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Strike aftermath: no spring break



by Janet Smellie

For the first time in Ontario's history, Humber College students will be denied a reading week.

Humber's president, Dr. Robert Gordon announced the cancellation in a memo circulated through Humber this week. The memo states the cancelled break was necessary to allow students to finish the spring semester in a "timely fashion."

The school year has been extended to May 9th to make up for 16 days of cancelled classes due to the faculty strike. Exams will be held the following week.

The memo also announced an extension of the first semester to Jan. 25. The semester usually ends prior to a three-week Christmas break. The Christmas break has been cut by a week giving students a two-week holiday from Dec. 22 — Jan. 2.

First semester will officially end Jan. 25. Second semester will begin Jan. 30 giving students a two-day break from school.

SAC has had to cancel two trips scheduled for the March break.

June Cupidio, SAC's activities co-ordinator, said more than 50 students signed up for the trips to Daytona Beach and Vermont.

"We can't promote any trips that take place during class time," Cupidio said. "They'll all get their refunds."

Here they come again — After a three week break from classes, Humber students quickly filled the halls of North campus

once again. They'll be back for a while too, as the school year is extended.

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Instabank cash flow might dry up

by Chris Mills

It's Humber College versus the Bank of Montreal (B of M).

And students may soon lose the B of M Instabank teller near the main entrance of the North campus because the bank isn't getting enough transactions to make it pay.

The year-old issue was raised when the main downtown bank removed one machine teller last year. Last August, the bank said they wanted the school to subsidize the second machine.

The school agreed to subsidize the machine to a maximum of \$2,000 at that time.

But Humber's Board of Governors (BOG) now says, "No, we can't afford it."

Peter Broadhurst, the chairman of the board, said the college has as much as \$4 million in a B of M commercial account at a local branch, which has some leverage. The bank, however, says the private accounts in the Instabank teller are separate from the school's business account.

"We told (the bank) 'non-sense'," said Broadhurst. "We're basically telling them to get their act together."

The bank needs 280 transactions a day because the Instabank operates on a unit cost basis. If it doesn't do enough business, they remove it.

However, according to Jim Davison, Humber's vice-president administration, the school is already shopping around for other banks for both the business and the Instabank accounts.

"If necessary, we'll close (the Instabank) down, advise the students we're doing it and put out a call to other bankers who may be interested," he said.

"Even without going to tender, I have received a letter from the Royal Bank who have expressed interest in providing the service."

The executives of (BOG) will be meeting with the senior B of M officers of both the commercial and the private divisions and expect concrete decisions in the next two weeks, said Davison.



PHOTO BY CHRIS MILL

So much for instant cash — Students may not have the benefit of an on-campus Instabank teller for long.

News

\$65,000 residence for spring

New residence for equine manager to be built

by Chris Mills

A new \$65,000 residence for the equine manager will be built this spring to replace the old house at the corner of Humber College Boulevard and Hwy. 27.

The Board of Governors approved the new prefabricated facility at last month's meeting to replace the boarded-up and century-old farmhouse. They hope the manager can move in by late June 1985.

"The living accommodations at present are deplorable," said Jim Davison, Humber's vice-president administration.

"(The manager) has been virtually camping out at the old residence."

Equine Manager Barry Thomson agrees. He moved his wife and two children out months ago and left, himself, last month, passing the night duties over to the veterinarian surgeon.

School policy calls for someone to be close by to take care of the horses 24 hours a day.

But problems with the septic tank, the flooding basement, frozen pipes in the winter, an unheated laundry room and basement, not to mention the

snow removal "which went on all night long", and the new public demonstration gardens surrounding the house finally led to Thomson moving out.

"My main concern for 11 years has been for the horses," said Thomson. "Now my main concern is for my family."

Davison said the new home will be a Viceroy style with a brick veneer exterior. It will be built on the hill immediately west of the stables, overlooking the corral and the valley. The other house will be torn down.

He said Thomson will probably be consulted on the interior layout, but that the residence is primarily a college asset.

Breakdown of the costs is \$10,000 for drainage, access roads and lot preparation, \$25,000 for the house and \$35,000 for wiring, plumbing, etc.

Construction will be conducted by Humber College workmen to reduce labor costs.

Thomson moved into the present house 11 years ago when he became equine foreman. He said that, at that time, the school made a verbal agreement for the security of a home. He doesn't think they've lived up to their end of the bargain.



PHOTO BY CHRIS MILLS
The house at the corner — Equine manager, Barry Thomson will have his house torn down, and a new residence built this spring.

Union president says arbitration not the answer

by Mark Reesor



Begg

Humber's OPSEU local President, Gary Begg, says legislation forcing teachers back to work is only a "stop-gap measure," and won't really resolve the teachers situation.

Begg says an arbitrator appointed to resolve teacher/administration differences won't help much because the arbitrator can't rule on the workload question. Begg says the three-person

(task force) commission set up to rule on the workload issue doesn't impress him either.

By submitting workload to arbitration, Begg says, the collective bargaining process is being bypassed. The commission is to come up with a report on the issue, but he says reports done in the past have achieved little.

Although there isn't a strong feeling of animosity between the union and faculty, Begg com-

plained about visits by Humber President Dr. Robert Gordon to the picket line.

"(Dr. Gordon) was criticized by many faculty for trying to influence them to waver and be less determined in seeking their goal of quality education...the (visits) were appreciated the first time, but it did seem like that when it continued," says Begg.

"It was felt that there was a degree of influence against the position that the striking teachers were taking."

The union is unhappy with the position Humber's SAC took on the strike, says Begg.

"I think (SAC) taking a neutral

position prolonged the strike, and was counter-productive to the real interests of the students in the long run."

"The student leaders... should realize that there is a real problem, and should throw their weight behind a solution, rather than taking the short term point of view that the only thing to do is to get the classes started again."

Begg said he felt students should have put up more of a fight for their education.

"We all agreed that classes are important and should be running, but the way to obtain a better long-term quality of education is to really fight for it."



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Conflict in talks forced legislation

by Mark Reesor

Faculty and administration were so far apart over the workload issue, there was little choice but to legislate teachers back to work.

That's Humber President Dr. Robert Gordon's opinion. Dr. Gordon said Monday that talks were "doomed", and the only alternative was legislation.

"It's a shame they had to be legislated back... but obviously, at some point, the good of the students becomes more important than the right to collective bargain or the right to strike."

He said he hopes relations between faculty and administration will soon get back to normal.

"There's bound to be certain individuals, and I don't blame them, that are frustrated, angry a little bit."

"They struck for 17 days, and they have very little to show for it. Usually when you strike, you have something to show for it. I think they feel used (and) abused... but I think the overwhelming majority of our faculty are very happy to be back."

Although Dr. Gordon felt his people handled the strike well, he said there was some question as to the behaviour of the union executive and the Council of Regents.



Gordon

"The jury, I think, is still out on the behaviour of the executive of the union, as it is, in a way, on the Council of Regents, about the skill, the willingness (and) the ability to negotiate."

The effect of the strike on the student population is unknown. Dr. Gordon said he'll know better by the end of the week how many students dropped out.

"I think we lost some students, but we always lose some students (at this time). The feedback (Monday) was that we were doing pretty well, although there's still a few (missing) that they would have counted on to show up."

He expressed optimism that issues raised by the strike would not just be swept under the carpet.

"If this is not looked at in a most serious manner... then I think the system is going to be in very big trouble."

SAC president says student pressure forced neutrality on strike



Caron
by Mark Reesor

SAC President Darrin Caron says SAC was only doing what the majority of students wanted when it remained neutral during the recent teachers strike.

"I did not talk to one student during the whole strike issue that said they were willing to stay out on strike for quality of education. Students that contacted me were irate and wanted to get back into the classrooms as soon as possible," Caron said.

Caron said a rumored petition circulating in the school labels him the culprit in the strike situation and demands his resignation.

Caron said he wished the author of the petition would speak with him.

"They're doing it behind my back.

"If I have one student saying 'back the teachers,' and 400 saying 'get us back in class,'... I have to go with the majority," Caron said.

Caron says he feels he is

being overly criticized for his actions during the strike. Proof of this criticism, he said, was an editorial carried in last Tuesday's College Courier.

The editorial, said Caron, criticized him for his handling of the strike. In response, Caron said the editorial was "shoddy journalism in that it's very opinionated."

The editorial stated Caron broke ties with the OFS (Ontario Federation of Students), according to Human Studies Instructor, Gary Noseworthy. Caron claims this is untrue.

"They understood completely what we were doing," he said. "They did some questionable deeds, (during the strike) and I'll tell you right now our council is seriously looking at our position in the OFS... but we did not break ties with them."

Caron said he's taking no notice of the editorial's demands he resign. "I think it's sour grapes. We wouldn't give them any money, so now they're coming up with this little line, 'Oh, you guys hate us, and you guys are wrong.' They're not the student government leaders, I am."

"I'm not defending myself, though, (not) to that. It's toilet paper; it's a joke... I have to laugh at this paper, because if I would have backed the teachers, and we'd still be on strike now.

Next week...

Clinic turns circus

by Don Douloff

Next week's North campus blood donor clinic will offer a "circus" theme, prizes and local celebrities.

"Giving blood is very important, but having a good time in the process is equally important," said Saleem Giga, one of 45 first-year Public Relations (PR) students organizing and promoting the event.

"We want the students to know that giving blood doesn't hurt, and that by giving blood you give the gift of life," said Giga.

The clinic will operate next Wednesday and Thursday (Nov. 21 - 22) in the concourse from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The PR students will wear circus garb, thus becoming circus announcers to lend the clinic a festive atmosphere.

Over a dozen local media celebrities have been invited to attend. Giga hopes that at least five of those invited will participate.

Among the celebrities asked to attend are CITY-TV personalities J.D. Roberts and Peter Gross, and Q-107 disc jockey, Scruff Connors.

The students mailed 35 requests to companies for donations of goods to be used as prizes.

The Toronto Hilton has donated a weekend for two at their hotel, Adidas donated some merchandise, the Bloor Street Diner donated a dinner for two, and the Humber Room gave gift certificates.

Giga explained that at regular intervals, perhaps every 50 donors, prizes will be given to entice people to give blood.

The goal next week will be 550

units, and Giga feels the clinic will not only reach the goal, but could surpass it.

"Last year, the November clinic raised around 750 units... we feel we will succeed in surpassing our goal," he said.

Humber faculty have never been too supportive of donor clinics, said Giga.

Retreat high-light

Planned federation to unify five campuses

by Don Douloff

Federation of Humber's five student councils was the high-priority issue discussed at SAC's 16th annual retreat.

A three-page summary outlining the advantages of federating the five campuses' student governments was handed out at the first meeting on the Saturday of the weekend retreat.

At the meeting, SAC President, Darrin Caron, stressed federation would give Humber's 12,000 students a "unified voice in dealing with the administration".

Each campus would also be able to share resources if federation of

"all campuses would have access to computer info"

all five campuses occurred, said Caron.

As an example, he cited a problem at the Lakeshore campus. The campus does not run its own pub, but rather, it is run by Food Services.

The administration believes Lakeshore students cannot run a pub, Caron said. He suggested Margaret Hobbs, CAP's manager, and David Keenan, CAPS' assistant manager, could educate Lakeshore's student council as to how to run their pub. This would allow the council to prove to administration they could run a successful pub. At the same time, more money could be poured into SAC coffers, he said.

It was also suggested that North SAC's computer could be used as a pool of information on a "range of issues." All campuses would then have access to this storehouse.

Federation would involve creating a "super-executive" composed of four members of the North's executive, two from Lakeshore, and one from each of the other three campuses.

Queensway, York-Eglinton and Keeleleesdale campuses currently are without a student council. A new federation agreement would change this, said Caron.

Under the proposed plan, each individual council would operate exactly as it does now. The super executive would deal with matters affecting all campuses.

Such an issue may be the allotment of office space for Osler's SAC. The campus currently has none.

Federation would provide a written guarantee offering protection to the smaller campuses. This action would alleviate certain fears held by administration and would thus remove one obstacle to incorporation, according to Caron.

Some dissenting opinion was voiced at the meeting.

Rob Currie, a representative of 300 Manpower students at Lakeshore, had reservations concerning the freedom of expansion by the council at the campus.

Currie said that Lakeshore council is expanding its functions on campus, and he would "dispute whether Lakeshore could do that if it became federated."

He said the structure of the possible federation would be unfair because the North bloc would have 40 per cent of the decision-making power. He said access to the computer was a "luxury... certainly not a necessity."

Concluding his remarks, Currie said that by federating, Lakeshore would "benefit from a lot of luxuries, but (would) sacrifice a lot of autonomy."

In a follow-up meeting on Sunday, two methods were suggested to provide fairness in the federation structure.

One method would require a two-thirds majority vote by the executive to pass any resolution. The other method outlined a plan to have the chairman, who rotates from council to council, and who cannot vote, appoint one member of his executive to vote in

his place.

Caron acknowledged the plan for federation, drafted last year, would need to be "hashed out" by the councils this year.

The "hashing out" process would culminate in a formal agreement consisting of a constitution and by-laws. The federated body would be a legal entity which would sign a fees agreement with the Board of Governors.

Caron emphasized the necessity of putting an agreement in writing. He said councils need "continuity" and a formal structure which would ensure their cooperation from year to year.

George Brown College, he said, is in the midst of dissolving its federation. Their federation wasn't a written document, but an informal arrangement which caused some problems.

One such problem involves the college's student newspaper.

George Brown's largest campus traditionally provided half the funding for the student newspaper. The council was recently told it would have to bear all the costs, which they said they could

"administration loves to see unorganization"

not do. As a result, the college will lose its student paper.

To stress the need for unity between Humber's five campuses, Caron drew on his experience with the Council of Student Affairs, a body currently governing all campuses. The council is composed of students and faculty.

"The administrators love to see it when the students are unorganized and fight each other... we are all Humber College students (who) must share ideas and wealth and resources to make campus life a little better."

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We've got a good thing going

Editorial

Dead ear?

So we're back at school after a strike which took away three and-a-half weeks of our scheduled school year.

The strike, or rather the way it was resolved by the elected officials which make up the Government of Ontario, should give every citizen and taxpayer cause for concern.

In hindsight, Bette Stephenson's energetic proclaims that the Government was dedicated to reaching a negotiated settlement was a sham.

To begin with, the Government's bargaining unit, the Council of Regents, seemed never to even attempt to address the teachers' union's demands of reduced workload. Talks broke off a number of times, each time because the Council of Regents' negotiators walked out.

The Government's dedication to resolving the talks through negotiations has to be severely questioned in light of the fact that its negotiating team walked out at the exact same time Stephenson was in the Legislature once again decrying those very same intentions.

The Government, through the Council of Regents, was clearly never interested in meeting or even realistically addressing the demands of the union so long as the teachers wanted to talk about the very issue they voted to strike for.

The legislation which forced the teachers back to work itself reveals the Government's unwillingness to take the teachers seriously. Normally legislation of this kind calls for an arbitrator to settle the differences between the parties as best he or she can, but one was not provided for in this case. Perhaps Stephenson felt an arbitrator, which would likely have met both parties' demands somewhere in the middle, would have cost the government too much by such a decision, which may be understandable. But the fact a call for a legislated back-to-work order came as a result of a mass walk-out by the Council of Regents gives rise to the belief the Government was never interested in addressing the demands and reaching a negotiated settlement.

The Government's actions over the past few weeks should give the people of this province some thought: you certainly cannot rely on its word alone.

Irresponsible

Could the Government of Ontario ever have hoped to meet the demands of the teachers? Were those demands too unrealistic in the first place?

Undoubtedly there are teachers in the college system who put in 50, 60, even upwards of 70 hours a week to meet the demands of their workload. Clair Hoy and his blanket condemnation of teachers being spoiled sissies aside, 70 hours a week is too much work for the pay received by those teachers doing it.

The problem with the union's demands, which sought to maximize work hours, only attempted to solve the problems of teachers putting in such hours, and never took into consideration those working 35 or less hours a week.

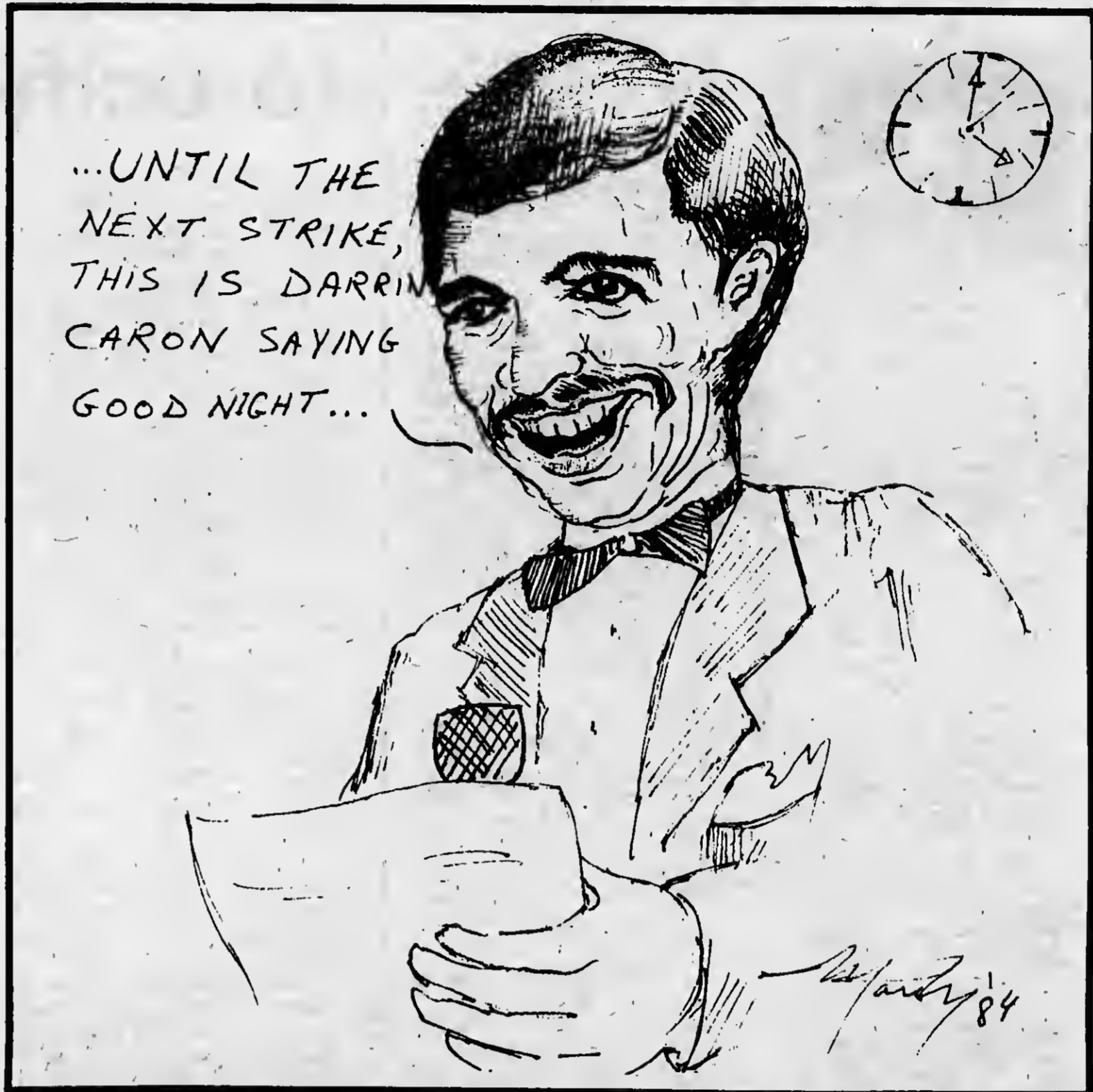
There are many teachers in the system who work less than 40 hours a week, and \$35,000 a year is easily a fair wage for that group.

What held the Council of Regents from negotiating a settlement is the Government's knowledge of such a disparity in the number of hours worked by individual teachers. Why should the Government meet the blanket demands of the union and dish out \$50-million just to resolve the problems of those teachers in the upper ranks of the union who are overworked? It would have been stupid to do so.

Was the strike indeed necessary? Probably not. Unless the union was totally naive, it should have known the Government could not and would not even attempt to reach such an unrealistic demand.

What the union should have done before calling for a strike was reach agreement among its members as to what *minimum* requirements are for teachers, and then go to the Government and say it needs extra staff to take the load off those putting in the 60 or 70 hours a week, rather than say they are all overworked.

Without such an agreement, the union's demands could be equated with a student required to do five hours of homework a week calling for less of the same because other students were doing upwards of 20. And that's not very realistic at all.



Letters

Issue still alive

Dear Students:

Hi, and welcome back!

The people in the SAC office have worked right through the strike, trying to bring an end to the walkout and get the students back into class.

The Humber Students Association was in agreement with the majority of other colleges, when we pushed for legislation to end the strike. The council wrestled with this problem for a day before deciding that the possibility of losing the school year, outweighed the strike issue.

SAC would like the students to acknowledge that underfunding is an issue, and that we as students,

must continue to lobby with the Ministry of Education to somehow lessen the problem.

Our instructors went on strike for us and for the quality of education. SAC realizes that we must educate our students and that we must show our faculty that there will be changes due to the strike.

Finally, I hope teachers and students can get back to classes and resume their education without animosity. SAC will continue to fight for a higher quality of education, and continue to offer as many diversified activities as possible.

Darrin Caron
SAC President

Thanks, Courier

Starting a new publication is nightmarish, but one first- and four second-year journalism students actually took on the monumental task and, to steal a phrase, published rather than perished.

Sotos Petrides, Warren Moody, Kevin McAllister, Mike Williscraft and Leah Little were not short of ideas of what to do during the recent strike — they got together and, with help from some friends, put out an upstart young newspaper called the *College Courier*.

The students put out two issues (which they also funded) during the strike which took a lot of work and provided great reading for those who saw it.

Congratulations on a job well done.

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Feature

Retreat benefits SAC

by Janet Smellie

This fall's annual retreat held by SAC was different than any they've had before.

Although it was SAC's 16th retreat, it was the first time SAC members from the five campuses were invited to attend. Previously, the retreats were strictly for North campus representatives.

Held at the Blue Mountain Lodge in Collingwood, the conference lasted for two days (Oct. 13 and 14) and was attended by 46 representatives.

Each council member was required to pay a fee of \$10. The remaining costs (about \$30) were paid out of SAC's leadership development fund, which comes from student activity fees.

Sandra DiCresce, Humber's co-ordinator of Student Affairs, and paid advisor to SAC, was the main organizer of the event.

It was the seventh retreat DiCresce has been involved in and she said it was by far the most effective one.

The aim of the conference, DiCresce said, was to give the new SAC members a chance to get to know everyone on council.

"It's important," she said, "that they break down some of the barriers and learn to work together as a team."

Last summer, DiCresce travelled to the United States where she attended a four-day workshop at the University of South Carolina. While there, she learned actual techniques and exercises used to teach students how to communicate better as a group.

Through team building exercises, everyone at this workshop, she said, learned the importance of group dynamics.

"This is so important," DiCresce said. "If you can't work together in a group, you're finished. You'll be history wherever you go."

As an experiment, DiCresce introduced American exercises at the Collingwood retreat hoping for similar results.

One such game was an exercise called the Ice Breaker. This game, DiCresce said, was played at the beginning of the weekend, so everyone would get to know each



PHOTO BY JANET SMELLIE

It was more than paint by numbers as SAC members collaborated on a mural as part of their group interaction exercise.

other better.

After splitting everyone into two lines, a bottle opener tied to a ball of string was given to the person at the head of each line. He or she then had to slip the opener through the top of his or her pants, and then pull it down through the bottom of their pant leg. This was then repeated throughout the line, thus binding everyone together via the string.

The next step in this game was to reverse the above actions, and whichever team unravelled themselves first was declared the winner.

Also during the first day, an introductory discussion was held, led by SAC North campus President Darrin Caron, on the topic of federation.

"Humber College," Caron said, "is the largest college in Ontario. And it is also the finest college in Ontario. It's important that we learn to work together as a group."

A team painting ended the afternoon's activities. The participants were separated into groups, and each had 15 minutes to create a mural using the goals and experiences of the day as their theme.

Saturday evening there was a party in the lodge's main common room for anyone interested.

The next day, after a 7:30 wake up call, everyone assembled for breakfast after which more team building exercises, and council meetings followed.

Summing up the weekend, Caron declared it a success. Retreats are necessary, he said, to enable everyone to remove themselves from the school atmosphere and "without interruption, concentrate on their goals".

"This weekend," Caron said, "was a prototype retreat, recognized throughout the country as one of importance."

Cow is not one of the herd

by Don Douloff

I was a cow for one hour.

Forty-eight rational adults willingly participated in what is called "experiential leadership training" at SAC's 16th annual retreat.

Being a participant in the SAC activities for the weekend, my observations are endless.

In this case, experimental training involved dividing the group into five animal groups, and subjecting everyone to abject, collective nuttiness.

They assigned me to the "cows".

I considered myself fortunate to be spared the ignominy of consignment to the "pigs."

We masked ourselves with appropriate labelled paper bags, designed to blind us. Each group leader distributed the members of his/her herd amongst the lodge's two adjoining rooms available at

the retreat. By emitting a pre-determined noise, (in our case, a plaintive 'COOW'), we had to find the members of our respective zoo.

You can't imagine a more chaotic scene: forty-eight vegetables, freshly harvested from the animal funny farm, engaging in a sightless, strident group grope. Crows vied with monkeys, pigs with cows and chickens, ee-ee-ee-oh.

Sandra DiCresce, Humber's co-ordinator of Student Affairs, studied similar workshops in the United States. She attended a four-day seminar at the University of South Carolina earlier this year, and applied what she learned there to our SAC retreat.

She told the group the animal exercise was designed to "show you are dependent on the members of your group."

This echoed the theme for the weekend which was "team

building." DiCresce said the workshop was useful to break down the barriers between people.

Personally, I wasn't completely convinced this ordeal was valuable. At times, I felt I was part of a crass menagerie, shrieking a bovine mantra for the greater good of no one at all. I suppose some barriers broke down, although this seemed a childish way of achieving that.

Maybe I'm being excessively critical. I'm told this was the first year such "experiential" activities were used and that they differed from the format of previous retreats (which consisted solely of "management" seminars).

Still, I maintain learning should be carried out in a formal atmosphere, without lunch bags and Old MacDonald's Farm.

Maybe I'm kind of funny that way.

My Turn

by Jim Heyens

How I spent my October vacation.

On the eve of my October vacation I attended a strike party. This particular congregation of students, primarily of the journalism gender, gathered not in protest form but rather to count down the minutes before the strike became official.

The lift-off countdown before midnight, similar to that heard throughout North America at New Year's, brought cheers from all in attendance as hugs were exchanged and toasts proposed in the hopes of an extended vacation.

Now, you may think this rather strange and naive behaviour coming from a group of people who supposedly pay tuition yearly in order to further our education. And you may think we don't take said education seriously, when in fact most of us do. However, the teachers' strike was at that particular point in time inevitable, therefore why cry over painted picket signs.

On the first day of my October vacation, I woke up. As a matter of fact I thank God for allowing me to wake up every day of my October vacation. I went downtown to look for a job, (I didn't really, but it makes the story flow).

Actually, I went to school to work on projects I've been putting off since the first week of classes. However, those who survived the crossing of the picket-line of cruel, burly teachers, armed with lethal bundles of subversive propaganda somewhat resembling strike newsletters, found in the front corridor a reward for their brave efforts. For it was here that the Humber Room tried desperately to survive without the patronage of their regular quiche-buying, wine-sipping clientele — those who manned the intimidating picket-line along Humber College Boulevard between Finch Avenue and 27 Highway.

"DRAFT BEER \$1", proclaimed a sign at the entrance to the Humber Room. It was here where my creativity reached its pinnacle. I spent many hours planning my alleged future. As Hamlet once said, was I as a Humber College third-year student, "to be or not to be." Or was I destined to become a weekend security guard at Sonco Steel Tube in Brampton...I didn't know.

'I severed my head with a butter knife...'

As the sands pass through the hourglass, so went the days of the strike.

I went home discouraged and suicidal. It was here I severed my head with a butter-knife — just kidding you glibble guys you.

With each passing day I promised I would commit myself to the search for peace, knowledge, truth, justice, wealth, meaningless sex and good burgers...I found the burgers.

But on a more serious note. The strike did in one way or another hurt each and every one of us. In my case I was hit in the most vital region of the human anatomy...no not there...in the wallet. You see I am one of three persons employed by Coven to bring in money. Yes, I'm (sing to the Batman theme) dada dada dada dada dada dada dada ADMAN. Others may be more familiar with the job performed by Herb (let's do the lunch thing) Tarlick.

For my services I receive a commission of between 10 and 20 per cent of all Coven advertising. Because of the strike I was, how you say, ouda' business. It's funny though I haven't received any compensation for lost wages, wheeeeere's the beef, I mean, where's the justice.

Anyway, when word finally came down that teachers had been legislated back to the classrooms I was in the Coven office. Where were you? At the thought of returning to classes last Friday I shuddered. I still hadn't started the work I was sure I could finish during the initial stages of the walkout. I needed the weekend.

So this is what I said, (may be put to music) "Please, oh please Bette, give me the weekend. Life would be wonderful if only I could have this one final weekend. I promise to stop smoking, drinking and philandering if only I can have this one last weekend," I said.

Well, in fact my prayers to St. Bette were answered and in fact I was granted my final weekend's grace.

However, one thing led to another (you know how it goes) and one way or another I managed to do a little sidestep, one that encouraged me not to my homework.

So Dick, Tina, Ab, Jim and Derek, these are my teachers) please understand three weeks just wasn't enough time for an October vacation.

Leisure

Hey bartender

Students pour it all into their course

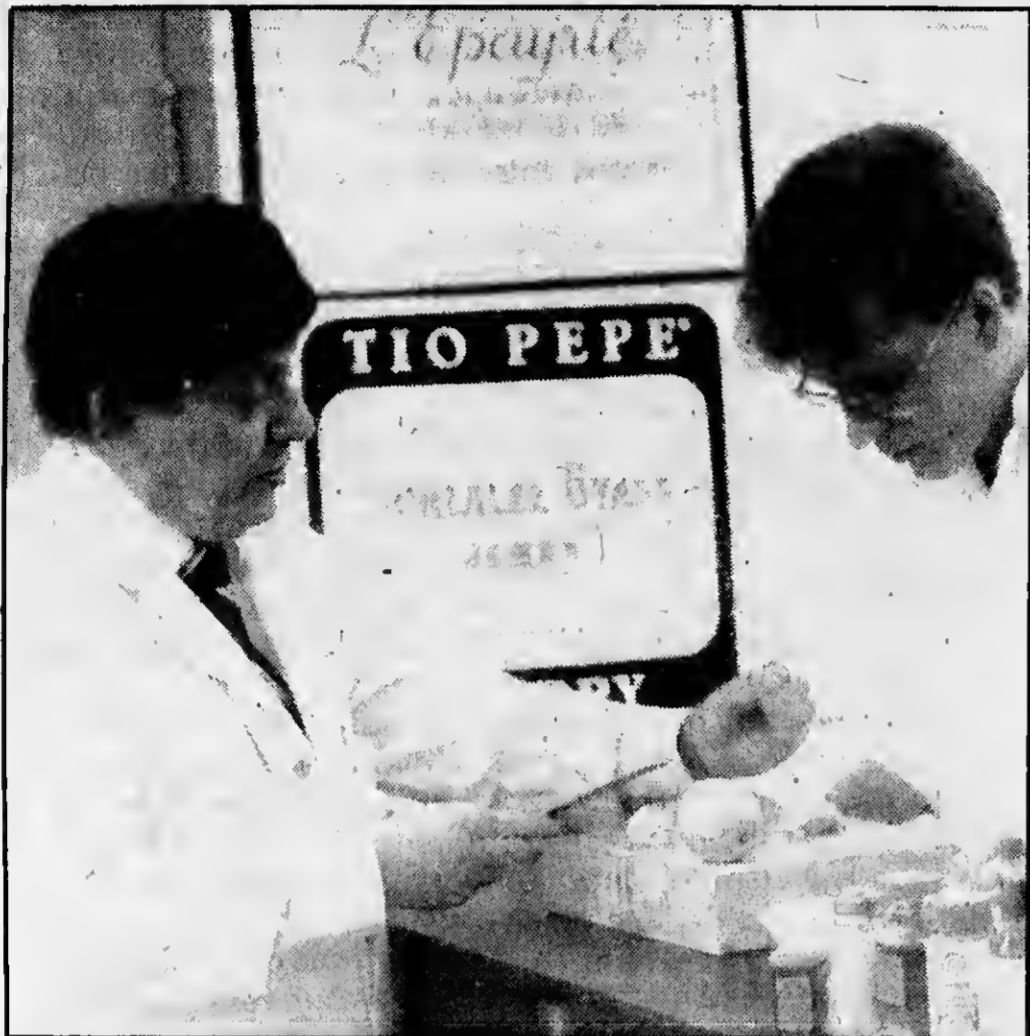


PHOTO BY KENNY WHITMELL
"And add a little bit more of this..." — Mixology students learn proper bar etiquette and how to mix drinks properly.

by Kenny Whitmell

Excitement and anticipation is in the air as 20 students clench drinking straws in their hands.

One student at the back of the room already has a straw in his mouth.

The class instructor goes to the front of the room and announces what everyone has been waiting to hear for four weeks.

"Today, you will prepare your own cocktails and have the chance to taste them," says Andrew Buzas, bartending instructor.

His announcement is met with thunderous applause. The only one not joining in is the fellow at the back who is busy practicing his drinking technique.

Mixology, commonly known as bartending, is a major credit course in the Hotel and Restaurant Management program at Humber College's North campus. The bartending course, taught since Humber was founded 16 years ago, is regarded as one teaching an essential skill.

"A proper Hotel and Restaurant Management program could not be taught without a mixology course," says Buzas, who has taught at Humber for four years.

Unlike most other colleges, Humber has used real alcohol in its mixology course since day one. It costs about \$1.50 per student per class for bar materials.

For the past month, students have been drilled on the theoretical side of the course which would include rules and etiquette behind the bar, proper mixing methods and a knowledge of the various drink families.

The class proceeds by having one student go to each of the two fully-equipped bars set up in the room. The instructor will order a drink and comment on the manner in which the student talks to his customer and asks the correct questions.

After the drink is prepared, the bartender trainee serves the drink to the first person in the front row and the drink is passed around for everyone to sip.

"Most of the kids don't even like to taste the drinks," says Buzas.

According to students, there is very little or anything else in the course they don't enjoy.

"The course is fantastic," says Peter Visconti, "there's a lot to know, but it prepares you for a real job later."

Maureen Lambie likes the chance the instructor gives them to see how it's properly done.

"It's really beneficial to find out how the different drinks are made," says Lambie.

Her sentiments are echoed by Jimmy Rosati, who realizes there are many different situations a bartender must learn to deal with.

"You have to be prepared to make certain drinks for certain people," says Rosati.

The drinks are still being pre-

pared and passed around the class for inspection. The fellow at the back of the room, who is the last to try the drinks, finds the glasses are still quite full when they arrive. He takes it upon himself to finish them, but in doing so, he is taking a big risk.

"There's always at least one big-shot trouble-maker in the class who drinks instead of just sipping, but there are severe penalties for this type of student," says Buzas.

The first time a student is found drinking, he is given a serious warning. A second offence will cost the student marks. A third will find the student at the dean's office being discharged from the program.

Discharged students must get permission from the dean of Hospitality to get back in the program.

A few things about his students have greatly surprised the Mixology instructor.

"Many students already know a lot about cocktails and have worked in the industry before," says Buzas, "but many of them were too young at the time. It's against the law to be under 19 and behind a bar."

He is also very surprised at the large amount of students who get a job in bartending after only one or two months in the course.

"This shows there is a great shortage of bartenders in the industry," says Buzas.

The mixology course is a favorite of the students in the Hotel and Restaurant Management program and its instructor knows the reasons.

"The course is all practical and they never get bored. There are no textbooks, no homework, no assignments but there are lots of tests," says Buzas.

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Sports

Underdogs can win it all with new basketball system

by Carlo Gervasi

A new Tier system will be in effect for the 1985-86 basketball season, said Eric Fagan, convener of the Ontario Colleges Athletics Association (OCAA).

Previously, there was 13 teams in Tier One and 10 teams in Tier Two. Under the new system, there will be 10 teams in each tier.

The higher calibre teams occupy Tier One, and the lower calibre teams, Tier Two.

The new format will create a more competitive atmosphere and make games more interesting, Fagan said.

"This year, there are two races," Fagan said. "One is for the Provincial Championship and the other to stay in Tier One. It should be an interesting year."

In the new Tier system, the Tier Two champions will be able to compete against the last-place, over-all qualifying Tier One team in an attempt to defeat them. If the Tier Two champions win, they will advance to Tier One, and their losing opponents will drop to Tier Two.

"We're not isolating a team in Tier Two," Fagan said, referring to the new format.

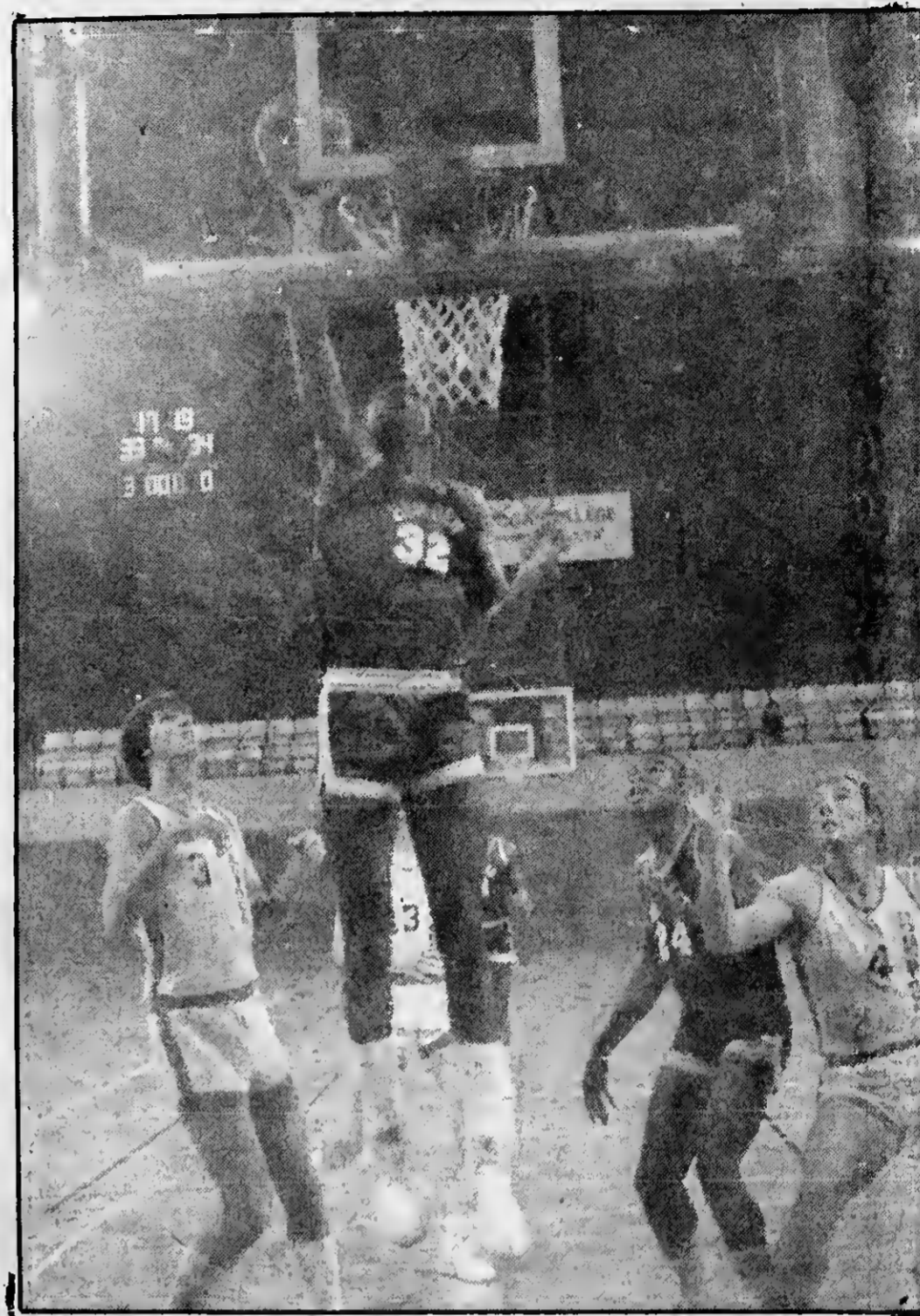
If the Tier Two champions wish to declare entry in the Challenge Entry or the Challenge Playoff, or both, they must do so on, or before Dec. 31, 1985.

If the Tier Two champions make a declaration for and win both challenges, they're not only assured an advancement into Tier One, but are given an opportunity to win the Tier One crown as well.

If Tier Two champions lack the financial backing to operate as a Tier One team, they can declare entry for only the Challenge Playoff. The present two-tier system, first adopted in 1982, "depends on a team's quality or perception and financial state".

Although Tier One teams are superior to Tier Two teams, Fagan praised the calibre of play in Tier Two.

Both challenges will be played at the conclusion of the Tier Two championships and Tier One regular season, but before the Tier One championships. There will be a Challenge Playoff this year, but no Challenge Entry.



STAFF PHOTO

Hawks high scorers on team play sidelines

by John Elvidge

It was Tom Wolfe who once said, 'You can never go home again.'

Athletes know this better than most people. Win, lose or draw, they are always faced with a definite result. It is the character of each individual athlete on a team that can overcome the defeat or, for that matter, the victory to perform as a solid unit in their next outing.

Sometimes the members of a team are faced with more than the problems of being up for every game. As we have witnessed in the past three weeks one of these unseen dilemmas has come to the forefront, in the form of a teacher's strike, to become the proverbial monkey on the back of the Athletics department.

We should be proud of the job the people in the Athletics Department have done to not only keep the ice hockey Hawks playing, but keep them together and playing as a team. There is plenty of evidence to support their hardwork and their numerous frustrations, but they have endured and they are basking in their efforts.

While the teachers were striking, the Hawks were doing some

sidelines

striking of their own. Led by an awesome scoring attack, anchored by the leagues top two scorers, Steve Turner (20 pt.) and Doug McEwen (17 pt.), the Hawks are tied for first place in the league with Seneca College. Humber and Seneca both have records of five wins and one loss, with both teams scoring 38 goals in their first six encounters.

One of the most prolific problems facing the Hawks right now is their defense. Let's face it, the Hawks are strong offensively and weak defensively, which makes them prone to three and four goal scoring attacks by their opponents. If it weren't for some great goaltending by Scott Cooper and Mike Allard, believe me, their success might have been different.

Compared to their closest rival, the Seneca Braves, who have a goals-against average of 18 in six games, the Hawks have given up a dismal 30 goals in the same number of outings.

Part of the blame can be shifted away from the players to a problem that plagues most teams, injuries. The Hawks have been without the services of key de-

fensemen like Dave Emerson (hemia) and Sandy Jones (ankle injury). The loss of these two players has put considerable pressure on the rest of the blue line unit who, at times, play like a bunch of old women jostling in line at a bus stop. But amidst this frequent confusion, the individual talent can easily be seen. Defensemen like Chris Licastro, Jeff Young and Brian Jasterow have played well, but have shown a definite lack of aggressive play and direction in their own zone. Scott Defoe has proven to be the most consistent defenseman, logging a great deal of ice time since the loss of Emerson.

These problems are minor right now and they can be rectified. This team has got to start making sacrifices for each other. Not just three or four players, like it has been, but the whole team has to be willing to put their butts on the line for each other.

If winning was a result of individual talent, then team play wouldn't exist. If the Hawks expect to win more games in this league they have to start not only playing together, but playing for each other. Good team play starts with individual talent and ends with lots of sacrifice.



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