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Lights out for Earth Hour

See our pullout to find out how Humber's going green pages 9-11

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Humber is among the businesses and homes across the city and the world powering down for one hour this Saturday at 8:30 p.m. for Earth Hour.

Men miss out on provincials

Brawl leads athletics to pull soccer team from championships

REMY GREER
SPORTS REPORTER

Humber athletic director Doug Fox has pulled the men's indoor soccer team from this week's provincial championships as punishment for the players' participation in a brawl at the regional playoffs earlier this month.

Humber players stormed the pitch during the March 8 match against Georgian College after one of the team's opponents spat at Hawks coach Germain Sanchez, attacking the player from Barrie.

OCAA officials imposed a two-game suspension on Humber: an automatic loss in its final game of the regionals and a similar forfeit in the opening game of the tournament that begins today at the Ontario Soccer Centre in Vaughan.

But Fox said he levied additional discipline after speaking with his counterpart at Georgian. "There's kind of a code between athletic direc-

tors that if we're not satisfied with the result of a penalty we can put further sanctions in agreement with each other," said Fox.

"I really felt that I needed to give a stiffer penalty, that I needed to make a statement to our team in general that this behaviour is not acceptable."

Humber is the defending OCAA champion and winner of 10 of the last 15 provincial indoor titles. It was a favourite to capture the crown again this year.

"I think they would have won the gold medal, but you can't put that in your head when you're looking at things that represent the college," said Fox. "I just felt I had to do what I did, regardless of their ability."

Coach Sanchez said the news was hard to take.

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"I was very upset. You work the whole season to go to provincials, we had the best team in the province, we didn't lose a game to any college team all winter," he said. "It's very hard to accept the decision, but we have to."

Hawks defenceman Marcelo Capozzolo expressed frustration with how the Hawks' season ended.

"I'm pretty disappointed with the way both indoor and outdoor seasons turned out," he said, "but all we can do is prepare for next year and try to

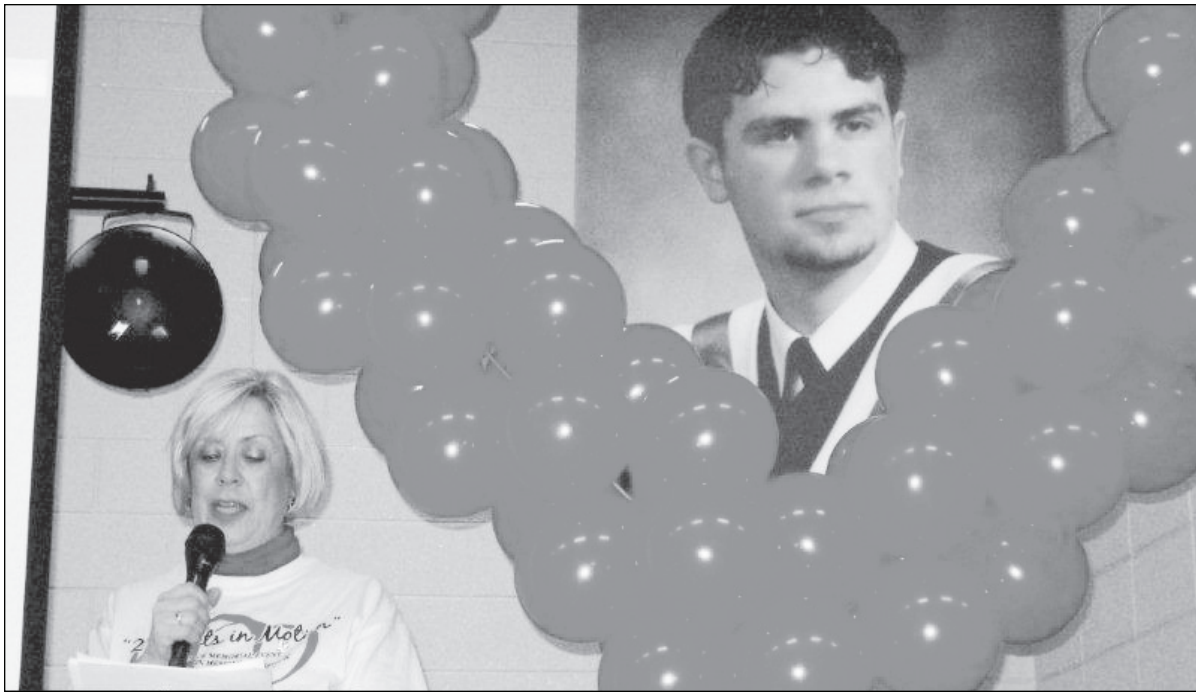
redeem ourselves."

Many of the players are on both squads. The outdoor team finished a disappointing fourth at the provincial championships last fall.



Remy Greer

Hawks midfielder Mario Orestano in action against the Thunderhawks.



Andrew Ardizzi

Mary Speck at last year's event, Her son, Jeremy, who died from a heart defect, is to her right.

Heart disease victim inspires fundraiser

ANDREW ARDIZZI
NEWS REPORTER

A former Humber student is being remembered this weekend at an annual event to educate people about heart disease at Our Lady of Peace Hall in Niagara Falls.

Mary Speck, 61, founded 2 Hearts in Motion in 2005 to commemorate the lives of her late husband David, and son Jeremy.

Jeremy was born with a congenital heart defect and underwent open-heart surgery as a baby, said Speck.

In 2000, he attended Humber as a performing arts student, but the week before classes began, his father died from a brain tumour.

Jeremy completed the year but left

Humber in 2001, deciding he needed time to grieve before pursuing his aspirations of becoming an actor, said Speck.

Speck said over the next four years Jeremy was a great comfort to her.

"He was an up and up kind of person," she said. "If his friends had any problem he'd be there for them. He was just a kind soul."

In 2005, Jeremy was accepted into the Toronto Film School for September enrolment, said Speck.

"They found him to be a very talented young man," she said.

Sadly, Jeremy went into cardiac arrest from an arrhythmia and died in the family home at age 23, she said.

Speck said raising awareness about heart education helped the healing pro-

cess for both the family and Jeremy's friends, who help organize the event.

"It makes me feel good," she said. "That wonderful, comforting feeling I have since Jeremy died, that his death was not totally in vain. That somehow he's helping me."

Heart Niagara, an organization offering cardiovascular health services, education and CPR training throughout the region, sponsors the event Saturday, March 27.

Heart Niagara's executive director, Karen Stearne, said the event pays tribute to Jeremy and his father, who were both community leaders.

A \$7 admission fee covers food and all the events, with proceeds going to Heart Niagara.

J-school student wins EU award

ROMI LEVINE
NEWS REPORTER

A Humber post-graduate journalism student has a head start on a career in international reporting by winning an international journalism award.

Patrick Faller, 23, is the recipient of the EU-Canada Young Journalist Award for an article he submitted about a German class at Queen's University that has Canadian students communicating with German students through Skype.

"I was really happy. I couldn't believe I won. I never expected to win," said Faller.

He and two other students were chosen out of 32 applicants, with Faller being the first student from Humber to have received the award, said press officer for a delegation of the European Union to Canada, Roy Christensen.

The prize is a one-week, all expense paid, trip to Brussels, Belgium with opportunities to visit North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the European Union headquarters.

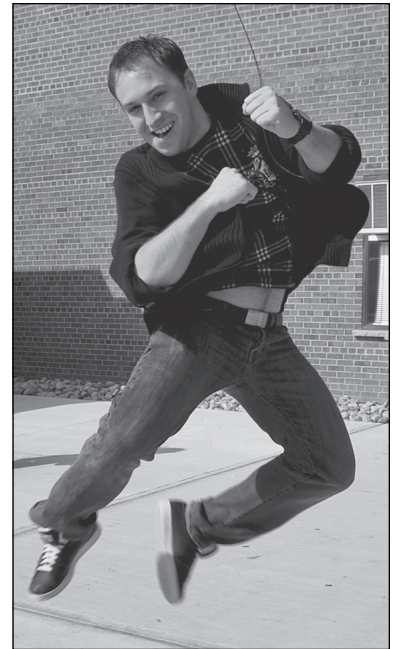
Faller said he was attracted to Hosek's initiative because of its relevance to student interaction on a global scale.

"I thought that was important, because the next generation of students is going to be the ones who carry on this trans-Atlantic relationship," he said.

What he looks forward to most about his trip to Brussels is the opportunity to meet interesting people and drink Belgian beer, he said.

Faller hopes he can work abroad after he completes his post-graduate diploma at Humber.

"I hope now that I've won this



Romi Levine

Patrick Faller jumps for joy.

award, it'll help make this happen," he said.

Christensen said a number of past award winners have become foreign correspondents.

Corrections

Editing errors made in the story 'B-ball captains out for CCAAs' on page 20 of the March 25 issue of *Et Cetera* incorrectly reported that rookie basketball forward Mac Samuels was suspended from school.

Samuels was not suspended from school. Samuels was suspended from the basketball team for a period of time. That team suspension has been served.

In the story 'Safety boss calls it quits after 31 years' on page 4 of the same issue of *Et Cetera*, the quote "He's like a warm glove or, you know, the old slipper" was incorrectly attributed to public safety manager Nancy Deason.

In the story 'Lakeshore group connects with community' on page 6 of the same issue, the name of the group was incorrect. The proper name of the group is The Canadian Student Institute.

In the story 'North Campus hosts micro-mice competition' on page 6, the photo attribution should have said Dan Blackwell instead of courtesy.

In the story 'Golf icon enters Hall of Fame' on page 4, the photo caption naming Ben Kern should have read third from the left, not right.

The *Et Cetera* apologizes for these errors.

Freshmen enter college with poor math skills

MEG BANKS
NEWS REPORTER

Humber students are lacking basic math concepts – which is consistent with a new province wide report, said the math centre co-ordinator.

"There are a lot of fundamentals lacking for one reason or another," said John Malcolm.

The 2009 College Math Project, from Seneca College, analyzed information from first-year math courses

at all 24 Ontario colleges.

The report found college students fresh out of high school do poorly in first-year math classes, with one-third of 18-year-old students "at risk" of a grade of D or lower.

Project director Laurel Schollen said the report suggests educators "focus on foundations, and identify key concepts that students are lacking."

Schollen said the report encourages high schools and colleges to work

closely to ensure students take the right preparatory courses and know what is expected of them.

Some Humber math instructors plan to visit high school classes to open dialogue with administrators.

Students often get to upper-year college math courses and struggle with basic concepts like fractions and ratios, said Malcolm.

"They're doing calculus without the algebra," he said.

Humber's associate dean of math, Patricia Morgan said the transition can be hard for students, but maintains the college is "doing extremely well" compared to other schools.

Humber is one of the few colleges offering pre-college level remedial math classes, she said.

Schollen urges students to focus on their math skills.

"It's practicing a language," Schollen said, "It's a life skill."

world news

Mural hints world ends in 4006

Vatican researcher, Sabrina Sfroza Galitzia, said clues in Leonardo Da Vinci's Last Supper mural confirm his predictions the world will end on Nov. 1, 4006. She claims the artist foresaw the end of the world with a "universal flood" in March of 4006.

Times Online

Israeli diplomat expelled

The Israeli diplomat to Britain has been expelled by the U.K. government due to allegations the Israeli intelligence agency, Mossad, used forged British documents during the successful assassination of a Hamas commander in Dubai.

Reuters

Pope accepts bishop's resignation

Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of Irish Bishop John Magee. Magee, 73, is accused of mishandling complaints of sex abuse in his diocese, the Vatican confirmed Wednesday.

CBC

U.S. healthcare bill passed

U.S. President Barack Obama signed an historic healthcare reform bill on Tuesday after it had been passed by U.S. congress the Sunday prior. Legislators voted 219-212 in favour of the \$938 billion bill.

CBC

Campus crime ups police presence

SCOTT MONEY
NEWS REPORTER

A recent increase in crime at North Campus has prompted Toronto police to implement a new patrol program for the campus and surrounding community.

"The program is starting because of the escalation in robberies and incidents at the college," said Const. Milpreet Khera, an officer in the community response unit.

Staff Sgt. Glenn Barenthin said that 23 Division's community response unit will initiate a program known as "intelligence led policing."

Police said the effort will mean more patrols directed to North Campus and see police activities on campus tracked and recorded.

"With this program we will be able to see how often officers are at the college and what incidents happen most frequently," said Barenthin.

Police said the implementation of the program is related to both the gun-point robbery that occurred near the North Campus arboretum last week and other less serious offences like minor assaults and drinking offences.

Khera said several students were charged with liquor offences on St. Patrick's Day, including drinking in a public place and public intoxication.

When asked about the recent increase of police presence on campus, director of public safety, Gary Jaynes, said "It was not a request on the part of the college. 'The police aren't here because we have problems.'"

Sgt. Barenthin said the program will have police talking to Humber security as well as patrolling the halls and grounds more frequently.

"The college is in the middle of a neighbourhood that has problems with robberies and these young kids at the college are easy targets," said Const. Khera.



Jon Hembrey

Changes to the HSF constitution were among the issues voted on during the bi-annual general meeting held at Lakeshore Campus.

Low turnout at the HSF bi-annual meeting

JON HEMBREY
NEWS REPORTER

Students had an opportunity to vote on issues concerning changes to the Humber Students Federation constitution and the new \$7.2 million budget, but only a handful chose to participate.

Less than 15 students took part in bi-annual HSF meeting in the cafeteria at Lakeshore's H building, just two weeks after they had a record turnout of 21 per cent in the election.

"Disappointed. Absolutely," said HSF executive director, Ercole Perrone, of the lack of interest. "Not enough students are taking an active part in this."

At least 50 students signed up, a requirement under the HSF constitution, but most were absent.

During the 19-minute meeting, students approved next year's HSF budget, which has increased by 18 per cent to \$7.2 million from \$6.1 million, including an extra \$25,000 for financial aid bursaries.

Also approved were changes to the constitution creating stricter eligibility requirements for representatives and executives—candidates cannot fail any classes in the previous academic year and must maintain a 65 per cent academic average.

Another change was an option to

dismiss members of the HSF executive committee who miss two meetings with unexplained absences, where previously they only faced a loss of pay.

The constitution was also updated to include Orangeville in all references made to Humber.

Current VP administration at North Campus and next year's VP campus life, Melissa Mendes, said the HSF may have to consider moving the location of the meeting which rotates between Lakeshore and North Campuses.

"There might be some changes we need to make next year," she said.

HSF president-elect Bryan Tran,

who is the current VP campus life at Lakeshore, said he plans to focus on improving participation next year with changes to the board of directors and increasing the responsibilities and presence of program representatives.

"I want to push to increase involvement with the students at the grassroots level," he said.

Tran said getting students interested in constitutional changes and the budget can be difficult.

"It's hard to make an event like this appealing," said Tran. "A lot of people consider this pretty dry and uninteresting, but it is important."

College's \$238M budget approved

SIMON RICE
NEWS REPORTER

Humber's board of governors approved a \$238 million budget that projects an increase of almost 7,000 students for the 2010/2011 academic year.

The student body increase of seven per cent would raise the number of full-time students to 42,474 from 39,464 this year.

The projected growth can be attributed to the introduction of four new programs, the current economic downturn and a greater number of international applicants, said VP of

finance and administrative services, Rani Dhaliwal.

"The growth is projected to be spread over all three campuses," said Dhaliwal.

Board member Rainer Beltzner expressed concern over Humber's ability to accommodate so many students.

"We've got most of that covered," President John Davies told Beltzner.

He cited new classrooms being built as part of the \$50 million revitalization project at Lakeshore, as well as more students attending during the summer semester.

In total, four motions were ap-

proved by the board including a five per cent increase in childcare fees, the budget for the revitalization project at Lakeshore, and the financial budgets for both Humber and Guelph-Humber.

The infrastructure project at Lakeshore, which includes the \$43 million construction of the L building is now in its final phase and is scheduled to be completed by March 2011.

Humber has also added 58 new online courses and has seen a 17 per cent increase in online registration.

The higher tuition fees paid by international students will also result in

greater overall revenues.

"It's a bit like running an airline. International students fill seats, helping us to fill sections, and move from full sections to new sections," said director of student success and engagement, Michael Kopinak.

The board is comprised of 16 members including one student member who is selected through a special election.

HSF proposes service fee hike

JON HEMBREY
NEWS REPORTER

The Humber Students Federation Board of Directors approved a proposal to increase compulsory student fees by 4.2 per cent for the 2011/2012 academic year.

The money is used to fund HSF programs, including the health and dental plan, the athletic centres, technology fees and administrative costs.

According to provincial guidelines, the fee, which will rise to \$455.12 from \$436.57 per semester and is separate from tuition, must clear the student directors before final approval by the Board of Governors.

During the meeting, HSF President Shugufa Kaker said the increases, primarily in the health plan and ath-

letics fee, relate to specific, "quality improvements" that will benefit students.

She said this includes a proposal to upgrade the gym at Lakeshore Campus.

"I think next year you'll be seeing plans for renovation," said Kaker.

HSF executive director Ercole Perrone said the hike will also help pay for an increase in the number of students who use the health plans, a supplementary insurance which includes services not covered under provincial healthcare like eye care, dental and prescription drugs.

He also said more money was needed for a proposal to create a "flex plan" which would give students the ability to choose from a range of plans "to better suit their health and

wellness needs."

VP Administration at North campus and VP Campus Life-elect, Melissa Mendes, said this would give students more options while also retaining the ability to opt out for a refund.

Apart from health and athletics, Perrone said most of the other costs – convocation, administration, student cards – would increase by two per cent, based on the projected rate of inflation.

The HSF student activity fee will not increase, said Perrone.

He said changes must be proposed one year in advance to allow time for proper research and allocation of funds.



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Ban lifted on HSF talking to Et Cetera

MAGGIE CAMERON
SENIOR REPORTER

The next president of Humber Students' Federation said yesterday he recognizes the responsibility of student government to respond to questions from the news media, despite participating in a recent boycott of the *Et Cetera* imposed by the outgoing chief executive.

"I understand the value of media on campus and the relationship that exists between student government and the media," said Bryan Tran, who takes office May 1. "I understand the need for accountability and transparency. They all complied."

Current president, Shugufa Kaker, refused to talk to the student newspaper starting March 12 and ordered all HSF representatives to do the same. They all complied.

"I have to back my president up," Tran said. "In my term next year I would want my VPs to back me up and trust my judgment as well."

The ban was lifted on Tuesday, though Kaker still would not respond to calls from the *Et Cetera*.

HSF president Shugufa Kaker's decision to ban HSF from speaking to reporters came the day after she was featured in a March 11 profile with a headline reading, 'Prez ends tenure with promises half fulfilled.'

The ban lasted seven days.

In an email sent to *Et Cetera* faculty advisor Siobhan Moore saying she's imposing a ban, Kaker wrote, "It seems as though when it is time for HSF elections or budget presentation, the *Et Cetera* articles take a salacious tone. We have had many issues in the past with the writers and editors of the *Et Cetera* and the way facts are being presented."

Upon receiving the email, Moore requested a meeting with Kaker to rectify the situation. Kaker declined a meeting. HSF executive director, Ercole Perrone, met with Moore and journalism program co-ordinator Carey French on Tues. March 22.

Although the ban on other HSF representatives speaking to the *Et Cetera* was lifted on Tuesday, Kaker did not respond to calls from the paper. She is speaking to other Humber student media.

"If you go out of your way to help somebody else," Kaker told Humber Radio, "then they should know that the least they could do is write what you say and depict the type of information that you've relayed to them and that's not happening."

Moore said journalism is different than public relations.

"What she and every paid elected official here on campus need to know is that journalists don't tell the mes-

sage you want them to tell, they tell readers what the readers have the right to know. Reporters have to be objective, so they report on all sides," said Moore.

"We feel that students are owed better," said Perrone, "and reporters need to be doing a bit more diligence in the background in the stories that they're researching and the final copies of the stories that go to print."

Perrone said the ban was "a check," a time to re-evaluate if "we are all doing this for the right reasons, which is informing students of what is going on."

"As a journalist with over 20 years of experience in the profession before I became a teacher, I know that whatever we've done with *Et Cetera* has been journalistically responsible and correct," said Moore.

Associate Dean of the School of Media Studies, Basil Guinane said communication between HSF and reporters is vital.

"A major component of Humber College is of course HSF. So obviously it's very important that we were able to communicate with them and report on what they're doing," said Guinane.

Kaker's term as president ends May 1. Her successor, Bryan Tran said he trusts Kaker's judgment.

Prior to lifting the ban, Kaker told Humber Radio, "nobody's going to be



Simon Rice

HSF president Shugufa Kaker.



Courtesy

President-elect Bryan Tran.

able to make me change my mind unless I have a guarantee that the information we tell them is what is going to be printed."

Toronto Mayor David Miller's director of communications and journalism faculty member Don Wanagas said refusing to speak with media will only exacerbate a situation that is trying to be prevented.

"The media is the conduit for information between any organization politically and the public, and in this case the school. *Humber Et Cetera* is documenting what's going on at the school and that includes the political bodies like HSF. I think an outright ban on anyone talking to the media, at the school level particularly, is not wise," said Wanagas.

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Students contribute to arb PR campaign

DAN BLACKWELL
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

This spring, successful Humber marketing students will be paid to redesign the brochures and website for the arboretum on North Campus.

In exchange for developing the campaign, the winning design teams will receive financial compensation on par with some ad agencies.

"It's a significant amount to a student," said Melanie Sifton, director of the Humber arboretum.

"We are happy to pay Humber students for their work."

The arboretum campaign is being designed by advertising and graphic design students as part of their course

requirements, with finished proposals due for evaluation by mid-April.

Sifton said she chose Humber students for the redesign over an outside ad agency because of their talent and unique understanding of the Humber brand.

"I think it's important, as part of the college, to integrate different student programs into the arboretum as much as possible," she said

Humber AdCentre director Marilyn Cresswell said the arboretum campaign is one of many that students help develop throughout the year.

Other employers that work with Humber include Nestle, Cadbury and the Ontario Human Rights Commis-

sion, she said.

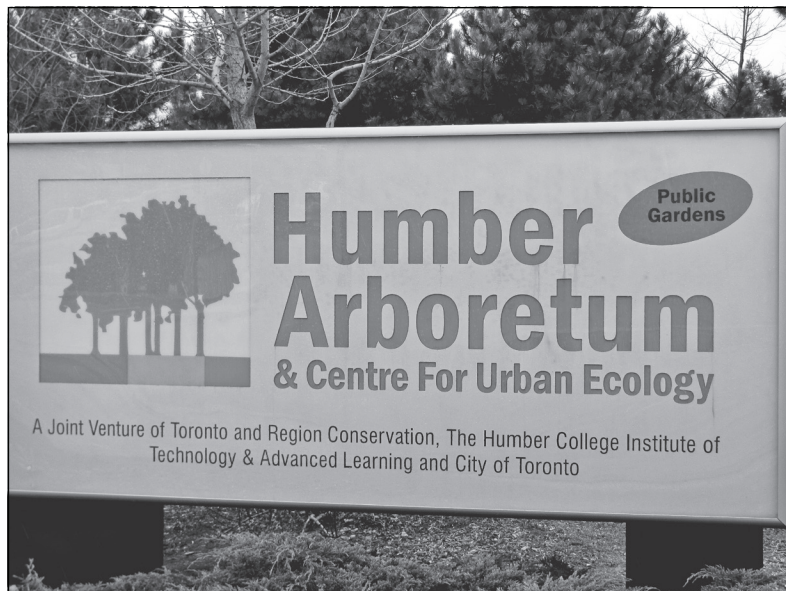
"Anything an agency does, we can do."

The AdCentre attracts unique clients because of Humber students' varied skill-sets, said Cresswell.

"We develop diversified skills by connecting to a variety of businesses with the students through the curriculum," she said.

"They actually get to develop a wide variety of skills while they're still in school."

Advertising and graphic design co-ordinator Heather Lowry said hands-on experience with employers and diversified skills make all the difference for advertising graduates.



Dan Blackwell

Successful marketing students will receive compensation for their work with the arboretum on par with many ad agencies.

"What we get back from industry is that they're looking for people who'll learn, who are flexible and who know they are always going to have to con-

tinue learning," she said.

"Our students are very well trained in the technology, so they become very comfortable with the tools."



Gillian Galinsky

Humber pays \$375,000 each year for snow removal services.

Warm winters won't affect snow contract

School will continue to pay a flat fee for removal, despite recent lack of snowfall

GILLIAN GALINSKY
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

Despite Environment Canada's prediction of warmer winters, Humber has no plans to change its snow removal services.

David Griffin, operation and maintenance manager, said the college uses Onyx, an external contracting company, to maintain the property during winter. The company is paid a fixed amount regardless of snowfall, but any money lost in a mild winter is recovered in winters with heavy snowfalls, he said.

The amount paid to Onyx is \$375,000 annually, said public safety director Gary Jeynes.

Although this winter saw little snowfall, Griffin said the contractor is responsible for more than just snow removal.

"They are responsible for keep-

ing the property pedestrian-friendly, from the first ice and snow to the last," Griffin said.

"This means plowing, shoveling walkways and making sure all paths are clear and salted so the property remains accessible and safe."

Griffin said payments per snowfall would risk poor service, or no service at all after a heavy snowfall, as contractors compete for business.

He said the college does not have its own resources to deal with snow and ice conditions after a major snowfall and must rely on a dependable contractor.

The contract is up for tender in June, when conditions and pricing will be reevaluated.

Jeynes said he doesn't expect the price to go up for next year, even though the college has acquired more property.

They are responsible for keeping the property pedestrian-friendly, from the first ice and snow to the last.

David Griffin
Operation and maintenance manager

Film and TV industries still strong, despite weak economy, high dollar

SANGEETA PATEL
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

For Humber students looking to break into the film and television industries, the recent economic downturn may not be as bad as they thought, said Toronto Film and Television Office commissioner Peter Finestone.

Despite a 23 per cent decrease in production revenues from 2007 to 2008, the industry rebounded in 2009, he said.

"The world has changed since 2008. There has been an increase in spending over the last year because of a number of factors, including provincial government incentives and resolution of the SAG (Screen Actors Guild) strike," Finestone said.

The turnaround comes after a lengthy low period for the film and TV industries.

"Independent companies had to be careful with what they were taking on," said film and television program



Sangeeta Patel

Glassbourg said the TV industry was hurt more than film.

co-ordinator Eva Ziemsen. "Because the market in general was down, so I think everyone became a little bit more cautious.

"Films that were already in distribution were probably the lucky ones, because they were the one form of entertainment that was cheap. If they were on an uplifting note, they were probably going to do very well," she said.

Film and television program co-or-

dinator Michael Glassbourg said the television industry was more affected than the film industry as many advertisers felt the crunch of the economy.

"As a consequence, they have a lot less advertising dollars and that affects the TV industry," he said. "So it's undercut a bit of the television industry in general. Not a huge amount, it's just a little tighter.

"We've had a strong Canadian dollar for about a year now, and it's had an impact to a degree," he said.

But there are still other reasons U.S. productions shoot here, Glassbourg said.

"It's because there are really fantastic crews, fantastic locations, and the City of Toronto helps facilitate filming here – and the unions are excellent," he said.

But Finestone also cautions those students who are thinking of this as a growth sector. "It looks like there will be employment, but it is still a difficult sector to make a career in."

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Alexandra Tomaszewski

Rosemary De Los Santos struts the runway at The Fifth nightclub in Toronto, wearing a Cocolilly dress and a Blair Nadeau hat.



Alexandra Tomaszewski

Shannae Ingleton. Yvonne Kai and Bella Mumba are all smiles at The Spring Trend Report in T.O.

Grad hosts trendy spring fashion show

ALEXANDRA TOMASZEWSKI
A&E REPORTER

Graphic design grad Yvonne Kai co-ordinated a fashion show Monday night in downtown Toronto featuring Canadian designers, celebrities, pink cocktails and really big shoes.

For Kai, 25, The Red Carpet Room's Spring Trend Report was just another successful event.

"It's all about networking, all about the event and I love to see it come together like this and see people smiling and enjoying themselves."

Models in the half-hour show towered on six-inch heels, strutting down the runway in spring's latest trends — including Paris Li, Cocolilly and Mulcair.

"Yvonne and I have known each other forever, but this is our first time working together formally," said Shannae Ingleton, who helped co-ordinate the event.

"Yvonne came onboard to be the helm of the fashion show portion, which she directed and she's done a great job."

“

It's all about networking, all about the event and I love to see it come together like this and see people smiling and enjoying themselves.

Yvonne Kai
Graphic design grad

Fashion lovers stood shoulder to shoulder inside The Fifth nightclub while chairs were reserved along the runway for celebrities and featured designers.

"We're Canadian, we're fashion

forward, we're trendsetters and we should be supporting Canadian brands. That's what this event is all about," said Ingleton.

"So many things are mass produced now and there's something special about Canadian designers," accessory designer Nicole McInnis said.

"These events are so important and it's hard to get exposure like this."

Alongside Ingleton, Kai will be planning events through the summer, including a Sex and the City Party on May 27, in both Toronto and L.A.

Kai also said she has her own cosmetics line in the works.

"Instead of making Smashbox, Stila, or L'Oréal better, I thought why don't I start my own make up brand," she said.

"I'm meeting with manufacturers when I get back to L.A. and I'm going to do that for the next two years, launch my own line, one that's fun and clever."

Wizard World Comic Convention invades Exhibition Place

MIRANDA ANTHISTLE
A&E REPORTER

Those looking for a pop culture fix can find some of their favourite television, movie and comic book characters all under one roof at the Wizard World Comic Con Toronto 2010 — but for one Humber student, it's the chance to get closer to achieving her dream of becoming a comic book illustrator.

Second-year visual and digital arts student, Lauren Ground, 20, said

she's excited for the big event to come to Toronto.

"I'm psyched for Comic Con. This is a big opportunity for Canada," she said.

"I hope to get tips from the artists because I'm trying to publish my own online comic strip."

Film and television production program co-ordinator and professor Michael Glassbourg said the event is worth attending — having so many different types of media — but the convention is still about business.

"The exhibitors are there to make money, not to give advice."

The inaugural three day event begins tomorrow at the Direct Energy Centre at Exhibition Place and features exhibitors who create and sell comic books, movies, television shows, toys and video games.

Toronto is the only Canadian stop on the convention's North American tour.

"Toronto is a fantastic city," said Gareb Shamus, CEO of Wizard Entertainment, the company running

the event.

"It's a large market with many fans and this is a great opportunity to meet them and put together an enjoyable experience for them."

Guests range from actors in *Battlestar Galactica* and the *SAW* movies to writers and artists of various comic books.

While Glassbourg said pop culture is an exciting indication of where art and media is going, he said the convention won't be useful for his students.

"The selling of pop culture doesn't mean it's important. I'd tell my students to go to the AGO if they want to see great art."

However Shamus said Comic Con will benefit students in a creative field.

"They can see a thriving community wholly based on being creative. Comic Con shows that there's a prosperous market out there for what they're studying."

Student tickets are \$10.

Alumna celebrates debut album

Folk and blues singer Karen Mackenzie recorded her CD in two days

RUTH YATEMAN
A&E REPORTER

Three years after moving to Nunavut, musician and Humber grad Karen Mackenzie is now celebrating the release of her debut album, *Wind Don't Blow*.

The 29-year-old journalism grad has been writing and playing music in Iqaluit since 2007 — where she works as a communications adviser for the federal government.

The folk and blues album was recorded in one weekend last fall.

"We set up a recording studio in the bass player's kitchen on Friday, and took it down on Sunday," said Mackenzie.

"We pretty much recorded it live off the floor which gives the album a consistent feel."

Since coming to Iqaluit, Mackenzie has had the opportunity to work with talented musicians the world over.

Michael Walsh, a musician from Newfoundland, contributes the whistle and mandola.

"I saw Karen walking across a gym at a music festival with a guitar case in her hand, and that was it," he said.

The community of musicians in Iqaluit has provided Mackenzie with a lot of encouragement and support.

"Since I came to Nunavut I have had a lot of freedom to write," said Mackenzie.

"We have a good music scene here for a small island, with a supportive community of musicians."

When she entered the jazz performance program in 2001, she admits the learning curve was very steep.

"I had no formal musical experience when I started," said Mackenzie.



Karen Mackenzie currently lives and works in Iqaluit, Nunavut. Courtesy: Chris Windeyer

"I didn't even know where middle C was on my first day."

She attributes her success to some of her teachers at Humber, including liberal arts and sciences professor Ben Labovitch for his constant encouragement in her writing.

"She was an excellent writer and a creative student," said Labovitch.

"Good writing is concrete detail and strong verbs, and Karen's writing definitely has that."

Wind Don't Blow is sold independently at shows across Nunavut and through her website, www.karenmackenzie.ca.

"It's a real little piece of Iqaluit," said Walsh.

Students pair animation with live action for film

RYAN CHARKOW
A&E REPORTER

Humber film production students Alex Broughton and Esteban Diaz's groundbreaking short film happened almost by accident.

Kazu and Azul is a hybrid of live action and stop-motion animation, detailing a love story between a lonely fisherman and a mermaid.

Days before production began, the puppets that were to star in the film were ruined, and producer Broughton and director Diaz were forced to make the decision to film actors in their place.

"It was originally supposed to be only stop-motion animation, so we had to improvise," Broughton said.

"We ended up having a really unique film on our hands."

Actors were filmed in front of a green screen, the performances were then superimposed over the animated sequences.

"Nobody really knew how hard this film would be to make," he said.

Film and television production program co-ordinator Eva Ziemsen said Broughton and Diaz took some unorthodox steps in the making of the *Kazu and Azul*.

"They used a still camera and took thousands of different shots in order to animate the film," she said.

"They used a lot of unusual things, like plastic wrap to make the ocean waves."

Broughton said he hopes to have the film submitted to the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF).

"Being shown at TIFF has always been a dream for me."

Diaz said he wants to make sure as many people as possible see the film.

"Whichever festivals give the film the most exposure, those are the ones I want to be a part of," he said.

Kazu and Azul will be screened at the Royal Theatre in April. The exact date has yet to be determined.

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The Rex jazz club in Toronto offers 19 live shows a week.

Popular jazz club great outlet for music students

ANDREW SUTHERLAND
A&E REPORTER

Humber music students are showing off their chops this spring with a series of weekly performances at Toronto's premier jazz club, The Rex.

"It's a great opportunity. They get the chance to run the show for the night," said Tyler Ruebottom, audio engineer at The Rex.

Humber music students will be playing Monday nights in April, and have already put on a number of shows this month.

Director of the Humber music program, Denny Christianson, said overall, student ensembles will perform roughly 10 shows in total.

"It's great exposure, we have been having really good turn-outs for their nights," said Ruebottom.

Christianson said Humber jazz student ensembles started playing shows at The Rex about five or six years ago.

"It gives student ensembles the opportunity to perform in public, it's a great experience."

The Rex has been a Toronto staple since it evolved from a rooming house to a jazz club in the 1980s, though they still operate a hotel

above the club for out-of-town jazz enthusiasts.

After the closures of major Toronto jazz clubs, The Rex has become the most prominent jazz club in Toronto, featuring 19 live performances weekly.

"A lot of Humber faculty play there, almost every week," said Christianson.

Juno-nominated Humber music teacher Kirk MacDonald performs this Sunday.

"I've been playing there for a long time, I have a lot of fond memories," said MacDonald.

"I've heard a lot of great music there. It provides a nice opportunity for professionals and students alike."

During the annual Downtown Jazz Festival, The Rex is one of the central venues with the busiest program.

It's not unusual for world-renowned musicians like Kurt Elling, Wynton Marsalis and the Lincoln Center Orchestra, Harry Connick Jr. and Ani DiFranco to show up on stage.

"It's always offered as stimulating array of artists, with a wide variety of really talented groups," said Christianson.

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Courtesy

Ryan Bovaird, Dan Neil, Pat Rogers and Gabriel Bateman make up Hallows Die.

Heavy metal music group creates *World of Ruin*

RONDA COLLINS
SENIOR REPORTER

By day, Dan Neil is a Humber design student, but by night he plays in the heavy metal band, Hallows Die.

Neil and front man Ryan Bovaird met in grade nine and formed the band.

"We didn't really know where we were going," said Neil. "First, we wanted to be a cover band, then we wanted to be like a Children of Bodom—pretty much a rip off band. But then we got a lead guitarist and we never really got a full-time bassist till later."

With the addition of Pat Rogers on guitar and Gabriel Bateman on bass, the band has since gone on to play venues all over Ontario.

"We had a great crowd reaction, everybody loved us," said Rogers. "It was just a great time."

After putting out a single they weren't satisfied with, the band began working on a full-

length album.

The band hired professionals to master the album and the process took six or seven months, resulting in its album, *World of Ruin*.

Hallows Die's influences range from Children of Bodom to Iron Maiden, but the band's lyrics and general themes are inspired by the things that matter most to its members — something the band hopes reaches fans.

"For me it's like creating an experience for somebody," said Bovaird.

The band shares a camaraderie that keeps them a strong unit.

"We can talk to each other," said Bateman.

"Even if we argue with each other, get into a fistfight; within ten minutes we're all buying each other beers — back to being human beings with each other. We don't have to step on eggshells with each other. Any ideas are accepted, Even if it isn't at first."

Hopeful student authors learn how to get published

PATRICK FALLER
A&E REPORTER

Fans of Canadian fiction can learn about the process of writing and publishing a novel when Humber hosts its monthly Writers' Circle on Saturday.

The event costs \$35 and will take place at 10 a.m. on Lakeshore Campus.

"This month we are having author Emily Schultz speak about her work. She writes literary fiction that's modern and innovative," said Kim Moritsugu, who organizes the event and teaches the creative writing correspondence program.

"It will be a great opportunity for writers to hear how a published author works."

In 2002, Schultz published her first work, a collection of short stories called *Black Coffee Night*.

She wrote her first novel, *Joyland*, three years later, and followed with a collection of poetry called *Songs for the Dancing Chicken* in 2007.

Her most recent novel, *Heaven is Small*, was published last year.

"I love to write and I have to work on fiction," said Schultz. "I go crazy if I'm not writing, so I will talk a bit about my passion and interests."

She said writers attending this workshop will learn how she works through a story and turns ideas into a manuscript.

"I encourage all authors to keep writing and not to get discouraged. You will get better and develop confidence in your writing over time."

Attendees will also hear from Key Porter Books' editor Jane Warren, who will speak about what publishers are looking for when deciding whether to purchase an author's work.

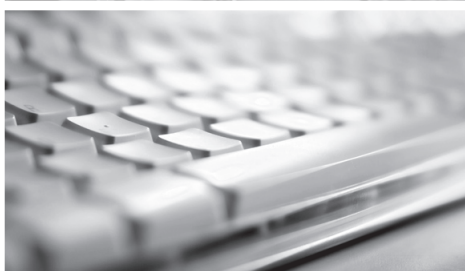
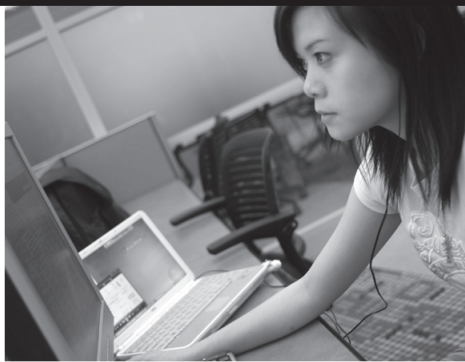
She and Moritsugu will give flash assessments to 20 hopeful authors at the event, after reading the first page of their manuscript.

"We will go through each writer's submission and I will let them know if I would consider it for Key Porter," said Warren.

"If it still needs work, I will tell the author what I would do to improve it."

Warren said the Writers' Circle is a great opportunity for authors to network and for her to discover new talent.

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Going Green

Environmentalism taught by example

TANISHA DUVERNEY
SENIOR REPORTER

As going green becomes a new way of life, adults should teach the younger generation how to adapt, said Humber's child care experts.

"These kids are heading into a different generation and they are going to have to be more cautious of their environment and protecting it," said the director of Humber's Child Care Centres, Bridget Woodcock. "We are preparing them for grade school, where protecting the environment will be more heavily embedded into the curriculum, so it is a good thing to make them conscious of that."

In honour of Earth Hour, the centres plan to turn out the lights.

"We are going to do our own version of storytelling during the lights-out hour and talk about things they can do at home with their families," she said.

Woodcock said the centres do their part to help keep the earth clean.

"We do our annual garbage pickup day," she said. "The kids don't actually

pick up the trash, but they point it out for the staff to collect it."

Woodcock said the daycare staff does an environmental scan every day, before the children go out to play. The children watch teachers pick up hazardous and dangerous things.

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Bridget Woodcock
Director- Child Care Centre

She said on top of learning about recycling, they have also put in new gardens. And, in the spring, they garden and grow vegetables.

"We talk a lot about litter," she said. "We try in a broader sense to show

the kids how to take care of the outdoors."

Executive director for the Sierra Club Canada, John Bennett, said what people do to protect the environment changes as they grow up. He said teaching kids things they can do and leading by example, helps it become part of their thinking.

"Now is environment training time," said Bennett. "It's part of learning how to grow up and be part of the planet."

Bennett said most parents think recycling is the only thing, when really there is so much more. Simple things like scraping leftover food into the green bins, or turning off the water while brushing their teeth, are things children should be doing, he said.

A nature interpreter at Humber's centre for urban ecology, Rebecca Niblett, said parents can also bring their children to the arboretum.

"We do birthday parties, school programs and programs for the community," said Niblett. "Anything that will get you outside and in touch with nature."



Courtesy staff of the Urban Ecology Centre

Kids learn about conservation with the Urban Ecology Centre.

Niblett said to learn about science, kids should grow plants at home. She said children get excited about watching seeds turn into plants and learning how to take care of plants can connect them to the idea of life and growing things.

"Instilling the love of nature at a young age will make them more respectful and care more about how their actions affect the earth," she said. "This is about setting an example. Show your kids that you care and they will imitate that."

Employees with green training in demand

SHAUN BERNSTEIN
NEWS REPORTER

Humber students are graduating prepared to meet the government's push for more green jobs but there is room for improvement, a landscape and horticulture program instructor said.

Instructor Paul Ronan, who is also the executive director of the Ontario Parks Association, a registered charity that protects parks, said Humber students are being taught high demand applied skills such as green roofing

where the Humber grads come in," said Ronan.

Ronan said Humber students will be in high demand because they're applying the latest technologies through campus facilities like the arboretum on North Campus.

"Our mandate is to be a training facility for green jobs," said arboretum director Melanie Sifton.

Sifton said the arboretum is always looking for funding to increase its capacity for training.

Ronan said he hopes to see increased government investment in the arboretum, which is used as both a practical training ground for Humber students as well as a public education facility.

Humber would also like to see an increase in green technology on its own campuses, so that the students can learn from practical examples within the building, said manager of maintenance and operations, Spencer Wood.

"If we had some solar panels on the roof, that would be a good thing for the people in that program. They'd get to go up and look at it. We'd get the benefit of the energy. It would be a win-win," said Wood.

Humber's sustainable energy and



Shaun Bernstein

Tree climbing skills are in high demand for tree care in urban environments.

building technologies program is currently in its second year, so none of the 95 students have entered the job market, said program co-ordinator Kerry Johnston.

"I see the opportunity for our grads to work in project management roles or general contractor type of roles," said Johnston.

In the March 8 throne speech, the Ontario government restated its intention for the Green Energy Act, which said would create 50,000 new green jobs. Further funding should be announced in the provincial budget on March 25.

Entertainment planned for students during Earth Hour

Acoustic concert and open mic at both Lakeshore and North campuses

MAEGAN MCGREGOR
JESSICA LABERGE BLAKELEY
STAFF REPORTERS

Humber students living in residence at the North and Lakeshore campuses will celebrate Earth Hour this Saturday, with a free acoustic open mic concert.

"The whole idea is when Earth Hour hits, the lights go off and then you have, just lit by little LED candles, a little acoustic concert," said Troy Dettwiler, 22, residence assistant at North and member of the Humber sustainability steering committee.

Concerts will be held in the courtyard at Lakeshore and in the banquet hall at North.

Resident assistant and organizer of the concert, Holly Vanderveen, said the outpouring of support for the event in residence has been overwhelming, with many students and RAs offering to play during the blackout.

"A lot of people have approached us wanting to play during the show," said Vanderveen.

Both concerts are plugged for 7 p.m.

Residence life manager, Shaun Carson, said, "they can do whatever they want, but once 8:30 [p.m.] hits it all goes acoustic."

This is the third year the open mic has run.

"I can't believe it, this concert started out as a project for my social justice class, but I have found that so many students are passionate about it," said Vanderveen.

Residence life co-ordinator, Angela Spineto, said RAs and other staff have been encouraging students to turn off the lights in their rooms for Earth Hour.

"We are hoping all the lights in residence will be out, aside from the security lights that constantly stay on," she said.

For students who do not live in residence, the City of Toronto is holding a similar acoustic concert featuring Canadian acts Chantal Kreviazuk, Jarvis Church and Justin Nozuka, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Yonge-Dundas Square.

“I see the opportunity for our grads to work in project management roles or general contractor type of roles.”

Kerry Johnston
Sustainable energy and building technologies program co-ordinator

and sustainable horticulture practices.

"The more money the government identifies for the green infrastructure, it's creating a demand for skilled people to deliver the product, and that's



Panoramic view of Toronto on a typical night (left) is a stark contrast to the city during Earth Hour when the lights are turned off (right). Earth Hour is Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

College to turn lights out for

Students driving force of event at home and around the world

NOEL GRZETIC
LIFE REPORTER

As buildings around Humber grow dim for Earth Hour on Saturday, students can feel proud to be a part of the group President John Davies said is responsible for the push behind the

greening of this institution.

"It hasn't been driven by the current [college] leadership, although there has been a lot of activity in reducing energy costs," said Davies. "It's really the drive that comes from the students, that I think has been significant over the last little while."

Andy Ridley, co-founder of Earth Hour, echoed these sentiments and said students are a "driving force" of the initiative. He cited an example in Morocco, where a group of students convinced their city government to get involved in this year's event.

The World Wildlife Fund created

Earth Hour to raise awareness of climate change. It encourages people to turn off their lights for one hour, at 8:30 p.m.

Ridley said the movement has grown exponentially, from his native Australia in 2007, to 112 countries this year.

Toronto was the second city to join

after the first event in Sydney. Humber jumped on board the same year.

This year, both North and Lakeshore campuses will participate by turning off some, but not all, lights.

"We are going to be turning off all the parking lot lights and any other lights that we can safely turn off," said energy manager Spencer Wood.

Wood said lights in Humber build-

Green measures priority during reno

ROB SYKES
SPORTS REPORTER

Energy efficiency was a top priority for Humber athletics and facilities management when building North Campus' new Athletic Centre, with battery powered exercise machines and new LED lights leading the way.

"If we can help lower our electricity costs and help save the environment by having this technology, we're all for it," said assistant athletics facility manager Rick Bot.

"All of the new bikes, steppers and ellipticals are battery powered. So when you're on it, you're generating power to charge the battery so they don't ever require to be plugged in," said fitness facilities manager Leanne Henwood-Adam.

Battery-run treadmills were one of the green ideas that had to be put on hold due to cost.

"They currently run about double the price of a regular treadmill. We'll look at them again down the road,



Rob Sykes

New battery-powered bikes generate power as they are cycled.

hopefully at a lower price," she said.

"Unfortunately, a lot of the 'going green' ideas that would really make a wow factor for people, such as generators that are powered by someone running on a treadmill, cost a lot of money," said Henwood-Adam. "So we're starting small with what we have, and we're going to snowball as we go."

New energy efficient LED lights will also be installed in the gymnasiums, weight room and cardio room.

In an effort to cut back on disposable water bottle usage, new fountains can be found around the new facility.

"We're always trying to promote personal refillable water bottles," said assistant athletics facility manager Rick Bot.

As for the construction itself, building green was also a priority.

"We didn't use paints that contain oil solvents or varsol and the centre floors are environmentally friendly too, we used natural wood that's not chemically treated," said facilities planning and construction manager Richard Baruk.

"It's very important that we try to be as environmentally friendly as we can, it's the way everybody should be turning," said Bot.

Arboretum to get closed-

CHARMAINE KERRIDGE
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

In the coming months, the arboretum and facilities management services, in partnership with food services, will start composting a greater percentage of Humber's organic waste.

The college has expanded its composting mandate after getting the results of a waste management audit taken last year.

It uncovered that Humber creates over 1,000 tonnes of waste per year, 46 per cent of which could be composted.

"It is pretty clear that our biggest opportunity is in organics," said Spen-

cer Wood, sustainability committee member. "Since the audit, we have introduced composting in the main kitchen and culinary labs, and the next step is a pilot project in the cafeteria."

Facilities management services plans to place green composting bins and signs in the cafeteria to encourage students and staff to compost their food waste, said Wood.

Cost and logistics were stumbling blocks in getting the program started.

"It costs much less to go to landfills," said Wood. "Composting is three to four times more expensive. It's also finding somewhere to put the larger bins."

Water industry to

CATHERINE LABELLE
NEWS REPORTER

With the today's provincial budget, Humber will learn how much money the Ontario government allocates in support of clean water technologies.

While the immediate extent of any benefits for Humber students studying waste and water treatment is not yet clear, professor in the school of applied technology Shawn Cleary, said the outlook for the sector and for graduates is bright.

"There are going to be plenty of jobs in the water industry now and moving forward for the next 20 to 30 years."

These jobs will come from the need

to replace or update a significant proportion of the domestic water infrastructure, such as sewers and pipes, that has surpassed its design life, he said.

Cleary said job opportunities exist in terms of upgrading water treatment facilities with tighter standards being applied to drinking water and to waste water.

"I am definitely going to be encouraging students to enter the field because a lot of them don't know what opportunities exist for them," said Cleary. "And the opportunities are there."

Cleary's current research is on slow sand filtration of water in cold cli-



Courtesy Billy Ivy/ Ivy Images/ WWF-Canada

Earth Hour

ings are motion sensitive and will remain off as long as no one is around. While the college has an electricity budget of \$3.5 million per year, Wood said energy use has decreased by 16.5 per cent since 2005 and 3.3 per cent in the last year alone. But savings from Earth Hour have not contributed to these reduced numbers, Wood said, noting last year's

savings amounted to only \$200. Public relations manager for WWF Canada Tara Wood said the aim of Earth Hour is not to save energy, but to raise awareness of climate change. "The goal is to inspire people to take action every day in their own lives," she said.

loop composting system

Humber pays a waste management company to collect its organic waste. "We pay \$13 per 32-gallon bin," said David Griffin, the manager of maintenance and operations for facilities management. While the college's composting is done off-site, the arboretum is about to start a closed-loop composting system with the purchase of aerating tumblers. "No green waste will be leaving the site when we get these barrels," said Melanie Sifton, director of the Humber Arboretum. "From the arboretum's perspective, we can compost all our waste at Humber."

Sifton said the purchase of the barrels, which break down materials, would mean her department's composting could be done on campus, eliminating any cost for pick up or transport. "It really is an affordable thing to do. If we can reduce the energy expended on trucking out our waste, that is a win." There is potential for using the barrels to compost food. "Food waste would be great," said Sifton. "Doing it would take significant collaboration among the departments, but other colleges have done this."

take off, says prof

mates, according to associate dean of applied technology, Susan Krausz. Humber is engaged in a lot of research, and Cleary's is "one of the research topics that I am most excited about," said dean of research James Watzke. His research will have many implications for northern communities, said Watzke. There are a lot of First Nation reserves that are suffering and cannot rely on clean drinking water coming out of their tap and have to boil every last drop, said Cleary. "We have a huge need in our own backyard."



Catherine Labelle

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- 1. Air pollution
- 5. Marina sight
- 9. Use a broom
- 14. Ocean movement
- 15. "The Diary of ___ Frank"
- 16. Violin's kin
- 17. Removed clothing
- 19. Theater walkway
- 20. Malady
- 21. Apprehend
- 22. Added spices
- 25. ___ Gras (Fat Tuesday)
- 29. Dissolve
- 30. Unrefined metals
- 34. Escape
- 35. Track competition
- 37. Gay Nineties, e.g.

DOWN

- 1. Small earring
- 2. Skirt length
- 3. Chances
- 4. Richard ___ of "Pretty Woman"
- 5. Old hat
- 6. Trouser length
- 7. Compass dir.
- 8. Tomato color
- 9. Startle
- 10. Strange fellow (sl.)
- 11. If not
- 12. Building wings
- 13. Poe or Browning
- 18. Least hard
- 21. Initial wager
- 23. Educational meeting
- 24. Bullring cheers
- 25. Military award
- 26. Texas landmark
- 27. Rustic
- 28. JFK's predecessor
- 31. Televised again
- 32. Wear down
- 33. More rational
- 36. Wrestling duo (2 wds.)
- 39. Frau's spouse
- 41. For
- 44. Biblical garden
- 47. Defeated ones
- 49. Having rows
- 52. Author Jules ___
- 53. Humming sound
- 54. Speech impediment
- 55. On top of
- 56. Individuals
- 58. Oceans
- 59. Skin irritation
- 60. "Finding ___"
- 61. Enlarged
- 63. Large snake
- 64. Pal (Fr.)

Predictions from the Et Cetera oracle

<p> Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 18</p> <p>Aspiring to be the next Danny Ocean is not an ideal career choice.</p>	<p> Leo July 23 - Aug. 23</p> <p>Playing the lottery is fun. Almost as fun as enabling addictions.</p>
<p> Pisces Feb. 19 - March 20</p> <p>Taking caffeine pills will land you a starring role in a bad stripper movie.</p>	<p> Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 22</p> <p>Let someone else take the reins, how did you end up on a horse anyway?</p>
<p> Aries March 21 - April 20</p> <p>Be careful with spending, you can't sell any more organs.</p>	<p> Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 23</p> <p>A rumor is like a sex tape, keep it to yourself or it'll be a Facebook status.</p>
<p> Taurus April 21 - May 21</p> <p>Earth hour is just practice for the zombie apocalypse.</p>	<p> Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22</p> <p>Winter is back like that rash you never got checked out.</p>
<p> Gemini May 22 - June 21</p> <p>If you're going to prison, remember the body break slogan.</p>	<p> Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21</p> <p>A volcano erupting means Satan popped another zit.</p>
<p> Cancer June 22 - July 22</p> <p>The mid term may have been confusing but it wasn't as bad as Lost.</p>	<p> Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20</p> <p>Google TV is one step closer to the UNG: The United Nations of Google.</p>



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On the Convocation website you will also find important information about the ceremonies, graduate services, the general receptions and other related details.

HSF

Ban was bad politics

On Tuesday, the Humber Students' Federation issued a statement to *Et Cetera* staff attempting to explain why HSF executives had refused to talk to reporters and why it was now lifting the ban.

The week-long boycott, it said, allowed HSF bosses to re-evaluate their relationship with the *Et Cetera* – a relationship they are now willing to resume because they made their “point.”

But what point was HSF making that was so imperative that it would obstruct our ability to do our jobs and serve our student readers? And would so blatantly ignore our right to freedom of the press, as enshrined in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Their message seems to be that we should only report favourably about HSF – or else.

The ban was imposed by Shugufa Kaker after the *Et Cetera* published an article on her term as president of student government. She apparently objected to the headline, not the story, in which she was liberally quoted.

Her complaint, valid or not, could have been addressed in a letter to the editor or a follow-up story.

Over the years we have responded to such complaints with published corrections – and believe us, we have made our fair share of follies while covering the activities of HSF.

Instead, Kaker chose to stop talking to *Et Cetera* reporters and ordered her four vice-presidents to do the same.

Such action showed that Kaker and her colleagues need a refresher in democracy, despite being democratically elected, paid officials.

More specifically, it illustrated an unawareness about the role of the news media as gov-

ernment watchdog. This unawareness was transparent in an interview on Tuesday with @Humber radio reporter Scott Martin, in which Kaker addressed her concerns about communicating with our paper. She said the executive would not be permitted to talk to the *Et Cetera* until she has “a guarantee that the information we tell them is going to be printed.”

In the meantime, Kaker said the executive would communicate with students through other avenues, such as TheDailyPlanet.com and the HSF-funded paper, *Humber Life*.

But, putting aside Kaker's misconstrual of democracy and her conflation of journalism and public relations, what really concerns us at the *Et Cetera* is how quickly the rest of the executives allowed themselves to be muzzled when she said the word.

Given that VPs Bryan Tran and Melissa Mendes were recently re-elected to lead the HSF executive starting May 1 – Tran as president and Mendes as vice-president campus life north – Humber's 21,000 student-electorate should be concerned as well.

Despite HSF's decision to lift the communication ban, the *Et Cetera* still feels Kaker and her executive team have done a disservice to the students who elected them, the students who pay their salaries – Tran's pay packet as president will be \$35,000 over the coming year – the students they are supposed to work for.

HSF needs to be reminded that its primary obligation is to the student community – not to an autocratic leader.

As for us at the *Et Cetera*, we promise our readers we will continue to pursue stories objectively, write fairly and communicate truthfully.

Earth Hour

One hour of conservation not enough

With almost 5 million supporters and a global network in over 100 countries, Earth Hour – organized by WWF – has quickly become one of the world's largest and most respected independent conservation organizations.

Just one year after its launch in Sydney, Australia, about 50 million people in 35 countries turned their lights off for Earth Hour 2008.

The official Earth Hour website calls the event, “A global call to action to every individual, every business and every community throughout the world. It is a call to stand up, to take responsibility, to get involved and lead the way towards a sustainable future.”

Last year, more than 285 cities and municipalities from every Canadian province and territory participated – including Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, Halifax and Edmonton. Over 2,500 Canadian businesses shut down the lights for an hour, including big-name companies like Fairmont Hotels & Resorts, MacDonald's and Winners.

Though the campaign has good intentions, few carry the conservation mentality past the allotted 60-minute period devoted to “saving the Earth” every year. We at the *Et Cetera* be-

lieve it is important that Earth Hour becomes an initiative that is carried out by everyone on an daily basis.

The Earth Hour website warns of the perils of continuing on the wasteful pathway we are on. “New economic modeling indicates the world has just five years to initiate a low carbon industrial revolution before runaway climate change becomes almost inevitable,” it said.

With two massive threats to the future of our planet as a result of pollution – climate change and global warming – people need to “go green” every day.

Schools, business and households should implement energy efficient practices every day – use fluorescent light bulbs, avoid using your car and turn off lights in unoccupied rooms.

If you plan to participate this Earth Hour – and we hope you do – once the 60 minutes are up think twice before you leave your TV on when you leave the room or you drive your car to the corner store when you could walk.

One hour one day of the year won't put an end to pollution or excessive waste. As a society, we have to paint our city green 24 hours a day – 365 days a year.

cartoon



consumer rights

Potential copyright laws have questionable ethics

A coalition of representatives from nations around the world has been working on the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement – a set of standards for copyright laws applying to everything from music files to hand bags to generic drugs.

Few know about this undertaking and fewer understand exactly how it will affect their lives and business – because the laws are being created in almost complete secrecy. Further, no organization of content producers are included in the negotiations. No artists, musicians or writers have any input on the laws that may erect a wall between them and their fans.

Several provisions of the agreement have been leaked, including some just this month. What has been leaked is both enraging and frightening.

A provision is included that requires your Internet service provider (ISP) to monitor everything you do online for any activity that resembles illegal copying or even the intention to violate copyright. They then have to provide the information to law enforcement or copyright holders – no warrant required.

A three-strikes policy is to be implemented that will force your ISP to cut off your Internet access if you have been accused – just accused, not convicted – of illegal copying.

The coalition wants world-wide adoption of so-called anti-circumvention laws. That is, the

criminalization of going around the digital locks and copy-protections on media, regardless of the reason. So if a badly-written software upgrade for your iPod makes it impossible to listen to your music, any attempt you make to find another way to listen to the music you paid for will be a crime.

Thankfully, wiser heads such as German minister of justice Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger are decrying the secrecy the agreement is being developed under and are calling for disclosure of relevant documents from the negotiations, allowing more public discussion.

As a media producer and copyright holder itself, the *Et Cetera* understands the need for copyright laws. Yet it is our opinion that laws created without public input and oversight are rarely good laws. Copying information is fundamental to how the Internet works. If you are reading this on our webpage, it is a copy, as is every image you see online. At the least, it is reactionary and counter-productive to use heavy-handed legislation to try and support a business model for the sale of copyrighted material which has been rendered obsolete by technological advances.

All content producers are struggling to find ways of getting paid in our new world of digital distribution. Heavy-handed laws written without input and oversight by all stakeholders are not the answer.

Humber Et Cetera

The *Et Cetera* will engage, challenge, and inform the Humber College community with progressive and contemporary content reflecting the diversity of its readership.

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green living

Reduce first, recycle later

Change in lifestyle needed for green revolution to have tangible impact on the environment

KRISTEN SMITH
LIFE EDITOR



Last summer I fell in love.

I spent the summer volunteering on an organic farm in Flamborough, Ont. It was a decision based entirely on whim – I was presented with an interesting opportunity and in a moment of unrest I went with it. I only planned on being there a week or two, but ended up staying more than a month and returning throughout the summer break whenever I had spare time. A born and bred city girl and I couldn't get enough.

I fell in love with life there. Most of all, I fell in love with the people I met.

Something – faith or inspiration maybe – was restored in me.

This is what I learned: live more naturally. Use only what you need.

Sixty-six per cent of Canadians said “environmental conservation is more important to them than it was a few years ago,” according to a 2009 Harris/Decima survey.

With consumers becoming more environmentally conscience, the green revolution has naturally morphed into a marketing tool.

You can purchase green alternatives for everything: clothing, beauty products, light bulbs, cars, hotels and cleaning products, among other things.

“The problem is green consumption is inherently a type of consumerism. It feeds the mentality that got us here in the first place.”

There are countless eco-conscious instructional books. There is even one on how to put together a green wedding. Um, a thought: just get married and don't be wasteful in the process.

Buying in to green consumerism isn't completely bad. It has received the attention of those who can afford it. It is, I admit, better than nothing.

The problem is green consumption is inherently a type of consumerism. It feeds the mentality that got us here in the first place.

Buying green products is really just buying more things. What we need is social transformation. Society as a whole has to reduce its overall consumption for this green revolution to ever accomplish anything.

Individual green living choices are not good enough, but it's a good start.

Don't buy water bottles, the process of making one 500 ml plastic bottle pollutes almost 4L of water. Buying organic produce at the grocery store encourages the transportation of food. Go to farmer's markets, get a food share or grow your own.

The three Rs are in a particular order for a reason. First reduce and reuse and then recycle. So instead of shelling out for eco-chic fashion reuse, dig through your own closet, go to a thrift store or look into companies that make very stylish refurbished clothing. Take the bus or ride a bike and leave the car at home – even if it is a hybrid.

“The perfect is the enemy of the good,” wrote Voltaire. So don't overthink your green efforts, just do what you can.

Et Cetera poll

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Results from last issue's poll:

Will you be participating in Earth Hour?

Yes (67%, 14 Votes) No (14%, 3 Votes)

What's Earth Hour? (19%, 4 Votes)

pass fail

To U.S. Vice-President Joe Biden, for exclaiming “This is a big f---ing deal!” to President Obama at the signing of the health-care reform bill on Tuesday

The TTC for cracking down on fare fraud

To Afghan insurgents, for opening peace talks with Karzai's Afghan government

To the electrical engineer students, for supplying free samosas, cookies and pop to students at North Campus on Tuesday

To protestors of the bill, who shouted racial epithets and spat on U.S. congressmen Saturday

To the armed robbers who smashed their way into a TTC fare booth and threatened the collector with a gun

To Israel, for continuing to push for more conflict-stirring settlement developments in East Jerusalem

To food providers on campus, who overcharge food and drinks to cash-strapped students

Et Cetera wants to know what you think

We appreciate letters or emails expressing your opinion on issues covered in the paper. Reporting the news is not a one-way street. Hearing from our readers is important to us and debate will bring more depth to the news we report. Think we're missing out on the real issues at Humber? Have we not told the whole story? Let us know! Just include your contact information – name and phone number – and know that we may have to edit content down to fit space.

Send us an email at etc.humber@gmail.com

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What's the 'greenest' thing you do?

Navjinder Kainthrai, 22, 2nd year network support technician

I was in an environmental class when I was in school in India. We planted about 1,000 trees. We gathered the money ourselves, got the saplings and planted them.

Laura Coulter, 32 1st year fitness and health

Our condo does not have a recycling program. So we save our recycling up and drive it to the dump ourselves every week.

Mohee Khokhar, 19 1st year accounting

I try to save electricity. If no one is in the room, we turn off the lights, and if the weather is nice we hang our clothes out to dry instead of using the clothes dryer.

Randell Keating, 20 1st year fashion arts

I recycle. You have to do some small part at least.



Arb redesign to save water

Students submit sustainability ideas

EMILY ENGLISH
LIFE REPORTER

The Humber arboretum is getting a green makeover, making it more visually appealing and water-friendly.

The arboretum is sponsoring a competition for students to create water-saving designs for the area around the Centre for Urban Ecology.

As part of their landscape design course, students are submitting plans for critique and display in the centre next week.

“Hopefully, they will bring back design and planting recommendations to maximize water efficiency,” said arboretum director Melanie Sifton.

“As of right now, the landscape is not reflective of the building,” said Kyle Moffit, 21, a second-year landscape technician student.

To change this, students will incorporate sustainable ideas into their designs.

“Instead of taking away from the environment, we will be actually adding to it,” said Moffit.

He said the building itself is already environmentally friendly and the design competition will help bring the landscape around it up to par.

The centre already uses a rainwater cistern, which can be used to supply landscape irrigation.

The centre can further reduce water waste by choosing drought resistant plants.

Landscape technician program coordinator Harry Chang, said the program has made a conscious effort to become greener.

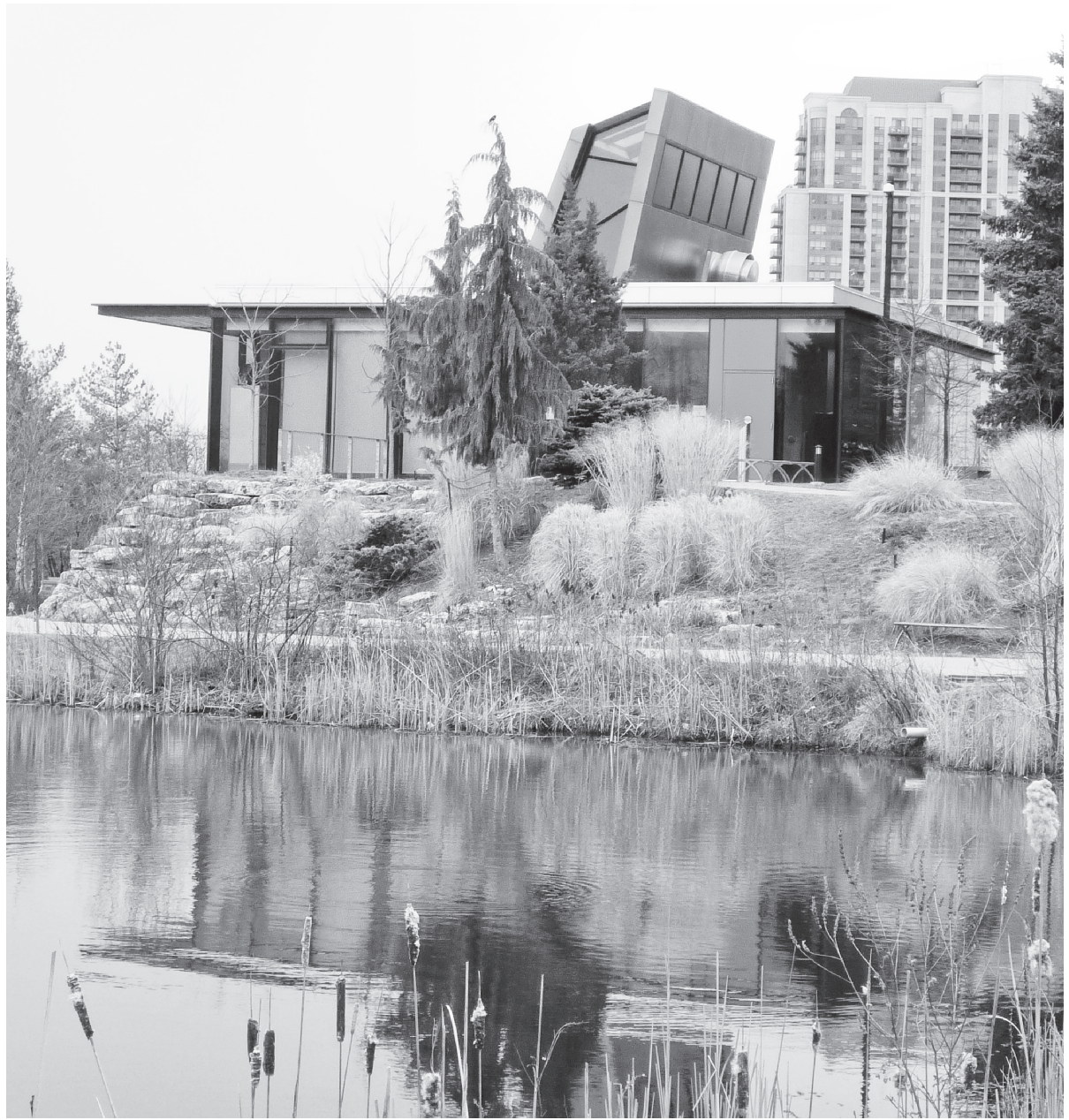
“We’re becoming increasingly more focused on sustainability, environmental sensitivity and addressing this in the curriculum,” said Chang.

“In the design and construction, we will be much more conscious of the maintenance aspects, the sustainability aspects and the durability.”

The best design wins a monetary prize, but the best components of each idea will make up the final design.

“We will be putting the plans into action right away, but the project will probably take a couple years to complete,” said Sifton.

“It’s the first time we’re doing something like this. If it’s successful, we can do it again. We can look at other parts of Humber and make sure they are contributing to the campus and a sustainable environment.”



Emily English

The Humber Arboretum Centre for Urban Ecology staff holds design contest for landscape course.

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Books

Program teaches pest management

BRANDI DOUCETT
LIFE REPORTER

Students in the horticultural technician apprenticeship program are learning new techniques for pest management, said program co-ordinator Tanya Olsen.

Olsen said pests are a growing concern after the mild winter and students are learning integrated pest management.

“It’s important to look at whether the plant is being fertilized and watered properly and if it’s in the right location,” said Olsen. “If you really look at plant care, then there is considerably less need for pesticide use.”

Students are also learning how to implement green roof technologies, also called a living roof.

“The roof system is designed to grow plant material and it decreases the amount of radiant heat escaping the building,” said Olsen. “Whether it’s on the ground or on a roof, we’re filtering pollutants out of the air.”

An example is the living wall outside the Learning Commons in Guelph-Humber.

Olsen said students also learn about rainwater harvesting, which outlines

how to use rainwater around the house and a new paving trend called permeable paving, which allows water to escape through the joints into the ground, rather than running into the gutter.

Horticultural apprenticeship construction instructor David White, said many aspects of his course are also becoming eco-friendly.

“A lot of the products we use are recycled or repurposed materials,” he said.

“We use waste materials from quarries for our stone work and some of the decking materials are made from recycled wood products.”

Jason Anderson, 27, is in his final semester of the horticulture program.

“The green industry is perceived as being at the bottom of the trades, but we’re certified and meet extremely high industry standards,” said Anderson.

“It’s a growing industry across Canada and it’s important to be taken seriously.”

Olsen said as people become more environmentally aware, there will be an increased need for trained professionals.

No policy for veil

Student said she uncovers face for ID purposes

MEHREEN KHAN
LIFE REPORTER

While Humber has no policy regarding face covering, one Muslim student who wears a veil said she had to show her photo identification picture, displaying her uncovered face.

“There is no policy right now and we are in the process of seeing what other colleges and universities are doing,” said Nancy Simms, Humber’s human rights and diversity manager.

First-year interior decorating student Nazish Khosa, 18, said she understands the security concerns but still manages to carry out her daily activities as normal.

“I always carry my identification card with me. If anyone wants to see who I am, I just show them my face.”

Humber’s few Muslim students who wear the niqab said the college provides a tolerant and accepting environment for them.

The niqab is a face veil worn by some Muslim women for modesty.

Second-year paralegal student Samia Mohamed, 22, said no one at Humber gives her trouble because of her choice to wear the niqab. She began covering her face five months ago and said she has not noticed significant changes in students.

“They didn’t really care, it’s like they didn’t even notice it,” Mohamed said. “Some people did care and were curious about it, but nobody made any comments about it.”

Her father pressured her to avoid covering her face, but she convinced her parents of her choice by researching and sharing religious articles about the veil.

“I did a lot of research on it, and after I wore the hijab, I felt like there was something missing and that I had to wear the niqab and I felt I would be more protected,” she said.

Currently there are no set rules at Humber. “The college is in favour of any attire students choose to wear,” said Simms.

“There is no policy right now and we are in the process of seeing what other colleges are doing.”

Nancy Simms
Human rights & diversity manager



Mehreen Khan

Nazish Khosa, 18, first-year interior decorating student wears a niqab.

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Jonathon Brodie

Humber guard Michael Acheampong tries to stop Fanshawe's Will Bradbury's drive to the net.

Men's B-ball win national bronze

A hard drive with a short bench gets a third place finish to wrap up season

JONATHON BRODIE
SPORTS REPORTERS

CALGARY— Despite playing without its three captains, the Hawks men's basketball team capped off the season with its first medal in seven years at the national championships.

In a rematch of the provincial final, Humber again beat Fanshawe – this time 72-66 – last Saturday to take home bronze.

"I thought winning the OCAAs was big," said Hawks guard Kern Lewis, who took over captain responsibilities, along with centre J.R. Bailey. "But just to be on this stage at this level and winning a medal is so special."

The team arrived in Calgary without co-captains Jeremy Alleyne, Daviau Rodney and Jadwey Hemmings, all suspended because of an off-court incident.

"We found out more than a week ago that we were going to be coming here with 12 players," coach Darrell Glenn said after the tournament.

"The focus of the coaching staff and the entire team was: Let's focus on the

12 guys we have and we had to forget about what was, and we had to focus on what is."

In the team's opening game against host Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Humber was defeated 75-68 before a hostile home crowd.

Humber bounced back in a nail-biter against Northern Alberta Institute of Technology when Bailey hit a fade-away jumper with seconds remaining to win 65-63.

The Hawks qualified for the bronze medal game by beating Atlantic Coast champions, Mount Saint Vincent University, from Halifax, scoring the opening basket and never giving up the lead in a 70-58 victory.

"A lot of people doubted us," said Humber guard Quinlan Veira, who scored a game-high 15 points in the bronze-medal game against the team from London. "We had a game plan, went in, and I think we executed it pretty well."

For the Hawks, who have won five national titles – the last in 2001 – it was the first medal since capturing bronze at the 2003 championships in Montreal.

"This is my fourth time (at nationals) and first time medalling," Glenn said. "So, for me, I really appreciate the medal because I know how difficult it is to actually get it."

V-ball rookie pillar in future success

HEATHER ALFORD
SPORTS REPORTER

When the head coach of the women's volleyball team, Chris Wilkins, was recruiting players for the Hawks this season, he knew he found someone special in 18-year-old Kelly Nyhof.

"You've got to find the diamonds in the rough and make them into elite athletes," he said.

"With her athletic ability, she could potentially be one of the best athletes that ever came through Humber."

Nyhof, a first-year fitness and health student, met Wilkins and assistant coach Dean Wylie while attending high school in Georgetown, and her decision to come to Humber was an easy one.

"They were the first people that had shown interest in me for volleyball," said Nyhof, who had only been playing volleyball for two years when approached by the coaches.

"I just felt really comfortable and it felt like Humber was where I should have gone."

After joining the team, Nyhof had nothing but success.

Her offensive skills, and more than three-metre vertical jump, helped

win the team's third provincial title and fifth place in the national championships.

She was also named OCAA rookie of the year and OCAA first team all-star.

"It was a really nice surprise to get all that recognition my first year of playing, especially because I haven't been playing for that long," she said.

Essential in honing Nyhof's skills was veteran player and fellow middle, Landis Doyle, who returned to the team from in January after an absence.

"Wilkins said he could tell Kelly started playing a lot better just having more competition and having someone that was more her size. It helped her hit smarter and block better," said Doyle.

Wilkins also said he is happy to have Nyhof as the cornerstone of the team for the next four years.

"Every year I try to bring in somebody that's going to help build the program for years to come and she's one of those people," he said.

"She's a good student, a good person, she's the whole package and we are ecstatic about her playing for Humber."



Courtesy

Humber golfer Mark Hoffman won the 103rd Ansa Mcal Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Golf Open.

Hawk golfer uses off-season to win big

JARED LALONDE
SPORTS REPORTER

Mark Hoffman was crowned champion at the 103rd Ansa Mcal Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Golf Open at St. Andrew's Golf Course earlier this month in Moka.

"It was a different type of competition," said Hoffman. "I played with 20 of the top golfers there. It felt great to win because no one expected a Canadian to take it."

After four days of competition, Hoffman was tied for first with 303 shots. He clinched the top spot after a gruelling two-round playoff against St. Kitts' Adrian Norford, finishing at par.

Like Hoffman, varsity golfers are forced to find unique ways to train

between the off-season months of November and April.

"It's difficult to train in our climate. You can't be ready to play by just hitting a lot of balls," said Hoffman.

Hoffman heard about the tournament held March 4-7 through his former coach and jumped at the chance to play overseas.

"I told my coach about it and he contacted all my teachers to make sure I could attend the tournament," said Hoffman.

However, playing overseas is not the only way varsity golfers can practice.

"Training is individual over the off-season," said Humber varsity golf coach Ray Chateau. "We push our athletes to focus on their own technique, following their individual plans."

Chateau said mental conditioning is a priority.

"We focus on preparing for competitions, studying significant traits of champions," he said.

Chateau added, it is vital to take some time off from physical competition.

"Mark is an exception," he said.

Women's rookie Jessica Payne took a more traditional approach to prepare for her varsity debut this April.

"We go to the golf dome together as a team," said Jessica. "I train at the gym and just try to keep focused."

The men are the first to return to action at an NCAA Division 1 tournament beginning April 15 at Fox Hills Golf Club in Plymouth, Mich.

V-ball star ponders return

The highest scoring Hawk in men's volleyball team history may wear a Humber jersey next season if he is accepted to the electronic engineering tech program

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One of the greatest players to ever don a Hawks volleyball uniform said he may return to Humber to strengthen the Hawks' provincial gold winning team.

Chris Simek, 26, who holds the Humber record for the highest scoring average in school history, said there's a "50-50" chance he'll wear blue and gold next season, depending on his acceptance into the electronics engineering technology co-op program.

Five seasons ago, Simek led the men's volleyball team to a provincial gold medal – its first since 1975 – and a fourth place finish at nationals.

That year, Simek averaged 7.6 points per game and was named an all-Canadian.

Since 2005, Simek has worked a variety of

part-time jobs to support himself while trying to earn a living as a professional beach volleyball player.

This year's squad bears a remarkable resemblance to the 2005 team; it won gold at provincials, it came fourth at nationals, and the team was led by all-Canadian Terrel Bramwell, who averaged 5.9 points per game, the second highest scoring average in school history.

"If Chris did come, there definitely would be some conversation around what the expectations would be," said head coach Wayne Wilkins, who coached Simek in 2005. "Both those guys (Bramwell and Simek) already have provincial gold medals, so I don't think they'd be satisfied with another provincial gold."

Wilkins said their goal would be a gold medal at nationals.

The entire starting lineup from this year's team will return, and the thought of pairing

Simek alongside Bramwell, the two best scorers in Hawks history, has setter Derek Quinn salivating.

"It's huge from a setter's point of view," said Quinn. "The other team wouldn't know who to key on."

"Half the problem we faced this year," said Wilkins, "is we always had to use Terrel as an impact player and never as a decoy."

This was the problem in the bronze medal game at nationals, when the UBC Okanagan Heat destroyed the Hawks in straight sets by shutting down Bramwell.

Simek watched that game and said the Hawks were missing another big time scorer in late game scenarios.

"It's almost like relating it to Kobe and Shaq," said Wilkins. "The opposing coach is like, 'OK, let's not get burned by Kobe, oh, but don't forget about Shaq.'"



Courtesy Humber Athletics

Chris Simek during the 2004-05 season.

Varsity study hall urges academic focus for athletes

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Humber coaches are too lenient and need to initiate stronger disciplinary measures to encourage at-risk student athletes to hit the books, said head academic adviser in the varsity academic centre, Monique Haan.

The centre is a study hall environment specifically for varsity athletes and is currently used by approximately one-third of all varsity athletes, Haan said.

"Student athletes failing courses or with low grades have to come in for mandatory study

hall, two hours a week," said Haan. "But some coaches have been slow to discipline those not attending or failing."

Haan said most coaches have taken the academic career of players seriously and send them to study hall instead of practice if they're struggling academically.

"But some coaches are too lenient and only send email warnings," she said. Haan would not specify which coaches.

Head coach of the women's basketball team, Denise Perrier, said she hasn't had to hand out any penalties yet, but her policy is strict – grades

come first.

"We've made it clear you have to pass before you put that jersey on," she said.

"Every week we talked about it. I take it seriously for my team because I want my kids to leave with a good education."

The current scare tactic most coaches use is if an athlete fails a semester, they're not on the team the following semester, unless the student can somehow make it up, said Haan.

Andrew Petricca, a member of the rugby team, said his coaches talk about getting good marks, but he never heard mention of possible

punishments for failing grades.

"If they're failing and not taking initiative, then they need to face disciplinary action because if they flunk off the team, it effects the team," he said.

Haan said coaches sit down at the end of the season and discuss plans for consistent and stricter academic enforcement for next season.

"We're students first," said Petricca,

"Athletics is just a benefit of being here. If we can be good students, and good athletes, we'll make Humber look even better."

this week

thursday march 25

» **OSA Soccer Centre, Toronto**
Women's indoor soccer
OCAA championship.

» **Soccer Centre, Toronto**
Men's indoor soccer
OCAA championsip.

» **Campus Ice Center, Durham College**
Challenge Cup extramural
hockey tournament.
Humber North and South
teams. March 25 - 26.

saturday march 27

» **Durham College, Oshawa**
Humber Hype dance team
will compete in the Bust-A-
Move Dance competition.

saturday april 3

» **York University, Toronto**
Humber Hype dance team
will compete in the York
Dance competition.

highlight reel

Men's Volleyball

The OCAA Men's Volleyball Player of the Year award was given to Redeemer College's All-Canadian, Ryan Talsma.

Women's Volleyball

The OCAA Women's Volleyball Player of the Year awards was given to Cambrian College's All-Canadian, Shawna Metcalf.

Men's Basketball

The OCAA Men's Basketball Player of the Year award was given to the London Knights' Jovain Wilson at the Belairdirect OCAA Basketball Championship banquet in London.

Women's Basketball

The OCAA Women's Basketball Player of the Year award was given to the Sheridan Bruins' fifth year guard Hali Burns at the Championship banquet in Barrie.

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