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PHOTO BY JOE MORANNA

This snowplow faced a daunting task in the parking lots behind N building on Tuesday. For more, see page 3.

# Rez won't get alarms for killer gas 'til May

*Despite school's assurances, students are concerned about carbon monoxide*

BY JACK TYNAN  
News Reporter

You can't smell it, hear it or taste it but if you don't know about it, carbon monoxide can kill you.

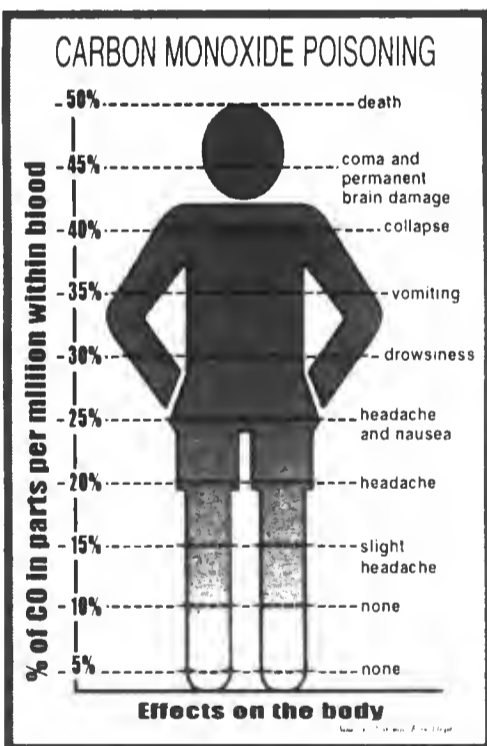
Humber's residences are heated with natural gas, which produces carbon monoxide (CO) when burned. So far there are no CO detectors in the buildings to alert students about a potentially deadly leak.

When a gas-burning appliance springs a leak and CO is inhaled, it replaces the oxygen in the blood stream, suffocating you from the inside out.

CO recently threatened the lives of residents in one Toronto high-rise apartment building and one low-rise.

CO made its way through the buildings at dangerously high levels. If residents in both buildings hadn't alerted authorities, the results may have been deadly.

A by-law in effect since Nov. 1, 1998



says buildings must have CO detectors on the floors where the furnace and hot-water boilers are located, as well as on each of the two floors above. Some students are outraged about Humber's inaction in the face of these events.

"I don't want to die in my sleep," said Chemical Engineering student Joe Torchia

College President Robert Gordon

insisted students don't have a reason to worry.

"We're not going to play games with students," he said "We'll have them installed. When you're dealing with people's safety I don't care what the cost."

The fire department has not been actively inspecting for violations of the bylaw, college officials said

"I think it's outrageous," said Alex Harrison, a first-year Business Administration student living in residence

"It should be a necessity in every building. We can see a fire and we have fire detectors. We can't see carbon monoxide so we should have detectors"

Grant Gushulak, first-year Funeral Services agreed.

"It bothers me a little bit. I have a CO detector at (my parents') home because we've had a problem with our furnace before. I'm a little bit worried about it," he said

Aware of the problem, residence superintendent Derek Maharaj said plans call for the college to install the safety devices - but not until May.

"We have budgeted to have every room equipped (with a CO detector) by May," said Maharaj

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## News

### Humber takes snowstorm in stride - kinda

*Now students, staff and admin are dealing with the blizzard that won't end*

BY GREG DI CRESCO  
Editorial Staff

The white juggernaut which pummeled the city into a state of emergency over a week ago relentlessly continues to accumulate

Walls of snow belly-up to the city's roads. The college parking lots look like giant snow torts

And the continuous growl of shovels grinding into the streets and sidewalks have already become a part of the city's din

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## Women's

### 3 medals for hoopsters

*Gold, silver & bronze haul from three holiday tournaments*

BY GARY D. MELO  
Sports Reporter

The Humber women's basketball team showed why they're among Canada's elite over the holidays

The women brought home medals from three tournaments across the country

The team finished off the successful month by giving a group of Americans a good old-fashioned Canadian whipping, besting the Daemen College Warriors 67-50 in the final of the annual Seneca Classic Basketball tournament last weekend

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**Quote of The Week**

"Smoking kills, and if you're killed, you've lost a very important part of your life."  
 -Anti-smoking spokesperson Brooke Shields

**#1 Billboard Singles**

<b>1959</b> - The Chipmunk Song -The Chipmunks	<b>1974</b> - The Joker - Steve Miller
<b>1964</b> - There! I've Said It Again - Bobby Vinton	<b>1979</b> -Too Much Heaven - The Bee Gees
<b>1969</b> - I Heard It Through The Grapevine - Marvin Gaye	<b>1984</b> - Say, Say, Say - Paul McCartney & Michael Jackson

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

JANUARY 10 - 16

- 1920** \* On January 16, prohibition began in the US as the 18th Amendment to the Constitution. Liquor sales were illegal until the amendment was repealed in 1933.
- 1934** \* On January 11, Jean Chretien, Prime Minister of Canada was born.
- 1941** \* Singer/songwriter Neil Diamond was born on January 14.
- 1949** \* On January 10, vinyl records were introduced.
- 1963** \* The Beatles released Please Please Me this week back in 1963. It went to number 1 in the U.K. on February 22nd.
- 1969** \* The Adult Film Association of America, a trade group for makers of Sexually explicit movies was founded.
- 1974** \* Happy Days premiered on ABC-TV on January 15. The nostalgic show ran for more than ten years.

- 1984** \* BBC Radio 1 stopped playing "Relax" by Frankie Goes to Hollywood, saying the song contained "overly obscene lyrics."
- 1987** \* On January 16, a San Francisco television station, KRON, was the first major-market station to accept advertisements for condoms.
- 1980** \* In 1980, Paul McCartney served ten days behind bars in Japan, after half a pound of marijuana was found in his suitcase at Tokyo Airport. This was the only time that he and his late wife Linda were separated through almost 30 years.
- 1991** \* On January 15, The Unites States and allies officialy went to war against the nation of Iraq.
- 1997** \* On January 16, Ennis Cosby, the son of comedian Bill Cosby, was murdered on a freeway ramp in Los Angeles Calif.

**Totally Useless Trivia**



1. What is Donald Duck's address?
2. What cigarette brand does James Bond smoke?
3. What substance makes Superman's hair grow incredibly long?
4. What are Miss Piggy's measurements?
5. What was Daffy Duck's film debut?
6. What was John Lennon's middle name?
7. Who was Mary Mary Quite Contrary?
8. When young and impoverished, how did Pablo Picasso keep warm?
9. Of the two chipmunks, who has the black nose, Chip or Dale?

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10. Colour televisions only produce three colours. What are they?
11. What was Charlie Chaplin's cane made of?
12. What came first, the chicken or the egg?
13. What was the real name of the Love Boat?
14. How long was was the longest Hollywood kiss?
15. Who was the original voice of Mickey Mouse?

## News etc.

### ■ Equal plowing?

Toronto taxpayers will receive equal snow removal services if Mayor Mel Lastman gets his way. In old North York, former Scarborough, and the well-to-do Forest Hill area, crews now clear away the piles of snow which plows leave at the end of driveways. Sidewalks are also cleared in North York.

People in the rest of the amalgamated city have to do their own shoveling.

It could cost the taxpayers an additional \$28 million to clear all sidewalks and snow piles left by plows.

Meanwhile, the extreme cold weather alert issued Monday by city health officials remains in effect until this morning.

### ■ 1998 a hot one

Last year was the hottest year on record, according to NASA researchers.

The average temperature around the world was about .2C warmer than the record set previously in 1995. NASA found that the average global temperature in 1998 was just over 14.7C, topping the 1995 record of 14.5C.

Researchers attribute the record to El Nino.

# Crime hits college area

BY ANDREW MCKAY

Editorial staff

The Humber College area was once again rocked by violent crime over the holidays, when a young man was murdered just steps from his home.

Kamaljit Singh Dhandwar, 22, was found dead on the night of Dec. 28, in front of his family home on Lynmount Rd., less than a mile from the college. Dhandwar had been shot in the head.

Police made an arrest on Dec.

30, after witnesses reported seeing a confrontation between Dhandwar and three other men just after 7 p.m. the night of the shooting.

After an appeal to the public for help, police identified a red Dodge Sundance that fled the scene following the shooting.

After questioning at least four people, they arrested a man they say was Dhandwar's friend.

Toronto homicide Det. John Line ruled out any possibility of the killing being gang-related.

Gupreet Singh, 18, of

Martingrove Rd., is charged with first-degree murder.

Dhandwar had been a student at Humber Collegiate Institute.

While no further arrests are imminent, police ask anyone with any information about the killing, or anyone who was in the area on Dec. 28 to come forward.



Photo by Andrew McKay

A young man was found dead just blocks from Humber College on Dec. 30.

# Print problems plague SAC lab

BY NICOLE MANN

News Reporter

A special committee set up to find a solution to Humber's printing problem has until Jan. 20 to make a recommendation to SAC.

While SAC was hoping to have a solution in place already, it was not until its meeting on Jan. 7 that a vote was taken to allow an Ad Hoc Printing Committee to decide on a solution.

Since the elimination of the print credit system last

September, the number of pages printed on campus in SAACNet alone have been in excess of 300,000 - twice as high from last year's number.

Mike Casimir, a SAACNet technician said students need to be more responsible when printing. "A lot of people abuse the printing...they print off anything they want," he said.

"Some people may print off a hundred pages that they don't need and don't even pick them

up," he added.

Occasionally, as fellow student Christine Kudlik observed, it could be a result of user ignorance. "People are wasting paper and they don't know how much they're printing - like stuff off the Internet," said Kudlik. "People think it's only a page and it turns out to be 10 pages."

Students first expressed their concerns about the printing situation last term and asked SAC to do something about it. Before the Christmas break, SAC began looking for solutions to the problem but nothing was put in place.

Among those solutions includes a plan that would require students to retrieve print jobs from another terminal before they can print.

"It's very easy to use," explained SAC President Tracy

Boyer. "We want to set up a kiosk in the computer lab where you can retrieve and print your documents."

Ruth McLean, head of the Ad Hoc Committee, said there is about a \$500 difference between a couple of ideas under consideration.

Until a solution is implemented, students are being asked to be more conscientious when printing in SAACNet and other labs on campus.



File photo

Labs are overflowing with wasted paper.

# Mice raid residence

BY ANDREA LEWANDOWSKI

News Reporter

Call it the Humber College mouse hunt.

The Arboretum's furry wild life is making a mad dash from woods to warmth, sending residence staff and students on a wild mouse chase.

"It was in my fridge eating my sub. I picked it up and it was in there. I screamed. There was mouse droppings all over my fridge," said resident Lindsay Atkinson of the unexpected lunch date with her unwanted guest.

"We've been in touch with the Ministry of Health," said John Conrad, the residence life co-ordinator.

"They climb in and out of the exhaust vents. They can come in under doors. They're only three inches long," Conrad said.

Because of their size, the gray and brown field mice can easily sneak into the building.

Conrad noted there have been more complaints this year than last.

Hopeton Lyle, house-keeping

co-ordinator, said the mice are usually dormant at this time of year but drastic temperature changes seem to have shocked them into action.

The rodents, who travel via air vents and radiators, have surprisingly avoided the R building where the residence cafeteria is located.

"We don't know why they skip S1, S2, S3, and S4? Why don't they go to SB (the basement)?" said Lyle, confused by the vermin's irrational behaviour.

"S5 has probably been the worst, which seems odd because it's high up," Conrad said.

Lyle and Conrad insist it's not a health issue and they're doing everything necessary to control the problem. Under the Ministry's direction, the residence has set out "humane" traps and sticky paper.

"It's a sticky kind of substance. Once they step on it they can't get off," Lyle said.

Students on S5, the hardest hit floor, are not enjoying the co-habitation. Despite the use of

"humane" traps, many of the mice are meeting gruesome deaths.

Dave Coulas, a S5 resident, disposed of two mice caught on the sticky paper. However, not before one had already gnawed its own leg off.

"I heard him come in," said Bill Adams about his room's rent-free resident. "I just figured he'd wander on. He didn't. He died in the heater. I realized it because of the smell."

## Smell a rat?

Beware of finding holes chewed into your sneakers. They may be caused by rats.

Two students discovered that their shoes had been gnawed after leaving them in a locker in the athletic centre.

"I kept it hush, hush because I didn't want it to be broadcast and worry people," said Fox about the Octobe. incident.

A pest control company was hired to deal with the problem.

-Judy Slancik

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## Coke machine kills student

By CHRIS HOLLOWAY  
News Reporter

In a freak accident, Kevin Mackle, an Etobicoke student attending Bishop's University in Quebec was killed when a Coke machine crushed him.

Mackle, a first-year student, was found in a stairwell underneath the overturned pop machine on the morning of Dec 13.

He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Apparently there were no witnesses to the accident which occurred at Kuehner Hall, one of the student residences.

"He was very down-to-earth and quiet natured," said Cameron Swimm, a former Humber student now at Bishop's.

"He was the kind of guy you could always just sit around and chat with," Swimm said.

According to Swimm, Mackle was very involved at Bishop's as a sports writer for the student newspaper, and a DJ on the campus radio station.

Everyone at the university was saddened by the news of Mackle's death.

Especially hard hit were the 88 residents of Kuehner Hall, Swimm said.

As a result of the accident, all vending machines have been removed from Bishop's.

## SAC sets the bar for the new year

By LISA RAINFORD  
Editorial Staff

After a semester of planning and getting their feet wet, SAC executive members is ready to dive right in.

In interviews with Et Cetera, SAC president Tracy Boyer and vice-president Ken Bell outlined their plans for the new year.

"We've had a very successful semester, in my eyes," said Boyer. "Especially in regards to getting our council reps going and trying to fill all the different seats available."

Boyer said she would like to concentrate on training these new reps to help them understand what their role is. Several reps have already organized some events and sat on different committees throughout the school.

"The more places we are, the more we are representing the students and finding out what's going on, relaying students' concerns," said Boyer.

People are still in the dark about what their student council can do for them. The SAC office has an "open door" policy. They encourage students to drop in if you have a question or concern. To raise awareness, SAC held what they called a "Hot Seat."

This gave students the opportunity to publicly ask questions, voice their complaints, and make demands. Some of the questions and complaints concerned Humber's faculty. The following

projects address certain results of the hot seat.

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) have been implemented by the ministry this year. The goal of the KPIs is to measure the school's performance. SAC divisional representatives will be assisting in the Student Satisfaction Survey from Feb 1 - 5. Topics addressed in the summary include skills learned for employment, the library, peer tutoring, the bookstore and the cafeteria. "We will know the results of the survey in March," said Boyer.

The Council of Student Affairs (CSA) has hired a consulting group to meet the changing needs of the students. The Berkeley Consulting Group, funded by the Student Development Fund, will interview people like Humber's president, past executive members of SAC, existing members, and members of CSA. They will compile the information, write up a report and work with SAC to decide what needs to be done.

"We need professionals to help us look at things like, are we using our staff effectively," said Boyer. "I'm not sure the way we're set up right now we're really able to address that properly."

Another project SAC is looking into is establishing an Ombuds

office. The ombudsperson would provide students with the rules and regulations and how to find them. He or she would also know the people who could make changes on campus, and be able to refer students to the appropriate person or office and could find out what the policies are.

"This person is very much a 'go-between'. If you're having difficulty understanding what someone at the registrar's office is telling you, the ombuds person can help," said Boyer.

The ombuds would be in charge of writing an annual report that would aid in deciding what policies are old and need to be revised. The information from the consulting group won't be evident until September and, as for the ombudsperson, he or she won't be hired until the next school year.

SAC continues to entertain with a strong social calendar in the winter months, said Vice-president Ken Bell.

"The expectations for the Big Wreck concert are huge," he said, referring to the band's performance Jan. 25 at CAPS.

In addition to concerts, Winter Madness begins next week, along with the Coffee House series, showcasing Lakeshore musicians.

February brings the club fair, career week, and Sue Johanson



PHOTO BY LISA RAINFORD

Boyer welcomes input.

## CO danger

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Now it appears that only installing detectors on the first two floors may be inadequate. High levels of carbon monoxide were found on the 18th floor of the high-rise at 125 Parkway Forest Drive the east end of Toronto. A number of tenants called local hospitals complaining of illness and after a leak was discovered, 600 people were ordered to leave.

Humber is now planning to install CO detectors in every unit of the R building because it has clothes dryers on every floor.

The first three floors of the S building will have detectors installed because the dryers are in the basement.

At a cost of around \$50 per detector, installing them throughout the Humber residence will be an expensive task for the College. According to Maharaj, the bill for Humber will be around \$60 000.

"It (CO) can certainly be deadly," said Murray Butson, the Toronto Fire Department's North Division Commander.

"Exposure to CO is on a graduating scale. An immediate exposure to a high concentration can be lethal," said Butson.

Until residence gets detectors precautions are being taken to ensure the students' safety. Humber's Health and Safety services tested the air quality Dec. 22 and didn't find any dangerous levels of CO. If you are concerned and can't wait until May, Terry Boyko, Toronto deputy fire chief recommends going out and buying yourself a CO detector and submitting the bill to the college.

## Grand Canyon casualty

By MATT LAMPERD  
News Reporter

The parents of Humber student Steven Mylan, who went missing last Valentine's Day in the Grand Canyon, are now beginning to lose all hope of finding him.

"Every time the phone rang, I used to pray it would either be him, or somebody that could tell me where he was. Now I'm just hoping for some kind of closure," said Antoinette Mylan, the mother of the missing student.

His father Nicolas Mylan echoed his wife's sad resignation.

"I've stopped trying to convince myself that he's alive. Now I just want somebody to tell me when to grieve," he said.

Mylan, a 21 year-old business student, disappeared on the Feb. 14 of last year. The Cocinino County Sheriff's Department found his 1991 Chevrolet Beretta parked at the edge of the Grand Canyon after local Navajo Indians had been driving around in it for a month.

With the police closing the case due to the lack of new leads, the family's scant hopes now depend on the kindness of strangers.

Mylan's parents have made a plea to anyone that might have information to come forward. His parents have distributed thousands of fliers and posted them from Mississauga to Arizona.

Mylan's family can offer no reasons as to his disappearance.

"I've tried a million times to



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Steven Mylan is still missing.

figure out why he would leave, but no explanation seems to make sense," his mother said.

While the parents efforts have gained sympathy across North America, there have been no promising leads.

"Whatever reason he had for leaving, he also has a reason to come home. He's my only son, and I want nothing more than to hear his voice," his father said.

Any one with information on Mylan's disappearance should call 1-877-828-4126.

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# College piling it higher and deeper

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PHOTO BY RYAN SIMPER

Snow plows keep parking lot open.

We've not been in this position in years, said Gary Jeynes, director of ancillary services and public safety for the college, in reference to the more than 60 cm of snow that has fallen on the school since Jan. 3.

We've already had more snow than all of last year, Jeynes said.

Jeynes' job is to make sure Onyx, the contractors hired out of the college's \$140,000 snow budget, keep parking lots and streets clean on campus.

So far we have had none of the parking spots taken out of service, Jeynes said.

Andrew Gaizauskas, a second year Radio and Broadcasting student, doesn't contest Jeynes's claim, but said the snow obscured parking lines have caused some confusion.

"It's a little frustrating. You can't see the lines, but once the lot is full you can't do much," said Gaizauskas, who found his vehicle sandwiched between two rows of cars.

"I think we have done a better job removing snow than the cities of Toronto and Mississauga," boasted Bruce Bridgeford, director of physical resources, who is keeping an eye on the school's snow removal staff.

Bridgeford said staff have been putting in long days since Jan. 3 and they are a little tired.

It's staff's responsibility to keep walk-



PHOTO BY RYAN SIMPER

A caravan of plows makes its way through the streets of the city.

ways and fire exits clean, and to direct Onyx where to stockpile excess snow.

Currently the contractors are building a snow mountain behind the daycare.

"The snow situation is fine, except for the (snow) piles," said Mary Zahran, a second year Film and Television student.

"You just can't see if a car is coming around the other way."

Jeynes said he is ready to listen to any

complaints about mountains of snow causing problems on campus.

"We'll do whatever is required to move the snow," he said.

"That even includes the pricey option of shipping snow to the Queen's Plate lands south of the college."

Jeynes can be reached at 675-6622 ext. 4417.

files from Joe Moriana

## THE INSIDE SCOOP

Answers to Trivia questions page 2

1. Donald's address is 1313 Webfoot Walk, Duckburg, Calisota
2. James Bond smokes Morland Balkan cigarettes
3. Red Kryptonite
4. 27-20-32
5. Porky's Duck Hunt
6. Winston
7. Mary Queen of Scots
8. His own paintings
9. Chip has the black nose
10. Red, green and blue
11. Bamboo
12. According to Genesis 1:20-22 The chicken came before the egg
13. The Pacific Princess
14. Three minutes and three seconds for the film *In the Army Now*
15. Walt Disney

## Mascot marks Millennium

BY PAT LYNCH  
News Reporter

The City of Toronto's Millennium Task Force is racing the clock to get its mascot ready for official millennium celebrations this year.

Humber student Dawn Mason, interning with the Millennium Task Force through the fast-track Recreation and Leisure program, helped design and distribute the survey that asked residents to submit ideas for a millennium mascot.

"We had some really crazy ideas from kids, and even more from adults which were fabulous," Mason said.

According to Mason, the three main mascot concepts include an old-fashioned grandfather clock, a robot "straight out of Buck



Rogers," and a digital man with a millennium clock built into his chest.

"We wanted to do a mascot which promoted the city and provided a visual symbol of the millennium in a fun, positive way," said Councillor Chris Korwin-Kuczynski, chair of the Millennium Task Force.

Korwin-Kuczynski said the mascot will attend functions across the city, promoting the millennium and the city throughout the duration of this year as well as through the year 2000.

Irene Bauer, the acting project manager, confirmed the task force "will be reviewing the submissions to decide which would be most appropriate" during this week, and she hinted that they may have already decided on "an old-fashioned clock-character which we would want to be Toronto-specific and relevant to the millennium."

The costume will be designed over the next three weeks by the Sugars Mascot Company, on contract from the Millennium Task Force, and is expected to cost between \$5000-\$10 000.

The mascot will make its public debut during an ice-skating extravaganza at the end of this year's Winterfest, on Feb 14 at Nathan Phillips Square.

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# Editorial

## It snows in Canada: Learn to deal with it



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The Blizzard of '99 proved one thing: everyone must learn to deal with the aftermath of such a storm better the next time around.

Toronto is one city—it has been for over a year—but if you were to cross from one former municipality to another, you might think all the talk about amalgamation last year never happened.

Frustrated residents seemed to be complaining everywhere, even in Mayor Mel's old stomping grounds of North York, which fared better than the rest. Scarborough was the hardest hit, plagued with communications problems, equipment malfunctions, and AWOL employees.

Some side streets across the city went days without being plowed, and some are still clogged with snow. Yet, you would hardly even know there was a snow storm if you took a walk through Toronto's trendy Yorkville area.

It's hard enough to find a parking space in Little Italy (College and Bathurst Sts.) or Chinatown (Spadina Ave. and Dundas St.) without the snow. Don't even bother trying now.

Granted, it was the GTA's worst storm in 55 years

— 39 cm in total. But we have endured the fury of similar storms this decade, and even the mayor said we could have done better this time.

Ambulance crews were flooded with calls, many of which were unnecessary. Do you really need to call an ambulance when your back hurts from excessive shovelling?

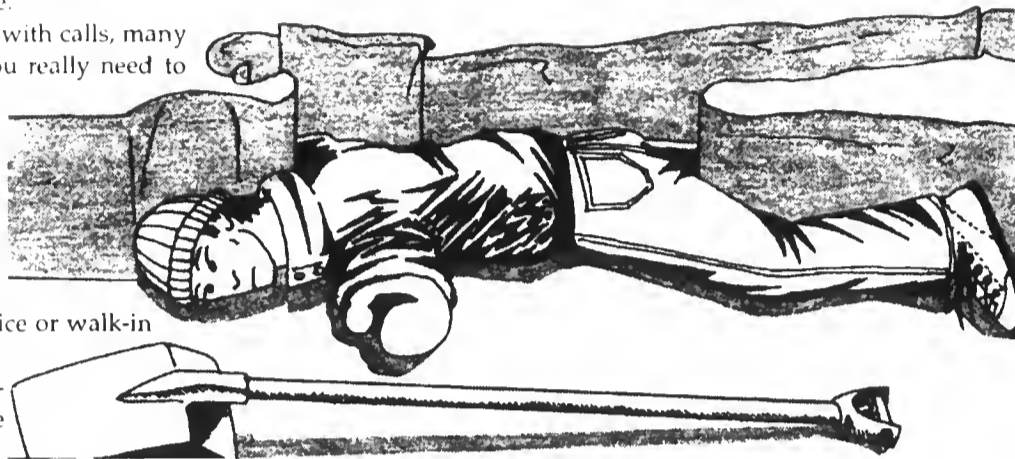
**Do you really need to call an ambulance when your back hurts from shovelling?**

Such a call is expensive, diverts crews from true emergencies, and can be taken care of at a doctor's office or walk-in clinic.

On top of everything else, police reported incidents of "snow rage." At least one person actually got stabbed because of prolonged traffic jams.

If the city snow crews are lagging behind schedule, we have to be patient, not go on a rampage.

Everyone should have been better prepared for the blizzard, both physically and mentally, and it's not like there wasn't plenty of warning. We have to love Mother Nature when she spoils us with mild weather, and when she dumps on us as well.



## Install CO detectors in rez — now

Humber administrators are putting hundreds of lives at risk on a hope and a prayer by not immediately installing carbon monoxide detectors in residence.

Let's hope there isn't a real risk of CO making its way from the natural gas heaters in the basements of the residence buildings and into the rooms of sleeping students.

At a cost of \$60,000, there are plans to install CO detectors in the residence buildings; but not until May. The powers that be better be damn sure that there is no chance of anything going wrong before then.

Every day those buildings go without CO detectors is a day that rez dwellers take a chance with their lives.

It should not have taken this long for Humber to address this problem. CO has been a threat in every dwelling for decades. It is appalling to think it took a public outcry and a couple of building evacuations last month to get some action on the issue. Especially

at a school which prides itself (supposedly) on putting its students first.

If a convicted killer were loose in the Arboretum, we would expect Humber to take immediate action to ensure our safety. But with this silent killer, our administration figures it can wait until May to install detectors, which have been mandatory in Toronto since last November.

It's hardly reassuring to hear Humber's defence. They say the fire department hasn't actively been making inspections for the safety devices yet. If Humber obeys safety laws only when officials actively enforce them, we're screwed.

Toronto's deputy fire chief, Terry Boyko, suggests worried students should go ahead and purchase their own detectors, then bill the school. We echo that sentiment. Humber brass have dragged their feet on this issue for far too long.

If a Humber student falls ill, or even dies between now and the detector installation date in May, who will pay then?

### Humber Et Cetera

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### TAKE THIS!

## Smoking ... and loving it!

BY ANDREA HOUSTON

Smokers of the world unite — you have nothing to lose but your teeth.

Once a year, I visit the most hated man in my life: the dentist. From the point his receptionist calls to say I'm overdue for a check-up, to the repulsive fluoride mouthpiece he rams into my mouth, I dread the entire process.

I'm a smoker. I have been for almost eight years, with no intentions of quitting. But my dentist sees it as his obligation to single-handedly rid the world of loathsome smokers.

I prepare for war the moment I sit in his chair. Normally I give him the benefit of the doubt and listen to his endless speech.

But last time was different.

"So, are we still smoking, Andrea?" he asked?

"Yes," I said. "Trust me, when I do quit you'll be the first to know."

Then the visuals came out. In his personal collection, he has a vast assortment of charts, newspaper clippings, patients' X-rays, and photos of disastrous mouths.

I cut him off right away, telling him no number of ugly X-rays images will change me.

He could have had a crystal ball in front of him and told me my teeth were all going to fall out tomorrow, but I still

wouldn't quit.

Then the storytelling began. He attempted to enlighten me with horror stories of people who had their teeth replaced with dentures and gum work done at the tender age of 25.

I'm so sick and tired of being told how bad smoking is for me. The fact is no one can get anyone to quit anything until that person wants to.

I'm not stupid, I know smoking is bad for me. It says so right on the package: "Smoking can kill you." But cigarettes are also legal and, until they make them illegal, please keep your comments to yourself.

This isn't just a message to my annoying dentist; it's for all smoke-haters. I'm asking for all reformed smokers, medical officials and health reporters to leave us alone.

My dentist went on for over an hour as I went over all this in my head. I dozed off around the time he started talking about receding gums.

At the end of it all he had the audacity to tell me that, if I wanted to continue smoking, I should find another dentist.

I applaud him for taking a moral stand, but he's just shooting himself in the foot. If he loses every patient like me, who is going to pay his bills and listen to his lectures?

Andrea Houston is the Special Sections editor.

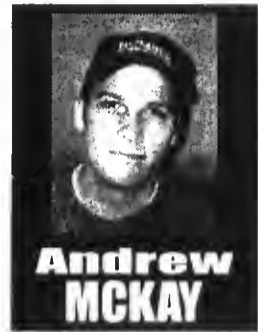




## GIVING THANKS

# We helped make a difference

*Donations for homeless delivered directly to shelters this year*



**Andrew MCKAY**  
I ran throughout December here at the college. We raised close to \$3,000, plus fifteen bags of clothes to give out on Christmas Day.

We ended up producing 300 bags of goodies, including cigarettes, homemade sandwiches and muffins, chocolate chip cookies, candies, chocolate bars, and oranges. Everything was set to go for Christmas Day.

Until we hit a glitch. On Christmas Eve, the City of Toronto declared an extreme cold weather alert. As a result, various street patrols were mobilized and shelters were

equipped with extra beds or sleeping bags to accommodate as many people as possible.

When I went out on Christmas Day with Terrence Campbell, a fellow student, to give out the bags, there were no homeless people to be found.

Well, there were about six. The rest had found a roof and a warm bed for the night.

I think Terrence was a bit disappointed. He was probably looking forward to seeing the reactions of the less fortunate when we handed them the bags.

In the end, we were able to reach out to a few people on a one-to-one basis, but not as many as we expected.

I, however, was elated. I have been doing this same "Christmas thing" (as I call it) since 1992.

The reason I do it on Christmas Day is because I feel anybody who is out there on that particular day probably needs the most help.

I have always been happy to help, but it's also depressing to see people spending the holiday on a frozen sidewalk.

So, on Christmas Day, I took the gift bags to Toronto shelters like the Harbour Light Centre and the Scott Mission.

I was still able to do my part, and without having the guilt pains that used to come with knowing, after only a few hours of fighting the cold on the street, I was lucky enough to have a warm home to retreat back into.

The people were still homeless, but they were safe from the cold, and with others who were there to help them. Most importantly, they were not alone.

We didn't solve the homeless problem in Toronto. That wasn't our intent. But the support of Humber students went a long way towards making sure everyone had a memorable Christmas.

*Andrew McKay returns next week with an indictment of the treatment of Toronto's homeless.*

## Campus Wire

### Western

A suspended fraternity is expected to be reinstated within the next few days. Delta Tau Delta had its charter suspended last November for not paying its dues. Spokespeople for the frat say its accumulated debt was around \$10,000. Now that all the cheques have been signed, its a matter of doing a little paperwork before the fraternity is reinstated at the university. The frat said the cause of the debt no longer mattered.

### McGill

Students are excited about a new electronic sign to be put up in front of the William Shatner Building. The sign will facilitate the advertising for the school's students' society events. Because the electronic sign will be fixed, the periodic replacement of the large and cumbersome plastic sheets normally used will not be necessary. The sheets were especially dangerous to change during winter.

### Douglas College

Results of a student referendum are in. Sixty-four per cent of the BC. school's students voted in favour of creating a \$9 per semester per student fee to support initiatives in athletics and the performing arts.

### Columbia University

Students protested this week against sweatshops to urge their administrators to adopt a new code of conduct. A long clothesline displayed Columbia merchandise such as t-shirts and sweatshirts while at the same time carrying signs which read: "This sweatshirt costs \$51.78. A Mexican worker earns \$0.54 an hour." The clothes were put on sale for visitors to purchase.

### City College-San Francisco

The school is boasting that its Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Studies Department is the first and only one of its kind in the United States, and one of only a few around the world. It was started in 1972 when an English instructor, who was just coming out, taught a course in gay literature. By 1980, the course title was changed to gay and lesbian literature.

### Ohio State University

The most inspiring quotation of the week came from this school's campus newspaper, *The Lantern*. They are words of wisdom from the infamous Chef on the popular television series *South Park*:

"There's a time and a place for everything and it's called college."

## EDUCATION

# We're all "Doomed"



**Greg DI CRESCA**  
Over the holiday break I discovered a horrible truth. I've been wasting my time and money at school. I just can't understand a word that comes out of my professors' mouths.

They all sound like Charlie Brown's teachers: "blah, blah, blah." Then I look around the classroom and see other students nodding their heads in apparent comprehension.

I can't believe they're absorbing the gobbledegook the teacher is spouting. Their nodding heads must be a charade to delude the teacher. But what if they're actually getting "it" and I'm not?

I must confess, the possibility that I was the only yahoo in the college nagged me over the holidays, but it was that inner anxiety that spurred me on to my great discovery.

I remember reading an old issue of "The Fantastic Four" in which Dr. Doom was working on a brain cap which could be grafted on top of people's heads.

Those who had the operation were able to plug directly into machines and learn effortlessly. All they had to carry around with them was a small cable to make the connection.

What if Dr. Doom's device really worked? What if I was skipped when "the man" was grafting on "learning caps?" How was I, without that metal beanie, ever going to get out of this institution and get a job?

While all the other graduates at their new jobs are whipping out their cords to plug into their respective companies' assembly lines, what am I to do?

This beanie must be the cornerstone of the Harris government's cure to the education crisis. With these caps, schools could guarantee their students would satisfy the needs of the employer. After all, students only go to school to get a job.

So why the grand educational hoax? Certainly a capped person would have no use for a classroom setting, or a pub to drink away bad grades.

Once everyone is equipped with the beanie, schools will be just giant learning troughs filled with "useful" information they have hoarded, and students will pay to plug in.

Now that I see through the sham, I realize I'm just throwing my money away on an education. I think it's time to get my refund.

*Greg Di Cresce's reputation for completely re-writing stories is growing.*

## Weird Newz

### FROGNAPPER CONFESSES:

A couple from Swansea, Mass. have had their precious cement frog returned to them after it was stolen off their front lawn last Easter.

John and Gertrude Knight figured their missing frog was the victim of a childish prank. But when they received a postcard from their frog saying he was tired of sitting on their lawn all day and night, they realized the problem was more serious.

Photos, cards and letters from around the world filled the Knights' mailbox for months afterwards.

Then, just days before Christmas, a stretch limousine returned the frog home.

Philip Girard, the owner of a tattoo parlour in Tiverton, R.I.,

confessed he swiped the frog off their property.

The Knights were to be reunited with their decoration on the Rosie O'Donnell Show, but the idea was later scrapped.

The identity of the frog has not been released.

### "THE BODY" POLITIC:

First a professional wrestler, now the governor of Minnesota—he's Jesse "The Body" Ventura.

He financed his campaign through the licensing of t-shirts and action figures while saying little about his Reform Party policies. And he won.

Meanwhile, fellow wrestler Hulk Hogan has said he's making plans to run for president.

Could the Junkyard Dog come out of retirement yet?

## It is written

*"I hope to hell when I do die somebody has sense enough to just dump me in the river or something. Anything except sticking me in a goddam cemetery. People coming and putting a bunch of flowers on your stomach on Sunday, and all that crap. Who wants flowers when you're dead? Nobody."*

— Holden Caulfield, *The Catcher in the Rye*

- J.D. Salinger, the reclusive author of *The Catcher in the Rye* (1951), currently resides in New Hampshire. He despises the publishing business and hasn't spoken to the press in decades.
- Last year, an excerpt from a book of memoirs by a former girlfriend, to be published this year, reported the author writes every day and has at least a couple of unpublished novels kicking around.
- Salinger's agents forced the removal of a fan-run web site last year which featured inspirational quotations from his books.
- The original script for *Heathers* (1989) called for many references to *The Catcher in the Rye*. For legal reasons, the producers opted to use *Moby Dick* instead.



## Humber Music jazzing it up

BY KEVIN TULLY  
News Reporter

If you are looking to add a little jazz to your life this winter, the best place to be is at the Humber College Lakeshore Auditorium.

The Humber Music Jazz Showcase provides a great opportunity to watch and listen to some of the best music students in Canada under the direction of some of the top names on the Canadian jazz scene.

The concerts will show off such musicians as vocalist Trish Colter, Pat LaBarbera and trombonist Al Kay.

Colter, who has toured Canada, the United States and Europe since 1976 will conduct a vocal jazz ensemble.

LaBarbera will conduct an instrumental ensemble. He has worked with music legends such as Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, and Buddy Rich.

LaBarbera has also appeared and performed on the Johnny Carson show many times over his career.

Kay, who is described as one of

Canada's most versatile trombonists, will direct the big band sound of the concerts. He is best known for his work on popular musicals such as Ragtime, Kiss of the Spider Woman, Cats and Crazy for You.

Kay also plays and tours with the True North Brass band.

"I wasn't aware that Humber College provide such talent in the community," said jazz enthusiast and Etobicoke resident Glen Hart, "I think I will have to drop by and catch a concert or two."

Although there has already been one show, the series will continue on Feb. 24 with a night of jazz-fusion. The jazz series will be followed-up with a Latin theme in April to bring you into spring.

All of the concerts are held at the Humber College Lakeshore Auditorium, located at 3199 Lakeshore Blvd. W.

Tickets will be on sale at the door for \$5. Tickets will be sold for \$3 for seniors and students.

For more information on the Humber Music Jazz Showcase, phone (416) 675-6622 ext. 3427.

## Lakeshore set to diversify programs

*New year brings new life to Humber south*

BY KEVIN MASTERMAN  
News Reporter

The new year will usher in an era of SAC accountability and more events with a greater diversity in programming, said Lakeshore SAC executives and representatives.

Marguart Ozel, executive director of finance at Lakeshore SAC, sees the new year as a chance for students to get better acquainted with the council. Ozel believes self-promotion of SAC will bring more students out for events.

Events at Lakeshore include a licensed welcome-back day on Jan. 19 in the Lower Cafeteria, featuring Karaoke, outside and indoor activities. An appearance of TV talk show host Sue 'Sex Lady' Johansson will be made on Jan. 28, and comedian Carl Strong is scheduled for Feb. 15.

SAC President Sonia Levy, in her final semester at Humber College, said that her main goal has been accomplished, but she would still like to increase the amount of programming SAC organizes.

"My greatest goal this year was for the bridging of the gap between North and Lakeshore



FILE PHOTO

**Lakeshore SAC President Sonya Levy is rarin' to go.**

SACs, I think we've accomplished that through the (SAC) retreat earlier in the year and with other events," Levy said.

She also stressed the fact that the ultimate tests of Lakeshore SAC were met through group cohesion and the new addition of Vice-President Toby Warnell.

"Toby's been great. He's independent and dependable. I'm happy for all of them. They're great people, they really made my year."

Levy sees the semester as a chance to make her final impact on Humber and the students at Lakeshore.

Although Levy did not give any resolutions of her own, other SAC members seemed eager to voice their goals for the remain-

der of the year.

Business representatives Ana Monteiro and John DeCarlo said that more interaction among students and SAC is necessary, which can only be done through publicity in the school.

Stacey Lima, another business representative also had a resolution - time management. Lima said that keeping on schedule with events and services would be her goal.

The consensus at SAC was that if the services at present are maintained and more students come out to events, they would have something to be thankful for in the new year.



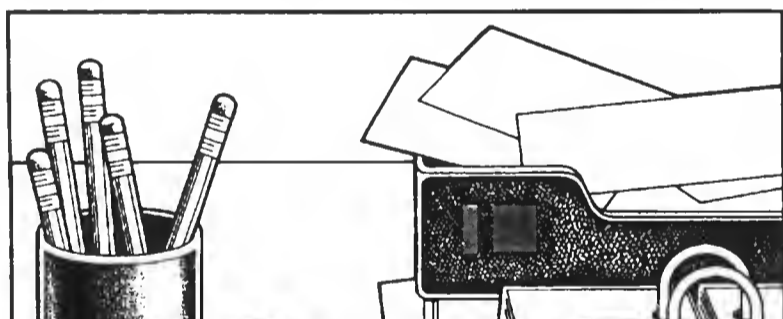
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**Lakeshore SAC vice president Toby Warnell.**

**If you know of a Lakeshore event or news story you think we should know about, feel free to contact Greg Di Cresce or Lisa Rainford at 675-6622 ext 4514, or e-mail us at:**

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When the Key Performance Indicators survey comes to your class the first week of February, please take the time to show us **YOU CARE, TOO**.



*We're still listening.*



## Auditions

Paramount Parks announces Performer Auditions and Technical Support Interviews for the 1999 Entertainment Programme at Paramount Canada's Wonderland.

<p><b>Humber College</b> Wednesday, January 20 1999 Private Auditions/Interviews Technicians Children's Variety Artists Percussionists Singers Actor/Announcers Dancers</p> <p>Humber College Students Only Please check with the Theatre Department for locations and times</p>	<p><b>Vaughan, Ontario</b> Paramount Canada's Wonderland Paramount Theatre Saturday January 23 1999 Sunday January 24 1999 12:00 - 3:00 pm Technicians Character and Escort Interviews 12:00 pm Children's Variety Artists Percussionists 12:30 pm Singers Actor/Announcers 2:30 pm Dancers</p>
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Stage Managers and Costume Shop Supervisors with musical, stage and/or street theatre experience are asked to fax resumes and references to (905) 832-7454 or e-mail to [psw-entertainment@paramountparks.com](mailto:psw-entertainment@paramountparks.com)  
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# On Campus

## On Campus etc.

### ■ Student Winner

Congratulations to Chris Joseph Lange, a third-year Package and Graphic Design student who received an Honourable Mention in the design competition for the Ontario Medal for Young Volunteers. Student artists and designers attending post-secondary institutions were invited last March to create a new and unique design for the award.

The medals are presented to young people who have made a significant contribution to their community as a volunteer. Lange was awarded \$500 for his design and presented with a personalized plaque during a ceremony at Conestoga College in Kitchener.

### ■ University Fair

More than 40 universities and Humber will take part in the Main Concourse Fair on Wednesday, Jan. 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. School representatives from Canada and the U.S. will discuss continuing education options with students. University information seminars will also be taking place between 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

### ■ Snow Baseball

Entries for the annual Snow Baseball Tournament will be accepted until Wed., Jan. 20. The tournament begins on Jan. 27. Teams can sign up and find out more details at the athletic centre.

### ■ Honoured

Two Humber faculty members were recognized by the college this week for their outstanding work. The Liberal Arts and Sciences department honoured John Elias for his book *Philosophical Notes to My Friend* and Dalcyce Newby for her book *Anderson Ruffin Abbot: First Afro-Canadian Doctor*. The luncheon took place on Wednesday in the staff lounge.

### ■ Winter Madness

Humber SAC will be holding Winter Madness starting Jan. 25. The campus-wide week of events starts off with a performance by the band Big Wreck at Caps, and includes a ski trip, a guest speaker and numerous contests.

## Swiping into the second semester

BY WENDY STEBBINGS  
On Campus Reporter

Students returning from the holidays found a new surprise at the main entrance of residence.

To gain access, students must now swipe their meal card to gain entry through the front doors.

Residence life co-ordinator John Conrad said the card access system is an effective safety measure. Conrad has worked at several other residence halls and has seen this system in place in many of them.

"Most places are going to card access. A lot of the buildings have a card access built in them," said Conrad.

Ben Seaton and T.J. Bressette, both front desk staff, said the new system hasn't created much more work for them.

"It keeps people who don't have IDs and don't live in residence out," Seaton said.

Bressette agreed: "it keeps all the wackos out."

Tammy Roussy, a first-year Film and Television student, disagreed with the need for the new system.

"It's a bad idea. The cards are a waste of money."

She said front desk staff still have to check IDs because students will always hold the door open for others.

However, residence manager, Derek Maharaj said "it is the next step for security in the building."

Maharaj said college administrators had been thinking last summer of implementing magnetic doors but some investigation had to be done. They originally considered placing the doors just past the front desk so anyone coming through the main

entrance could have access to places such as the cafeteria and the conference rooms without having proper identification.

Maharaj said that plan would not work because "the retrofit to put a door past the desk in the hallway would have been too much, financially and structurally."

"It took a little longer than we thought," he said. "It would have been ideal to have the system in place, late August, before the students got here, so they'd be used to it."

Changes are difficult to implement during the course of the year Maharaj said.

Maharaj said the card access system also helps late at night or early in the morning when there is only one person working the front desk.

"We have a lot more control on who's coming into the building now," said Maharaj.

Cards can be taken off-line when people move out and the system allows management to track who's been coming into the building.

Maharaj said the swipe card device for the S building might also be activated. For now, access to the whole building is controlled presenting no need for the second device to be in use. It might be used more frequently during the summer when no one is required to go into the S building.

The system is only in its first month of operation and still has some improvements coming. For example, the system might only be activated between 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. Maharaj also said college administrators want the system used to its maximum potential.



PHOTO BY WENDY STEBBINGS

Try pulling off this little trick after a Thursday night at Caps.

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## Willie's back

BY LAURA URMONEIT  
On Campus Reporter

The 43rd annual festival for Warton Willie, Canada's most famous groundhog, is looking for eight college teams to participate in their second annual quadrathlon.

As part of the festival, which runs from Jan. 29-31, in Warton, Ont., to celebrate the annual event of Willie and his shadow, organizers are holding a four-event quadrathlon competition.

Each team will have six members and must provide proof of enrolment in school. The competition will be judged in four different sections: artistic, athletic,

culinary, and groundhog trivia.

Quadrathlon participants will take part in smooch races, skits, creative cooking, and their presence in the groundhog parade. Each element of the competition will be scored by points.

At the end of the weekend, points will be added up to declare a winner. The winning team has a chance to win \$750.

Pre-registration for the competition closes on Friday. A deposit of \$100 is required, cheques should be made out to, Groundhog Central in advance. The deposit will be refunded as soon as you show up. For full details, contact Dawn Myles at (519)534-2600.

## Council Student Affairs

Thursday  
February  
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### Notice of Elections

It's time to start thinking about,  
"Trying us on for size!"  
Nominations open for SAC  
President and Vice President  
February 18, 1999.

## SAC Lakeshore

Tuesday  
January  
19

### Winterfest '99

BBQ, Snowman building contest,  
Karaoke & hot-air balloon rides

Thursday  
January  
28

### Sue Johanson

12 noon - Lower Cafe

# What's Up in January

## SAC North & Caps

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Sprite Presents: <i>Warren Miller</i> Film @CAPS 15		
	25 Promo Booth BIG WRECK ~Concert~	26 Outdoor Winter Sports & Contests	27 "Feelin' Hot Hot Hot" Dreams of Summer - in the Student Centre	28 Indoor Sports & Contests Student Centre	29 Blue Mountain Ski Trip for more info call ext. 4411	
Super Bowl Party Call ext.5003 for more info. @CAPS 31						

## Athletics Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				AquaFitness ~1:00 - 2:00pm 14	15 Specialty Class TBA ~12:10 - 12:45pm AquaFitness ~1:00 - 2:00pm	
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# Health

## The fake and bake vs. the sun

*Are salons the safer alternative for getting the perfect tan, or just a quick way to get fried?*

By JENNIFER PECK  
Health Reporter

Many students will prepare for sunny spring getaways by visiting tanning salons.

Despite warnings from the Canadian Cancer Society (CCS), there are those who don't buy the argument bronzing beds do more harm than good.

For example, Sharon Rice of Beauty FX salon said gradually building a tan on a tanning bed will help prevent a sunburn outdoors.

Alison Davis, a programmer at the CCS national office, disagreed. She said tanning salons are just as dangerous as the sun.

"They produce the same wave length of light as the sun and cause the same amount of damage," she said.

Davis added there are many misconceptions about tanning salons.

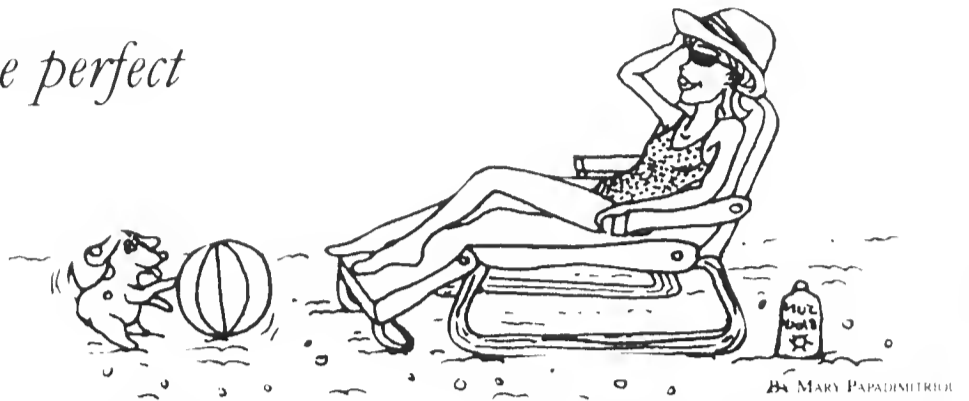
"Any sun tan is a sign of skin damage and will not protect you from UV radiation," she said.

According to Davis, the common practice of darkening the skin to avoid sunburn is falsely-based.

"A lot of people think that once they tan they won't burn, but you are still absorbing the radiation and a tan will not protect you from that," she said.

Guelph University graduate Jennifer Hazlett, 23, said she is aware of the risks, but that hasn't stopped her from going to tanning salons at least 25 times in the past few years.

"I don't think they're good for you, but I



By MARY PAPADIMITROU

### TANNING MYTHS

- Myth:** Salon tans protect the skin before heading out into the sun  
**Fact:** Although the skin bronzes, it has only developed a small amount of the pigment (SPF 3) needed to protect it from a sunburn outdoors
- Myth:** People with light skin can tan safely at a tanning salon  
**Fact:** People with fair complexions can suffer just as much skin damage in salons as they can in the sun. Since their skin has less protective pigment, they often burn instead.
- Myth:** Sunscreens don't have to be used in tanning salons.  
**Fact:** Skin will still be damaged whether UV rays are emitted from tanning lamps or the sun.
- Myth:** Tanning salon lamps do not cause skin cancer.  
**Fact:** There is increasing evidence that UVA rays may cause skin cancer, particularly malignant melanoma, as well as age the skin.
- Myth:** Tanning pills and lotions are the safest methods to bronze skin.  
**Fact:** Pills and lotions don't significantly reduce the risk of sunburn.

- Canadian Cancer Society

### CONTINUAL EXPOSURE TO UV RAYS INCREASES THE FOLLOWING RISKS:

- Skin cancer
- Brown, blotchy discoloration of the skin
- Wrinkling and premature aging of the skin
- Dilated surface veins
- Damage to the eye's cornea and lens (cataracts)
- Adverse reactions from medications

- Canadian Cancer Society

don't think they're any more dangerous than walking outside without sunscreen."

Hazlett added she doesn't just want a tan.

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# Blizzard proves many unfit

BY TANIA CASTONGUAY  
Health Reporter

Chances are, you've had to shovel some snow during the blizzard of '99.

The 39 cm snowfall that blanketed the city the first weekend of the new year has caused some major headaches in the area of snow removal, as well as some backaches and muscle aches too.

According to Art Salmon, a technical director at Participation, a non-profit organization that promotes fitness, hospital emergency rooms have recently been filled with people experiencing pulled muscles, sore backs, dizziness and even heart attacks from shovelling snow.

"We need to be physically fit, but clearly we're not," Salmon said.

The statistics are not good. According to the Canadian Physical Activity Guide, released by the federal government last fall, only one-third of Canadians between the ages of 25 and 55 meet the minimum fitness standards required to stay healthy.

And according to the Canadian and Fitness Lifestyle Institute, which monitors fitness levels, the future strain on the health care system will be enormous if the majority continue to have inactive lifestyles.

"The guide isn't telling Canadians to work out vigorously seven days a week, it's just telling them that exercise doesn't have to be strenuous to get benefits from it," a spokesperson from Health



PHOTO BY TANIA CASTONGUAY

**Snow has become a formidable opponent for numerous out of shape snow shovellers in Toronto. Better luck next storm!**

Canada said "The more physical activity you do, the more your health will be improved."

So, if you found yourself out of breath after shovelling that driveway, here are some tips to help you prepare for the next storm:

- Take the stairs instead of the elevator whenever possible.
- Get off the bus a few stops

early and walk to your destination.

- Start with a 10 minute walk and increase the time each outing.

- Do some stretches and bends every hour if you are sitting for long periods of time.

The guide is available online at [www.paguide.com](http://www.paguide.com) or by phone at 1-888-334-9769.

# High hopes for new athletic centre plans

BY VICTORIA MUSGRAVE  
Health Reporter

Humber students may soon have more space to flex their muscles.

According to athletic director Doug Fox, tentative plans are in the works to add a second floor to the athletic centre.

Last year, the department of athletics received received \$20,000 to draw up such plans and do feasibility studies.

The new and improved facility would house an aerobics studio, increased space for cardio and weight equipment, a fitness testing centre, a conference room and a classroom that would overlook the existing gymnasiums.

The current weight and cardio rooms could be converted to a classroom or a small studio for yoga or martial arts classes.

Fox said the existing facility is too small to meet the needs of Humber students. Aerobics classes, which are currently taught in one of the gymnasiums, are a case

in point.

"It's not a good environment, as some of the participants feel intimidated by bouncing basketballs (in adjoining gym) and people watching through the windows," he said.

A new aerobics studio and a classroom in the athletic centre would make it easier for instructors to teach fitness and recreational leadership programs, Fox added.

In addition to a lack of space, much of the current equipment is outdated and the new facility would house state-of-the-art weight and cardio equipment.

Chemical engineering student Kamal McDaniels is thrilled with the prospect.

"It might be time for some new equipment," McDaniels said.

The plans have not yet been reviewed by the Council of Student Affairs and it is not yet known how much the venture will cost or where the money will come from.



PHOTO BY VICTORIA MUSGRAVE

**Christine Ribeiro demonstrates a move in Power Box class.**

# New fitness classes

BY VICTORIA MUSGRAVE  
Health Reporter

Looking to shed those extra holiday pounds and maintain that tight body?

Well, there's good news for Humber students.

The athletic centre has marked 1999 by introducing a number of new fitness classes.

Activities sporting such names as Power Box, Boot Camp and Stretch and Strengthen have joined traditional favourites Aquafit, Hi/Lo Aerobics and Weight Training for Women.

Despite an intimidating name, the new Boot Camp class is for people who don't like step classes, but want to get fit and have fun. Basic exercises are organized into a circuit that encourages teamwork and will appeal to both men and women.

The Power Box class combines boxing and martial arts moves in an aerobic workout which pumps up your heart rate and works all the major muscle groups.

If you feel intimidated by

weight rooms, the Stretch and Strengthen program will introduce you to strengthening and flexibility techniques in a group setting.

If you're not into fitness classes of any kind, Humber students have several other workout options, including a weight training room, cardio equipment, squash courts, personal training and recreational leagues.

According to a 1997 study by the Canadian Fitness and Lifestyle Institute, students are severely lacking regular exercise. Only half of Canadians between the ages of 18 and 24 met the guidelines of Canada's Physical Activity Guide, which recommends 20 minutes of vigorous activity or 30 minutes of moderate activity four days per week.

"This is an excellent opportunity to get fit and it's free of charge," said fitness co-ordinator Leanne Henwood.

There are no upfront fees to use the facilities, other than the \$22 per semester that's included in every student's tuition bill.

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## Lifestyle etc.

### It's healthy to be blue!

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### Pass the placenta please!

Although we in the West usually toss afterbirth into the trash, the placenta is known among Vietnamese and Chinese people as a great source of protein. It is traditional among these cultures to prepare it as food and feed it to mothers.

### Lusty Thoughts

Although sexual fantasies preoccupy so much of our daily lives, what we think about during sex is sometimes anything but sexy. University of Waterloo Prof. Christine Purdon will head a student psychology study on "spectatoring" (when people think about their own performance or physical flaws during sex, rather than just enjoying the act). Purdon suspects that this may be a bigger problem for women because of the prevalence of body image disorders in our society.

## Winter frosh get cold shoulder Frost Week

BY SHERRY LANGEN  
Lifestyles Reporter

Confusing schedules, maze-like hallways, unfamiliar faces. Most Humber students remember the discomfort they felt as newcomers in September.

But for others, the challenge is just beginning.

Students who start school in January - in such programs such as Travel and Tourism and Computer Engineering - have to suffer confusion while the rest of the school is already familiar with the ins and outs of college life. To make matters worse, they also have to do it without the all the hype and help of a fall frosh week.

Sally Hedayat, a new Computer Engineering student, is disappointed with her college welcome.

"I'm not really sure what I was expecting," Hedayat said. "I thought there was a lack of advertisement of things that new students could get involved in - like clubs and sports."

With the beginning of a new semester comes the onset of night classes. New night students are also finding everything a little off-kilter.

"I didn't know where I was going," said part-time student Lisa Lange. "It was all kind of confusing. I was disappointed that there wasn't a tour or any-



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The information desk is a haven for the new and confused.

thing for my class. But I've noticed signs up all over about upcoming events, so at least I can keep informed that way."

To welcome new students during the first week of school this semester, SAC members held orientation, visited new classes, and handed out student planners. Their efforts did not go unnoticed.

"I found the timetable and student planner that SAC handed out really useful," Hedayat said.

SAC vice-president Kenn Bell

said newcomers are invited to drop by X111 to ask questions or voice concerns.

"We want new students to know about the different things that they have paid for," Bell said.

"They should benefit from the services offered."

SAC is planning "Winter Madness" the week of January 25th. The week, packed full of different events, may offer new students the opportunity they've been waiting for to ease into college life.

BY SHERRY LANGEN  
Lifestyles Reporter

Humber's residence has found a way to make all this cold weather fun, by hosting a Frost Week to welcome new students.

The events, which began on Sunday, will continue until Saturday.

"We are hoping for a good turnout for this Frost Week," Cheri White, head organizer said.

"Hopefully it won't be too cold for our outdoor events."

The itinerary includes tobogganing today, a pub trip tomorrow and mini-olympics on Saturday.

There was an 'Iron Man' contest on Tuesday night to test who could stomach disgusting food concoctions.

"You have to have a pretty strong stomach to stomach some of the crap they give you to eat," Robert Schaus, a third-year resident, said.

A coffee house at Caps last Sunday kicked the event into gear.

Sports Touring was held on Monday night in the gym with students playing floor hockey and volleyball.

On Wednesday, there was a scavenger hunt and Karaoke at CAPS.

## Students get back to the grind

BY JENNIFER BOYD  
Lifestyles Reporter

With the holidays behind us, it's time to get back to the books. And there are some students who are happy about it.

"I'm happy to be back because I live in residence so I get to see a lot of people that I haven't seen in a while, along with people from my program that I haven't seen," David Belletrutti, a first-year Professional Golf Course Management student, said.

"It's also nice to be back doing something again."

Those students who said they were glad to be back were looking

forward to graduating. Tim Corput, a Landscape Technician student is counting the days until graduation in May. "I'm very happy to be back because I only have 49 days left."

Karen Richards agreed. "I am very happy to be back at school because I want to finish my program so I can get out and work and make money and this is getting there faster."

David Charlebois, a second-year Computer Information Systems student, missed Humber's social life. "I'm happy to be back because I missed my friends."

Anthony Casamento, in first

year Business Administration, is already looking forward to the next break. "I guess I'm happy to be back, but I'm looking forward to reading week."

Those who aren't happy to be back are mainly upset about the work they'll have to do.

"I'm not happy to be back at school because now the pressure is on," Amanda Montagnese, a first-year Marketing student said.

"I was so relaxed over the holidays and now all the stress is back and all of the assignments. It's going to be too much stress."

Andrew Primeau, a first-year Design Foundation student, agreed. "I'm not very happy to be



PHOTO BY JENN BOYD

Humber students are back in class and still smiling.

back at school after the holidays because it isn't much fun here anymore."

Paul Rezar, a first-year Multimedia student put his

unhappiness into the simplest terms.

"It's school, what do you think? Of course I'm not happy to be back."

<p><b>Capricorn</b> (Dec. 21 - Jan. 20) Don't worry about that little voice you keep hearing inside your head. It's your inner voice, not a sign of mental instability. Listen up and you won't be sorry!</p>	<p><b>Pisces</b> (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) If the travel bug is itching, why not give it a scratch? Take that last minute road trip and act on your impulses. Whether or not you only live once is completely irrelevant.</p>	<p><b>Taurus</b> (Apr. 20 - May 21) Busting your ass has never been more profitable. One of your dreams may come true after all. Hope it's not the one where you're standing naked in front of your class.</p>	<p><b>Cancer</b> (June 21 - July 22) Your constant whining is beginning to get on everyone's nerves. Friends with call display are avoiding your phone calls, so lightning up may be in your best interest.</p>	<p><b>Virgo</b> (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23) Cupid will be visiting you early this year! In the meantime, keep plenty of free space in your datebook because you're going to need it for that new honey.</p>	<p><b>Scorpio</b> (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22) The bad news is that you're not just paranoid. People have been gossiping about you. The good news is that you may actually like what they're saying.</p>
<p><b>Aquarius</b> (Jan. 20 - Feb. 19) You're exhausted and now is the time to catch up on those zzzs. So put your feet up and tune into those soaps you've been neglecting. No excuses are necessary.</p>	<p><b>Aries</b> (Mar. 20 - Apr. 20) Hang on tight to your homies. Life's going to suck for a while so you'll need their support. Don't worry, what seems like a miracle will come your way this weekend.</p>	<p><b>Gemini</b> (May 21 - June 21) You bore so easily that even when you're not, you worry about times when you might be, and then you're bored again. Money on the way should help you entertain yourself.</p>	<p><b>Leo</b> (July 22 - Aug. 23) Lately your love-life has put you upside-down more times than an afternoon at Wonderland. Remedy the situation or get off the ride!</p>	<p><b>Libra</b> (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) You're feeling hornier than a pre-teen at a Backstreet Boys concert. Luckily your pick-up lines may actually work this weekend.</p>	<p><b>Sagittarius</b> (Nov. 22 - Dec. 22) All you wanna do is have some fun, but unfortunately there's lots of work to be done. Try to keep focused and resist the call of the wild for once.</p>

# Is bigger better?

*One hundred Humber women cast their votes on whether size really matters below the belt.*

BY CLAUDIA ZOQUE  
Lifestyles Reporter

**P**ecker, sword of love, wiener, love vessel, shlong. No matter how you say it, it's all relative to the essence of one's manhood.

Some are long, some are stubby, some are thick, some are thin. But the \$1 million dollar questions are: Does size matter? And what will men do to measure up?

A survey of 100 Humber women found that the vote was almost split on whether size matters. While 51 women answered that size wasn't relevant, 49 thought it makes a difference whether he is hung like a horse or as wee as a flea.

"To a certain degree it matters," Christina Batty, 33, a Public Relations student said.

"I think sensitivity, emotional connection and love are important, but speaking on a purely

physical level, there is some importance to it."

Some men agree.

....."You have to have something packing," said varsity soccer player Nathaniel Singleton. "It's a guy thing. Within the jock society, guys believe ignorantly that when you're in an intimate relationship, the larger the size, the more pleasure will be gained, which is not necessarily true."

Some people felt that whatever the circumstance, the relationship shouldn't be based on the size of the boat but rather the motion of the ocean.

"It's what God gave me," said 19-year-old Dan Eisses, a Civil Engineering student. "I think if I am with a girl intimately that I care about, she shouldn't care about size."

If you feel your equipment is not up to snuff, phalloplasty, a surgical procedure to enhance the penis, may be an option.

Phalloplasty is breaking new ground in the cosmetic realm of possibilities for men.

Dr. Robert Stubbs, Canada's leading plastic surgeon in phalloplasty, said the procedure, like cosmetic surgery, is not without its risks.

"Phalloplasty is still relatively new in terms of a testing ground," Dr. Stubbs said. "We'll have to see what happens."

Depending on the type of surgery, recovery time can vary from three weeks to several months.

Dr. Stubbs' patients are usually wealthy, middle-aged, family men.

Adonis wannabes have a hefty price to pay.

Enlargement and girth enhancement procedures can range anywhere from \$1,800 to \$5,500. Or, if lengthening your member is what you are shopping for, be prepared to shell out around \$4,500 or more.



PHOTO BY RYAN SIMPER

Desperately trying to measure up below the belt.

## Tricks are treats in Rez

BY SHERRY LANGEN  
Lifestyles Reporter

**R**esidence is a home away from home during the school year, but when you put about 720 college students in one place, there's bound to be horseplay.

From frozen turkeys in someone's bed to shaving cream on a doorknob, pranks are a source of amusement for many students.

"It's all in good fun," Robert Schaus, a third-year student, said. "I think it makes it more exciting and amusing. Doing pranks and having pranks done to you is what residence is all about."

Schaus, who lived on an all-male floor his first year, said the "prank wars" are what brought him back to residence.

"It's all just harmless fun," Schaus said.

"Everyone has a good laugh and the victim plots his revenge. It's the way things go."

John Conrad, residence life coordinator, said there's no official policy on discipline for pranks and jokes.

"As long as the joke isn't harassment or (doesn't) violate any of our policies, we let most things go by without discipline," he said.

"We try to treat the students as adults."

Conrad said if there is damage or cleaning charges as a result of the joke, the person responsible will be held accountable for the cost.

Schaus said the residence

assistant (RA) usually lets most of the small stuff slide.

"If a prank gets out of hand, or someone complains, then it's the RA's job to get things under control," he said.

"But in the three years that I've been here, I find that most students won't pull a prank unless they think that the person they are doing it to will be okay with it."

Jason Partridge, an RA, said the disciplinary action RAs are supposed to take "depends on the prank and the reaction of the person who has the prank played against them."

"So far this school year, the pranks have been kept under control," he said. "There's the usual moving someone's room into the lobby or stealing someone's clothes from the bathroom while they take a shower."

James Barber, a Lakeshore student who now lives off-campus, remembers last year when he left his door open and had his furniture rearranged. His posters were even turned upside down.



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The Black Crowes return with *By Your Side*; Sugar Ray counts the remaining seconds on their clock of fame with *14:59*; Britney Spears debut, *Baby One More Time*.

## The thin, red truth about war

BY RYAN SIMPER  
Editorial Staff

There's a thin line between imagination and reality, between good and evil, and between peace and war in Terrence Malick's new World War II drama.

*The Thin Red Line*, based on James Jones' 1962 novel about the American campaign to secure the South Pacific island of Guadalcanal, follows one company of men as they deal with the trials, tribulations and realities of war.

Malick earned his reputation with just two films in the '70s: "Badlands" with then unknown actor Martin Sheen, and "Days of Heaven" with the not-yet-famous Richard Gere.

Since then Malick has been a shadow, refusing to do interviews with the media and choosing not to live the extravagant life of a big time director. However, with his first movie in 20 years, Malick has proved that he has not lost his touch when it comes to creating art on film, like a painter does with his canvas.

The cast includes the likes of John Travolta, George Clooney, Woody Harrelson, John Cusack, Sean Penn, Ben Chaplin, Nick Nolte, Elias Koteas and newcomer Jim Caviezel. But, star-quality becomes insignificant as Malick captivates the audience with the true elements of film: acting, cinematography and emotion. He has truly captured the carnage and tragedy of war, and the incomprehension of the men who fight it, without the glitter of Hollywood



Ben Chaplin, John Cusack and Jim Caviezel star in *The Thin Red Line*, opening January 15

to aid him.

And, much like he did with Sheen and Gere, he has brought another young actor, in the form of Caviezel, to the forefront.

Caviezel by far outshines most of his fellow actors, with the exception of Penn and Nolte. These two remain principals throughout the film and give quite possibly the best performances of their careers. Travolta, Clooney and Harrelson, however, spend very little time on-screen, and disappear or die without explanation.

But, it would almost seem that

Malick meant it to be this way. It is perfectly in keeping with the film's overall feeling that all things are created equal, even Hollywood actors. Star quality is lost, just like the need for military rank amongst a group of men who are fighting as one.

Unfortunately, audiences who are expecting a constant narrative and storyline throughout the film, as there were in other war movies like "Saving Private Ryan" and "Apocalypse Now" will be disappointed.

*The Thin Red Line* is not a film with a voice. It's a film with

the lesson, that there is nothing romantic about war. Malick has presented war in the form of a nightmare, often defiant of rational explanation.

It is seen on the faces of every single character. Not the look of fear or anger that you would expect, but rather the look of wonderment or confusion.

It may take a while for people to accept it as one of the best war movies of our time, but if Malick can wait 20 years between movies and still be recognized among the likes of Spielberg and Coppola, he can certainly wait to get his due

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BY CHRIS HOLLOWAY  
Arts Reporter

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Although it is a volunteer position, those helping out will benefit from the experience. Depending on the number of

shifts worked, helpers could receive T-shirts, passes to shows, or a letter of recognition.

Also, those working three or more shifts will receive a pass to the wrap party at the Westin Harbour Castle on closing night. This is always one of the biggest industry parties of the year, and many of the performers from the Juno awards will be dropping by following the awards show.

Application forms can be picked up in room K107. You can get more information by calling Ross Fullerton at (416)754-5843, or check out their website at <http://www.cmw.net>. Volunteers will be contacted by Jan 28, so apply now if you're interested.

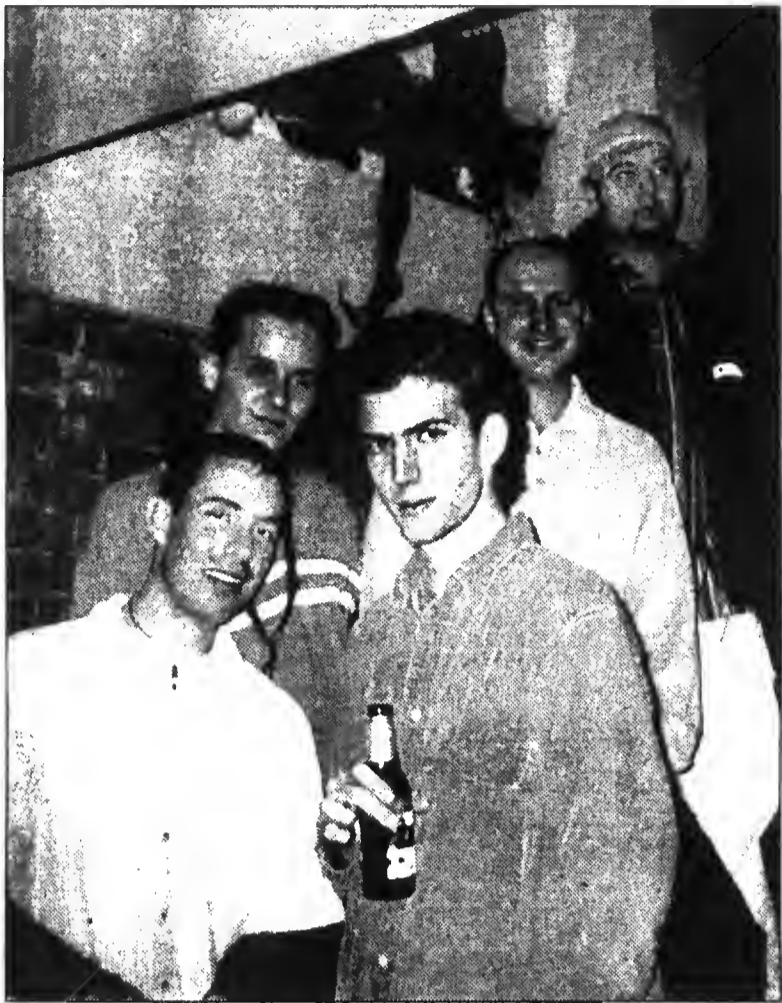


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Neil Shankman, Milos Angelov, Al Witz, Alexi Perin and Arthur Karekes make up God Made Me Funky.

# God made them funky

BY NICOLE MANN  
Arts Reporter

**G**eorge Clinton, look out: God Made Me Funky is poised to move into the jazz and funk scene.

The five member band was formed in July, 1998. With Neil Shankman, Milos Angelov, Al Witz, Alexi Perin and Arthur Karekes, the band's musical style closely follows in the crossover jazz tradition.

They blend funk and soul with contemporary jazz making their sound both familiar and unique.

"Our music definitely influenced by all the leading Funk figures - James Brown, Maseo Parker and Parliament Funkadelic," explained Shankman, the band's keyboardist.

The drummer Witz, pointed out that the band is influenced by the early days of jazz.

"We do a lot of old jazz tunes. Tunes by Miles Davis and Thelonious Monk," The name

God Made Me Funky, is the title of a song by the 1970's Funk band The Mandrills. "It (God Made Me Funky) is an obscure Funk tune, we liked the name of the song...It's a great name, bit of an inside joke, and a cool tune," explained Shankman.

Although the band has only been together since last July, they are surprisingly crisp. Their musical compatibility becomes increasingly evident as they progress from one complex improv to another.

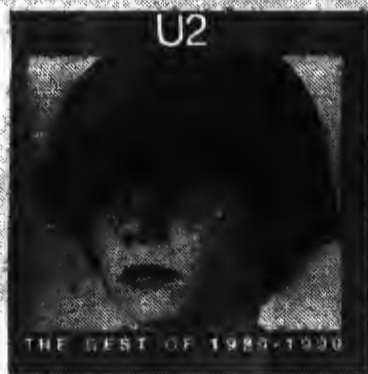
As Karekes explained, their ability to follow each other so well is not entirely due to rehearsals. "Neil and Mark met

at a summer program at Berkeley College of Music in Boston, (and I played with Mark in High School. Al was a good friend of Neil's, so we all just hooked up."

Although the band mainly plays covers, they choose fairly unknown titles and develop their own arrangements, creating a unique sound. "We don't play the tunes as they are, we just take the head and do a bunch of solos, do a change, come out of it and (then) end the song." Explained Shankman, "Most of our music is danceable you want to get up and boogie and shake it down! It's a perfect balance between jazz and funk."

## CD Pick of the Week

### U2's The Best of 1980-1990



One sure sign you're getting old is when a greatest hits CD comes out that reminds you of highschool.

U2's recently released "The Best of (1980-1990)" actually only runs through 1988, encapsulating both my secondary and what I call the band's "pre-disco" years.

With 1980-1990, after seven long years of ambivalence, U2 fans have a reason to rejoice once again. The compilation does a good job of reminding fans how, and why, the group got so huge.

From "I Will Follow" (from 1980's 'Boy') to 1988's "All I Want Is You" (From Rattle and Hum), the CD maps the band's pre-sellout history. Included are most of the classics, from Sunday Bloody Sunday to The Unforgettable Fire to Angel of Harlem. 1980-1990 reminds us old folks of the days before MuchMusic, when CDs were called albums, the Backstreet Boys were still wearing diapers, and U2 still rocked.

-Andrew McKay

## A Civil Action - or inaction?

BY ANDREW MCKAY  
Editorial Staff

**A** courtroom-based drama, when done properly, can be one of the most satisfying moviegoing experiences around. When done wrong, it fails.

A Civil Action recounts the tale of Jan Schlichtmann (John Travolta), an ambulance-chasing personal-injury lawyer who sues two large corporations on behalf of the families in a small New England town. After 11 children in Woburn, Mass. contract leukemia, suspicions are raised about possible pollutants making their way into the town's drinking water. With visions of conglomerate settlement dollars dancing in his head, Schlichtmann agrees to go after Beatrice Foods and W.R. Grace & Co., who run factories in the town.

The movie follows the case's progression, from initial investigations to depositions to the courtroom. It also shows the

viewer Schlichtmann's personal struggles, as he puts everyone in his law office on the case, shutting down the firm's revenue stream, and ultimately, the firm itself.

Unfortunately, every aspect of the movie falls short of expectations. There are hints that Schlichtmann is developing a moral fiber, but he regresses into a money-grabbing leach at every turn.

Anne Anderson (Kathleen Quinlan), the Woburn mother who lost a child and initiated the lawsuit, appears so infrequently, one forgets she had anything to do with the case. When she does show up onscreen, our sympathies feel superficial and forced.

Robert Duvall gives one of the more troubling performances in the film. As the eccentric defence lawyer and law school professor, he seems primed to pull off a saavy manoeuvre or inspirational speech that befits his experience. When it doesn't come (other than in a forced classroom lecture), the

viewer feels cheated. Perhaps the greatest problem with this film is the story itself.

Tony Shalhoub and William H. Macy (the erstwhile ER veteran who excelled in 1997's Fargo) turn in solid performances as Schlichtmann's partners, who lose everything during the course of events. Once again, though, we feel guilty for sympathizing with their plight, because of our expectations from Schlichtmann.

Simply put, with a story treatment like A Civil Action, one goes in with great expectations. We want the movie to be a great combination of courtroom drama and investigation, with a great cast and the added bonus that this had actually happened.

Instead, we get an A-list actor who misses his mark (Michael, Mad City, Staying Alive) as often as he hits it (Pulp Fiction, Phenomenon, Grease); a story that inadequately explores each aspect of the case and its players; and a lawyer who we end up rooting against, but don't know why.



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# Sports

## Slow start proves costly for Hawks

BY DEAN PINKHAM  
Mens Basketball Reporter

One shot, one second, one loss. That about sums it up as the Humber men's basketball team suffered their first loss of the season 61-59 last Wednesday to arch rivals the Sheridan Bruins.

With time running out, both squads clawed for that last shot. Unfortunately for Humber, Sheridan's Mike George got it. He didn't make a mistake tipping in the winning basket with one tick left on the clock.

Humber Hawks almost pulled off the comeback, but they couldn't get together offensively.

"Our shooting was cold," Humber coach Mike Katz said. "Some days the shots don't drop."

Actually both teams came out shooting as cold as a January night in Toronto, until Hawk forward Adrian Clarke opening the scoring two minutes into the game.

Unfortunately for the Hawks, it was the Bruins' shooting which thawed first, as they roared to a 25-8 lead, putting Humber in an 17-point hole by the 14-minute mark of the first half.

Struggling with their offence, Humber decided to focus on defence. As a result, their shots started to fall and they outscored the Bruins 13-8 over the final six minutes.

"We were getting our shots," guard Sylvio Carta explained. "We

had to tighten up on defence if we were going to win. It had to be at the defensive end."

In the second half, Carta stepped up and drained the first of two consecutive three pointers. This explosion along with their boisterous fans allowed the Hawks to soar back into contention, slicing the Bruins lead to 37-31, five minutes into the second half.

"Those shots turned the game around," Carta said.

Humber's surge wasn't lost on Sheridan coach Jim Flack.

"Our play was very disappointing during that four-minute period of the half. Humber doesn't quit. No lead is safe when you play that team," said Flack.

The Hawks, buoyed by great defensive play from forward Marcel Lawrence, went on a 15-6 run, closing the gap to three, 39-36.

Humber's rebounding picked up and their shots started hitting more mesh than metal. Isaac King went on an eight-point tear to bring the Hawks within a basket. And with six minutes left, forward

Ivan Kajfes, drove to the basket, tying the game 50-50.

The Hawks increased their lead to 57-50, two minutes later but the Bruins answered and the teams were deadlocked at 59-59.

Then in a split second, the comeback was crushed. Humber's fans sat stunned, while Sheridan's supporters cheered beside them.

The Bruins leading scorer, Shane Bascoe, was pleased with his team's effort.

"We were moving the ball well, looking inside and outside, finding the man," Bascoe said.

Coach Katz while disappointed with the loss put it in perspective. "I was pleased with our play in the second half. We were not going to go undefeated," said Katz.

Katz and his team look forward to a rematch at Sheridan on Feb 6.

"There are always great battles between these two teams," he said.

You can catch the Hawks' next game when they travel to Centennial College to take on the Colts, Jan. 21. Tip-off is at 8 p.m.

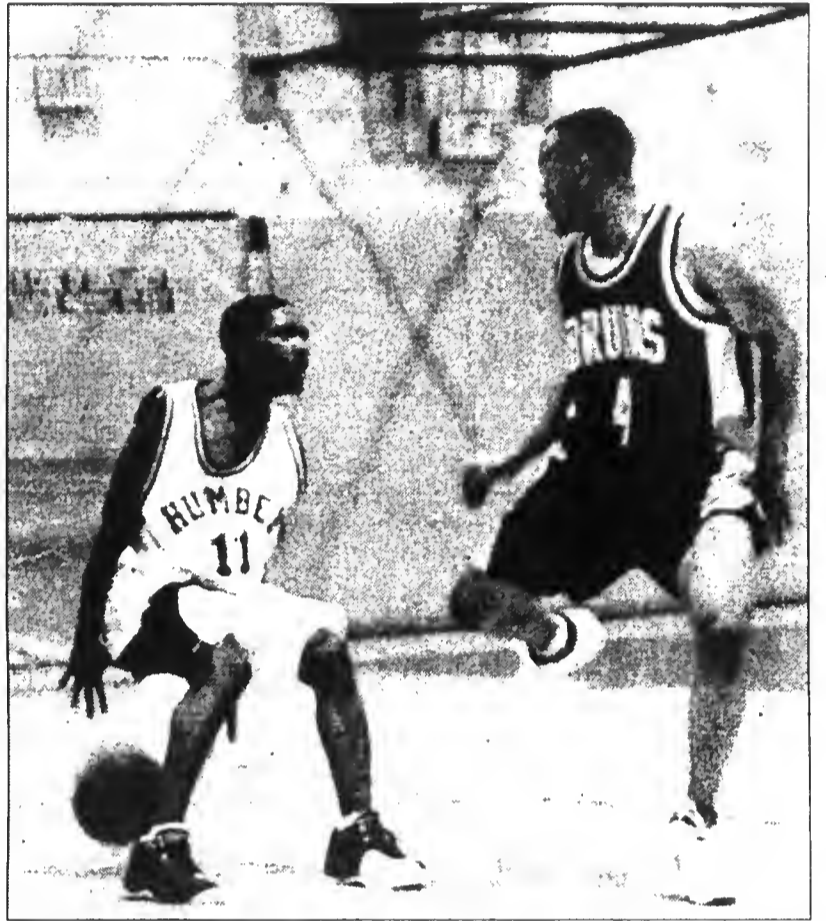


PHOTO BY ANDREW MICKAY

Jeremy Murray gets ready to make his move to the Bruins net.

## Women's hoops end year on a high

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The Hawks, who are currently ranked third in the nation, won their third Seneca Classic Championship title. The win capped off a successful holiday season, which saw the Hawks win medals in three separate tournaments.

"I was happy with our play. This was the first time in a few games that I didn't have to go in at half-time to yell at them about anything," Hawks coach Jim Henderson said.

"We didn't have to make any major adjustments throughout the game.

"We wanted the tough competition. It was really tough this weekend but we were ready for them."

Hawk guard Missy McCutcheon's 19 points earned her game MVP honours. Teammate Tina Botterill, who notched 13 points, and Audrey Kaersenhout were named tournament all-stars.

"This tournament was a big win for us because there were so many top ranked teams here," McCutcheon said.

"Since I've been here (at Humber College), we've lost to Daemen every time we've played them so that was a big win. They walked through most of their games here at the tournament so to beat them was an important victo-

ry for us," she said.

The Hawks had been physically drained from playing four games in three days but were once again able to make a total team effort at both ends of the court to come out on top.

"Everyone contributed and we played well as a team," Botterill said. "We were tired but we realize that it's all in the mental game so we were able to excel past that."

"We showed the other teams as well as ourselves that if we put our mind to something and work as a team, we can conquer anything we want to. Our team is feeling really confident right now."

The Hawks played consistent basketball with impressive victories over the top three teams from Quebec. Humber squeaked by the Vanier Cheetahs 63-57 in the opening game of the tourney and went on to slaughter Cegep de Ste. Foy Dynamiques 60-48. Humber then eliminated the second ranked Montmorency Nomades, by a score of 61-50, putting the Hawks into the final.

Hawk guard Aman Hasebenebi, is certain that the team will now take their game up to the next level for the second half of the season.

"We can only get better Hasebenebi said. "We can't get any worse. We have to keep the intensity in practice. We have to

focus because we know that we can win the provincials and go on to the nationals."

"The team knows we have to work even harder now because all we can think about right now is the nationals. I think we're ready," she said.

The Seneca Classic capped off a gruelling stretch for the team. They had played 11 games in 14 days with two tournaments out west and a regular season game at home against the Mohawk Mountaineers.

Humber started off the two-week stretch with a second-place finish in a tourney in Edmonton, losing to Mount Royal in the

finals. The team then headed off to Calgary, where they soundly beat College of the Cariboo in the bronze medal game of the tournament.

The road-weary bunch then jumped on a plane back home, to play the next night against Mohawk. They dished out a first class beating in a 101-41 final. Nicoline Clarke shot 11 for 16 from the field to finish with 28 points and 14 rebounds while Hasebenebi scored 17 points and added 7 boards.

On Saturday, Jan. 16, the streaking Hawks head to Niagara to play the Knights in their second meeting of the season.



PHOTO BY GARY D. MELLO

Brenda Chambers looks to make a quick inside pass.



### Sports etc.

■ Saturday, January 16  
Women's Basketball team on the road against Niagara.

■ Saturday, January 16  
Men's and women's volleyball All-Star Game at Niagara College.

■ Thursday, January 21  
Men's hockey facesoff against Conestoga at 5.

■ Thursday, January 21  
Women's Volleyball team travels to Brampton to take on Sheridan.

■ Thursday, January 21  
Men's Basketball squad takes to the road against Centennial.

# Feeling pressured? Get rec'd

BY IRWIN DICK  
Sports Reporter

If keeping active is a part of college life, why are there so few students participating in recreational events at Humber College?

Jobs, family, school and a lack of motivation seem to be factors that are contributing to students not taking part in campus recreational sports.

"There is no time in the day. I have to work and I live far [away]. If I lived in residence then I would do it for sure," Kelley Gonsalves, a first year marketing student, said.

School, jobs and relationships can all limit a student's ability to participate. Low turnouts for recreational events can also be attributed to students not being informed about

an intramural game of basketball taking place.

"I have problems getting ahold of people. It was easier in high school to reach people," David Tkaczuka, a first year Marketing student said. "I'm bored at nights and would like to do things. The only reason I play squash is because I know how to get signed up."

Even if students aren't aware of it, Humber Athletics provides many activities for students interested in participating in sports while at school.

Leagues exist for basketball, indoor soccer, co-ed volleyball, and floor- and ice-hockey. There are instructional clinics for volleyball, badminton and squash, and day tournaments happen monthly. These include "3 point" basketball shootouts and two-on-two volleyball tournaments. Humber has designed a variety of programs so students can be active while attending college. Organizers of these events have noticed a decline in the participation of students in recreational programs.

"We have noticed a change at colleges and see that people are going away from organized events to free-time programs. Organized events mean everyone has to have the same timetable to play with each other," Doug Fox, director of athletics, said.

By having such a wide range of students enrolled at the college in different programs, it makes it difficult to have similar timetables and this hurts the success of intramurals at Humber, Jim Bialek, facility manager explained.

Bialek also attributed low numbers in intramurals to the decline of league-oriented programs. "There are more individuals than teams. This makes it difficult to co-ordinate with each other. People do not like to participate in events where they do not know anybody," he said.



PHOTO BY IRWIN DICK

Students cool off from classes with a quick dip in Humber's pool.



PHOTO BY ERIKA FORD

Taking it up strong between classes in Humber's gym.

## Wanted: Hawkey players

BY DEAN PINKHAM  
Men's Basketball Reporter

Attention, all male students who can play hockey.

Humber's varsity hockey team is looking for a few skilled players. If you have played hockey at the Tier II Junior level or above, Jim Bialek, Humber's manager of facilities and recreation, wants to meet you.

**"We're looking for talented athletes, not players to just fill out the roster"**

Jim Bialek  
Facility Manager/  
Campus Recreation Coordinator

"It's an opportunity to get involved in a program that offers a very high calibre of hockey," Bialek said.

The Hawks are currently in second place with an impressive 6-2-1 record at the half way mark of the season. With nine games remaining, plus the provincial and national championships, Bialek wants interested players to know that if they make the squad, there will be a spot for them on the ice, not just on the bench.

"We're looking for talented athletes, not players to just fill out the roster," Bialek said.

"We want to increase our depth and solidify our roster in our drive to win a championship."

Players who make the grade could be pressed into action as early as Jan. 18, when the Hawks play an exhibition tilt against Mohawk Valley Community College from Utica, N.Y.

The second half of the season begins with a home game against the Conestoga College Condors at Westwood arena on Jan. 21, at 4:30pm.

To get in touch with Jim Bialek, drop into the athletic centre and introduce yourself, or call him at (416) 675-6622, ext. 4539.



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Jim Bialek is looking for good players to fill key positions.

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# Indoor soccer starts

BY IAIN LONDON  
Women's Soccer Reporter

All soccer fans suffering from withdrawal be prepared. The fast-paced indoor soccer season is about to begin.

After holding its first practice on Monday, the women's soccer team already have its eyes on the OCAA crown.

Coach Mauro Ongaro is very confident about his team's abilities, stating the Hawks are an

"excellent team" and "should make the OCAAs for sure"

Although the core of the team is made up almost entirely of first-year players, Ongaro knows them well (having coached them all during a successful outdoor season in the fall).

Ongaro's philosophy of play is a game of possession, ball control and organization that relies on skillful players.

The indoor soccer season is unlike most other sports in that there is no regular season. Instead

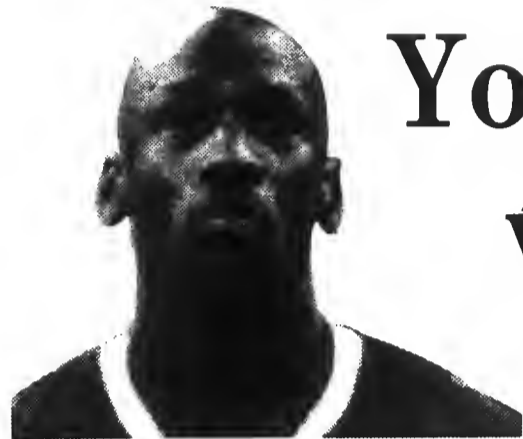
the team will compete in a number of tournaments.

The most important of these is the regional tournament that will be held at Redeemer College March 5-6.

The winner of this tournament will advance to the OCAAs in North Bay.

Coach Ongaro recognizes the inherent danger in having an entire season come down to one weekend.

"We can't take anyone lightly," he said.



## You mean you won't play forever?

BY ERIKA FORD  
Editorial Staff

It's over.

I knew it had to happen. I knew it would probably happen this season. Yet, I wasn't prepared.

Michael's gone.

I speak like I know him. I speak like a teammate who will no longer be running up the court alongside him, hoping to make the pass on a spectacular play and be seen in the highlight reels with him.

I wasn't his teammate. He never took a pass from me and turned it into a rim-shaking slam, or a graceful fade-away.

But he was my teammate. We spent countless hours practising. He patiently passed to me as I worked on my shot. He fed me in the low post as I battled for position and practised a weak baby hook. He yelled at me to keep my toes pointed and hands up on defence. He clapped my effort as I dived for loose balls. And of course he passed me the ball with mere seconds remaining on the clock to make the game winning shot, and I made it. I've lost count of how many NBA championships I've won; all with a desperation shot assisted by Michael Jordan.

I can say I'm happy he left at the top of his game. I can say I'm glad he'll be able to spend more time with his family. I can say I'm pleased he'll have more privacy. And deep down - deep, deep down - I do feel that way. But I'm a basketball fan, and Michael was the greatest to play the game. I'm going to miss the electricity in the air when he stepped on the court. I'm going to miss watching Jordan use moves that players will marvel at, then copy and adopt as their own. But unlike his real teammates, I know that when I miss a foulshot, he'll still be soaring over my head to ram it back through the hoop.



PHOTOS BY ERIKA FORD

Michael Jordan against Doug Christie in 1996-1997 season. Skydome crowds set basketball attendance records when Jordan played.

BY JOHN CHICK  
Editorial Staff

When Michael sank that jumper with 5.2 seconds left in Game 6 of the NBA finals last June, we all knew it was the most fitting way for him to end his career. However, the lockout took centerstage not long after that, and the questions about his future were put on the back burner.

Now, seven months later, the lockout's over and the question has been answered.

Michael Jordan is retiring, and although it's not a huge shock or a devastating blow, it means something very special has come to an end. Only a handful of athletes in the history of sports have achieved what Michael did, which was immortality that transcended their game.

Only Muhammad Ali and Babe Ruth come to mind in that area - their stardom so broad that people who knew nothing about sports knew exactly who they were.

With due respect to Wilt and Kareem, Michael was the greatest basketball player of all-time, bar none.

The NBA record for consecutive titles is eight, which the Bulls would easily have matched had Jordan not quit for two years. That says enough right there.

Yet the memories he created will always stick out: The long jumpers to beat Cleveland and Utah; the mid-air hand switch against the Lakers; and scoring 35 points while hardly being able to walk from a severe flu. Michael helped define the '90s.

He's one of those people you'll tell your grandkids: "I saw him play."

### Athlete of the Week



Nicoline Clarke - Women's Basketball

Clarke, a second year center scored a game high 28 points and 14 rebounds in the women's win against the Mohawk Mountaineers last Thursday.

She was also a defensive force at the Seneca Tournament on the weekend, blocking many who dared take the ball to the hole.



Isaac King - Men's Basketball

King recently returned to the Hawks line-up after injuring his hand. King led the Hawks in scoring against the Sheridan Bruins last Thursday. He exploded in the second half, scoring eight straight points, bringing his team within a basket. King finished the night with 15 points.

### Scoreboard

#### Men's Basketball

Central Region	Team Standings & Stats											
TEAM	GP	W	L	FOR	AGT	PTS	3FG	2FG	FTA	FTM	FT%	PF
Humber	6	5	1	439	393	10	22	151	107	71	0.664	114
Sheridan	5	4	1	405	377	8	23	118	151	100	0.662	8
Algonquin	4	3	1	329	264	6	13	113	100	64	0.640	75
Centennial	2	1	1	168	168	2	11	52	46	31	0.674	42
Seneca	5	1	4	354	401	2	31	91	129	79	0.612	120
Durham	6	0	6	442	534	0	16	147	163	100	0.613	113

#### Women's Basketball

Central Region	Team Standings & Stats											
TEAM	GP	W	L	FOR	AGT	PTS	3FG	2FG	FTA	FTM	FT%	PF
Humber	8	8	0	708	245	16	25	262	185	109	0.589	102
Fanshawe	7	6	1	461	266	12	30	146	111	79	0.712	82
Mohawk	8	6	2	491	404	12	11	184	144	90	0.625	148
Durham	8	4	4	387	383	8	4	127	204	121	0.593	104
George Br.	8	4	4	408	419	8	3	155	168	89	0.530	156
Seneca	7	3	4	335	395	6	7	133	85	48	0.565	122
Niagara	5	2	3	213	291	4	3	77	93	50	0.538	91
Georgian	7	0	7	152	503	0	4	58	85	24	0.282	161
Redeemer	8	0	8	300	549	0	22	89	117	56	0.479	123

#### Men's Hockey

West Region	Team Standings & Stats									
TEAM	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PIM	GA AVG	PTS	
Cambrian	9	8	1	0	67	29	554	3.22	16	
Humber	9	6	2	1	57	32	340	3.56	13	
S.S. Fleming	8	5	3	0	44	33	190	4.13	10	
Seneca	9	3	5	1	38	45	330	5.00	7	
Boreal	9	3	6	0	37	67	270	7.44	6	
Conestoga	9	3	6	0	31	43	386	4.78	6	
Sault	7	1	6	0	17	42	386	6.00	2	

#### Men's Volleyball

West Region	Team Standings & Stats									
TEAM	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	PTS	K	SB	SA	T OFF
Humber	8	8	0	24	1	16	347	102	66	515
Niagara	8	6	2	20	10	12	434	75	23	532
Seneca	7	5	2	16	10	10	364	72	47	483
Redeemer	8	4	4	15	15	8	347	58	43	448
Mohawk	8	3	5	14	21	6	350	70	41	461
Cambrian	8	2	6	11	22	4	353	90	43	486
Sheridan	6	1	5	9	16	2	251	68	32	351
Georgian	7	1	6	6	20	2	265	45	28	338

#### Women's Volleyball

Central Region	Team Standings & Stats									
TEAM	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	PTS	K	SB	SA	T OFF
Humber	6	6	0	18	0	12	219	51	51	321
Seneca	6	5	1	15	8	10	226	42	43	311
Cambrian	6	4	2	14	9	8	238	31	56	325
Sheridan	6	3	3	10	10	6	169	28	29	226
Centennial	6	2	4	11	12	4	181	61	46	288
Georgian	6	1	5	4	15	2	97	27	17	141
Boreal	6	0	6	0	18	0	81	11	21	113



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