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# Cookout winner sizzles the competition

Kelvin Tran

NEWS EDITOR

Frenzied chopping and frantic peeling hit the cutting boards as students bid for a grand prize of \$1,000.

Dacyion Reid, a first year Culinary Management student, emerged as the winner of the finals of the Youth Culinary Talent's (YOCUTA). The theme was "Trendy Twists for a Healthy Dish."

"I'm actually surprised and I feel good, some money in my pocket. It's my first time competing," said Reid on her victory.

Her winning dish was cilantro-lime shrimp with cauliflower rice.

"I essentially wanted something healthy and trendy," Reid said. "I thought cauliflower rice, that's trendy. Avocado and just shrimp for a little more protein."

Reid was one of three competitors. The others were Samantha Simms, a second year Baking and Pastry Arts student, and Lais Donella, a second year Nutrition student.

Donella placed second with a bean patty with tabbouleh salad. Simms' dish was a ginger thyme bulgur pilaf.

Each student had to include a base or flavour concentrate from the competition partner, Nestlé Minor's, which specializes in sauces and liquid flavours. And they had

to make do with ingredients and cookware supplied by the college.

Greg Howe, a culinary instructor and one of the cookoff's organizers, said the three competitors were chosen from a larger pool of students who submitted recipes to a selection committee.

"That's actually where the selection process took place," he said.

"All the recipes were sent in and the selection committee took a look at all the recipes and picked the three that seemed to best fit in with "Trendy Twists for a Healthy Dish," Howe said.

He says cooking is a life skill everyone should have as, theoretically, people cook every day.

"There're students that take culinary that decide they don't want to do it and they think they wasted their time. But I say, 'You know what, you haven't wasted your time,'" Howe said.

"It's not like they were taking welding and decided after a year of welding, they didn't want to do it, and when are you ever going to weld again necessarily," he said.

Howe said cooking should be more of a focus in schools.

"Maybe healthy cooking should be taught in Grade Six and in Grade Seven, and teach kids how utilize fruits and vegetables, and vegetable proteins and cook healthy meals," he said. "Maybe that will solve

some of the problems of so much unhealthy eating that goes on with young people and with adults.

"Let's face it, everybody eats junk food, right?" he said.

Howe also said the School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism has numerous partnerships with companies in the industry like Nestlé.

"We bring them in, showcase their product, and our students can win some money," he said. "That's why we do it, to strengthen our relationship with industry and the partners that we have and to expose our students to things they may not necessarily get to see."

Brandon Primozic, the assistant marketing manager at Nestlé, says the YOCUTA program is an opportunity to invest in the development and support of young culinary talents. With this program they can educate, involve, and gain experience for students looking to enter the culinary field.

There was a mishap halfway through the competition as two of the induction burners lost power, causing a delay in the cooking.

Rick Secko, a corporate chef for Nestlé, said that reflected the realities of working in a kitchen.

"It comes out a lot within the cooking industry that inevitably something is going to happen that might throw you off your game. And how you react toward those



NESTLÉ PROFESSIONAL

Dacyion Reid prepares her cilantro-lime shrimp and cauliflower rice dish at Humber. Reid took home first place and the \$1,000 grand prize.

things, that shows you how to succeed," he said.

Many students gathered to watch the competition, finding it to be a relief from all their studying.

"Yeah, it's good to see, the college

is all books, we only see books," said Navjot Kaur, a first year Business Management student. "This is a good thing that's different. Even I didn't know there were other courses like this, like baking and pastry."

## Advocates call for campus mindfulness about accessibility concerns

Galvin Zaldivar

NEWS REPORTER

Humber celebrated the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on Dec. 3 with a call for able-bodied people to be more considerate of those around them.

IGNITE and Humber's Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Committee launched two PSA videos highlighting attitudinal barriers students and staff with disabilities face on campus.

"It's not a wrong way of thinking to say that everyone needs to have access to education," said IGNITE President Monica Khosla.

The first video, featuring Khosla, asks Humber students and faculty to be considerate of persons with disabilities when using the elevators. The second video reminds the community to be more aware of the



GALVIN ZALDIVAR

Sonia Thakur, accessibility consultant at Humber, speak about the progress of accessibility initiatives at Humber's residences and dorms.

spaces they use and occupy around the college. It features an able-bodied student entering a washroom clearly marked for persons with disabilities.

Each video asks, "What will you do?"

Khosla said that talking to students has made her aware of barriers that she herself would not

encounter. These weren't limited to physical barriers, such as the furniture and layout of a classroom, but in how classroom materials are presented and made available.

"[There are] some things professors can do to make their students feel more included in their classroom and in the conversation," she said.

The United Nations established the International Day of Persons with Disabilities in 1992. Every year they promote a theme to help spread understanding and awareness of the issues faced by persons with disabilities. This year's theme was "Empowering Persons with Disabilities and Ensuring Inclusiveness and Equality."

Sonia Thakur, an Accessibility Consultant, was a key speaker at the Humber North campus event.

"Something to strive for in terms

of inclusiveness...is to think [about] approaches to learning and services in a universally designed way," Thakur said.

For example, Thakur recommends offering recorded lectures directly to students with accommodations instead of them having to record it themselves. She also said instructors could offer alt-text, which means verbal descriptions of visual elements to add context for people with visual impairments.

Zahra Brown, an Equity Generalist with Human Resources and emcee of the Humber celebration, said students shouldn't be afraid to advocate for their needs. Brown said staff should also be aware that every student has different needs.

"If students are not speaking up, then we can't allow staff to do the work. It's collaborative, student and staff working together," Brown said.

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# Activists fight to end gender-based violence in Canada

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While it's been 29 years since the Polytechnique shooting, violence against women is still a problem.

The Centre for Human Rights, Equity and Diversity invited students to honour the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. The event was held on Thursday, Dec. 6 to remember the 14 victims of the 1989 Montreal massacre.

"I think it's just a great day for everyone to come together and remember the lives lost, an ensure that we don't lose sight of what to some of those incidents," said, Lori Diduch, Vice-President of Human Resources.

The National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women was created to commemorate the anniversary of the Dec. 6, 1989 École Polytechnique Massacre, which claimed the lives of 14 women. The attacker claimed his motive for the shooting



KIT KOLBEGGER

RAW (Raging Asian Women) is a taiko drumming group who performed at the National Day of Remembrance.

was anti-feminism.

According to the Canadian Femicide Observatory for Justice and Accountability, 106 women and girls were killed by men in Canada as of September 2018.

In 2017, 50,000 women worldwide were killed by partners or family members, according to a United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime report.

IGNITE President Monica Kho-

sla said that this is an issue that should be addressed because it's unacceptable that gender-based violence exists.

"It's really important to shine the light on those who we unfortunately lost because of this very reason," said Khosla.

There were performances by RAW (Raging Asian Women), a taiko drumming group made up of women who identify as being of

East and Southeast Asian descent. There was also slam poetry by Paulina O'Keefe, a spoken word poet and activist.

Young Park, the director of RAW said the mission of RAW is to help social justice through taiko drumming. They come to events like this to support gender quality and give a voice through their drumming.

"It's importance for us to speak up," said Park.

# Ford government kills College of Trades



HARMAN SINGH GURM

Mark Goodacre, an instructor in the Welding Techniques certificate program at the Centre for Trades and Technology on Carrier Drive, welds metal together. The province is cancelling the College of Trades in 2019.

Pirasanth Gunasekaram  
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

Todd Smith, the provincial Economic Development minister, killed the Ontario College of Trades.

Students who are in the trades at Humber College and other Ontario colleges do not know how much this will affect them. The province claims the elimination of the college will reduce "unnecessary and burdensome complexity" in skilled trades employment.

The college — introduced in 2009 to manage skilled trades apprentices, enforce licencing and protect the

public from poor work — will cease to exist next year.

The province intends to replace it with a program that will establish a 1-to1 ratio between journeymen and apprentices in construction. It's part of the Making Ontario Open for Business Act, which also freezes the minimum wage at \$14 until 2020.

However, with little information about this decision, students are not thrilled with it.

William Tang, a second-year Child and Youth Care student, said this will take away the opportunity to get experience in the field for students learning at Humber.

"This isn't good for students in the trades because they're not getting the experiences in the trade which would've helped them in their potential careers," Tang said.

"Now it looks like they have to rely on textbooks and lectures, which I don't think is enough for the trades students."

Veera Gudla, a second year Computer Engineering student, didn't mind the decision Smith announced, but he is concerned for his fellow peers at Humber for their future in the trades.

"Smith did what he thought was best for Ontario and I respect his

decision, but I worry about students in trades field like architecture and industrial design because I don't know if this affects them from graduating and getting a job," Gudla said.

Craig Trineer, an Electrical Techniques professor, said there were problems with the way things were handled.

"They tried to be high profile and tried to have a lot of influence and that distracted from the things they were supposed to be doing," Trineer said.

Trineer also questions some of the decision that were made.

"I wasn't happy when they tripled our dues and bought some expensive real estate which was the most expensive real estate in Toronto when they could've done it a lot cheaper," Trineer said.

Gudla wonders if this will affect students coming to Humber.

"I wonder how many new students would come to Humber after this college trades situation because if not enough new students register then it will affect it in a big way, but if there's enough enrolment of new students then the college should be fine," Gudla said.

But Trineer does not see this affecting Humber.

"We help create more electricians than any colleges in Ontario so unless I'm missing something that I don't know about, I really don't see this affecting Humber," Trineer said.

He believes there's one good benefit despite the Ontario College of Trades scrapped.

"Everyone who teaches in the trades will now have a cheaper fee to pay for their trades licence, which I see is a good thing," Trineer said.



## Santa finds his helpers in Humber and Toronto police

Hussain Jawad  
LIFE REPORTER

Humber College held one of its annual holiday toy drives, this one called #Santa9114Kids. It was located on both campuses.

The toy drive helps families who are in need or kids who are in the hospital. #Santa9114Kids collect donated toys all throughout the GTA.

The Department of Public Safety has partnered with the Toronto Police in order to reach out to those who are willing to give away their toys for other kids who are in more need of them.

Olivia Collins, a Fitness and Health Promotion student, said she believes everyone who is able to donate should do it.

"If you have toys and you don't need them, then there are a lot of kids who would love to have them so why not be generous and do something kind for Christmas," Collins said.

According to the Santa 911 website, they have been collecting toys for the last two years and it has been a huge success.

The website states they collected thousands of toys for kids and have been collecting toys from a variety of different locations other than Humber College.

Many different toys collected this year, such as Legos, board games and even G.I Joe action figures, were put in the collection this year.

Jeremy Wagner, a student at the Lakeshore campus, said the annual event is growing larger every year.

"When it first started out, most people didn't really pay attention to it, but now due to advertising and much support from the students of Humber, we are able to have many kids enjoy Christmas too," Wagner said.

With support from radio station Z105.3, Hans Ohrstrom Real Estate team, Maple Hyundai and the Humber College public safety unit, this annual event will continue to grow in hopes of being able to provide toys every year to local hospitals, families, and single parent households within the GTA.

## EDITORIAL

# Keeping jobs from convicts only encourages crime

Incarceration of criminals has long been described as a way to rehabilitate them.

Although sentencing varies depending on the crime, all convicts are faced with alienation and a lack of opportunities to integrate themselves back into society.

Obtaining a job, for a person who's served their time, is difficult. Government jobs are mostly closed to criminals, according to Adzuna.com.

In addition, any type of physical or domestic abuse convictions dis-

qualifies a person for any job with the medical field.

Any kind of crime regarding theft or embezzlement disqualifies a person from jobs in the financial industry such as banks or casinos. Finances are part of many 9-to-5 jobs.

Sex crimes bar any person from working with minors in order to protect children from possibly harmful adults.

These three job fields are major pathways to redemption. Except for sex crimes, society should look at

patterns of behaviour in criminals instead of singular instances that could have been lapses in judgment.

Most employers willing to hire convicted people, apparently, are in the restaurant and bar industries.

For people in these industries, their income is predominantly tips. Tip-based jobs are great for college students or single lifestyles but many ex-convicts have families that require a stable dependable income to survive.

Recidivism occurs for many reasons, according to provincial

government statistics. They include anti-social attitudes, personality and peers, family issues, education and employment, lack of pro-social leisure activities and substance abuse. Correctional Service of Canada studies show about a third of the people on some sort of release program end up back in the system.

When offenders can't afford to pay their bills, they often turn back towards criminal ways to earn money such as selling drugs or sex work.

This causes people to be trapped

in a cycle — the infamous revolving door of justice — where they must commit crimes to feed their families or themselves, but committing those crimes bars them from ethical job positions with livable wages.

If the court system is made for rehabilitation, vastly limiting a convict's potential job field is counter-intuitive to the process.

However, the solution isn't disregarding criminal records completely, but look for a pattern of behaviour of criminality before considering a person incorrigible.

## OPINION

## International students deserve chance to work



M. Umair Farooq Khan  
SPORTS EDITOR

cause I've visited him in his congested basement and eaten those noodles with him. Despite his penny-pinching, he still doesn't save enough to live comfortably.

Because of work restrictions, he's considering getting a second job as a dishwasher but he'll be paid "under the table," bypassing tax payments.

According to the City of Toronto, in 2016, there were more than 75,000 establishments offering in excess of 1.4 million jobs. This was an increase of 78,000 jobs since 2015. If we keep these statistics in mind and add on the same increase for each year, there should've been over 1.5 million jobs last year.

With the high number of jobs, there shouldn't be an issue if the government allows hard-working international students like Raj to work more than 20 hours a week.

International students in countries such as Australia are allowed to work up to 40 hours a week during the school year and they can work full-time during vacations. In Germany, international students are allowed work 180 days a year.



Michelle Rowe-Jardine  
NEWS EDITOR

I don't even get out of bed anymore when I hear the sound of a car crash.

Once, the heart-stopping screech of a collision would jolt me from my bedside and I'd rush to the front steps to join the neighbours. We'd all huddle together in our slippers gasping and gossiping. Someone would note how a pulverized recycling bin on the curb could have easily been one of us.

Now, I just roll over in bed and wait for the inevitable sounds of sirens to follow.

I live in a neighbourhood with a high accident rate and I still don't support the new "naming and shaming" campaign of the York Regional Police.

The YRP are apparently at their wits' end with the rampant impaired driving cases in their jurisdiction. In a press release they said they've laid about 1,400 impaired driving-related charges so far this year.

So, on Dec. 3 they announced a new tactic: Every Monday they would be publishing the names of all people charged with driving while impaired.

The first 16 names became available on their website last week along with their specific charges. This week another 25 names were added to the list.

The rationale, according to a YRP press release, is to make

## Publicly shaming drunk drivers online won't make them change their behaviour



impaired driving even more socially unacceptable. The idea is that people will be so concerned with being publicly embarrassed that they'll refuse that last drink and reduce the number of intoxicated people on the road.

Go into any karaoke bar on the weekend and it's pretty clear that people under the influence are not concerned with things like embarrassment or with giving "Bohemian Rhapsody" the respect it deserves.

Why presume a public calling out system would make them respect the roads? There's no easily obtainable data to confirm this method even reduces impaired driving.

Still, YRP joins the ranks of other Ontario police forces using this tactic, including Halton, South Simcoe and Durham.

I get it. I've seen about a dozen car crashes from my north Toronto apartment in the two years since moving in. They're gruesome even when no one gets hurt but YRP have reported five impaired driving related deaths this year alone.

York is still reeling from the case of Marco Muzzo, the man who killed three children and their grandfather in 2015 while driving under the influence.

But public shaming brings up the constitutional question: What happened to being innocent until

proven guilty in a court of law?

This campaign turns police into judge, jury and executioner in the eyes of the public. It broadcasts these names as guilty parties before they've even set foot in a courtroom.

If a defendant is found not guilty, will YRP be releasing a separate weekly list absconding them of this horrible crime?

Even if they took on that responsibility of judicial fairness, it would probably be too late for many of the accused to recover from the social backlash.

I began looking up some of the names recently published by the YRP only to find Google autocompleting them before I could finish typing. The public is clearly very interested in knowing who these people are and angry social media mobs have been formed over much less.

That's why it's so important to get it right and circumventing the justice system to make a point is not right.

Impaired driving is selfish and stupid and it puts other peoples' lives seriously at risk. Tarnishing someone's reputation prematurely is also irresponsible and could put people in danger of angry community members.

An eye for an eye is the law of retaliation, but it's not the law. Two wrongs don't make a right— that's what the justice system is for— so let's use it.

### IF OTHER COUNTRIES CAN UNDERSTAND THE STRUGGLES OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, THEN WHAT IS STOPPING CANADA?

It's true that in some countries like Mexico, international students aren't allowed to work at all. But Canada isn't like most countries. We are a diverse land that is compassionate and therefore we should show empathy.

Let's start by placing ourselves in the shoes of Prithvi Raj. He is an international student who came here from India to study engineering and his father had to take out a loan in order to support his education. Raj says he doesn't feel comfortable asking for any more money from his father and so he lives in a basement to avoid high rents. He usually eats instant noodles to save money.

I know Raj's struggle is real be-

If other countries can understand the struggles of international students, then what is stopping Canadians from doing the same? We should acknowledge Canadians have enough jobs to share with international students without it causing any harm.

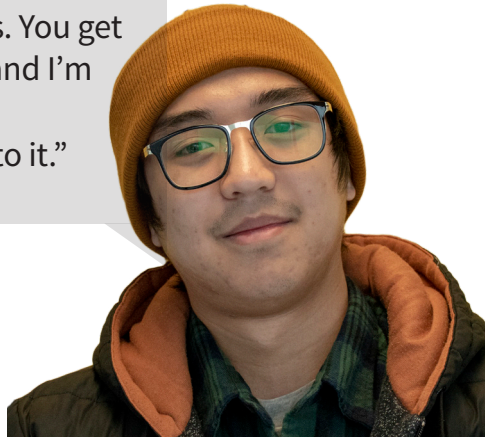
We claim to be a peaceful and progressive nation. However, we charge international students three times the tuition of domestic students and only allow them to work 20 hours a week, forcing them to live in poor conditions. This has to end.

It is about time that the government increases the hours international students are allowed to work in this country.

**QUOTED**

**WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO THE MOST THIS WINTER BREAK?**

“Probably Christmas, because its kinda like a break after the finals. You get a break and I’m looking forward to it.”



**JOHN TIMOTHY**  
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN, 1ST YEAR

“Honestly being not stressed over all the assignments. And being to sleep in and just spend time with family and friends.”



**MARK ZARAGOZA**  
SPORTS MANAGEMENT, 1ST YEAR

“Dinner with my friends since I’m an international student here, so I don’t have family. So dinner with friends is the best.”



**STEPHANIE LE**  
INTERIOR DECORATING, 1ST YEAR

**PHOTO OF THE WEEK**

**DBAAJIMOWINAN ART SHOW OPENS AT L-SPACE GALLERY**

Bargain Hunted Buck by Jay Havens hangs at the L-Space Gallery at North campus as part of DbaaJimowinan, an Indigenous art show. The piece is made from materials including grocery store and fast food bags, dreamcatcher hoops and electrical tape.

KIT KOLBEGGER



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# List helps Torontonians know where to volunteer

Jeremy Yudin

BIZ/TECH REPORTER

Homeless shelters need help from Humber students.

To make it easier for volunteers to determine who and where they could help, the City of Toronto surveyed agencies that run shelters, 24-hour respite sites and drop-ins to outline who they help, what they need and if there are any volunteer opportunities available.

The survey was sent out to about 100 different community organizations in late October and more than half participated in the survey.

"It may continue to grow. I'm still getting requests to be added to the wish list," said Lizette Costa, the communications representative at the city's Shelter Support and Housing Administration division.

The wish list is organized into the six former Metro Toronto boroughs: East York, Etobicoke, North York, Scarborough, Toronto and York.

After years of matching individuals to a shelter, the city decided to create the wish list so that Torontonians could find their preferred place to volunteer.

"Ten or 11 years ago, and beyond that, there were many requests from the general public to help during the holiday season through volunteering or making donations. So that's how this list came about," Costa said.

"It was very labour intensive trying to match organizations with individuals and what they were offering to do and so this way, the list is there and people can choose who they want to donate to, whether it's close to home, or whether it's a specific group of individuals they want to help," she said.

One shelter with locations scattered across the city is Eva's. The youth shelter operates three facilities in three different locations each with different focuses: a youth shelter, a harm reduction shelter, and a



JEREMY YUDIN

A large selection of clothes at the Youth Without Shelter. The mannequins are there so the room looks more like a store than a pile of donations.

transitional housing and employment training facility.

Andrea Gunraj, the director of communications and public education at Eva's, said students can help by providing the resources needed at a short term shelter.

Municipal government funding isn't enough and Eva's needs the help of others to make ends meet, he said.

If they don't have enough beds or food they are forced to turn people away, Gunraj said.

Youth Without Shelter, Etobicoke's only youth shelter, provides emergency residence and support programs to youth between the ages of 16 and 24, many who may have issues at their parental homes or they could be a victim of a crime.

Twenty to 40 per cent of their clients are either refugees, newcomers, or victims of human traffickers.

"We are pretty well-situated being the only youth shelter in the west end of the city and the closest to the airport so we do get a lot of international kids," said Mike Burnett, the community engagement and education specialist at YWS who studied at Humber in the

youth worker program.

Burnett took a co-op placement at the YWS before graduating in 2011, and that same year, he was hired as a full-time staff member.

He said students can help out by just giving someone a voice who doesn't have one.

"It may be someone who is silenced. Either metaphorically by someone being like, 'Oh you're homeless, I don't really want to listen to you,' or physically. Most of the time these individuals have actually been beaten," Burnett said.

Humber students could do a variety of things to help out this season, he said.

"An individual could potentially come in to volunteer, could cook a meal here, could collect different supplies, you could get involved with events like Time for Change. With Time for Change, we require something like 600 volunteers," Burnett said.

Burnett said his ambition this year is to provide a voice to someone who is voiceless.

"Personally, that's a great way of being able to help support is really being knowledgeable and actual



JEREMY YUDIN

Mike Burnett, Community Engagement and Education Specialist at Youth Without Shelter with Judy Leroux, the Development & Engagement Manager.

in a way that could help support somebody," he said.

Burnett said people forget homelessness involves children. He said 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 don't have a home, representing 20 per cent of the total homeless population.

"You could statistically pick out

one, two, three in a room of 100 people, and odds would say those same three people would be impacted by homelessness in one way, shape or form," Burnett said. "It's not just those who you are helping out. This literally could be the person sitting next to you and you might not know."

## College students lack basic skills when it comes to finances and debt

Madeline Jafarnejad

BIZ/TECH REPORTER

College is the time in a person's life when they start to learn how to manage money.

Rob Brown author of *Wealth-ing Like Rabbits*, spoke to audiences earlier this month about financial literacy in a series of IG-NITE sponsored events at Humber's campuses.

Debt management and how to save money were topics Brown discussed in his book and during his talks with college students.

Brown's book takes a comedic approach to managing money and is targeted at a young adult audi-

ence who otherwise may not be interested in the topic.

Carolyn Fallis, Business Administration Program Coordinator at George Brown College, said the need for students to have financial skills is growing more and more every year.

"Post-secondary has ballooned in cost and living expenses are outrageous," Fallis said. "We know that post-secondary education is a huge expense. There's a cost to everything and you need financial skills when it comes to budgeting for each semester."

Some students receive thousands of dollars a year from resources like the Ontario Student

Assistance Program (OSAP) yet most have never been taught how to manage that kind of money.

"In many cases it's the first time where they are on their own," she said. "Even if they are living at home, they are taking a step into the adult world."

Whether it's taking the bus, buying a coffee or paying for tuition, college students are expected to pay for things all on their own. But when it comes to education, English and math are seen as the basic skills that every person needs.

However, some would argue that financial literacy is just as important as English and math.

"I would be a big proponent for financial literacy to be incorporated into orientation at the post-secondary level," Fallis said.

At Humber, each student is required to take English and a General Elective each semester, yet there is no general requirement of taking a course on financial skills. This is the same for almost all Ontario colleges.

"Students should lobby to have a foundations course in personal finance," said Maria Racanelli, Business Administration Program Coordinator at Humber. "The business school could look into it."

Debt is a huge problem for

almost all students attending post-secondary institutions.

Most end up paying off their tuition years after they complete their education.

"There's a reason why Canada has one of the highest [levels of] debt per capita," Racanelli said. "For every dollar we make we owe [about] \$1.68."

Cat McGregor, a 30-year-old college graduate, said she spent years paying off her loans from school.

"I wish we had a financial literacy course back then," McGregor said. "It probably would've prevented me from being in all that debt."

# Toy Mountain collects dozens of trucks full of toys at Lakeshore

**Clement Goh**

SENIOR REPORTER

**Madeline Jafarnejad**

BIZ/TECH REPORTER

The scene invoked winter images of Christmas but in a truly Toronto fashion.

Skaters glided across the ice surface of a trail behind Humber's Lakeshore Campus while Christmas music played for excited guests, all huddled behind CTV Toronto weather anchor Tom Brown for a chance to be on live TV.

Despite the cold, Brown's festive energy brought warm smiles to Etobicoke in his latest stop for Toy Mountain — a joint campaign with The Salvation Army that aims to give every child a present for the holidays.

In its 23rd year, they toured different regions in the Greater Toronto Area, collecting thousands of gifts in time for Christmas.

On Dec. 11, Colonel Samuel Smith Park became filled with new donations from the city's west-end.

The buildup of toys became so large this year, over 23 local car dealerships provided dozens of trucks to carry all of it.

"It's a lot of stuff to move," said Sarah Virro, the production and events coordinator at CTV.

"At 7 p.m., the Salvation Army comes on site and they'll pick up all the toys, take them back to the warehouse, check them, sort them and distribute them to local community ministries," she said.

Rather than giving random toys to families, parents are able to come and choose the right gift for their child.

"They set up a store at the ministry, so parents who have qualified and registered for assistance can



CLEMENT GOH

**CTV was on the scene as the Etobicoke community donated piles of toys to the Toy Mountain charity, which is partnered with the Salvation Army.**

come in and shop for their children instead of just being handed a bag of random toys," Virro said.

Ted Hogan, owner and general manager at Dixie Ford who is a sponsor for the toy drive, encourages their visitors to donate, with a chance to win one of their cars.

"It's a fun thing to do at the dealership. It's a good community thing, and it's a good culture thing in your business, too," said Hogan.

"Everyone sees you're doing good things, and everyone gets involved a little bit," he said.

The assistance from the local dealership goes back to 2009. Each year, trucks are decorated with the logos from CTV and The Salvation Army, increasing awareness for the campaign as it tours Toronto.

"It's been a fantastic partnership," said Jeff Robertson, a communications director for the Toronto Salvation Army.

"It's a great way of knowing we have people surrounding those in need who want to get involved and give back, and it's been fantastic" he said.

Robertson also believes the effort from businesses shows a dedication to fight economic issues surrounding their own neighbourhoods.

"They want to give back, and toys are a great way to say, 'we care about kids,'" Robertson said.

"When there's one-in-seven people in Canada dealing with poverty, we can give a toy that allows some stress to be relieved from the parents, they can focus on other things

and other needs in the family so it's great," he said.

Toy Mountain's outdoor events are also a chance for Brown to deliver his daily weather updates while boosting the campaign as a regular segment for the CTV News at Six newscast.

He's perfected his signature rallying cry since he began his involvement with the toy drive.

Breathing in the thin winter air, Brown raises his voice, shouting "TOY..." as the crowd roars "...MOUNTAIN!"

The campaign began as a small item in CTV's holiday programming in 1995, Brown said, but since he joined the newscast in 2009, he spent every December promoting Toy Mountain across the city.

"Over the years, it has grown," he said. "I think 23 years ago when it started, it was a Public Service Announcement, you know, when you're out doing your holiday shopping and pick up an extra toy."

"It has grown into a mountain as we know it today," Brown said.

Showcasing the donations, he said the sheer size of the mountain measures a need to help those less fortunate.

"When you can get a community to come together so that no one is forgotten on Christmas morning, that's what the mountain is," Brown said.

"It's a mountain of Christmas spirit. It's a mountain of joy," he said. "The toy might be the symbol, but the act of giving is truly what this campaign is about."

## Stinging 10-0 defeat for Seneca in women's hockey exhibition game

**Jacob Phillips**

SPORTS REPORTER

The Sting got stung as the Humber Hawks women's extramural team ended the 2018 fall semester on a high with a 10-0 win over Seneca in an exhibition game.

After coming in first in the Humber North Tournament this game was set up as a fun way to end the semester.

The Hawks dominated the game, putting more shots on goal, controlling the puck, and keeping the puck in Seneca's zone for the majority of the game.

Assistant coach Michelle Noorenberghe took over the coaching duties for this game against Seneca as head coach Mallory Lawton wasn't able to lead due to sickness.

This was Noorenberghe's first time as head coach and she aced it.

"We moved the girls around and we got to see how they did in other positions. It all went smoothly,"

Norrenberghe said.

Seneca defender Erin Derry said it's difficult to play against the Hawks.

"Humber is a really fast team and there was really not much we could have done," she said.

"When we play them again, we just to need have a little more offence and a little bit less defence," Derry said.

Humber alumni Sam Usling, who in the stands, said the Hawks took advantage of Seneca's weaknesses.

"Humber played very well and they exploited Seneca having a less-experienced goalie, which made the game very uneven," Usling said.

"Humber played very, there was a lot of good passing and movement with the puck," Usling said.

Humber Hawks centre Liz Keogh scored two of the 10 goals against Seneca.

"We could have passed the puck a little more and scored less but all in all it went very well," she said.



JACOB PHILLIPS

**Humber Hawks' goalie Sam Gorgi squares up as a Seneca Sting player approaches while Hawks' defender Delaney Kaiser (2) nears in a Dec. 3 game at Westwood Arena. The women's team blanked the Sting 10-0.**

After the exhibition game Humber Hawks women's hockey team will have the rest of December off.

"This was a great game to practice our systems and get some skating time before the holidays and

exams start up," Noorenberghe said.

Tryouts for the winter semester are on Monday, Jan. 7, at Westwood Arena, on Woodbine Downs Boulevard near North campus. Practices begin on Jan. 14.

The next time Humber's women's hockey competes will be on Jan. 18 at the Lindsay Tournament hosted by the Fleming College Knights at the Lindsay Recreation Complex in Lindsay, Ont.



PAIGE MCGOWAN

Humber Hawks' Jaylan Morgan races up the court as the St. Clair Saints' Ian Smart tries to take the ball.

## Men's basketball team keeps winning with 9-0 streak in OCAA season so far

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SPORTS REPORTER

Hawks men's basketball Head Coach Samson Downey says he's happy with the team's progress but still sees opportunity for improvement.

The Humber Hawks — ranked number three nationally and number one in Ontario — crushed the St. Clair Saints on Dec. 1 with a game jam-packed with multiple dunks, monstrous blocks and smart passing.

The men's basketball team finished first semester with an untarnished nine game-winning streak.

"We're 9-and-0, baby," Downey cheered.

The Hawks ended the first quarter with a six-point lead, then pushed ahead in the second quarter with a 30-point run, only allowing the Saints seven points.

Coming off the bench mid-way through the second quarter, Jimmy Rich got both the crowd and the bench off their feet with two back-

to-back dunks.

Immediately after, an offensive charge was called on St. Clair and it seemed everything was going right for the Hawks.

The Hawks entered the second half with a 29-point lead with a score of 58-29.

The Saints scored 10 more points than the Hawks in the third quarter but it wasn't enough to catch up.

As if two dunks in one game isn't enough, Micqueel Martin also had a big dunk near the end of the game to help push his team over the top.

Scoring 29 points in the fourth quarter, the Hawks cruised to a final score of 100-71.

"We shared the ball, we stuck with it and listened to the coaching game plan," said top-scorer of the game Jaylan Morgan.

"We are 9-and-0 right now, to keep it going we've got to stay focused, continue to make shots and play strong defence. We're looking for a ring so we just got to stay focused."

Jaylan Morgan was an artist in

the paint, finishing off the game with 19 points, shooting 85.7 per cent from the field.

Six players finished the game with double-digit points, four of which were players that came off the bench.

St. Clair is known for allowing a lot of three-pointers and the Hawks took advantage of this and as a team finished the game with nine three-pointers made.

"There have been a lot of close games and a lot of details we still need to work on," Assistant Coach Chad Bewley said.

"We played really good in the first half, had a lot of energy, we got a little lackadaisical towards the end but it's okay, we'll be able to look at this over Christmas and be ready for the second semester," Bewley said.

This was the last game of the semester.

Humber will be returning to more OCAA action after the winter break, facing St. Clair again in an away game on Jan. 12.



PAIGE MCGOWAN

Micqueel Martin makes another slam dunk in the last quarter of the game.



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The Saints' defence surrounds Jaylan Morgan during the third quarter.



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