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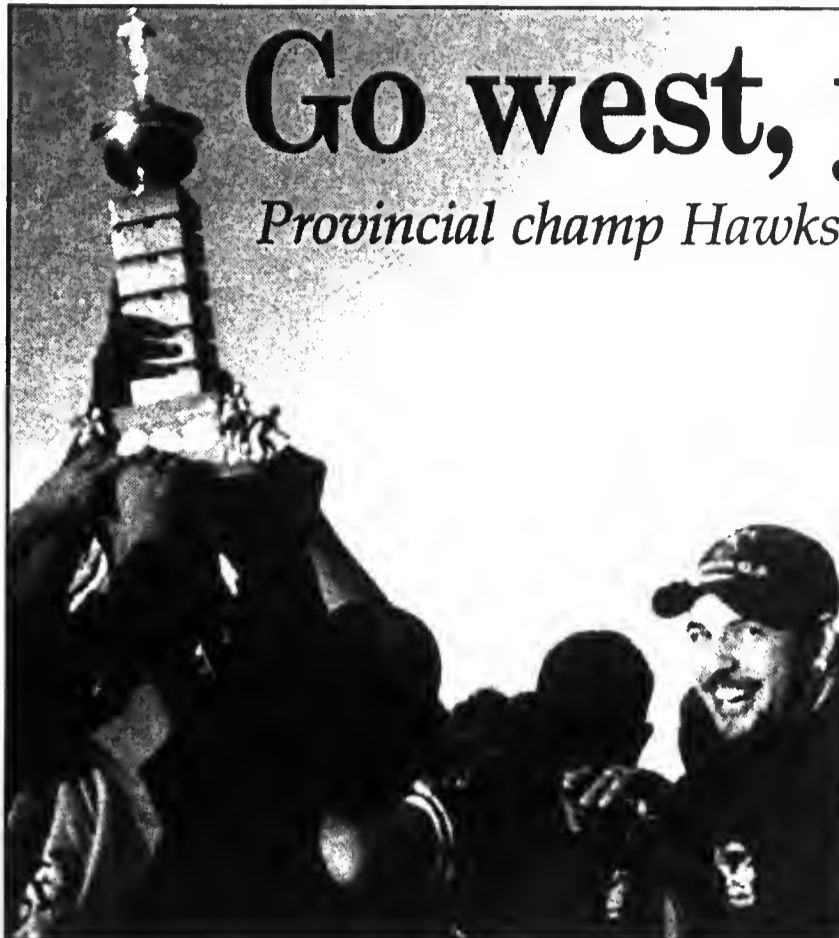


PHOTO BY MIKE GENTILE

Victorious Hawks carry the hardware off the field shortly after defeating Centennial College in the championship game.

By MIKE GENTILE
Sports Reporter

Humber's men soccer team is on its way to British Columbia for the national championships.

Even mired by injuries, the Humber men's soccer team still managed to fight their way through the provincial finals last weekend to earn their spot at the Canada-wide championships starting this week.

This year's nationals are being held November 4 - 7 at the University College of the Cariboo in Kamloops, B.C. Kamloops is located in the province's southern interior, about 500 kilometres east of Vancouver.

Fortunately for the Hawks, the number one ranked Mount Royal Cougars from Calgary

were upset by the 11th ranked Grant MacEwan Griffins.

As a result, Humber, the second ranked school in the nation, enters the tournament as the favourites.

They will be up against number four ranked Dawson Blues from Montreal, the fifth ranked Malaspina Mariners from Nanaimo, B.C. Also in the competition will be the 11th ranked Griffins from Edmonton, Halifax's number eighth ranked King's College Blue Devils, and the unranked Kamloops hosts.

Humber did capture the its first national title in 1995

The OCAA championships were held last weekend in Kitchener and with the Hawk injuries it proved to be a bit of a challenge as Humber took on Centennial College in the finals.
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Student groups gains new voice with province

OCCSPA, OUSA, and Boyer get Johnson's ear

By TANIA CASTONGUAY
News Reporter

The provincial government has approved a student organized proposal for an advisory committee on Financial Assistance and Humber SAC president, Tracy Boyer, was on hand for the announcement at Queen's Park on November 4th.

The newly formed Ontario Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance (OACSFA) will begin meeting this fall to discuss issues surrounding student aid.

Boyer said she is pleased with the initiative.

"It's a good start and it's very necessary. This actually gets the right people together to discuss issues surrounding student financial aid," said Boyer.

The advisory committee will consist of members from the

Ontario Undergraduate Student Association (OUSA), and the Ontario Community College Student Parliamentary Association (OCCSPA) which represents Humber students.

The goal of the council is to have representation from students, universities, colleges and banks. The council hopes these members will come together to address problems such as growing student debt, default, an outdated needs assessment process and the deregulation of tuition.

"We, as students, will have an opportunity to provide input not just to the government, but to the banks and our schools as well," said Andrew Boggs, Executive Director of OUSA.

"We are prepared to do the research and make the recommendations that will most benefit the students, and we will be listened to.

Today's announcement is important but it's just a first step. Now, the real work begins," he said.

In a letter to the advisory committee, Provincial Education Minister, Dave Johnson, expressed his wish for effective and positive changes to Financial Assistance. Johnson asked the committee to give consideration to how the program can "harmonize the patchwork of federal, provincial and institutional grants and loans."

Presently, 60 per cent of student loans are from the federal government.

Johnson is looking for consistency between the provincial and federal loans.

College students are presently graduating from a two-year program with an average debt of \$14,000 and 55 per cent of college students use financial assistance.



BY NADIA HOSEIN
News Reporter

The eleventh day of the eleventh month is right around the corner and on the eleventh hour of this day will be a Remembrance Day ceremony to honour veterans who fought for our country.

The program for this year's ceremony hasn't changed very much from previous years. Tom Browne, a Public Relations teacher, spent 20 years in the military and will be M.C. for the ceremony in the concourse.

Our new Chaplain Monique Roumy, who has taken the place of Chaplain Randy Galloway, will recite a prayer. Carolyn Yetmen from the Faculty Union Office will be singing at the ceremony.

The program will run about 10-15 minutes.

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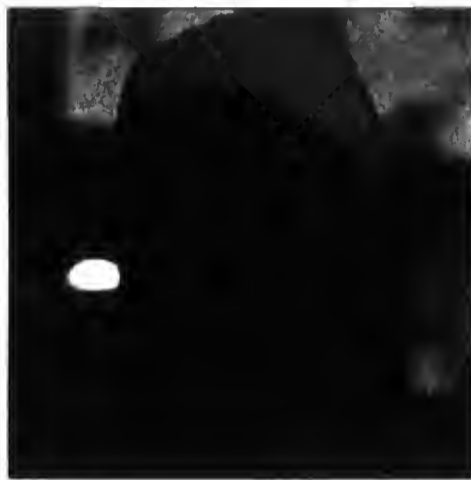
- the kids in the halls -

Do you remember?

Will you be observing a moment of silence on Remembrance Day?



Alan Regular 1st year Advertising Graphic Design student
"Yeah I will . . . just to remember what they've done for us, that they're not forgotten."



Matt Boycott 2nd year Business Management student
"I don't know, it depends if I have class, probably not I guess."



Zeina Mortada 1st year Early Childhood Education student
"Yeah, in respect for those people who died."



Alison Flynn 2nd year Early Childhood Education student
"I haven't really thought about it . . . if no one said anything at eleven o'clock, I'd probably just go about my day."

Coming Events

NOVEMBER 5

- Obstacle course 2-4 p.m. in athletics
- Varsity Women's Volleyball vs Georgian at 6 p.m.
- Varsity Men's Volleyball vs Georgian at 8 p.m.
- Radio awareness pub at Caps
- Campus Caravan in the lower cafeteria at Lakeshore
- Third annual Free Computer Workshop "Web Page Design-HTML introduction" from 12:40-2:25

NOVEMBER 7

- Varsity Women's Volleyball Humber Cup Tournament
- Varsity Men's Volleyball Humber Cup Tournament
- Varsity Men's Hockey vs Cambrian at 8:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 8

- Varsity Men's Hockey vs Carlton (Ex) at 2:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 11

- Clubs Fair in the Concourse 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Michael Helm, author of *The Projectionist*, will read at 2 p.m. in the library at Lakeshore

NOVEMBER 12

- Temple & Temple Pub at Caps, Win a New Year's Eve Trip
- Varsity Women's Volleyball vs Sheridan at 6 p.m.
- Varsity Men's Volleyball vs Sheridan at 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER 14

- 5 on 5 Extramural Basketball Tournament at George Brown

Go clubbing at Humber

by KATE MCCAFFERY
On Campus Reporter

Students who are looking to get involved at Humber will have the opportunity next week.

On November 11, SAC will be holding a clubs fair in the concourse. It is a chance for clubs to showcase themselves and recruit

new members.

"This year we're doing our best to promote groups and encourage them to work with each other," said Kenn Bell, SAC north vice president. "Clubs are a great way to get involved."

SAC has been holding a clubs fair for more than seven years running. This year

there are more than 12 clubs operating in the school.

Students who wish to get involved with a club, but cannot visit the fair, can be connected to club meeting places and times by visiting the SAC office. As well, the SAC website (www.humberc.on.ca/~sac) has links to school clubs.



The Humber Hawk helps "SQUEE G" kids raise money for United Way by stopping cars November 4th.

"It's no fun having one ring on one hand, and no ring on the other."

Humber Hawks ring in banner year

by GARY D. MELO
News Reporter

The Humber Varsity Hawks are provincial champions! If you think that has a nice ring to it, you should see the ring that comes with the title.

Friends and Family Night set the stage for some of Humber's finest female athletes as they were honoured during a special ring ceremony at half-time of the Hawks women's basketball home opener on October 28.

The 1997-98 season was a great year for women's sports as both the basketball and volleyball teams captured OCAA gold medals.

It was Humber College's first provincial championship in

women's volleyball and only the second for women's basketball.

During the ceremony, players from both teams were given their rings as the championship banners were hung in the gym for all to see.

Chris Wilkins, assistant coach of the volleyball team, said he was privileged to be a part of the ceremony which reminded him why he began coaching in the first place.

"It's a special day," Wilkins said. "Coaches don't really do this kind of stuff for the money. To see the girls work hard and get something like this is really beneficial. It makes you think of why you really do it."

Wilkins was not the only

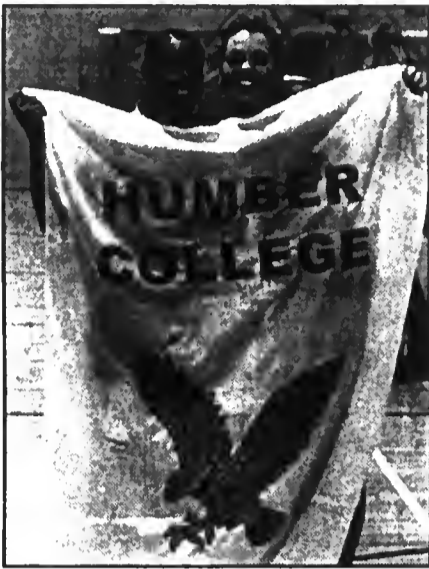


PHOTO BY GARY D. MELO
Basketball player Aman Hasebenebi and volleyball player Jen De Miranda show off their Humber pride (and banner).

assistant coach wearing a new piece of jewelry that night. Assistant coach of the basketball team Denise Perrier was also on hand to accept her second championship ring.

Perrier won her first ring as a player for the Hawks in 1992-93. She has now repeated the feat as an assistant coach - the first time in the college's history.

"It means a lot to me," Perrier said. "Being a player and winning, then going to the next level as a coach and winning is a great honour. I feel like I gave back."

Although both teams won OCAA gold medals, neither succeeded at becoming national champions, a goal which no

doubt was on the mind of every returning player at the ceremony.

Tina Botterill, a reserve member of the 1997-98 basketball team and a starter this year, felt the ring will surely inspire the team to take the next step.

"It's definitely a good motivator to push our game up to the next level," Botterill said. "We know we have the ability to get to the nationals, but being competitive once we're there is what we are striving for."

Wilkins is also confident that the volleyball team can repeat as provincial champions.

"The girls are really looking forward to defending their championship," Wilkins said. "It's no fun having one ring on one hand, and no ring on the other."

Phone woes at rez

Non-permitted long distance plan being used by many devious rez dwellers.

by WENDY STEBBINGS
NEWS REPORTER

Several students who live in residence have managed to receive a long distance plan through ACC phone company although they are not supposed to have it.

Each room at residence is serviced by the college telephone network and ACC long distance rather than individual Bell Canada telephone lines. ACC offers a \$20 a month unlimited long distance plan.

In early October, students at residence received pamphlets that outlined a comparison between Humber/ACC service and Bell Canada service. It also explained that students were not allowed to have the long distance package.

John Mason said that if the plan were offered it would create a demand on the phone lines.

Mason was not aware that several students were receiving the plan.

Leslie Cox, an ACC representative, said that the plan was not offered as an option for residence students from the company's on-campus representatives. Cox said it is possible some of the students who have the plan may have misled the staff and if there are any cases found where Humber residence students have the plan, it will be reverted.

A clear chart went out to all the customer service representatives at ACC outlining which college and university residences were offering the plan.

Cathy Glidden, a first-year hospitality, recreation

and tourism student, is one of many residence students on the plan. Glidden signed up for the plan after hearing about it from an ACC information desk set up at the beginning of the year at residence. When signing up for the plan, Glidden informed the representative that she was a Humber student along with other personal information.

Glidden received the pamphlet and called ACC immediately to find out if she still had the plan. She was told that she still had the plan and would not be taken off it.

Several students have continued to try and sign up for the plan. Heather Lamarche, a first-year chemical engineering student, was told by an ACC representative that she could not have the plan because she was a Humber student. "I tried again and again because people on my floor and some of my classmates that live in resi-

dence kept getting it," Lamarche said.

She was also told that everyone who had the plan would be disconnected by the end of the month.

The decision to not offer the plan was made in early September. It was a joint decision between Humber staff and ACC long distance representatives.

Internet use also causes a demand on the phone lines. ACC offers \$20 a month unlimited access to students. However, the number of students with computers at residence does not compare to the number using long distance. Mason said that they are looking at wiring the residence with CATT 5 cabling. This would allow residents to access the internet via hub as opposed to a modem. As a result, voice lines would be released.

"I tried again and again because people on my floor and some of my classmates that live in residence kept getting it."

Heather Lamarche, first-year chemical engineering student and Humber resident

Friends don't let friends use cell phones and drive

by MATT LAMPERD
News Reporter

The risk of collisions for drivers making cell phone calls is four times that of drivers who aren't, a New England Journal of Medicine survey revealed.

This is comparable to drivers whose blood alcohol level is over the legal limit.

Metro Toronto Police agree this is a difficult situation.

"We now have the facts to prove the dangers of cellular phones, but we can't just group them with impaired drivers," said Constable Claire DuPont. "We've come so far, we can't risk taking the public's attention away from impaired drivers."

Diane Fahlman, of the Traffic Injury Research Foundation, said more severe penalties must be levied against drivers who cause collisions. A driver who has caused an accident while on a cellular phone faces a careless driving charge, a \$315 fine.

"It's hardly fair, now that it's been proven that cellular phone users are as much of a road hazard as drunks, [that] they are not as stiffly penalized," she said.

Chris Schaeffer of Bell Mobility said drivers should be reminded of the safety advantage of having a cellular phone.

"We sell peace of mind; our customers appreciate knowing they have their cell in case of emergencies," he said.

Bell Mobility Canada suggests drivers invest in a hands-free unit if they intend to use their phone on the road.

However, the New England Journal's study has proven that there is no inherent safety advantage when using a hands-free unit. Accidents are caused by a lack of attention rather than limited use of hands. Motorist travelling at a high rate of speed need only a few seconds of inattention to cause an accident.

The Ministry of Transportation recommends drivers use responsible and defensive driving skills. Glen Brown of the MTO's Highway Safety division said cellular phone users do not realize the danger they pose.

People should pull over and stop before using their cell phones, Brown said. This would cut down on accidents.

Lakeshore

"We can't hide anymore as a Canadian bank." - Doug Melville

Banker pitches merger to students

CIBC strategist has "no clue" about layoffs and closures

by JANE TAGUICANA
Lakeshore Editor

The big banks have no choice but to merge, CIBC Manager of Strategic Planning Doug Melville told Humber students last week.

He emphasized that the merger is driven by the demands of bigger financial institutions in the world market and the changing face of technology.

The campaign to gain support for the union of Toronto Dominion and CIBC was moved to the colleges through the first lecture series hosted by the School of Business at Lakeshore campus auditorium on October 30.

It was timely as the report by a Liberal task force on bank mergers unveils soon. But to the anger of some students, Melville said he had "no clue" on whether there will be layoffs or branch closures.

He said people need to be flexible because the jobs will be changing as the way of banking in Canada changes.

"We have to change the banking in Canada. We forgot how to change", he said. "Do we want to have large banks and other institutions that aren't

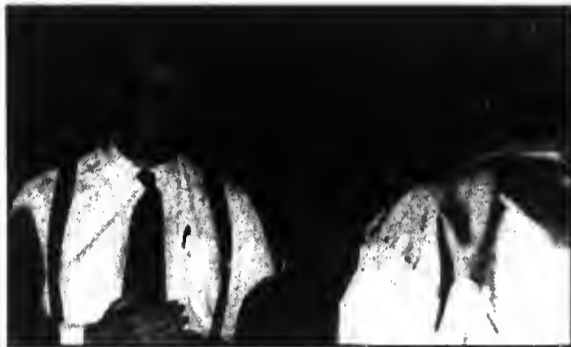


PHOTO BY JUSELINA MELIM/THE VILLAGER

Doug Melville defends bank mergers to students at Business' first lecture series.

Canadian?" Melville asked the more than 250 students, staff and community members.

"We can't hide anymore as a Canadian bank," he said.

Melville, who also teaches part-time at the college, insisted the American banks are only after "juicy bits and pieces."

He emphasized too how "technology is compelling that it drives the banking system."

Right now, it costs \$100 to produce and process an invoice compared to \$10 when done electronically. To answer a customer's request through internet self-service costs five times less than the call centres.

"We're walking on a tight rope between what we're used to and what's gonna happen five years from now," Melville said.

Students training fellow students

by JANE TAGUICANA
Lakeshore Editor

Students at the south campus can treat themselves with a week of free workshops from their fellow students. Microcomputers third-year students are conducting two-hour workshops at the computer labs. The topics range from introduction to Excel, web page design, to Internet and e-mail using Netscape Navigator.

The workshops provide short introduction to the programs and exercises. Students will be given a disk they can keep with instructions on the program that can be used as reference as well as the handouts given to them.

But more importantly, it gets the microcomputers students one step closer to the real world.

"This is as close as you can get to reality," said program coordinator Mike Kvenich.

The workshop is a part of the three-year program where students pick the computer application they will use and plan how they will have their presentation.

"Students will have a hands-on experience on how to conduct workshops and build their confidence in presenting the material," Kvenich said.

Kvenich described it as a "dry-run" for the students' presentations three weeks from now, but that time it will be with the business community.

"Right now, this is a real practice with real mistakes," Kvenich said.

The workshops also opens possibility of employment to students.

"Students get hired indirectly out of these," Kvenich said. "And this is also another way to show off the (Microcomputers) program."

It follows the program's greatest secret in conducting a presentations: Tell, Demo, and Do.

The instructors first tell students what to do, and then they demo it or show students how it is done. The last step is to do what the instructors have shown.

The last workshop will be on internet and e-mail using Netscape Navigator in Lab 4 from 12:40 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.



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Access to computer labs limited

Lakeshore labs need longer hours, more service for students

by **MARLEN DA SILVA**
Lakeshore Reporter

Lakeshore computer labs have 106 new computers but students can't get their hands on them. There is limited access throughout the week and the labs are only open on Saturdays for classes.

In an informal poll, 29 out of 30 students said there is a need to extend the lab hours during the weekend and an open learning centre should be set up in one of the four main labs so students can come in and out anytime instead of waiting for classes to finish.

Human Resources Management student Tina Ferreira, said she has been asked to leave two computer rooms in the span of one hour.

"It's very frustrating to keep on packing up my things and setting up at another computer. I think they should leave at least one of the labs free at all times especially when students can't come during posted times."

South campus Principal Pat Ferbyack said if students feel there is a need to extend the lab hours, "It is a simple thing to do. They just need to raise the issue to me."

"It's very frustrating to have to keep on packing up my things and setting up at another computer."

Tina Ferreira

The labs' availability on Saturdays vary from one semester to another.

Jonathan Singh of computing services said nobody has requested the labs to be open on Saturdays or Sundays therefore

he does not provide lab monitors.

"I think right now we just don't have a lot of need to open up the labs on the weekends. We would have to provide security and a lab monitor to make sure everything is here when we come back the next day," he said.

But he would like to introduce an open learning centre in the labs similar to the one at the North campus. This would mean no one would be able to book the computer labs. Right now, teachers book out computer labs for their students.

"I want to propose, for next year, an open learning concept," Singh said. "It would always be open and students could walk in at any time and not worry about someone kicking them out."

Second-year microcomputer student Dave Sharma, who uses the labs frequently, said it will be more convenient to have the labs accessible on Saturdays.

"I don't have the Internet at home so I think it would be a great idea to open the labs on Saturdays like at the North campus."

The computer labs are open from 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.



PHOTO BY MARLEN DA SILVA

Microcomputers student Dave Sharma said it will be more convenient if the labs are open on the Saturdays.

Monday to Friday. North campus computer labs are open Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

"If the body of students is there and they want to come in, I don't see a reason why we cannot open," Singh said.

Students' Association Council President Sonia Levy said it is only a matter of keeping the

place secure. "There's no need to see things get stolen. It's better to have it closed than to see that happen," Levy said.

Two brand new laser printers, valued at \$2,200 each, were stolen last year.

The new computers were part of a lease plan with Dell that was implemented this year. The deal, is every three years Dell will give Humber new computers and take back the old ones.



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Editorial

"There is, however, no need to be afraid or uncomfortable. . ."

Sometimes we should remember. . .

On Wednesday, Remembrance Day, Canadians are asked to spend one minute reflecting on those who gave their lives for this country. We should, each of us, choose to remember what it is they died for.

For many 11:11 a.m. will slip by without notice. Others will know but not care about a war, in some place, in a time long before they were alive. Wars, or any events, fade from memory as time passes.

At times, choosing to forget is preferable to recollection. Animosity between nations, races, and religions are based in memory. Could a Serbian soldier kill a Croatian if he couldn't remember why they were fighting? Would the IRA place bombs if those men weren't wracked with history, with the remembrance of 300-year-old injustices? The answer is probably no. They could forget it all, and allow time to heal the historical grievances.

Canadians probably choose to forget the internment of Japanese Canadians during World War II, or more recently the killing of a young Somali by Canadian members of the UN peacekeepers in Africa.

But still, Remembrance Day is vital because it serves a purpose beyond the acknowledgment of history. It serves today, and can make the present country stronger and more cohesive. Consider how, in the knowledge that soldiers died to protect Canada, we might come to better appreciate our nation, our freedom, and way of life. Remembrance Day brings the ideology of this country to the fore. We should choose to remember.

One might define culture as what the citizens of a nation have in common. In shared recollection, Canadians have shared experience. Remembrance Day is a unifying force in an often disparate and factious country such as Canada. And to tell the truth, the day, as something which brings us together, is a little more dignified than getting weepy-eyed about a hockey game or a beer commercial.

And so, at 11:11 this November 11 – the time which signifies an armistice which ended the First World War – if only for one minute, let us have our proverbial heartstrings plucked in unison to the tune of O Canada.

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Letter to the Editor

Caps takes steps to keep patrons safe

Dear Editor

We, the staff of Caps feel compelled to respond to a letter (Student angry at druggie predators) which appeared in the October 29th issue of *Humber Et Cetera*, in which Ms. Dietsche expressed concern about the use of ruffies.

Although this is a legitimate concern, we would like to assure the patrons of Caps that the staff and management take every precaution to make the campus bar safe for all students. Of course we cannot control the actions of certain individuals – we can, however, take every opportunity

to make you aware of potentially dangerous situations. We would like to stress that there has never, to the best of our knowledge, been a case – at Caps nor anywhere else at Humber – of sexual or any other kind of assault resulting from the use of ruffies.

Posters in and around the bar are merely being used to warn people not to take unnecessary chances and to take care of themselves. This issue is a serious one and Caps staff take it extremely seriously. We are simply attempting to make you aware of your surroundings and advising you to take simple precautions,

in order to diminish the risk.

It is unfortunate that this issue even has to be mentioned, and Ms. Dietsche is justified in being angry with individuals who are responsible for creating such a terrible situation. There is, however, no need to be afraid or uncomfortable when enjoying an evening at Caps, as long as individuals look out for themselves and their friends.

We at Caps are doing everything that we can to ensure that every visit with us is a safe and enjoyable one.

Caps Staff and Management

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"More blood-wrenching, gut-twisting violence. . ."

Movies pander to impotent minds

Independent films offer better fare, but get little support from the masses

by JON BROOKS
Opinion Writer

Hollywood seems to be the only place where a downward spiral takes people up. The road to money and fame in Tinseltown has the people who travel it singing a new song. If you made it once, make it twice, and if you can, milk it three times for money. If the masses catch on, get a different actor and make it again under a different name.

So, when Arnold's "I'll be back" wore thin, it was a simple matter to cut and paste Kurt Russell into a script, dumb down the lines and voila - a brand new action movie. As my grandmother would say, "more blood-wrenching, gut-twisting violence than you can shake a stick at." When I Know What You Did Last Summer was a blockbuster hit, it was nothing to add a 'Still' to the title, cut and past pop-star Brandy into the script and, what's the motto? Make it twice

and oh yes, milk it three times for money. Anyone want to Scream yet?

Well don't, because movies aren't dead yet. True, when it comes to funding and budgets, the Hollywood studios carry big weight, but the real truth is many independent filmmakers put out more quality than Hollywood can pull out of its seductively exposed bellybutton.

At the various independent cinemas across Toronto, six bucks buy you a festival membership, and after that, every film is three dollars except for the weekender, which are four dollars. Once inside, you have the chance to see some of the newest and brightest stars in the cinema.

Vincent Gallo, for example, is an all but unknown filmmaker, yet his movies are gripping and perversely funny. Buffalo 66 was one of the most comic and tragic movies of the year. It had six actors, three sets, a self-produced



Jon Brooks finds movies grating, films enticing. Do you know the difference?

soundtrack and no special effects. Sorry folks, no bombs, no babes, no burning buildings - just an amazing movie.

The Canadian film Margaret's Museum started out in independent movie theatres and stayed there. Another gripping and poignant tale, it had not one explosion. It is perhaps one of the finest films ever to come out of Canada. It hardly made it out

of Canada. The film died a slow death trying to cross the Prairies on the way to Hollywood.

The press kit to Happiness was a photocopied underground art magazine. The film, of course, is sensational. Todd Solondz is comparable to Woody Allen, if Woody was more demented.

But like David to Goliath, the roar of Hollywood studios drowns out the sound of the independents.

I heard recently the very thing that may hold the answer to all this. A girl was having a conversation with another person, and during their exchange, the following was said (generate the voice of any Clueless character here): "Like, my God, who wants to think, I don't go to movies to think."

Well if that is the case, throw out the foreign films, (Like Water for Chocolate, The Bicycle Thief), chuck the independents (Happiness, Kurt and Courtney,

Love is the Devil) and warm up the Visa card, Hollywood doesn't come cheap. Oh, and start searching for the coolest of the brand name superstars.

Perhaps the Butabi Brothers? Yes, those fine lads from Saturday Night Live, the saviours of modern cinema. Airy and light, quick and witty with the ladies, that film is the most heinous and vile piece of scatology that Hollywood ever defecated onto the big screen. A two-minute skit about barhopping does not have the brainpower or the plot (anyone remember those?) to make it into a two hour movie.

But at millions of dollars in income, who's going to argue?

So while Hollywood has flaming balls of space junk threatening the structural integrity of Earth, and psycho dolls alongside Psycho remakes, I'm grabbing my independent listings page and going to see a real movie.

Impact of sports widespread

A reporter delves into the emotional bankruptcy of losing

by ANDREW BISSON
Opinion Writer

I must confess, I'm a sports junkie. For some reason I get more emotional watching a sporting event than I get at any other point in my life. Why does the outcome of a certain sporting event have such an immense effect on us? Isn't it after all, just a game?

Definitely not. Our love goes way beyond the game. For whatever reasons, sports touch our emotions. If our team wins, we are happy. It can bring a smile to our face on a day when we didn't think it was possible. If our team loses, well, we can be devastated. It can ruin a perfect day. We can feel like the world is coming to an end, especially if we're actual participants in the game.

All these thoughts popped into my head this past weekend, when my team lost.

I have covered the Humber women's soccer team for the Et Cetera the past two months. Yes, only two months. Yet the team's loss this weekend at the Ontario



Humber sports reporter Andrew Bisson can sympathize with the ladies.

Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) championships had a huge effect on me.

The Hawks were up 2-0 with approximately 15 minutes to play. They dominated the whole game. Thoughts of going to British Columbia with the team to the national finals crept into my mind.

But, out of nowhere their opponents scored three goals in those fifteen minutes to win the

game. It was over.

I was standing at the sidelines, unable to move. I'm pretty sure my mouth was wide open.

Many players collapsed on the field, wondering what the hell just happened. Some players were in tears. Every Humber player was in shock. It's a lot easier to swallow a loss when you've been outplayed for the duration of the game. But when you've dominated the play, and your opponent suddenly steals the victory right from under you at the last second, it tears up your insides.

In the world of sports, the best team often doesn't win. It's the team that gets the lucky bounces at the right time that wins many times. That is one of the incredible aspects of competition. Sports are unpredictable. Truly, anything can happen.

The outcome of games affects the fan, or in this case, the reporter, almost as much as the actual players in the game.

Humber's loss was on my mind for most of the weekend.

I attended a Halloween party with many of my closest friends. I had a good time, but it would have been better if I wasn't dwelling on the loss. The game was in the back of my mind all night.

I'll be honest, part of the reason it hit me so hard was that I no longer had the chance of a free trip to BC. But when the final whistle was blown in that game, it was the farthest thing from my mind. I saw the pain and shock in the women's eyes. Their whole season came down to this game. They had it. They could taste it, but it just wasn't their day. That's sports for you.

Next year the team will come together again to take another shot at making it to the nationals. Their final game of the 1998 season will not be on their minds, instead replaced by new expectations and goals for the upcoming season.

Because after all, in the world of sports, there's always next year.

Good luck ladies.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor

Whoever decided that Brian Mulroney, who, when he took office, declared that Canada was bankrupt and went ahead and tripled our debt, deserves Canada's highest honor?

Could it be the people on starvation wages, the unemployed, those on social assistance, the pensioners, the poverty-stricken, single parents and their hungry children, the jailed who may be forced to balance the scale of an unjust social system, the nurses and others who are worked to a frazzle, the people who watch their loved ones suffer and die because there is no money for doctors and a hospital bed?

Who hears their anguished, silent cries?

All this suffering is a direct consequence of the monstrous Canadian debt caused by Mulroney and Co. And he gets an award? Shouldn't he be tarred and feathered, stripped of his assets and sent to the gulag to pay his debts and the misery he caused? Surely, he wouldn't be lonely.

**Gunther Ostermann
Kelowna, B.C.**

On campus

"People who are just curious . . . are welcome."

HEATing it up at Humber

by SHAUNA DEGAGNÉ
On Campus Reporter

HEAT. No, not what you get when you rub two sticks or body parts together.

This hot acronym stands for the Humber Environmental Action Team, a group of students striving to build more awareness surrounding environmental issues.

"Working for a cleaner world" is their motto and HEAT plans to work closely with SAC and the administration to promote recycling and make the college more environmentally conscious.

"We must all be more

accountable for our actions in and around campus," said Larry Saldanha, HEAT president. "From the amount of paper we print out in the computer lab to our use of recycling facilities at the college."

On November 11 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., HEAT will have a booth set up at Clubs Fair in the Student Centre.

Saldanha urges anyone interested in sharing environmental ideas or joining the team to stop by the booth.

If you would like to know more about HEAT, visit their website at www.the-edge.humberc.on.ca/~heat

Humber club welcomes all

by KATE MCCAFFERY
On Campus Reporter

Humber's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered club (LGBT) is planning an active and strong year.

The group, recently sanctioned by SAC for its third year, plans to turn over a new leaf by revamping its image.

The group's activities include movie nights, theatre trips, and discussion groups.

"We plan to keep the club as a social and supportive group," said Ian Foot, president of the

LGBT. "We also plan on doing more activism to fight the fear of homosexuality."

The LGBT has plans for a poster campaign against homophobia.

The group acknowledges that attitudes won't be changed by putting up posters, and will be keeping this in mind when arranging the campaign.

"I don't want people to think we're preaching," said Dee Barkhouse, co-president of the LGBT. "You might not like it, we accept that, but you don't have to be verbal about it. That's probably going to be the gist of this year's campaign."

Barkhouse pointed out that comments like "fag" and "dyke" are not a major concern.

However, the recent killing of a gay youth in Wyoming shows that homophobia today is a serious concern.

The group welcomes new members and visitors of any

sexual orientation, and those that may be questioning. "This is a great support group," said Jenna*

"I've even thought about bringing members of my family here. It can help those who are questioning, coming out, and those who've had family members and friends come out to them. Even people who are just curious about us are welcome."

A new Gay and Lesbian reference library will soon be available, through the club, for Humber students and faculty. As well, LGBT will be participating in the SAC clubs fair on November 11, and are planning a pub night for the new year.

The club can be contacted at 675-6622 ext. 5101, mailbox 250718 or lgb.club@hcol.humberc.on.ca

The group meets every Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in room KX101 under the SAC office.

*name has been changed

Humber courts King of horror

by SHANNA RUNDLE
On Campus Reporter

Plans are in the works to bring Stephen King, Dr. Ruth, Ethan Hawke, P.D. James, and Oliver Sachs to Toronto as part of Humber's second Distinguished Speakers' Series.

The first series finished November 4 in George Weston Recital hall at the Ford Centre as Mordecai Richler read from his book, *Barney's Version*.

Other books by Richler include *Solomon Gursky Was Here*, *This year in Jerusalem*, and *Belling the Cat*. He has also written several essays and children's books.

"His book, *Barney's Version*, won the Giller prize and Stephen Leacock award for humour," said director of the series and of corporate communications, Joe Kertes.

This year the series had five speakers, Lewis H. Lapham, George Plimpton, Carol Shields, Mordecai Richler, and Eleanor Wachtel.

Kertes said the other authors readings, averaged around 700 people.

It is difficult to get famous authors to come to an event like this, even though they get exposure for their books, and all proceeds from the event go to the authors, said Kertes.



PHOTO BY SHANNA RUNDLE

Joe Kertes organized the first Distinguished Speakers Series and has high hopes for next year.

He also said that Dr. Robert Gordon, president of Humber College, is a huge supporter of the series.

"Dr. Gordon is a great supporter and champion of Arts and Culture," said Kertes. "He

really believes it's a priority. He has encouraged me to spearhead these programs."

The main goal of this event was to bring great thinkers and writers to the students and faculty.

Murder postponed due to poor ticket sales

Rescheduled for December 4th

by SHANNA RUNDLE AND
SHAUNA DUFFY
On Campus Reporters

The victim of the "Murder in the Humber Room" will get to live one more month as the event has been delayed until December 4.

The victim was originally supposed to die on October 22 but didn't due to lack of sales. There was more demand for the December date.

Currently there are 35 tickets left, at \$50 apiece.

The attire for the event is semi formal. It lasts from 6 - 11 p.m. Guests will enjoy a seven course meal and a murder mystery.

"The actors perform a murder and give hints," said Paul Iskander, Learning facilitator and coordinator of the event. "The audience has to guess who the murderer is. There are prizes for those who guess correctly."

Actors are hired to perform at each table. They sit with the

guests and perform during and after each course. One of the actors at each table is a murderer.

The prizes include airline tickets, t-shirts, resort reservations, etc.

All proceeds of the event go to the chefs programs of the Hospitality, Recreation, and Tourism (HRT Alliance) to help pay for their equipment.

"We started it because it's a way of getting funds for our department instead of holding our hand out," Iskander said.

Students from all hotel and restaurant programs are required to participate. It is 20 per cent of their mark. The cooks are from the chef programs, and the servers are HRT students.

"A lot of hours are put in by students and the faculty. It's something you don't pull out of a hat," he said.

For more information and reservations, call Paul Iskander at 675-5022.



"Sexual endurance is down 42 seconds."

Going bald before your time?

If losing your hair makes you hide, there are a few treatments to help

By NATALIE DAYE
Health Reporter

Male pattern baldness has affected some of the greatest movers and shakers of the 20th century.

Artist Pablo Picasso, action superstar Bruce Willis, NHL captain Mark Messier, even Prime Time's animated Homer Simpson are all follicularly-challenged.

"Male pattern baldness affects more than half of the male population in Canada," said Doctor B. Zidel, of the Malton Medical Group.

In the majority of cases, baldness is a natural process. It tends to run in the family on the mother's side.

So if your father is bald, it doesn't necessarily mean that you are going to be as well.

Karlene Taylor, a first-year Pharmacy Assistant student at Humber has no problem with bald men.

Taylor admitted that a sleek, and hairless head is ultra-sexy, "I made my man shave the hair off his head, he had a receding hair line already, so shaving it made it look better - it's cool, I like it."

The usual pattern for balding, is for the front hairline to recede while hair thins at the top of the

head. In some men, these balding areas eventually meet, and thinning may spread throughout the entire scalp.

Zidel said he wasn't sure of the exact cause of male pattern baldness, "there seems to be a male hormone by-product that tends to cause the hair follicle to die prematurely."

Finasteride, (Propecia) is the first treatment available in a pill-form for male pattern baldness. It works differently from Minoxidil (Rogaine), which targets and blocks a specific sex hormone that may contribute to hair loss. Both remedies are FDA approved and come with their own side effects.

According to the Doctor's Guide to Medical & Other News, side effects to Propecia, can be a lesser desire for sex, difficulty in achieving an erection, and a decrease in semen levels.

Rogaine users can encounter itching, irritation, dizziness, a bitter taste in the mouth, and shortness of breath.

Rogaine is a clear solution that is applied twice daily to the scalp.

Billy Pitosia, 19, a first-year Law Enforcement student at

Seneca College admitted to wearing a bit thin on top.

"I try to keep my hair as short as I can, it doesn't look as bad when you've

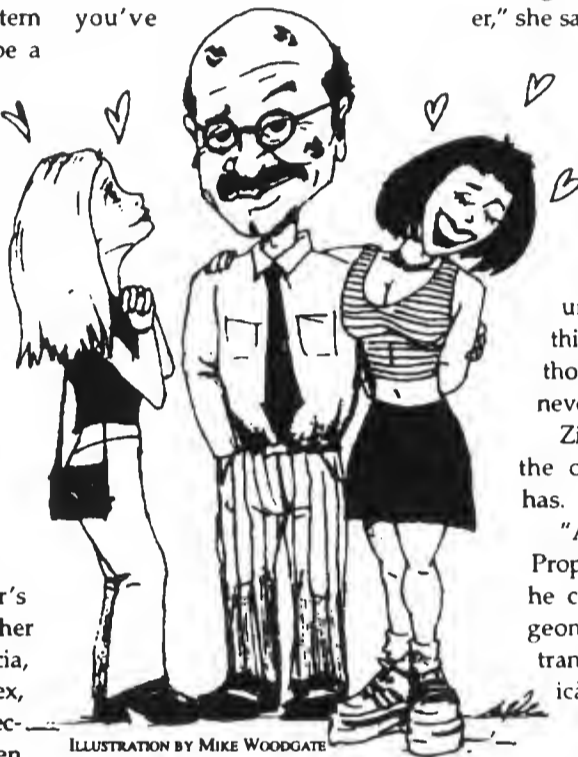


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got a crew cut. It's those guys that leave the sides and the back long that give everyone else a bad image."

Sandra Van Eden, a cosmetic advisor at Shoppers Drug Mart in Mississauga, suggested using shampoos that help thicken and

strengthen the hair to improve its quality.

"Heat activated shampoos will widen and expand the hair, making it seem fuller, and thicker," she said.

Do not assume that the answer to your prayers is lying in a bottle of Pert Plus, Van Eden warns.

"There is no real cure for baldness, unless you use something like Rogaine, or get those implants, but they never look real," she said.

Zidel suggested some of the options a young man has.

"A man can take Propecia, or Rogaine, and he can go to various surgeons that can do hair transplants. From a medical point of view, those are his options."

It's certainly easy to spend a small fortune on hair loss products and get nowhere fast.

Gopalji Pandey, Doctor of Ayurvedic Medicine, in Vancouver and inventor of In-Hair-It, claims that his product strengthens and endorses extra hair growth, "In-Hair-It works

for everyone. It is a de-toxicant and forces unwanted wastes to go out of the system."

In-Hair-It is rubbed into the scalp daily, and can cost Canadians over \$100, plus a shipping and handling fee, plus a Hair Insurance Fee, of "only \$25 a day."

Although Pandey said his product "rejuvenates circulation, detoxifies waste, and cleans the circulatory system," you must be aware of high priced balding cure claims. Especially when you are buying and searching over the World Wide Web.

Zidel laughed at the idea of In-Hair-It.

"That's hilarious! The only guaranteed option for a man, other than opting for a transplant is Rogaine and Propecia.

These treatments are not a cure, but when used every day, can help re-growth."

"I would use Propecia, only if I was older, and completely bald, and if it would improve my self-esteem," Pitosia said.

Men might want to watch their diets as well. If you eat nutritiously, your hair will be healthier.

Hormone levels, blood flow, vitamin and mineral levels can all be altered by your diet, and contribute to your hair loss.

Nothing energizing about Energy Bars

by JENNIFER PECK
Health Reporter

Energy bar companies claim their bars give people an extra energy boost but some Humber College students give a two thumbs down to the results.

The responses are similar for the students who have tried the energy bars called "PowerBar."

PowerBar is one of the most popular energy bars on the market today.

According to the company's web site, millions are sold each year.

It claims the bars (sold at \$2 each) give extra energy for the person on the go.

Richard Mackenzie is a second-year nursing student and plays for the varsity hockey team. He said he is not a big fan of energy bars.

"People think they're going to get something... it's proba-

bly all psychological," he said.

Mackenzie has taken PowerBar before and said it's good for a meal replacement once and a while.

However, he said he didn't feel much difference in his

eats them when she doesn't have time for a meal.

"Boost bars taste disgusting and PowerBars are really chewy, heavy and thick," she said. Springman said she didn't notice any change in her

Nutrablast are supposed to give people an energy boost before working out.

Tassone has tried the bars before and said they aren't all they're cracked up to be.

"I've tried a couple but there isn't much you can get out of a bar though. It didn't really give me the energy it says it does," he said.

Certified fitness trainer Sandi LaPlante said the bars are good for an occasional meal replacement or if a person needs to replace their carbohydrates and glucose when working out longer than 90 minutes.

"The bars are an okay choice, but they're not something you want to use on a daily basis because you can get proper nutrition from healthy foods," she said.

Energy bars were originally called sport bars and were introduced in the '80s.



Eating energy bars as a meal replacement is okay - once in a while. They are also a good source of carbohydrates after a long workout.

energy level.

"Proper nutrition is all you need," he said.

First-year interior design student Ashley Springman said she has a PowerBar or a Boost bar around two times a week. She said she usually

energy level either.

"I don't notice a difference between energy bars and real food," she said.

John Tassone, associate for the GNC nutrition store in Etobicoke said the energy bars they sell such as PowerBar and

Canadians rank second for sexual stamina

Are our good intentions in the bedroom failing, or are we improving our sexual technique? The global average for sexual endurance is down 42 seconds from 17.9 minutes to 17.2 minutes. Canadian sexual endurance reflects this pattern, down 1:42 minutes from last

year, but still edging out most other nationalities in the stamina department. For the second year, Canadians rank second in the world for sexual stamina, making love for a whopping 22.7 minutes on average.



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"Pull it, yank it, it ain't gonna kill you!"

Coming to grips with your sexuality

by JUANITA LOSCH
& ANDREA TRENTADUE
Lifestyles Reporters

NO one wants to talk, hear, read, and especially admit to it. It's considered taboo, and is a running joke at social gatherings, and on school play grounds. Yet, masturbation does exist, and regardless of status and age people, people do it all the time.

Masturbation isn't exactly a topic for the dinner table, but the myths and prejudices should be addressed, Jean Jablonski, a Human Sexuality teacher at Humber said.

Those who are too embarrassed and ashamed of admitting to it should lighten up. They're not the only ones.

In fact, a group of men who call themselves the B8TRS, believe in conquering the unspoken subject and coming to grips with reality.

"Three of us friends started talking about jerking off," said Adam, a founding father of the B8TRS. "We ended up having the same ideas and same openness which was unique. I thought it was so cool because I can finally talk to someone on my level who agrees and thinks like me, and I love it."

Jablonski said that support groups for people who masturbate is normal if it allows people to feel better about themselves.

"If it's going to allow people to come to grips with their sexuality, to feel better about themselves, to feel as if they're not the only person doing this, and they're not the only weirdos in the world," Jablonski said.

Roman Catholic priest Father Felix, of St. Peter's church in Woodbridge, said masturbation for the sole purpose of

self-pleasure is wrong.

"It is an expression or an indication of a lifestyle that is selfish," said Father Felix. "It is a refusal of God, refusal to love, and to build a relationship."

When the B8TRS were asked about religion, Joe, another member, said the Catholic church is too hypercritical and judgmental.

"I think that the Bible has good life messages, but they take it too seriously," Joe said.

Father Felix said he understands that masturbation is a problem with some people, and he isn't trying to ignore the situation, but rather, would like to get to the root of the problem.

"Maybe they're afraid of relationships because they're afraid of trusting," Father Felix said. "They could be unaware of their actions. People do get fixated on doing something."

The three founding fathers of the B8TRS eventually recruited three more loyal B8TRS. The six-some holds meetings to express ideas and concerns they have about masturbation.

Jablonski said it is normal for people to have a need for sex. Self-pleasuring, as Jablonski would prefer to call it, is an innocent and safe way of preventing sexually transmitted diseases.

"People have a need for masturbation for various reasons," she said.

However, there can be too much of a good thing.

Jablonski said that if masturbating is preoccupying your time and interfering with your daily life, it is not considered healthy.

Father Felix said masturbation can be harmful because it can cause a break-away from family and relationships.

"Instead of relating to each other, people would be in their rooms and doing their things," Father Felix said. "By pleasing yourself instead of pleasing others, it doesn't open up for personal growth in a human relationship."

Not just anyone can become a member of the B8TRS family. There is an initiation and rules to ensure the trust and loyalty of a co-B8TR.

"A full-fledged B8TR masturbates to a minimum of twice a day," Adam said. "If you can't do it twice a day, forget about it. We don't even want to talk to you about it."

Jablonski said there is a distinction between the genders. Women feel that masturbation is a "male event," whereas men feel comfortable accepting masturbation.

Many women who don't masturbate have a problem reaching orgasm because they don't know the first thing about their bodies, Jablonski said.

"Women are somehow supposed to withhold their sexuality if they really believe that nice girls aren't supposed to do certain things," Jablonski said.

During meetings, discussing isn't the only things the B8TRS do. Group masturbation does occur with the help of a pornographic video.

The B8TRS say if more people let their guard down and became more open about masturbation there would be fewer STDs and more people would be stress-free.

Jablonski said that the taboo of masturbation began as early as the biblical days. The Old Testament makes reference to "a man shall not waste his seed."

"It's a very sensitive topic," Adam said. "But let's be humane about it. It's

more natural than the grass that grows in the fields."



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Novelty toys can enhance pleasure. They are available in sex shops.

Miniature Masturbators

by JUANITA LOSCH
& ANDREA TRENTADUE
Lifestyles Reporters

CHILDREN who masturbate often get caught with their pants down.

Tammy Buschlen, a Pediatric Registered Nurse, said when children touch their private areas, it is just a normal part of growing up. She said the way parents deal with the situation is very critical.

"It's a problem that needs to be dealt with and talked about in the home and told to do in private places," Buschlen said. "You don't want them growing up thinking they're bad people."

Cindy, a mother of a three-year-old daughter, believes that masturbation by children is natural.

Cindy said the way parents address the issue is important. She tells her daughter the only place for touching her

privates is in her bedroom.

"Ignoring it isn't right, but it's hard when they're little," said Cindy. "There's no getting around it. It's an erogenous zone. From the time you're young it feels good."

Buschlen said every parent has different feelings about it. Her advice to parents is to stay positive.

"You don't want to make it sound negative," Buschlen said. "They're exploring and experimenting with themselves. You don't want them to feel ashamed."

However, Buschlen does urge parents to be aware of warning signs of sexual abuse.

Persistent rashes around vaginal areas, or promiscuous and unusual sexual behavior at a young age may indicate abnormalities.

Buschlen said the bottom line about masturbation is kids are curious and it's normal.

Myths...what you think you know

MYTH: Hardly anyone masturbates.

Fact: Well over 90 per cent of teen males masturbate. About 98 per cent of adults report they've masturbated at some time in their lives.

MYTH: Only males masturbate.

Fact: About two-thirds of adult women masturbate at least occasionally, although most females begin to masturbate at a later age than most males.

MYTH: Only homosexuals masturbate.

Fact: Another favourite among the "I don't need to masturbate. I get real sex" crowd. People masturbate whether they have sexual partners or not. Then they feel guilty for masturbating and try to get everyone else to feel guilty for masturbating, too.

MYTH: Masturbation causes your penis to shrink or grow.

FACT: Masturbation has no effect on your penis size, no matter when you start doing it.

Get a jolt with a cup o' joe

by JUANITA LOSCH
Lifestyles Reporter

Drinking the black brew for an early morning jolt, for the tantalizing taste, or merely for its demanding social implications may not be the answer for your health.

Caffeine is the world's most popular drug. According to the Coffee Association of Canada, (CAC) more than 15 billion cups of coffee are consumed by Canadians every year, and over 80 per cent drink the hot beverage.

Cathy Gell, an employee at the CAC said people drink coffee for its full-bodied taste rather than for the social trend.

"They enjoy the flavour," said Gell. "Canadians, with the winter weather here, enjoy coffee."

With caffeine racing through your blood providing a pleasant jolt that eliminates drowsiness and activates your brain into "go" time, you must stop and ask yourself, what are the health risks that come with this euphoric feeling?

Marg-Anne Jones, a Registered Nurse and Health Counsellor at Humber, said caffeine is a drug with a number of different side effects.

"It (caffeine) makes the blood vessels smaller, and it's a closed pumping system, the heart and vessels," said Jones. "So, if you make the pipe smaller, the liq-

uid goes through at a higher pressure. Caffeine increases that pressure. It makes your heart beat faster."

Another side effect is gastric acid. Caffeine pumps extra acid into the stomach, which is not good for the lining.

Some people who drink a lot of coffee may experience symptoms that are similar to an anxiety attack.

"Heavy coffee drinking may sometimes bring on symptoms that mimic an anxiety attack," Jones said.

Jones said that caffeine is a drug that has an addictive property, but the effects vary depending on a person's size.

A 300-lb man could drink more coffee than a tiny woman, and experience fewer side effects.

People who shouldn't be drinking coffee are those who suffer from ulcers and pregnant women said Jones.

Jones said a lot of students rely on coffee for late nights cramming for exams or assignments. It may be counter-productive because the quality of sleep is not the same when you have an excessive amount of caffeine in your system.

"You could end up shooting yourself in the foot," said Jones.

Caffeine stimulates the neural system, and brain. One cup of coffee containing 75 - 150 mg of caffeine can give you a boost to enhance performance at simple

intellectual tasks, and at physical work. The effect can last for up to eight hours.

It is possible to be physically addicted to caffeine. If you crave coffee, you may be hooked.

A good way to break free without suffering too many withdrawal symptoms is to gradually eliminate coffee from your diet.

"If you're wanting to break a caffeine habit without making yourself quite unhappy, you do it gradually," Jones said. "You go through a weaning period where for a few days you reduce it by one cup, and a couple days later, another cup."

Withdrawal symptoms include headaches, irritability, and fatigue. It begins 20 to 48 hours after the last dose of caffeine, and can last for up to seven days.

According to a 1998 Winter Coffee drinking study conducted by the CAC, Canadian coffee drinkers consume 3.10 cups of coffee per day, and coffee is more popular than tea, milk, beer, fruit juices.

Coffee drinking is a popular pastime that people enjoy engaging in, and is a good way to communicate.

Trisha Hoffman who works at Java Jazz said the busiest time of the day for coffee drinkers is "definitely in the morning."

Hoffman said with the cold weather coming, more people are scurrying into



PHOTO BY JUANITA LOSCH

Humber's Dorothy Warzywoda drinks coffee to start each day.

Java Jazz for a hot cup of coffee.

Coffee is not the only thing that contains caffeine.

It can also be found in tea, chocolate, soft drinks, painkillers, cold and cough remedies, and antihistamines.

Jones does not encourage large amounts of caffeine to be consumed by anyone.

"Everything in moderation."

Trade your collectables for cash

by SHAUN HATTON
Lifestyles Reporter

Remember GI Joe, He-man, Voltron, Transformers and Thundercats? If you were a kid in the '80s, you may have watched some or all of these cartoons.

If you watched any of these cartoons, chances are you had the action figures. And if you had the action figures, you probably lost a few in the sandbox, flushed some down the toilet, or removed the screws that held them together.

But if you still have any of your old toys, you might be able to sell them for a healthy sum. Over the past four years, most comic book stores have added toys to their inventory of collectables.

"We get a lot of people, both serious and casual collectors, everyone from young kids to grown-ups," said Caroline Julian, of the Silver Snail comic store in Toronto. "There is a very strong adult market for the toys."

The market is so strong that there are numerous magazines, such as Collecting Figures and ToyFare, devoted to the hobby. Every toy magazine includes a price guide which lists the value of action figures, both in and out of the packaging.

A Star Wars Jawa action figure, released in 1977 with a plastic cape, was originally sold for \$3.50. Today, it is listed at \$2,750 U.S. in the package, and \$600 U.S. out.

A good majority of collectors have jumped on the bandwagon, but there are those who have been collecting since childhood.

"As soon as you hit grade eight (and



PHOTO BY SHAUN HATTON

Mat O'Reilly enjoys playing with his Star Wars action figures.

all through high school, (buying toys) is not considered cool," said Mat O'Reilly, graphic designer and avid toy collector. "I collect because it reminds me of when I was a kid. I didn't have to worry about paying bills. The biggest worry was who got to be the good guys."

Most kids loved their toys so much, they bathed with them. Although it was fun, it led to worn-out paint, missing pieces, and loose joints, all of which decrease a toy's value.

O'Reilly often visits toy and department stores in search of new action figures. He also buys and trades toys over the Internet. Of course, as with all on-line transactions, one must be careful not to get ripped off.

"Most collectors are straight-up hon-

est people. You send them their money and they send you the toys," O'Reilly said. "It's actually quite a good way to get them. You get it right to your door in the mail."

Older toys, especially packaged ones, tend to go for more money on the collector's market.

Most collectors are picky, and try to find toys in perfect condition packaging. Much like baseball cards, a toy's box must be free from dents, scratches, and creases, or the value decreases.

"I'm not into all that perfect condition stuff," O'Reilly said. "If the urge arises, I'll play with my toys. It relieves stress."

Another key factor in determining a toy's value is availability. A Star Wars "Theatre Edition" Luke Skywalker action

figure was given away at theatres to the first 50 people who saw Return of the Jedi: Special Edition, but has been sold at comic stores for as much as \$250. Out of the package, the same toy's worth \$2.25.

"I'd never pay that much for a toy," said Rob Sinnott. "I open all my toys anyway, so it wouldn't make sense."

Sinnott started collecting GI Joe action figures three years ago. Since they're not sold in stores anymore, he got most of them from friends and co-workers in inexpensive, large quantities.

"I used to have a lot of (GI) Joes when I was younger, but my mom got rid of them all," Sinnott said. "But now I've more than made up for it."

As with all hobbies, there are those people who are in it only for the money. Both O'Reilly and Sinnott refer to these people as "toy whores," because they often buy out a store's entire supply of a certain figure, then sell it at up to four times the cost.

"They get off on selling toys for big bucks, when you should only be paying five to ten bucks for them," O'Reilly said.

"Toys were meant to be played with," Sinnott said. "These people are selfishly ruining a perfectly good hobby."

So what are the toys hidden somewhere in your basement worth?

Taking them to a comic store may not be the greatest idea, since many shop owners will only pay half of what they're listed for.

"People have to remember that price guides are only guides. A toy is only worth what people are willing to pay for it," O'Reilly said. "Toys are for fun. If you want an investment, get RRSPs."

Arts

"It creates more work and havoc and stress."

This is 54-40? Since When?

by SHAUN HATTON
Arts Reporter

Vancouver's 54-40 was in town October 28 and played a two-hour set despite guitarist/pianist/vocalist Phil Comparelli having pneumonia and lead singer Neil Osborne having a sore throat.

They nearly cancelled the show, but lucky for Toronto fans, they didn't.

54-40's visit to the Phoenix Concert Theatre was part of a tour to promote their new album, *Since When*.

The band has employed a philosophy of always being different, not only from themselves, but from everyone else too.

"We started to put the songs together and Neil was kind of hurrying the process a little bit," said bassist Brad Merritt of the production of their 1995 album, *Smilin' Buddha Cabaret*.

"I'm like, 'Wait, let's break this down, let's figure out what we're going to do, let's work on some parts,' and (Neil) said 'No, no, no, let's make it sort of fast and disposable, and let's make this kind of our way of doing it.'"

For *Smilin' Buddha Cabaret*, 54-40 wrote as many as six songs a day and thrived on the spontaneity of ideas. For *Since When*, they wanted a more natural, vintage sound. That included buying, and restoring, an antique piano.

"For this record (production) got even stranger. The process started months before we actually started writing songs," Merritt said. "Neil actually came in with typewritten pages all prepared and said 'This is an idea I have'. We wanted to make a timeless sounding record."

In that search for timelessness, and to keep themselves amused, 54-40 decided to get out of their element. Comparelli, who had played primarily guitar up until then, played piano. For the first time, Merritt played pickless the entire record. Drummer Matt Johnson sat out for some tracks.

They even added a complete string section to some songs, and female back-up vocals to others. To top it all off, the album was manually mixed on an "Air Neve" hand crafted console, which is one of three in existence.

"I don't think we're ever afraid of sounding the same. In fact, I would like to try sounding the same just for once," Brad says. "From a marketing point of view, it's a struggle... it creates more work and havoc and stress."

But in the end, it's all for fun, which is one of the reasons they've been around so long (18 years). And it's in the name of fun that they've let fans decide, by power of e-mail, what songs

they play for their tour. Plus, at each of their shows, one lucky fan gets to go onstage and sing their favourite 54-40 song with the band playing along and singing back-up. They call it 40-oake.

"That part of the show is just incredible fun," Merritt said. "The audience totally loves it."

The audience also loves the classics, such as "Baby Ran" and "I Go Blind."

"We don't like practicing them. In fact, we don't," drummer, Matt Johnson.

They like playing the classics, but they also like to mix things up. They made a polka out of "Radio Luv Song" and gave "Crossing A Canyon" a Mexican spin by speeding it up slightly and adding trumpets to the bridge.

Osborne's brother, David, played keyboards, harmonica, saxophone, and accordion during the show, and Coco Love Alcorn provided soothing female back-up vocals.

Each show of their *Since When* tour is being recorded for a greatest hits live album that will only be available on their website (www.5440.com). They plan to have it ready as early as January.

It's not easy for a band to last as long as 54-40 has, but as long as they continue to have fun, they'll continue to make albums.



COURTESY PHOTO

54-40, (From back: Brad Merritt, Phil Comparelli, Matt Johnson, and Neil Osborne) wait for the train to Rockville.

Merritt jokingly refers to their longevity as result of "proper diet and exercise."

"There's no question that Neil is the leader of the band. He's the guy with the vision," said Merritt. "We certainly don't look

to Matt, 'Matt, where are we going to go with this next record?'"

"See, that's where you're wrong," said Johnson. "Neil asked me that. We just don't let you in."

All ears on Korn

by MAREK KOCHMAN
Arts Reporter

Adolescent rage combined with heavy distortion and a lot of screaming made for one hell of a concert November 2 at Arrow Hall's presentation of Korn.

Korn, who haven't been in Toronto since coming on the now defunct Lollapalooza tour, came back on the much hyped Family Values Tour, and little has changed other than plenty of new songs and more anger.

Once Korn hit the stage the stadium went insane as the boys from Bakersfield kicked off with *It's On*, from their latest album *Follow the Leader*.

They continued a set to blow

any metal-head away with old favorites like *Faget*, *Shoots and Ladders*, and *Clown*. They even surprised the audience by playing the Neanderthal-like song *Twist*, which was a personal favourite for the night. The bottom line is, Korn opened a can of whoop-ass on the crowd, and it

was great to watch. From the brilliant set design, (a two story cage with about 50 fans dancing inside it) to frontman Jonathan Davis leaving the set to get his bagpipes, the show was worth the \$36 it asked for.

To think people say getting angry won't solve anything. Korn does it for a living — and they do it extremely well.

KORN

Theatre Humber opens season with a lesson in humanity

by KEVIN TULLY
Arts Reporter

This year's season of Theatre Humber opened on November 4, with the chilling drama *Death and the Maiden*.

The tense and emotionally wrenching story is about a woman who is suffering psychological side effects after being tortured and raped as a political prisoner 15 years earlier during the Chilean military coup of 1973.

Third-year students Janet Phillips, Spencer Kennedy, and John Schreeve have been rehearsing six days a week since early October.

"The message the play is sending is that true justice on one hand and appeasement on the other hand cannot ever work together," said Mark Schoenberg, artistic director of Humber's Performing Arts School.

Schoenberg hopes the play will educate about crimes against the human race.

"We hope to make our audiences aware that crimes against humanity have a kind of effect emotionally, intellectually and psychologically, and all of us have to bear the responsibility for allowing these crimes to go unchallenged," Schoenberg said.

The staff and faculty of the Humber College School of Performing Arts present Theatre Humber. The school will be performing four other plays this season.

The musical *Godspell* is next, starting December 2.

In February Canadian playwright George F. Walker's comedy *Escape from Happiness* hits the Humber stage. The season will come to a conclusion with Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and *Macbeth* in the spring.

Death and the Maiden and the other plays will be held at the Theatre Humber Studio Theatre, located at Lakeshore Campus.

Waterboy makes a splash, but no waves

by MARK SUBRYAN
Film Critic

He's starred as a hockey player turned golfer, idiot turned college grad, and an '80s wedding singer turned jaded person, so why shouldn't Adam Sandler star as a waterboy turned football player?

On November 6, Sandler's new film, *The Waterboy*, will open across the continent and it really isn't that different from any of his other films. It is the typical tale of a



Versatile Sandler plays a dim-witted stooge in *The Waterboy*. What a stretch.

loser overcoming the odds and winning the respect of his peers.

Bobby Boucher (Sandler) is a dim-witted Louisiana Bayou boy who brings water for football players. The players, however, don't like him and target him for their jokes.

When he is fired from his job at the Louisiana University, he volunteers to be the waterboy at Southern Louisiana. There, coach Klein (Henry Winkler) tells Boucher to stand up to those who ridicule him. When he does, the coach realizes that Bobby may

be the person who will lead his team to the promised land – the Bourbon Bowl

The film also features Kathy Bates (*Misery*, *Titanic*) and Fairuza Balk (*The Craft*, *Valmont*) Bates plays Mama Boucher who is overprotective of her son and who believes that women and electricity are the devil's work.

Balk plays a tough as nails biker chick who is always in trouble, but has a soft spot for Bobby.

The person who steals the show is Blake Clark who plays Farmer Fran, Southern Louisiana's assistant coach. Fran speaks a form of Creole that no one understands and he makes for some funny moments.

Overall, the film is hilarious but has that typical Disney sappy feel about it that has really gotten tired. Check out Mark Subryan's review *The Seige* at etcetera.humber.on.ca/arts/movie.htm.

Good Times, Bad Times

Toronto theatre celebrates 20 years of fine alternative showmanship.

by MICHELE STEFANCIC
Arts Reporter

Celebrating their 20th Anniversary, Buddies In Bad Times Theatre is excited about this year's season.

Buddies in Bad Times seems to be an ironic name for the company considering each year their success has grown.

Sticking with tradition, both Artistic Director Sarah Stanley and General Manager Gwen Bartleman, couldn't be more pleased with *Buddies'* gay and lesbian productions.

"This year is going to be a great season, and a really exciting year," said Stanley.

Stanley is not only Buddies Artistic Director, but also stars in this season's opening production *Camera, Woman* which runs to November 8. *Camera, Woman* is about the life of a lesbian director living in Hollywood.

Stanley said Buddies' staying power can be attributed to really great theatre, and to exploring always relevant issues facing gay and lesbians.

"We traditionally draw a younger audience, and we are still geared towards them discussing issues of today, but we are working towards broadening the audience," Stanley said.

Each month the productions change at Buddies, adding freshness and variety. Featured this season are *Live With It*, a play which takes place in the sixties in London's under-

ground and explores the life of a gay playwright and his partner.

Steel Kiss and Gulag, directed by Stanley, is based on the true story of gay bashing murders in High Park.

Ending their 20th anniversary



Sarah Stanley is the Artistic Director at Buddies in Bad Times Theatre in Toronto and stars in *Camera, Woman*.

season is the highly celebrated Rhubarb Festival, a festival made up of 15-18 plays running over a three week period.

This year Buddies received over 100 submissions for the Festival, and choosing the shows was difficult.

"It's really wide open, the submissions can be of any content, and can take on any form," said Bartleman. "It can be a dance piece, a text based work, or a movement piece, but the focus is on good work, and something that will benefit from the forum."

To support the festival Buddies relies on funding from a number of sources.

"We're on operating funding for the Canada Council, the Ontario Arts Council, and the Toronto Arts Council as well," said Bartleman.

Weekends also help out with costs. Buddies is transformed into a dance club on Friday and Saturday nights, running a night club within the theatre with proceeds going back into the productions.

Friday nights features an alternative feel and generates a predominately younger female audience, both gay and straight.

On Saturday nights, the club is known as 'Sissy,' an older gay male audience. Stanley is quick to suggest the straight audience also comes to Buddies night club action because they find it a safer environment. Cover charge for both nights is three dollars, and starts at 10:30 p.m.

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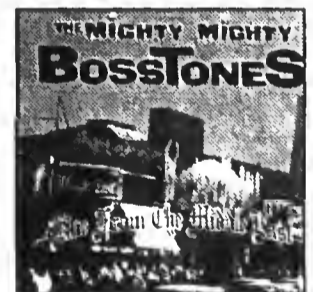
Did you ever consider that B-sides are B-sides for a reason? Oasis are set to make some pre-Christmas cash by releasing a collection of their more mediocre songs. Highlights include *Rockin' Chair*, the instrumental *Fade Away* and a certain Beatles cover. Noel Gallagher (the more-talented one) does much of the singing and all of the songwriting (except the obvious). Honestly though, he should have kept this particular collection of tunes obscure.



A+
Enjoy Yourself

Well, not even Beethoven is safe from the sampling demons who take it upon themselves to rip off other songs to make their "creations" sound good. A+ is the newest hip hop artist out there with his EP, *Enjoy Yourself*. The EP has the *Radio and Instrumental* (God knows we won't be complete without an instrumental) versions. "Up Top New York" is the other song on this EP. In that one, A+ thinks he's LL Cool J but fails miserably. Someone should change his name from A+ to F because that's what his music rates.

It had to happen some time. Joe Pesci has recorded a CD based on his character from *My Cousin Vinny*. He uses the character Vincent LaGuardia Gambini to croon on 14 songs. The CD is a take on various musical genres including swing, folk, and rap. There are three versions of *Yo Cousin Vinny* sung in English, Italian, and Spanish. The two funniest tunes are *If It Doesn't Snow For Christmas* and *I Can't Give You Anything But Love* which he duets with Marisa Tomei who reprised her role from the same film.



The Mighty Mighty
Bosstones
Live from the Middle East

The Bosstones fall flat in front of a hometown crowd. They prove that they are far more fun to watch live than listen to. You miss the pumped crowd and the dancing. Highlights are where you'd expect them, but something is not right about this one. The energy just isn't as apparent as it should be for a live recording. I guess you had to be there.



Sports



"I haven't been this excited since hot dog day"

Heartbreaking finale for Hawks

by ANDREW BISSON
Sports Reporter

The final game against Mohawk on Halloween day in Hamilton, was a game of tricks for Humber rather than treats.

An unbelievable turn of events in the final moments of the OCAA women's soccer championship final led to the Mohawk Mountaineers coming from behind to beat the Humber Hawks 3-2.

Just when the Hawks could smell victory, as well as a trip to British Columbia to play in the national finals, Mohawk snatched the victory from right under their noses. The Hawks were left bewildered and in disbelief as Mohawk scored three goals in the final 15 minutes of the game to win the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) gold medal.

On the bright side, they captured the silver medal, which is the best placing the team has accomplished in its short history.

To earn a trip to the final, the Hawks had to defeat the Seneca Sting.

The Hawks came out flying against the Sting. The team had several quality scoring chances in the first couple of minutes of the match. Annabella Lopes

managed to put Humber on the board first when she chipped a shot up and over the Seneca keeper just three minutes into the game, giving the Hawks a 1-0 lead.

Humber continued to dominate the play in the first half, but had trouble putting one past the Seneca keeper.

The second half was going along in the same manner as the first until Dyan Layne scored on a breakaway for Humber to give

the team a bit of a cushion with a 2-0 lead.

Seneca put together a brief flurry late in the second half but were unable to score on the Hawks' keeper, Jen de Miranda. The final score was 2-0 for Humber.

"The score isn't an accurate indication of the game," coach Vince Pileggi said. "Every (Humber) player was at their best today."

Co-coach Mauro Ongaro

agreed.

"Everybody on the team had a great game today. We couldn't have asked for more."

Humber's Adrian Cataldo said "we played really well in the first half, but we played a little flat-footed in the second."

"Now we're one step away," Ongaro said, referring to the national finals.

The Hawks came out strong again. Filomena Aprile opened the scoring for Humber at the 10 minute mark of the first half with a well-placed strike into the right hand corner of the net to give the Hawks a 1-0 lead.

The Hawks continued to take it to Mohawk when Cataldo sent a dribbler just barely past the Mohawk keeper, making the score 2-0 for Humber 30 minutes into the first half.

The score was still 2-0 with just over 15 minutes to play in the game. That's when it happened.

Mohawk finally put one past

de Miranda. Just a couple of minutes later they added another goal, albeit a fluky goal as a Humber player accidentally headed the ball into her own net. And finally, with less than five minutes to go, Mohawk scored the winning goal, making the final score 3-2 for Mohawk.

The Hawks were in shock when the final whistle was blown. Many players collapsed on the field. Other players had trouble holding back tears.

"The best team didn't win today," Ongaro said. "(Mohawk) just seems to get all the breaks against us. We totally outplayed them. We have nothing to be ashamed of. We'll be back next year."

In more positive news for the Hawks, Cataldo and Claudia Marmo were named OCAA all-stars for the regular season.

But one wonders if they wouldn't gladly trade their all-star status for a berth in the nationals.



PHOTO BY ANDREW BISSON

Filomena Aprile heads ball in gold medal game against Mohawk in Hamilton.

Men's volleyball set for opener

by JACK TYNAN
Sports Reporter

The Humber men's volleyball team is suffering a serious case of tournament head.

The men took on Ryerson last week and won. Too bad the win was so weak for such a strong team.

Coach Wayne Wilkins blames the men's shoddy play October 27 on over confidence after a great tournament.

"I blame it on tournament head," Wilkins said. "We got our first tournament under our belts, we won it, we were very successful. My praise goes out to them, they played a great tournament but then they didn't realize we have the rest of the year left."

The men came away with a

win but only after playing the entire five games.

They won the match three to two (15-11, 15-17, 15-10, 11-15, 16-14).

"They weren't prepared, they were not ready, they weren't focused and they didn't play as hard as I think they could do," Wilkins said.

Earlier this month at their first tournament, Humber beat Ryerson 2-0 without too much effort so Wilkins sees this struggle for a win as not much better than a loss. Now it's back to the drawing board.

"After a few different suicides (drills) we'll reiterate to them that this was a loss to us, and if they have any chance of playing the good, good teams in our league, we can't play that way or we're going to get smoked,"

Wilkins said.

The most exciting part of the game was an energetic Tim Ryan laying down the kills.

"We were a little bit rusty and I think we have a lot work to do, but it was fun," Ryan said.

Ryerson played a better match than they did when Humber first met them.

"Give Ryerson credit... They played a good match," assistant coach Dean Wylie said.

The regular season kicks off for the Hawks with a November 5 home game against Georgian.

Humber will be competing in the West Division against Cambrian, Georgian, Mohawk, Niagara, Redeemer, Seneca and Sheridan.

The Hawks will be trying to capture their first provincial championship since 1975.

Soccer boys B.C. Bound

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With starters like Terrence Campbell and Jesse Calabro both out of the gold medal game with injuries, players from the bench were called upon to help advance the Hawks. Marco Frasca was nowhere near 100 per-cent but showed his heart by starting the game and scoring the eventual game winner. Daniel Gazzelone scored his biggest goal ever and put the Hawks up for good at 2-0. The Colts tried to keep the pressure on but no one would break down the incredible Humber defense.

Angelo Nero had his best two games of the year and helped shut down the Colts' offence.

"I haven't been this excited since hot dog day in elementary school," Nero said looking forward to B.C.

Jeff Tait was also strong and earned one of the two Humber tournament all-star awards. Peter Libicz was the other Humber all-star but was quick to credit his defense.

"They were excellent. No work for the goalie," he said.

Walter Martins was named tournament MVP, and he joined Lopes the previous night when he was also named a central west all-star at the OCAA banquet.

Head coach Germain Sanchez said the team knew all along they had the ability to make it to nationals and now they are right where they want to be.

"Things are slowly falling into place."

Sanchez admired the team's determination as they fought through injuries the entire weekend.

"We had to really depend on guys coming off the bench with so many injuries," he said.

In two playoff games the Hawks have converted eight of nine penalty shots.

The undefeated Centennial Colts defeated the host team Conestoga Condors 4-3 in extra time to advance to the final against the Hawks.

Fast start for defending champs

by GARY D. MELO
Sports Reporter

The women's basketball season took off with a resounding victory against the Fanshawe Falcons on Friends and Family Night at the Humber gymnasium.

The Hawks landed their first win of the regular season as Humber dominated the boards at both ends of the floor to soar past the Falcons in a 68-45 victory last Wednesday.

Despite having a smaller team, the Hawks were able to play an aggressive game and out-rebound the Falcons, giving Humber numerous chances to score each time they went down the floor.

"Extra possessions on the offensive boards give you that extra opportunity to score. We missed two, three, maybe four times, and finally got it again

and put it in," Hawks coach Jim Henderson said.

"They had a lot of trouble handling us on the offensive boards. Those extra possessions in a tight game can make the difference," he said.

Fanshawe coach Jeff Farrugia was disappointed with his team's bland style of play and attributed the loss to their poor numbers in the rebounding department.

"Our girls were just way too soft tonight," Farrugia said. "That's basic basketball. You've got to rebound. You've got to block out. You've got to hit people."

The Falcons stayed close in the first, going into half-time trailing 39-31. The second half, however, saw the Hawks turn their defence up a notch to hold Fanshawe to only 14 points the rest of the way.

"People say basketball is a non-contact sport, but that's crap. It is a contact sport and you've got to make contact. I don't know what got into them, but they just didn't come to play," Farrugia said.

Fanshawe guard Michelle Hall, last year's league scoring champion, was held pointless in the second half and finished with only nine points.

Humber's tight defence set the flow for their transition game which got them off to a 12-0 run to start the second half.

The top scorer for the Hawks, Aman Hasebenebi, finished with 24 points, 5 steals, and 5 assists. Hasebenebi said the Hawks were just too swift on transition for the Falcons.

"We were a lot faster than they were. Our coach wanted us to focus on passing the ball quickly, not giving them time to



PHOTO BY GARY D. MELO

Kristen Adams (right) takes a shot while Filomena Aprile waits for rebound.

set up to play defence on us," she said.

Other players that stood out for the Hawks were Tanya Sadler, who finished with a double-double, bringing in 14 points and 17 rebounds. Audrey

Kaersenhout scored 9 points and added 8 rebounds, and Filomena Aprile finished with 8 points and 10 rebounds.

The Hawks next game is at home against George Brown on November 4.

Humber hockey back on track

by BRIAN R. SYLVESTER
Sports Reporter

Head coach Paul Masotti was grumpy, unshaven and had attitude. The team was grumpy, unshaven, and also had attitude. The result was a 4-2 win for the Humber Hawks over the Sault College Cougars as the team got its first win of the season as part of a two game northern road trip.

This was not as much a game, as it was a war on ice. There were 179 penalty minutes - 64 for Humber - called during an intensely physical match between two very different teams.

Humber is a team with size, speed and finesse, the Sault, a team of thugs that were more likely to fight against you than score against you.

"I thought we played rather stupidly . . . I thought that we didn't display any character whatsoever. I have to commend (Humber's) coaching staff and team. They played with a lot of class," Sault coach John Becanic said.

Referee Marc Baril quickly lost control of the game and compensated by handing out 10 minute misconducts like rocket candies on Halloween. At one point the penalty box looked like a third bench.

"He let a lot of blatant stuff go, he called the little (stuff)," Masotti said.

Humber centre Jeff Bain got in the face of Cougar players all afternoon and paid the price. Bain was pounded on by two of the Cougar's larger goons,



PHOTO BY BRIAN R. SYLVESTER

Jeff Bain takes a Sault player hard into the boards.

including former Sudbury Wolves tough guy Steve Reid.

"He stuck me in the mouth and I lost it . . . I was proving my point (by pounding on Bain). I like proving my point," Reid said after being ejected.

Bain, for his part, kept his composure, took one (some) for the team and did not fight back.

"We came all this way for eight hours to play two games. There's no sense in one of us getting in a fight and being out for the next game and the rest of this game," Bain said.

After a weak showing against Sir Sandford Fleming, Masotti decided not to dress starting goaltender Dwayne Crocker and instead started Mark Armstrong and dressed third stringer Brent DeNure.

"I consider myself better than DeNure and he considers it, too. And I consider myself better

than Armstrong when I'm on my game . . . I have put in two years here and they have been pretty hard years . . . I hope at least (Masotti will) put me on the bench to be the backup. If not there could be a little turmoil," said a frustrated Crocker.

"I had a talk with Crocker and he says he's been fighting the puck . . . I could put all three names (Crocker, Armstrong, DeNure) on a piece of paper and flip a coin and A, B, or C, doesn't bother me," Masotti said. "I've got faith in all three."

The Hawks jumped out to an early 1-0 lead as Blake Mitchell, recently converted from defence to forward, lifted a backhander over Sault goalie Bryan Bertoncello on a pass from speedy centre Sylvio Arrone.

Humber's second goal was scored on a splendid shorthanded rush by defenceman Mike

Collins.

Humber's powerplay also clicked, scoring two goals, as Humber made the Cougars pay for ill-advised penalties.

Humber seemed to thrive on adversity and when things calmed down in the second period. Humber's 3-0 lead was threatened as the Sault scored two goals in nine seconds.

In the second game on Halloween night, Humber frightened the Boreal College Vipers 9-2.

Wade Dawe led the way for the Hawks, scoring a hat trick. Chris McFadyen and Sylvio Arrone each had two goals.

Winger Curtis Hamilton sat out with back spasms after a collision with his own player during the Sault match. Big Joe

Ranieri took Hamilton's place and scored his first goal of the season.

Humber captain Rich Wand received two serious hits in the game against Sault College. He left the second game with a badly bruised arm. But Wand said he would definitely play against Cambrian.

"I'm playing no matter what," Wand said.

When the road trip was over the coach was asked how it felt to get the first wins of the season.

"It's no big deal. There's still a lot of work to be done," Masotti said.

Humber will play their first regular season home game of the year against Cambrian on November 7 at Westwood Arena. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

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