for the leagues has been big. More students than last year are showing an interest in league play," said Paul Schaefer, one of Humber's sports convenors.

"Hockey draws the most response, we have about 16 teams, the other sports have been five and 10 teams," he said.

This is before the launching of promotions on campus, such as the basketball-shoot, which are aimed at creating awareness of programs available.

In addition to volleyball, softball, indoor soccer and ice hockey teams, Humber's athletic centre

offers a range of programs and activities for students.

"I like coming in on my spares to use the weightroom or play a little basketball," said first-year business student Jas Bahia.

Like Bahia, anywhere from 30 to 50 students an hour use their time between classes, working out on the cardio machines or in the weightroom.

At almost any time during the school day, a basketball game will be in progress in any of Humber's three gyms. Students can utilize the gyms on a first come, first serve basis, as long as they are not being used by league teams. "I come down once in a while to shoot some ball on my lunches," said Khua Tan, a first-year computer engineering student.

For staff and students, who are looking to shed a few pounds, there are lose and win fitness con-

tests. Participants of the contest set a goal of how many pounds they will try to lose and find a witness to validate their progress at the beginning of the contest. Those who reach their goal are entered into a draw for a mountain bike, which is provided by Humber's athletic centre. "It is a good motivational program to promote a healthy lifestyle," said Bialek.

There are also instructional clinics available throughout the semester for students who would like to learn or improve their skills in volleyball, squash, badminton and in-line skating. The in-line skating clinic will be held in the valley behind the residence. Skates will not be supplied, but any kind of in-line skates are suitable for the clinic, said Bialek.

Most of the activities offered are free of charge, the only requirement being a valid student card. Students joining a league are required to post a partially refundable performance bond of \$30. Ice hockey has an additional, non-refundable \$180 team fee.

Anyone interested should go down to the Campus Recreation Centre and consult the staff or simply pick up an activity schedule.



VERENA VARGA

SWAT service targets safety

by Michelle Matsdorf

What would a SWAT team be doing at Humber? The answer is simple: Protecting the safety of the students living in residence.

Humber's Student Walk Home Assistance Team, or SWAT, is a program being designed to enable students to go on or off-campus during the evening without having to worry about returning to their residence safely.

Last year, there were a few occurrences behind the student residences which left some students fearful. Although these were isolated incidents, they have still prompted the need for programs such as SWAT to maintain the safety at Humber's North campus. Michele Beckstead, program and activities officer at residence who is in charge of the program, said that although the service was well-utilized last year, she hopes that even more students will take advantage of it this year.

"This year we hope to make it a better program by providing the

people with uniforms, beepers and ID's," she said.

"To give it a bit higher of a profile and to have the people working identified will make a huge difference."

Program Assistant Rob Drouillard will be overseeing the operation of SWAT.

Drouillard, a nursing student at Humber, has previously worked in a SWAT program at Lambton college, and has his brown belt in Kung fu.

The SWAT program will run from 6 p.m. to midnight both Monday to Friday, and on weekends. Although the boundaries have not been finalized, the walk-home team will cover the campus and closely surrounding areas such as Woodbine mall.

Advertisements soliciting SWAT volunteers are being posted around campus this week.

Beginning September 18, Beckstead will be conducting interviews of students interested in volunteering for the safety program.

She said that she will probably hire fourteen volunteers, seven females and seven males. Each pair of escorts will be required to take one shift per week and possibly more if they request it.

As of September 25, after the hiring process is over, the program should be up and running. "We need time to train the staff and get the ID's and the uniforms," said Beckstead.

According to Beckstead, the SWAT uniforms will be white jackets with either black or red lettering spelling out the SWAT logo on the back.

Students living in residence are encouraged to use the service to their advantage.

Humber's clubs open their doors

by Sarah Jones

The Student Association Council has clubs for all students to join. But if they can't find one to suit their interests, students can start their own club.

In order to get sanctioned from SAC, club packages must be filled out. They require information on how many members will be in the club, the purpose of the club and the goals of the organization.

"The clubs have to have plans that will accommodate a lot of people," said Vice President of SAC, Chris Sawyer.

At the beginning of the year, the clubs receive a lump sum of money depending on how long it has been established and the number of members it has. If the members plan to have a special function, they can go to Sawyer and plea for more money. Sawyer then has to take their request to the council.

One of his goals this year is to

promote the clubs.

Clubs provide an arena for people with similar beliefs and values to come together and support each other, said Sawyer.

As a past member of the Afro Caribbean Club, Sawyer said he'd like a club that would represent

who is interested in the club can join," said Sawyer.

If students are hesitant about going, Sawyer suggests stopping by the SAC office to find out more about the club and to see if it is what they are interested in, or get some background information.

If a student is still hesitant, Sawyer said he can arrange a meeting where the student can get first hand information.

"I can get you in contact with one of the executive members or one of the members of that club," he said.

In the SAC office, a project room is available for club members to use. As well, half of the quiet room, located across from the games

room, can be used.

Flyers will be posted around the school and in the SAC office announcing clubs' first meetings, their times and places.

"If it interests you, then check it out," said Sawyer.



SARAH JONES

SAC Vice President Chris Sawyer

every ethnic group found in the school.

"I would just like to see everybody feel a part of a certain group."

But ethnic clubs aren't only for people of that nationality. Anyone



SHANNON WILLIAMS

Arboretum's "secrets" revealed

by Shannon Williams

Etobicoke's "best kept secret" is at Humber College's back door, said Christine Fraser, program coordinator of the North Campus based Nature Centre.

Although it has been at Humber College for 18 years, the Humber Arboretum has not been a well known facility to the students and community at large.

"People don't go out to this part of the college, so they don't really know that it exists," said Fraser. The Arboretum is not that familiar to the college and community due to its location. The Humber Campus Watch pamphlet classifies the Arboretum as a gray area and suggests it is a "dark and vacant area which should be avoided."

"But when people finally find the arboretum they keep coming back again and again," said Fraser.

"Both staff and students are encouraged to find the Arboretum, so they can enjoy the beauty and benefits of it," said Fraser. The Arboretum does not allow any camping, fishing or swimming, which may deter people from

wanting to come and enjoy the facility.

The true definition of an Arboretum is "a place where woody plants are kept for education, research and study," said Steven Bodsworth, chair of the Humber Arboretum. "All the horticultural and landscape design programs use it."

But the Arboretum is for more than just educating people, said Bodsworth. It is also a place where people can get away from the city and enjoy the nature surrounding the college.

For Humber students, the Arboretum can be very useful. The paved pathway running along the west side can be used for bike riding or rollerblading and the "tranquil trails for hiking and walking all year round," said Fraser.

A sports field in the valley, located on the west side of the campus, allows the students and community to play soccer, or just toss a Frisbee.

"It is not just a college facility ... we encourage community use," said Bodsworth.

The Arboretum has activities

going on all year for all ages. There are summer camps and March Break programs for kids, said Bodsworth. "The Nature Centre hosts numerous nature study programs for about 8,000 school children 46 weeks a year."

"This is a great place to bring children," said Barb Segal, a second-year Early Childhood Education student, who was sitting with friends at one of the many gazebos in the Arboretum.

Evening events for adults are also held at the Nature Centre throughout the year. On Friday, November 10, the Humber Arboretum will be holding the Fourth Annual Evening With The Artists, where the Humber Arboretum nature study program will have a dinner, art exhibit, silent auction and a raffle. Later in the year, Winter Fest, is being held for Humber staff and students.

Other events, such as environmental clean up days, are spread throughout the year, and student and community participation is encouraged.

The Arboretum advertises



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events throughout Toronto and especially within Humber College.

Although there is no formal security at the Arboretum, "it is not needed if people take responsibility for their own actions," said Fraser.

"If people take ownership of this park the community will act as its own security, and with more student, staff, and community

involvement, will have fewer chances of ruining the Arboretum," she said.

"I have some concern of the safety," said Segal, "I wouldn't want these girls (referring to her friends) coming here by themselves."

"As in any park, students should always walk with a friend, just for safety reasons," said Fraser.

Trailblazing around Humber

by Chad T. Keogh

Hey you! Ya you, sitting in the Pipe, or halls of Humber, or your room in residence. Why don't you

get up and do something with your time instead of sitting indoors like some kind of mole? No, I don't mean going over to the

mall to do laps and look at stuff you can't afford right now. Stop about halfway to the mall and try out the public trail just south of the school.

There's over 10 kilometres of paved trail and plenty of winding dirt trails through the forest. You can walk, jog, cycle, blade or just sit in the fresh air and read. If you choose to cycle, you'd better watch how fast you ride. There's a 20 km/h speed limit for cyclists on the paved trail.

"Speed limits are posted, but are pretty darn hard to enforce," said Garth Armour, supervisor of landscape and design services for Metro Parks and Culture.

"I have not seen any cycle police on the trails in that area to enforce it."

If you start from the school and go east about two and a half kilometres on the path, you'll come to an open area with a rest station. The rest station is complete with a water fountain and washrooms. The bush on the right is the WOMEN'S and the one on the

left is the MEN'S. Another two kilometres past the station, you'll come to a scenic little waterfall.

Unfortunately, the view was spoiled by a shopping cart and an old, brown couch sitting in the middle of the river when I cycled along the trail.

"The trail itself and surrounding area is maintained by Metro Parks and Culture, except for the Arboretum," said Armour.

A little over two kilometres past the waterfall you come to the trail's end in North Humber Park. There you'll find some park benches and shade, where you can take a break before heading back.

If you decide to go west, the trail is equally scenic. Just over a kilometre to the west of Humber there is an open area with gardens and fields. There are also numerous dirt trails and roads branching from the paved trail in this area. In another two kilometres you'll come to the end of the paved trail. It's just a loop of pavement at the end with an island of grass in the centre topped with a park bench.

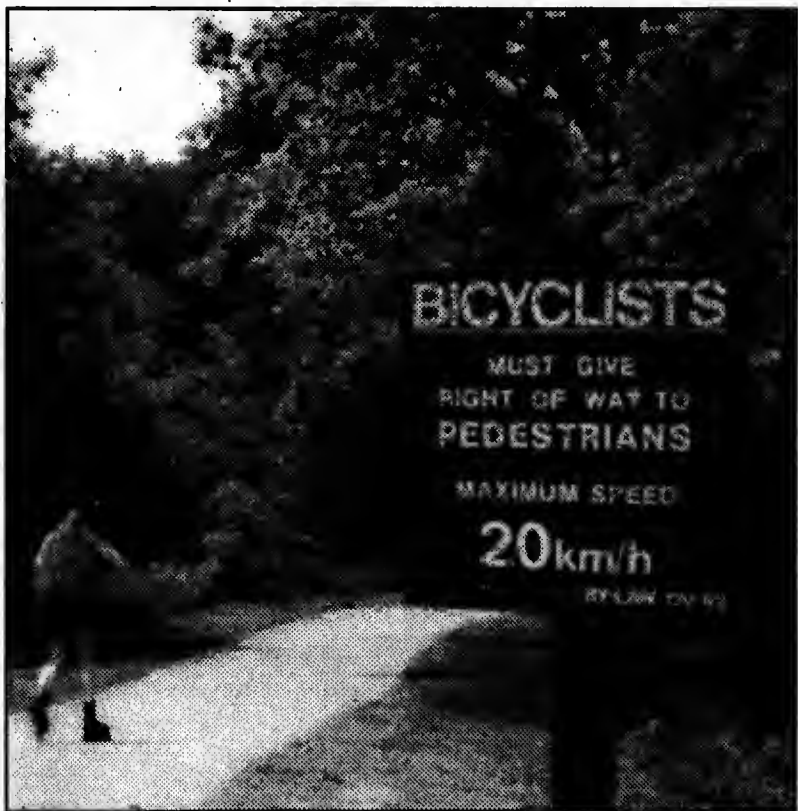
Starting at the top of the paved loop is a dirt trail which leads to the Clairville Dam and Reservoir.

Eventually, when the highway construction in this area is completed, the trail will be extended to the dam. "The 427 is being expanded, so we can't begin our construction until theirs is done," said Armour. "Once we start, it will take us a year to a year-and-a-half to complete the trail expansion."

The dam looks rather ominous, like a penitentiary, while the reservoir is very scenic. There are a variety of dirt trails, and virtually unused paved road around the dam and reservoir if you still wish to keep going.

While standing on the dam and looking across the reservoir, you will notice something very unusual. There's also a trailer park for people who think that camping in north Etobicoke is roughin' it. Ahh, that fresh city air.

So, get off your ever-enlarging butt, take your newspaper and step out into the great outdoors.



CHAD T. KEOGH



These Animal Men's guitarist Hooligan struts his stuff at their Lee's Palace gig last June.

CHRISTIAN KLUSZCZYNSKI

New Wave Brits land

by Christian Kluszczynski

The British are coming!

Some are calling it the British invasion part two, but even without all the titles, it's hard to ignore. Brit-pop is definitely making its mark in Toronto.

Two years ago the mention of the name **Blur**, or any other relatively new band from the UK would have brought crude looks and blank stares from most teens in Toronto, but now UK bands are beginning to break through.

"It (Brit scene) has a solid fan base here now," said Ben Sawkins, a second year Humber Radio Broadcasting student. "A few years ago when British bands came to concert I had trouble finding someone to go with me, but now it's not a problem. The whole scene has grown a lot, and it's still on its way up."

This much is true if last summer's CFNY Edgefest is any indication. More than 12,000 people packed the Molson Amphitheatre to see British bands **Blur**, **Ned's Atomic Dustbin**, and the then newly hyped **Elastica**.

Every couple of years a new scene emerges which people "latch" on to, said CFNY DJ Alan Cross. And presently, that scene is Brit-pop.

Brit-pop bands such as **Pulp**, **Sleeper**, **Shed Seven**, and **These Animal Men** have an amazing talent for writing great pop songs. The songs make people dance and jump, hop and pop.

Gone are the days of the mosh pit. Brit-pop is an extremely escapist form of music with a happy aura, whereas grunge, now nearly dead, is nothing more than violence with guitar.

Never before has a scene been pinned with so many comparisons from the past, whether it be **Suede** as **Bowie**, or **Oasis** as **the Beatles**. In a way Brit-pop is the 1990s

interpretation of the 70s.

Along with the music, British bands possess an eye-widening and almost shocking cockiness. **Oasis**, undoubtedly, heads this attitude pack, saying numerous times, "We are the best band in the world."

Although Brit-pop has all the makings of becoming huge, Cross doubts that it will be the next grunge, saying that no one in the U.S. "gives a damn about **Blur** or **Oasis**."

Unlike Canadian music which is practically spoon fed to the public, music coming out of the UK calls for research by fans here, and this is where the British music press, such as the *Melody Maker* and *NME* (New Musical Express), step in.

But Cross warns people not to take the British press literally. "Nobody should take it seriously, they have a different mandate (than us)."

The British press is obsessed with being the first to discover the

next great band, the next big thing, in order to sell more magazines and make more money.

However, many people take the British press seriously. Bands like **Elastica** and **Supergrass** have easily sold out Canadian shows without an LP released and only a couple of singles under their belt.

Steve Money Penny, a third year Humber Industrial Design student, said if a hotly tipped British band were to play a local show he would go, even if he hadn't heard a song by the band.

"I was going to see Duffy, and I never knew anything by him," he said.

Contradiction is an unwritten rule of the British press, who usually condemn bands just months after hyping them.

But as long as the magazines keep selling, bands like **Powder**, **Heavy Stereo**, **Marion**, and the **Bluetones** will always have their fifteen minutes of fame as the British press' "flavor of the month."

A brief look at Brit-pop

TOP BANDS: **Blur**, **Oasis**, **Elastica**, **Supergrass**.

DARKHORSES: **Shed Seven**, **Pulp**, **Sleeper**, **These Animal Men**, **Menswear**.

NOTABLES: Justine from **Elastica** was **Suede**'s original drummer. She presently lives with Damon from **Blur**.

MELODY MAKER ON MENSWEAR: "It's so obvious that **Menswear** are going to be enormous in 1995 that there's no point in tipping them for '95 - they should be in a section marked 'certainties'."

MELODY MAKER ON SUEDE: "When we put them on the cover of *MM* last April and

called them the Best New Band in Britain. It looks like 1993 will be the year of **Suede**."

NEW RELEASES: **Blur**, *The Great Escape*, September 12; **Oasis**, *What's the Story Morning Glory*, October 3.

SOME OTHER BRITISH "INVASIONS" SINCE THE BEATLES: **Mods** (**The Who**), **prog-rock** (**Yes**), **punk** (**Sex Pistols**, **Clash**), **new Romantics** (**Duran Duran**, **Spandau Ballet**), "Madchester" (**Stone Roses**), **Tartan pop** (**Teenage Fanclub**).

Music students sing praise for Lakeshore home

by Sean McGrillen

Awesome! Way. Cool! Top Notch! These are a few of the words students and faculty are using to describe the Music Program's new home at Humber's Lakeshore Campus.

The renovated facility, which cost approximately \$1.2 million and took five months to complete, is now home to 275 full-time and 60 pre-music students.

And it's money well spent, said program co-ordinator Eddie Sossin. "The rooms are larger, everything is larger. We have twice the amount of space we (had) at North," he said.

Construction began during the March Break, when the area was completely gutted and redone for

music. To make sure everything was right, the faculty kept in close contact with the construction company on a weekly basis.

And, it seems everything has gone right. Students in the department are impressed with their new home so far.

Jason Graham, a first-year student, said the new area is as good as it could be. "I think it's awesome. The classes are nice and the equipment is top-notch. It's really wild."

Second-year student Jay LeRoux agrees. "The rooms are acoustically orientated and better sound-proofed than the old place. These are music rooms, not classrooms," he said.

One of the biggest problems noticed about the old area was the

amount of noise which bled into each classroom from other rooms or from students in the hallways. Now that the rooms are made specifically for music, unwanted noise from outside sources has been greatly reduced, making them ideal for rehearsals and performances.

"What's good about this place is they took the time to change all the little things," said John-Paul Tamblyn, a second-year student.

Guitar Workshop instructor Ted Quinlan said the program's new location is also a bonus for his students. "We're closer to the music scene downtown (Toronto) and the environment suits our artistic type."

With its high school-type setting and a smaller population of

only 2,000 full-time students, the atmosphere around the campus is said to be laid back and relaxed. Those in the music program have said this relaxed feeling is needed when concentrating on their music.

"The campus is as good as I hoped," said LeRoux.

Along with rooms designed for music, the department has new pianos, amps, and drumsets. A new stereo and P.A. system has also been installed.

However, there are still a few things which need to be worked out.

"It's the first couple of weeks of school so we're experiencing growing pains. We've had to make some adjustments such as keys not working and simply trying to figure out what goes where," Quinlan

said.

Since the hours the music students work are not "typical student hours," a strategy for security needs to be worked out, said Pete Maybury, Head of Student Life at Lakeshore.

Accessibility is another concern. Practice modules, plastic booths designed for the student to practice on their own, are in short supply. There are 22, no more than there were at the North campus, and many students complain they're still going to have to wait to use them.

"There's never enough," Sossin said. "But as soon as we can get the space, it will be something we'll look at."

FILM JUNKIE

by Sean Ballantyne

Well, summer is over and so is the summer movie season. But the stench still remains.

Does anyone out there disagree when I say PLBBT! to this year's selection of cinematic catastrophes? I remember way back in March, when the summer trailers were showing us the spectacles to come. I was most certainly prepared. Or at least, I thought I was.

Let's give the run down.

1) *Batman Forever*. For weeks on end I was giddy at the prospect of the new Caped Crusader movie. I pigged out on McDonalds, (mainly to get those nifty Batman glasses), I caught all the specials and watched every ad. Then finally, I saw the movie. Five minutes in, I

turned to my bat-buddy and asked him if he wanted to

leave. We ended up staying, but wished we hadn't. With its hammed up acting, lame story and stupid action sequences, all I can say is: the movie sucked robin droppings.

2) *Congo*. An expedition into the jungles of the Congo, a mercenary, a wuss scientist, two bad accents and a talking gorilla. Nuff said? By the way, I refused to buy the Taco bell Congo watch for a mere \$2.99. I hope you did too.

3) *Johnny Mnemonic*. Or was that Johnny Moronic? They horribly butchered William Gibson's futuristic story about a courier who stores the information in a microchip attached to his brain. I wish the memory of the movie was as easily removed.

4) *Crimson Tide*. An actually decent film. Good suspense, good dialogue. Gene Hackman and Denzel Washington too. COOL!

5) *Die Hard with a Vengeance*. Another decent one. Typical of third sequels, not as good as the first, but better than the second. Samuel L. Jackson is great.

6) *First Knight*. Okay, I'll admit it, I liked it. But only because of Sean Connery. It was good as a medieval fantasy, but not as a retelling of the

Arthurian Legend. (The story got lanced-a-lot. Sorry, couldn't resist.)

7) *Judge Dredd*. Rob Schneider's comic relief made the flick, other than that, forget it. But don't trust me, judge for yourself.

8) *Mortal Kombat*. Believe it or not, one of the better films of the summer. Translated from the video game, the movie cut down on the violence of its namesake. No tearing out spines, or exploding heads. Just a lot of laughs, some fun action sequences and Christopher Lambert in yet another immortal role. (I think he is being typecast). It's a fun movie, if you don't try to analyze it.

9) *Desperado*. Violent, sexy, violent.

funny, and violent. The guy with the rocket-

launcher guitar case was cool though. Did I mention it was violent?

10) *The Prophecy*. Low budget, but good. Shelved two years ago after being completed, this one was finally brought out and released. It's your typical save the world from renegade angels flick, but the references to Christianity make you think about it even after it's over. Heaven help us if they make a sequel, though.

11) Lastly, there is Kevin Costner's latest, *Waterworld*. The sci-fi monster that went so far overbudget, the weight of the cost alone sunk it. The film wasn't horrible, but could've been made for much less money. *Waterworld* basically drowned. (Despite Costner's fashionable gills!)

There were many more movies out there, but I have touched on the more sensational ones of the season.

Some weren't bad, most were. Take my advice, wait until they all come out on video, then don't bother renting 'em. I'm the movie junkie, and I'll catch you later.

Sean Ballantyne's "Movie Junkie" column will appear weekly.

CLUB HOPPER

Weekly Club Review: Phoenix

by Carl Mitchell

The party never stops, right? Right.

So it's a Sunday night and you still have a little partying left in your system. Well, the place to be for a wicked party is Phoenix, located at 410 Sherbourne St.

Sunday night Phoenix hosts Planet Vibe, an old school, disco dance party, broadcast live on Energy 108 with DJs Mike Divine and JC.

Old school dance music is anything available on eight-track cassette, or anything funky from the late seventies and early eighties including groups like Parliament, Funkadelic, Zapp and Roger, Grandmaster Flash, Rick James, The Bee Gees and the list goes on. If nothing here rings a bell, you should check out Phoenix to give it a listen.

Sunday nights at Phoenix have been hot for nearly four years now. According to Gary

McCormack, head of promotions and public relations, approximately 1000 people come down every Sunday to party.

"Sunday is one of our best days. We have one of the best old school nights in the city," he said.

Many clubs in Toronto offer an old school night, but none have drawn the crowd that Phoenix manages to bring out on a Sunday.

"I love 'old school. I always have a good time here. The club is always packed," said Sheree Edwinn, a University of Toronto English student.

According to McCormack the popularity of Planet Vibe "is due in part to the old school hour on Energy 108 and JC. The old school is timeless, it's got a soul, it's got a groove. Some music today lacks that human quality. It's got to have that soul, something that moves people."

If you're planning on heading

down to Phoenix, go early, because you will have to wait in line for approximately half an hour. Don't wear ripped jeans, running shoes baseball caps or steel toe boots, because there is a dress code that is strictly enforced.

"I don't mind the dress code. I come down here to dance and to have a good time and I always do. The dress code keeps some of the attitude outside," said Damion Davis, a Ryerson photography student.

According to McCormack, the Phoenix philosophy is to be a club with a personal touch. The staff at the club are there to help out in any way.

"If someone has a problem, I'm here to help. Anyone on staff would go out of their way to help people out. People remember that. Everyone here is very personable. I feel no other club has that, that's what makes us successful," said McCormack.

Toronto goes Hollywood

Stars flock to Toronto for annual Film festival

by Mark Brodsky

There will be more stars in Toronto for the 1995 Toronto International Film Festival than ever before, according to the festival's Assistant Press Office Director, Jefferson Darrell.

Among those in attendance this year are Diane Keaton, Matt Dillon, Kenneth Branagh, Mia Farrow, Andy Garcia and Siskel and Ebert, among others.

For a week-and-a-half Toronto is being turned into a thriving hub of activity, encompassing movie screenings, press conferences, power lunches, and parties. There are often four or five a night.

In all, over 400 films will be screened at the festival. There are some specialized categories this year, including Contemporary World Cinema, Planet Africa, Asian Horizons and Perspective Canada.

Perspective Canada is the portion of the festival that highlights Canadian films, both feature length and short films. Filming a short (usually less than half an hour) is the way a lot of filmmakers get their start. Canadian director Clement Virgo, for instance, won Best Short Film for *Save My Lost Nigga Soul* at the 1993 festival, and this year opened Perspective Canada with his feature, *Rude*, to rave reviews.

This year, 20 Canadian fea-

tures and 31 shorts will be screened at the festival, more than ever before. And while the rising number of Canadian films seems promising, filmmaker Patricia Rozema (*I've Heard The Mermaids Singing*) feels that the recent government budget cuts will mean getting a film made in Canada will get a lot tougher.

"If we believe we're just like the United States, we don't need

of the highlights of the festival, and this year features some of the most highly anticipated Canadian films ever, including Holly Dale's *Blood'n'Donuts*, a vampire comedy, and one of the first features to come out of the Canadian Film Centre's Feature Film Project.

Other FFP films include the world premiere of Laurie Lynd's *House*, starring Toronto actor and playwright Daniel MacIvor, and

Rude.

The evening galas are always heavily hyped, and this year's are no exception. They include Gus Van Sant's *To Die For*, Diane Keaton's first feature, *Unstrung Heroes*, Sean Penn's *The Crossing Guard*, which features the well-publicized reunion of ex-lovers Jack Nicholson and Angelica Huston, and Woody Allen's latest offering, *Mighty Aphrodite*.

Much of what is shown at the festival goes into general release a couple of months after it's shown - especially the American films, but it's also a chance to see films that aren't widely released.

Most films are sold out at least several weeks in advance, but if you're early enough, you can buy last minute tickets at the festival box office the day of the screening.



cultural subsidies. We're not the US and we do need them."

But Kathryn Emslie, program manager of the Canadian Film Centre, disagrees. "I think we'll see a whole new generation of filmmakers emerging," she said.

Canadian films are always one

My Brilliant Beast is mellow

by Rosalee Buonpensiero

This band's name probably doesn't conjure up images of Homer Simpson, but the name was taken from the popular TV show.

My Brilliant Beast got their name from the early *Simpsons* episode when Homer was mistaken for Bigfoot. His human-like attributes amazed the public, who called him a "brilliant beast."

The Toronto band released its self-titled, seven song EP earlier this year. The song "Faze Me" was used in the Jeff Burris film *Scarecrow* and the first single, "Fall Away," currently number eight on Tarzan Dan's *Hit List*, was played in the *Melrose Place* series on Fox.

They appeared on CityTV's televised film festival party, *Schmooze '95*, last week, after

playing various venues from the 360 to Lee's Palace earlier this year.

My Brilliant Beast consists of vocalist Julie Galios of Toronto, guitarist-samplist Jonathon Gallivan of British Columbia, and noisemaker-producer B!RON (pronounced Byron) Wong of Toronto.

Unlike the shrieking divas so apparent in most contemporary dance-type music, vocalist Julie has a familiar, soothing, and easy-to-listen-to voice.

Their music, a mix of acoustic guitar and mellow ambient beats, is suitable for moods both good and bad. Many sounds and samples are used, including trumpets, shakers, and special voice-effects.

In a telephone interview from the Random Sound studio on

Spadina Avenue, B!RON said he considers popularity and recognition to be humbling for the band.

"People are inviting us into their cars, their homes, their walkmans, and their ears," said B!RON. "We made this album in my living room, so it's amazing to us when people are interested in what we do. We are so surprised by how well the album has taken off."

"We are not trying to remix disco or techno or ambient music," explained B!RON. "We are three people who like different kinds of music. We take the best of what we like and put parts of it together. This purposely makes our album diverse."



ROSALEE BUONPENSIERO

My Brilliant Beast vocalist Julie Galios is no shrieking diva.



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Less sugar in raw pop for live cub

by Renee Desjardins

They walked in without any fanfare, backpacks slung over their shoulders, looking like a group of college kids out for the day.

These "college kids" were cub, a Vancouver band enjoying moderate success with their latest release *Come Out, Come Out*. Members Lisa Marr, Robynn Iwata, and Lisa G. hugged and chatted with fans before a recent show at Lee's Palace where they opened for *The Muffs*.

Songs from cub's *Betti-Cola* and *Come Out, Come Out* CDs sound sugar-coated and poppy, but their live sound is more rugged and raw. With song titles like "Flaming Red Bobsled," "My Chinchilla," and "Leapfrog," the trio lend a quirky twist to the Canadian music scene. Catchy rhythms and simple lyrics are the basis of their addictive songs. But cub doesn't like being called a "cute band."

"Well I don't feel very cute today. I can tell you that much," said Marr, the band's vocalist and bassist, making a face. "It's a media thing. I can understand how the media can pigeon-hole bands and call them girl bands ... or cute bands, but it's very limiting."

cub was formed in 1992 and in August of that year, signed to Min Records in Vancouver. The threesome has put out numerous seven inch singles on various shades of vinyl, and two full-length CDs.

The band receives all sorts of mail from fans (even toys) and takes the time to write back to fans themselves. They keep all their goodies in their practice area so they can look at or play with them at will.

ACA division fragmented into smaller schools

Autonomy of schools should bring greater finances to individual programs, say Chairs

by Karen Becker
and Cori Sayer

For the programs in Humber College's Applied and Creative Arts division, it's business as usual despite restructuring.

The reorganization of the school of Applied Arts into four separate schools of study is a way to "reduce the administrative structure of the college and optimize the freedom of individual groups of staff," said Richard Hook, vice president of Academics.

This follows a year and a half implementation period, as well as the early retirement of the dean of ACA, Carl Eriksen, last spring.

Some of his responsibilities were given to the Chairs of each school of study and to Hook. The division now includes four individual schools: Media Studies, Hospitality, Architecture and Construction, and Horticulture.

"This will reduce administration, make more creative action, and focus on the sectors of the college, the training needs of the economy," said Hook. "We now have four schools at a lower cost than the original division. In the long haul, more money will go into education."

Students will not see any major changes to their programs because of the restructuring. The smaller divisions will be more focused,

and more responsive to their needs, said Hook.

Most of the Chairs said the new division into separate schools will turn out better graduates.

The school heads now have the accountability for the planning of all educational services, full and part-time, to their sector, and it expands their role in representing Humber.

For some, such as John Walker, Chair of the School of Hospitality,

Recreation and Tourism, the change is "...pretty great, it's exciting." He also said, "I've always supported the school concept and support total autonomy for schools. Along with that, it provides us with opportunities to probably get on with things a lot quicker."

Walker is not worried about student feedback toward the restructuring. "It's not a big transition," he said. "The goal is still to

prepare [students] for the job market."

Michael Hatton, Chair of the School of Media Studies also applauds the changes. He said the new system uses an approach which works extremely well and clearly demonstrates the strengths of the programs.

"I think (the change) will encourage teachers to share an interest in a particular sector, provide the teachers with a shared

interest in a particular sector and pull the courses together," he said.

"The efficiency doesn't take money away from a school," Hook said, "it may take it away from the administrative side of the college but it doesn't take it away from the school. They have proportionately more money to form better education with. That's the intent of the college, to provide each school with proportionately more money."

Extra parking available, more to come

by Lauren Serio

The ongoing parking problem for students at Humber may soon be partially resolved once a new white parking lot is built.

"By Christmas we hope to accommodate everyone with on-campus parking," said Rod Rork, vice president of Administration.

The equine centre at the corner of Highway 27 and Humber College Boulevard will be torn down and made into a parking lot with 156 spaces.

Another 179 spaces can be found in the yellow lot and reserved lot 13 because they were paved during the summer.

"When you convert a gravel lot to paved you can accommodate more cars," said Rork. Drivers tend to park farther apart on gravel lots where there are no lines.

In total, there are currently 3692 parking spaces available on campus.

Because Humber hopes to eliminate off

campus parking, students will be allowed to purchase extra spaces available in staff lots after September 18.

Humber's administration worked with the Toronto Transportation Commission in the hopes that everyone might have an easier time commuting to the campus, said Rork. During rush hour periods, buses run from Kipling subway station to the college every 12 to 15 minutes. The TTC also came to the college to take pictures for Metropasses.

The total cost for all the changes made, and the future construction of the white lot is about \$95,000. However, Rork said these changes will not increase parking fees.

"The expansion and improvements are totally funded within the fee structure," said Rork.

As well, parking passes this year have been given a new look. Stickers have replaced the hanging tags in order to prevent theft and

copying.

"I wouldn't say it's a major problem (the copying of passes) but it was a problem," said Donna Davenport, superintendent of Campus Services.

The new stickers cannot be copied, and once removed they cannot be reattached.

If a pass is not properly attached to the windshield of a vehicle the owner will receive a ticket from parking patrol.

"If we see one taped on, we'll assume it's an invalid pass," said Davenport.

Should a pass be stolen from a car and the owner did not have it properly attached, the owner will have to pay the full price to have it replaced.

"Students and staff have to be held responsible for the people who (have) access to their vehicle," said Davenport. "Humber College cannot be held responsible for everything in the car."

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Funding cuts to the athletic program has forced Humber to cut three of its most successful programs for the time being

Three teams cut from the athletic program

Badminton, Women's indoor soccer and Ski teams cut as Athletics tries to free up funds

by Shane Toplis

The Humber athletic department is being forced to chop three of its varsity teams as a result of government cutbacks.

The highly successful badminton, women's indoor soccer, and ski teams were cut from Humber's list of varsity teams due to a lack of funding.

Athletic Director, Doug Fox, blamed increasing costs and cutbacks in financial assistance from the administration, for the plug being pulled on the three teams.

"In the past, the college was in a position to cover the costs of sending our teams to the provincial and national championships. But, those costs were getting higher as we got more successful."

Fox says that with the provincial cutbacks to colleges and "with the federal government doing the same with federal cutbacks, the college is not going to be able to carry anywhere from \$60,000 to \$80,000 to send teams to the provincial championships."

Last year Humber had eight teams make it to the provincial finals, but not one of them was held in the Toronto area. All of that adds up to a lot of extra expenses without any additional support.

"The cost to send all these teams to the provincial championships was very exorbitant," Fox said.

Due to the cutbacks, Fox agreed to cover the cost of sending the teams to the championships this year by building it into his athletic budget, forcing the department to make cutbacks elsewhere.

"The only way to do that (pay for the expenses) was to eliminate some teams, eliminate some staff, and cut back on programs still being run."

Besides dropping the three teams, the athletic department also cutback on its staff, by letting two people working on a contractual basis go, and relocating one staff member to the Lakeshore campus.

In addition to these measures, the department will also attempt to save money through smaller schedules for teams and less meal money given to players when on the road.

Fox said all the coaches and players he talked to understood why the teams had to be dropped, even if they weren't too happy about it.

Tom Browne, public relations teacher and coach of the ski team, echoed those thoughts.

"I feel real bad about it. I

understand why it had to be done. It's a reality that Doug Fox doesn't have a lot to work with."

Browne, who coached the team for 10 years, felt this was going to be an especially good year.

"We've got a large pool of good skiers here at Humber. We would have had a good returning nucleus that should have allowed us to be real competitive."

"The only way to do that (pay for the expenses) was to eliminate some teams, eliminate some staff, and cut back on programs still being run."

- Athletic director
Doug Fox

Browne says it is upsetting to see the ski team cancelled because "we've always been in the top two or three (positions) and we were relatively cheap to run at less than \$5 000."

He says his real frustration lies with the administration. "I think that when people look for a way to economize, athletics is an easy target."

But Fox isn't so quick to blame the administration.

"It's not from a lack of administration support. We get tremendous support. They have carried (funding) for these championships until they just can't. They didn't have the money to do it. If they did, they would!"

An alternative to fielding the varsity teams is the idea of forming a club. The idea is to have the team members raise funding for themselves with a little school support.

"I'll administer and run it" Fox said, "but they will have to come up the finances."

Fox said this type of program is already being run at some universities across the province, and is just one of the ways being looked into to help keep athletic costs down.

However, he doesn't think turning to the student body to help with the costs is a feasible solution.

"How much can students absorb? They already have to cover the increased cost of tuition."

Fox also believes these problems are going to continue over time.

"I think it's going to be a problem because the college, not just my department, but all depart-

ments, are going to have to face the fact that the federal government is cutting back the grants to colleges."

"I feel really bad about it. I understand why it had to be done."

-Public relations teacher
and coach of ski team
Tom Browne

Fox points to the elimination of Humber's hockey team a few years back as a way to redistribute money into other avenues.

"The cost of running it was getting outrageous. We were having to find outside sources for ice. The ice rink alone was costing us \$35,000 to \$40,000 a year."

He points out that the money from the hockey program was put into establishing our men's and women's volleyball teams, as well as helping out an additional three other teams.

Fox says he "isn't whining" about the money being given, he's having trouble stretching it as far as he used to.

"It's not that we are getting less money given to us, it's just that we have to cover much more."

SAA Prez sets sights high

Maurice Robinson begins new job at the helm



COURTESY PHOTO

Robinson is Assistant Equipment manager for the Raptors.

by Jason B. Jump

The Student Athletic Association's (SAA) new president believes in letting his actions speak for themselves.

President Maurice Robinson's goal is to promote athletics and make the public more aware of the Humber Hawks.

He said, "every year you interview the SAA president and the first thing (he or she) says is to get more fan support. I'd love to say that but I'm not.

Until I do it then it has no weight when I say it."

Robinson said whenever the presidents make this statement, for some reason their expectations fall short.

Robinson said the varsity teams should also let their performances do the talking. He said some of the teams hype themselves on how good they'll be, but something happens and they fall short.

Robinson said this year's vari-

ty theme, "New Sights, New Heights, Taking it to a higher level", should encourage the teams to strive for the nationals.

"New sights" symbolizes the new varsity colours, blue, gold, and white; the uniforms will be

"It was just something I wanted to do. I've been here so long; I basically know the athletes."

**-Maurice Robinson
on becoming SAA president**

unveiled at the Humber Walk Fashion Show on October 18.

"New heights" encourages the varsity teams to make the next step.

Robinson said excluding the men's basketball team which won the national championship in Nova Scotia last season, the others should take it to a higher level and make the nationals.

The role of president is to oversee the activities of the SAA. Robinson is planning more giveaways to get the fans out.

Robinson was elected by the outgoing SAA executives in the spring. He said the former Dean of Student Life suggested his name, and he wanted the position.

"It's just something I wanted to do. I've been here so long; I basically know the athletes," he said.

SAA representative for women's volleyball Nicole Nightingale said, he's right for the job.

"He's has a lot of ideas and is motivated to let people know how good our varsity teams are," said Nightingale.

"He wants people to get excited about the Humber Hawks," said Nightingale.

Robinson's credentials include being assistant equipment manger for the Toronto Raptors.

He is currently in the Radio Broadcasting program.

SAA unveils plans to promote schools varsity programs

by Derek Lacroix

The Student Athletic Association (SAA) has organized new activities to promote the varsity programs this year.

The Humber Walk fashion show for October 18, is just one of the events the SAA came up with during their two day August retreat in Bolton.

The show will feature the unveiling of the new varsity uniform colours

In addition to the fashion show, the SAA has organized Rez nights, a Parents' night, and a ring ceremony for the Men's Basketball team who won the gold medal last year at the national championship in Nova Scotia.

The ring ceremony and the Parents' night will be held on December 6.

Robinson said the SAA also discussed ways the attendance at varsity events can be improved.

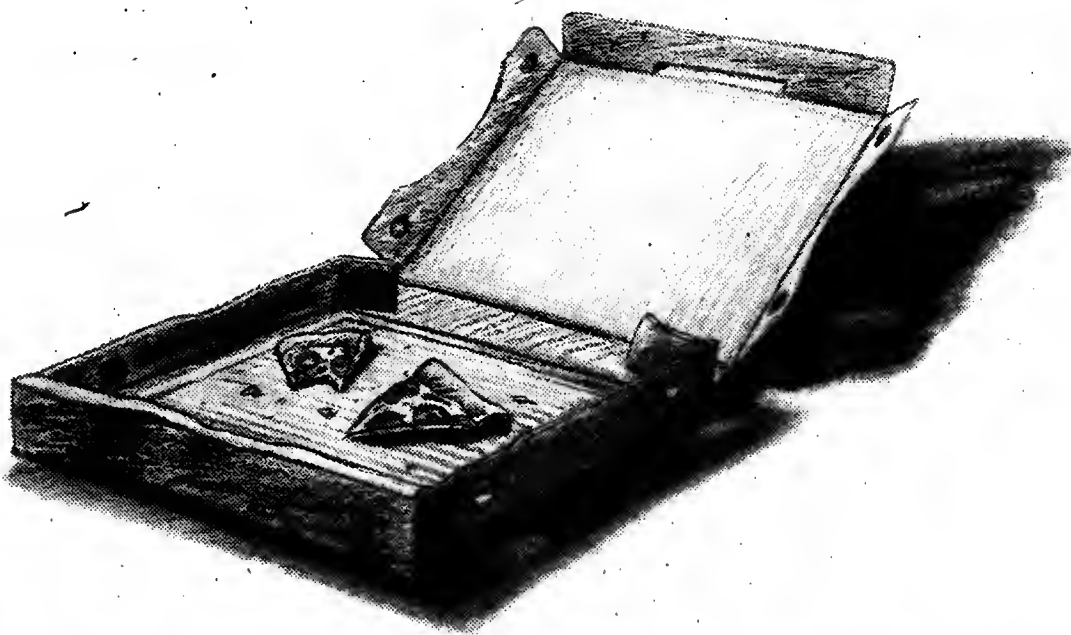
"Every year reporters come down and ask us about attendance and we say our main goal is to increase fan attendance. (However), every year we're not happy with what we get."

"I think if we promote it better people will come out. By staging more events, and making people more aware of what we have to offer, I think that will make our attendance rise."

Robinson has a lot of high hopes for athletics this year, and judging by the events that have already been organized it will be an exciting year for Humber's players and their fans.

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Humber gym receives face lift

by Cara Graham

Humber's fitness department has given students a lot more opportunities to shape up more than their minds this year, with the newly renovated gymnasium.

"There has been a persistent demand for major upgrading of the athletic facilities for about three years, but space was the main factor we had to consider while planning the upgrading," said Jim Bialek, manager of Facilities and Recreation.

Among the improvements are free weights, more benches, a squat machine, a new floor in the weight room, a squash room which has been turned into the cardio equipment room offering five stair masters, nine stationary bikes, two rowing machines and floor mats.

"Students should be exercising at least three times a week for a sustained 30 minutes or more each workout to get the full cardiovascular benefits," said Marg Anne Jones R.N Health counsel-

lor. "I think it's a little small but I haven't found it too busy that I have to wait to use the equipment. The only thing is that for people who don't workout too often there is no one here to ask for help with the machines if they need to," said Kris Scheuer a first-year Journalism student.

"The bottom line is we're no Bally's or Gold's Gym. If people want state of the art equipment then they are going to have to pay for it," said Jim Bialek.

Students are required to fill out a waiver form upon their first visit to the gym. They are then given a dot sticker which goes on their student card which allows them access to the gym at any time during the school year.

Squash players will be happy to know that there is no charge for the rental of racquets, balls and protective goggles, made manda-

tory as of May 1, 1995. Weightlifters will also be provided with weightlifting gloves and weight belts free of cost. "There are three colleges I know of right now that charge stu-

Humber College Monday through Thursday in the gymnasium. The classes which include step & tone, low impact, aerobic mix and step & aerobics, run at ten after twelve and ten after one.

"It's less of a workout for me this year with the abundance of new free weights. Last year you were only allowed two weights at a time and you had to get them from the desk outside the gym, they weren't in the weight room.

CARA GRAHAM

Some of the new equipment at the gym.

dents a fee just to walk in the door to access the gym facilities. At Humber the student activity fee you pay included in your tuition pays for your access to the gym facilities," said Bialek.

Free aerobics classes are offered through

routine on schedule, much easier," said Drew Williams a first-year Public Relations student.

"We've taken every step within our means with regards to availability of space and accommodated all of our users as best we can," mentioned Bialek.



Men's soccer ready to soar

by Robert Amoroso

In sports, champions face pressure to repeat. The opposition raise their level of play to uncrown the champions. The key ingredients to a successful season are focus, preparation and motivation.

The Humber Hawks men's soccer team face this task as defending Ontario champions this upcoming season.

Coach Germain Sanchez said, "yes the team is still hungry. We want to repeat as provincial champions and win the nationals."

Last year's squad were crowned the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association's gold medalist by defeating Mohawk College 3-2 in the final.

After winning the championship, the Hawks participated in the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association (CCAA) championships in Montreal. They streaked by the opposition defeating teams from Nova Scotia and Quebec. Eventually, they met their fate losing in the finals to a team from Alberta. But, still they won a silver medal.

"We want to win the provincials and nationals," said right midfielder Eric Ranaldo.

"We went undefeated throughout the season and lost our only game in the national finals. It was ours to win. We are definitely hungrier this year."

The makeup of this 95 edition will be different. After a week of practices, coach Sanchez selected 20 players. Eleven returning players and nine rookies.

What separates this team from the opposition?

"We have a lot of character and depth. If a player makes a mistake-no pointing fingers. We are a close knit team," said Ranaldo.

Coach Sanchez said the strengths of the 95 edition are "a very aggressive (physical) attack, and a very offensive minded team."

As well, Sanchez said the weaknesses of the team is, "too many new players. It will take time to gel as a unit."

In exhibition play, the Hawks defeated the York Yeomen 5-2 in a one-sided affair this past Saturday.

Future of inter-varsity program good despite funding cuts

by Joe Mercer

Despite cutbacks and the axing of several teams, the future of inter-varsity sports looks bright for Humber athletics.

Athletic Director, Doug Fox, and the SAA axed the teams that have drawn low attendance and in some cases had poor team involvement.

Although many feel the axing of the Badminton, Women's Indoor Soccer and Ski teams are a sign of the times for Ontario Colleges, Fox feels this is exactly what the doctor ordered to assure performance in athletics in the future.

"I picked the teams that fit the philosophy we have," Fox said. "The main thing of our philosophy is excellence, the second thing is development. So there has to be a year long progress - the players get better, that sort of thing."

Last year, Humber athletes produced eight teams that made it to the OCAA Championship level. Since none of the championship tournaments were held in the Metro area, the College paid approximately \$68,000 to cover hotels and transportation costs for the athletes.

Fox said that Humber's athletic program was suc-

cessful because, "(Humber) would allow me to run the teams, and where we would have success is, they would help," said Fox. "The College can no longer handle the price of the OCAA championships, they don't have the money to do so."

SAA president, Maurice Robinson, believes that although the cuts are drastic, schools such as Sheridan College, have lost major sport programs, such as Men's Volleyball.

"The cuts shouldn't send mixed messages to athletes at Humber," Robinson said. "The cuts are a temporary solution to regain our budget."

Robinson and the SAA, have sought sponsorship by getting Tony's Tastic to donate "free tanning" coupons. Reebok has agreed to sponsor the Athletic department with two athletic bags.

Robinson said that the SAA is also after sponsorship from KFC and Blockbuster Video.

"This will be used to boost our budget, as well as increase attendance," he said.

The cuts that were made to the program were made in a conservative manner, so in future years, Fox will not need to make the cuts an annual chore.

"I don't anticipate any

cuts next year," Fox said. "In fact, I'm anticipating trying to build sports back into our program."

Although Fox admitted he would accept proposals for teams such as Cross Country, he doesn't want to commit to a team that he would have to scrap later this year.

"The College itself will go through a financial crisis with the Harris government," he said. "For me to ask for a fee increase to put more sports on the table, I'm not too sure that's realistic."

For now, students will have to be happy with the remaining major sports at Humber.

First week of women's basketball tryouts shows national flavor

by Joe Mercer

The women's basketball team ran their first try-out camp on Monday.

At first glance head coach Jim Henderson said this year's team will be very talented, with a mix of returning players and recruits coming from as close as Quebec, to as far as Alberta.

"We have some players coming in from universities, who have played three years at the university," he said.

"So it is going to be the strongest team we have had here."

Henderson is entering his fifth season as the Hawks head coach.

Not only does the team look like it will be talented, it'll also be tall.

"Last year, we had one girl who was over six feet," said Henderson. "This year, we should have four or five players six feet or more."

Henderson will have his hands full when the time comes to make the final cuts.

"Last year was tough," Henderson said. "We cut three players, who had played for three years. This year is even going to be tougher."

But the coach pointed out that no one is ensured a spot on the

team, and refuses to mention any players he will look to during the season.

"Even the people we recruited," he said. "We've talked to them, and told them to come back in shape, working on conditioning, strength. We have a chance to see if they did these things, before we say yes, you're on the team."

Henderson said the up-coming season will be one of the best. He points out that Humber isn't the only team in the province that has improved.

"There will be three or four teams that have greatly improved from last year," he said. "And



PAM FAWCETT

Is this year's team the best to ever play for Humber?

we're going to be one of them." From Henderson's point of view, he could put two competitive teams on the court from this year's crop of athletes, meaning that the one team that is finally chosen to represent Humber shouldn't fall short of winning a National Championship.

Varsity teams hope for increase in fan support this season

by Eric Smith

Every year at least one of Humber's varsity teams is battling for a championship, but overall fan support has been relatively weak.

However, the staff of the Athletic Department hopes the men's and women's varsity teams will see an increase in attendance through the 1995-96 season.

"We're not necessarily looking for a profit," said Humber Athletic Director, Doug Fox. "We just want people to come out to our games."

Earlier this summer, members of the Athletic Department met with the Student Athletic Association (SAA) at a retreat in Bolton, Ont. to discuss promotions and new initiatives for Humber Athletics this year.

"I think the retreat was really a success," said vice president of promotions for the SAA, Andrex-Claudia Davis.

"We did a lot of brainstorming."

Davis, a third-year Public Relations student, said the SAA has decided to focus their attention on Humber's residences.

"Residence is such a big part of Humber College, so it only makes

some point) hold a "Hawk Walk"—an athletic fashion show to display new school colours and team uniforms.

The members of the SAA and the Athletic Department are counting on a big fan turn-out later in the school year when Humber hosts the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) championships for men's and women's volleyball, and women's basketball.

But, warns Fox, gaining and maintaining a strong fan-base will be tough because the division the Hawks are in is a different division

than other college teams from the Metro Toronto area. Instead, Humber will play teams from as far away as Niagara, Sault Ste. Marie, and Windsor.

"If we played teams like Seneca and Centennial, rivalries would develop and fans would be more interested," said Fox.

"But, we still get better fans than most schools."

sense to target the students in residence ... we always need fans to just come out and scream," said Davis.

In addition, the SAA plans to hang posters throughout the school, have athletes sell popcorn and tickets on game-day, and (at

HUMBER ATHLETICS



"Home of the Hawks"

Talks between Raptors and College extinct Humber's offer to NBA franchise turned down

by Eric Smith

The SkyDome's most recent tenant, the Toronto Raptors, will not be coming to Humber College after all.

As reported in the Humber Eye last January, Humber's Athletic Director Doug Fox and President Dr. Robert Gordon had offered the basketball franchise use of the college's athletic facilities until the Raptors' permanent home, the Air Canada Centre, was built.

"They could use our facilities until they got settled and we would do what we could to make positive arrangements for them," said Fox.

"We were going to build a team room for them and change the floor arrangements in the gymnasium (the key size and three point line). Included in the offer presented to the Raptors was an arrangement to build a 38,000 square foot training centre beside the athletic wing of the college—where the "WHITE" parking lot currently exists.

Humber's plan was to provide the land, services, and management of the training facility, but the Raptors would have to pay for the \$3-\$4 million construction costs.

"NBA teams have to develop community awareness programs," said Fox. "So we felt, as part of the community awareness, offering a site here for the team to practice would be a nice blend." However, the Raptors were really only interested in a short term solution to their practice site problem.

"We talked directly (to Humber) about using their existing gymnasium for a year or two," said the Raptors Assistant General Manager Glen Grunwald. Once the Air Canada Centre is built, a facility exclusive to the Toronto franchise, practices and training sessions can be held there for both the home and visiting teams. But the biggest problem for Humber was trying to establish times when the

Raptors could use the college's gymnasium.

"They felt, because of their prestige, they would need to have exclusive use of the facilities," said Fox. "But that was hard for us to accept. Our intent was not to shut down our facility. We wanted students to be able to continue using the weightroom and squash courts too." Grunwald agreed that flexibility and scheduling would "interfere with Humber's primary concern of educating." In the end, Humber realized they just could not accommodate all of the Raptors needs and the team decided they were going to choose another site. "Doug and President Gordon were very co-operative in coming up with a deal that made sense for both them, and the Raptors," said Grunwald. "They went above and beyond the call of duty." The Raptors are soon expected to announce the Bathurst Jewish Centre, at 4550 Bathurst St., as their interim practice facility.

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Students are reminded, that they have three weeks from the time of locker assignment to secure a lock on their locker. Lockers which do not have a lock in place at this time will be reassigned effective September 25.

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If you are occupying a locker illegally, the lock will be cut and a fee of \$15.00 will be charged to retrieve your contents. For your protection, please ensure you occupy your assigned locker and/or have completed a locker agreement at the Service Centre.

Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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KELLY ZIMMER

Second year Fashion Arts and Modelling students do a minor makeover and grab a quick smoke.

by Karin Winzer

Smoking will soon be banned in all college washrooms because of complaints by staff and students about poor ventilation.

Vice-President of Administration John Saso said that beginning October 3, smokers will be told to butt out in designated washrooms.

Humber's Health and Safety Committee, as well as SAC, have recommended the lower level of the new Student Centre as an alternate smoking area.

Saso agreed to the recommendation and passed it on to Humber President Robert Gordon for final approval.

Saso said a recommendation made by The Joint Health and Safety Committee was turned down. It proposed smoking lounges for the upper floors. According to Saso it was a move the college could not afford.

The Pipe, Caps, Humber Room, and staff lounge will remain as designated smoking areas Saso said.

As an alternative Saso suggested "there's always the great outdoors."

Saso suggested the measures are not outrageous saying some people want smoking in

the college banned all together because it is a health hazard. "We don't want to interfere with peoples' freedom, but the majority of people have expressed through surveys that they don't smoke."

The smoking policy was instituted September 1, 1987 and effectively made the college smoke-free except in certain designate areas include the washrooms. The policy was introduced as a result of a 1986 SAC survey which concluded overwhelmingly that people were in favor of abolishing smoking in the workplace.

In 1987 Gordon said that the administration's ultimate goal is to create a total non-smoking environment at Humber.

In November of 1987, Gordon said that having the washrooms as smoking areas was a mistake.

Humber staff and students who want to quit smoking can join a quit smoking course here at the college.

Saso said it cost \$75 to enroll in the program. However, he said if a significant number of people were interested in the program, the college and SAC would foot the bill.

Hot off the Wire

Beware of intelligent robots

(CP) Robots could eventually threaten mankind, a British scientist told reporters at a press conference in England, Tuesday.

Professor Kevin Warwick said experiments show robots can already learn from their own experiences and from machines they are linked up to directly.

Warwick said the next stage is for robots to communicate with others via computer and even the Internet.

He says that as information is shared, robots could potentially become as "intelligent" as humans. However Warwick also said despite their frightening potential to learn and develop independently, robots will still have problems learning to walk on legs.

The case of the missing briefs

(CP) Several women in Newfoundland were pantie-less last weekend. The RCMP are investigating the theft of underwear from people's clotheslines. Police received several calls over the weekend from women saying their panties had been stolen. Missing T-shirts and jeans were also reported.

Nobody is perfect, even in church

(CP) Do you ever wish you could take back something you said or wrote? Here is a list of announcements, which suffer from a poor choice of words or spelling, that appeared in various church bulletins. These anonymous gleanings were distributed recently on the Internet, says the Christian Courier.

- The Rosebud on the altar this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Belzer.
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and our community.
- The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement Friday.
- At the evening service tonight the sermon topic will be what is Hell? Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Tuesday at 4 p.m. there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.
- Don't let worry kill you let the church help.

SAC nominations open Sept. 18

Nomination packages for Students' Association Council divisional representatives will be available as of Monday, September 18.

The fall by-election for the 15 available positions will take place in October.

To submit an official nomination, candidates must obtain 50 signatures from full-time students in their own division, and two signatures from faculty members. Candidates must also have attained a 60 per cent or greater average in their previous semester. First year stu-

dents do not need to meet the grade requirements.

The council requires one representative for every 400 students in each division. Representatives are needed for the schools of:

- Architecture and Construction - one representative
- Business - two representatives
- Electronics - two representatives
- Health Sciences - 1 representative
- Horticulture - one representative
- Hospitality, Recreation and

Tourism - two representatives

- Liberal Arts and Sciences - two representatives
- Manufacturing Technology and Design - two representatives
- Media Studies - one representative
- Performing Arts - one representative

Campaign week is scheduled to begin on October 2.

With files from Ryan-Anthony Trotman.

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Can you name the movie this is from?
If so, be the first person to come to L231 on Monday morning and win a prize.
Hint: This is not The Amazing Spider-Man Adventure.