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College feels loss of Canadian jazz and blues icon Jeff Healey

He knew more about music than the teachers, says prof

Sunil Angrish
SENIOR REPORTER

Colleagues and friends remembered Canadian legend Jeff Healey this week as a generous and talented musician whose knowledge of music amazed everyone he knew.

"He was very humble, just like everybody else," said Sarah French, Healey's former assistant and a second-year public relations student at Humber. "A great guy, very generous."

The blues and jazz guitarist passed away Sunday night in Toronto from a long-running battle with cancer. He was 41. He lost his sight at the age of one after developing retinoblastoma – a rare form of cancer.

"He's been fighting cancer on and off," said French. Healey had multiple surgeries over the last two years to remove cancerous tissue from his lungs and legs, she said, but subsequent treatments failed to stop the cancer from spreading. "It (his death) was very unexpected," said French.

In the 1970s, Healey briefly attended Humber's music program. Professor David Stillwell says while Healey's time at Humber may have been short, it was memorable.

"He had so much talent," Stillwell recalled. "He was a good trumpeter and guitarist."

Healey only attended Humber for about a semester. "He tried it for awhile and realized he knew more about music than the teachers, for the most part," said Stillwell.

Self-taught at the age of four, Healey played guitar flat on his lap and became known for the unique style. He later went on to play with many talented musicians includ-

ing B.B. King and George Harrison.

"The guitar wasn't meant to be played like that," said fellow musician and Healey's former neighbour, Kevin Phillips, 49. "To see him play the guitar in that manner is mind-boggling."

Healey was nominated for a Grammy award in 1988 for his debut album *See the Light*. He also hosted a long-running radio show in Toronto, *My Kinda Jazz*, along with performing regularly at his downtown Toronto club, Jeff Healey's Roadhouse, with musicians including Phillips. "He was a great player, but he also shared the spotlight with everyone else," he said.

Phillips recalled a laid back, generous musician with a knack for musical statistics and a massive collection of records – more than 30,000 strong. "He had an amazing memory," he said. "I'd say 'do you have this record?' and he'd go right to it."

Stillwell also remembers Healey fondly. "He could tell you the personal (information) of every record. The instruments, which band played. It was incredible," he said.

Healey had a rough go at life, but made every moment count, said Denny Christianson, director of Humber's music department.

"It's a tragic loss on many levels," he said. "We've lost an amazing and talented part of our musical community."

Healey's new album, *Mess of Blues*, his first blues/rock recording in years, will be released April 22 in North America. Healey leaves behind his wife, Christie; his daughter Rachel and son Derek.



Jeff Healey was known for the unique way he played guitar — flat on his lap.

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U.S. Secretary of Defence Condoleezza Rice accused Hamas of instigating Israel's military infiltration into Gaza and wrecking the peace deal. — www.cbc.ca

Don't try to fight, cops warn

Increase of hijacked cars near campus prompts caution from police

Jason Sahlani
NEWS REPORTER

Toronto Police Sgt. Rick Blanchard warns students concerned about the recent carjackings in the North Campus area not to put up a fight with an armed assailant.

"Just give up whatever they're asking for, get as much of a description as you can and do not struggle," said Blanchard. "The person may have just committed a crime and needs a ride and may be armed."

There have been five carjackings near campus since the start of the year. The most recent carjacking was Saturday. An elderly woman was approached by two men, one holding a handgun, in the parking lot of the Woodbine Centre. The men grabbed her keys and sped off in her car, according to a Toronto Police news release.

"We feel this was a random, unfortunate act," said Woodbine Centre manager Peter McCallion.

"We are constantly taking measures to secure the shoppers and staff who work at the mall, making sure that the centre is well lit and security staff is there at all hours."

Although aware of the recent carjacking in the region, Humber students do not seem alarmed.

"I'm always here late so I should be more concerned about getting safely to my car, but to be honest, I don't really think about it," said Juan Ortega, a second-year electrical engineering student. "I try to park where there are lights, but when class finishes I just want to go to my car and go home. I'm not thinking about anything else by the end of my day."

On Monday, pamphlets from 23 Division's Community Response Unit circulated on campus to educate students on preventative measures to help deter the possibility of being the victim of a carjacking.

Apart from tips such as parking in a well-lit area and keeping valuables out of sight, the pamphlet



Jason Sahlani

Surge in auto thefts prompted police to hand out safety tips.

promoted the safety programs available to students on campus.

"We encourage everyone to make use of the Campus Walk program and to call us whenever you see someone suspicious or a crime taking place, either by phone or by the emergency stations located all over campus," said Gary Jaynes, director of public safety for Humber. "Trust your instincts. If you're not feeling right, then there's something wrong."

Jaynes said if you find yourself feeling threatened, you should try to

return indoors, whether at a mall or school, and call for assistance.

The Campus Walk program can be accessed from the security station located beside the library and is available to students 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Toronto Police have discounted a report of a woman being abducted from her car at gunpoint and sexually assaulted on Sunday. After investigating police determined the incident did not occur, according to a Toronto Police press release.

The Skinny

•Dmitry Medvedev was declared winner of the Russian presidential election Sunday night. He is the successor to Vladimir Putin, who was in power for eight years. Medvedev obtained more than 70 per cent of the vote.

—Belfast Telegraph

• Conrad Black began his 6 1/2-year jail term on Tuesday. Black is serving his term in Florida for defrauding shareholders of his Hollinger International Inc. newspaper company.

—thestar.com

• Four adults and two children were found dead in a Memphis home on Tuesday. Three more children were found critically injured, one of them a 10-month-old baby. Police have no details on possible motive or killer identity.

—bbcnews.com

• In Monday in Saudi Arabia, a Canadian citizen Mohamed Kohail was sentenced to death by beheading. The Canadian is convicted of a murder linked to a schoolyard fight last year.

—theglobeandmail.com

• Two New York police officers were indicted on 33 counts on Tuesday, due to a Halloween night incident. The two officers found a 14-year-old boy tossing eggs at cars. As punishment, they allegedly handcuffed the teen, drove him to a secluded area of Staten Island where they allegedly verbally abused him, stripped the teen to his boxers, kicked him and left him to walk home.

—cnn.com



Caroline Gdyczynski

Over-crowding prompted the TTC to increase cycle times.

TTC ups count of trains and busses

Caroline Gdyczynski
NEWS REPORTER

The Toronto Transit Commission said its new increase in bus service should help students commuting to Humber.

"We have just had the biggest increase to service in the last 50 years for the TTC," said Mayor David Miller during a speech to students last week.

The increase, announced on Feb. 14, "affects 46 different routes with 29 more buses being added to the morning rush and 40 new buses for the afternoon rush," said Mike DeToma of TTC public affairs.

Bus routes near Humber have also been affected by this change. The midday service for the 36

Finch West bus has increased to every 10 minutes, 96 Wilson has increased to every seven minutes and the 191 Highway 27 Rocket has increased to every six minutes during peak periods.

Some students at Humber say they have noticed the difference.

"The buses come more often now, which makes my commute better because now I'm waiting five minutes instead of 15 for my bus," said Joe Bonsu, a second-year 3D animation student.

"The TTC is an example for the world about how to run public transit well," said Miller. "It runs on the lowest subsidy of any big transit system in the Western world. It is incredibly efficient, effective and well run."

College clocks in on Earth Hour

Power to go down for one hour

Justin Robertson
NEWS REPORTER

For one hour this month Humber College will shut off power at North and Lakeshore campuses to participate in the worldwide environmental event Earth Hour, said Carol Anderson, director of facilities management.

"It really illustrates Humber's commitment to sustainability and conservation and shows strong support within our community," said Anderson. "By taking part in this initiative we will save energy, save carbon emissions and it will heighten peoples awareness."

The World Wildlife Fund (WWF) is hoping Earth Hour will make a powerful statement on March 29, said Tara Woods, public relations manager for WWF. Communities around the world, including host city Toronto, will switch off their lights for one hour at 8 p.m.

Since WWF announced Earth Hour in December, over 47,000 people and more than 2,600 businesses have signed on to participate in the event.

Even though Humber's participation has been approved by senior management, Anderson said cutting off power at the college is not a simple exercise.

"We have to make sure there is no activity on campus during that evening, check with residence what type of activities we can facilitate

during the hour and also we've had to look at the strategy of how we would go about shutting down, not just the lights, but the entire power of the college," said Anderson.

Woods said one of the main aims of the event is to show Torontonians the impact we can have by participating and turning off power for one hour.

Toronto will shut off all non-essential internal lights at civic facilities including City Hall, Metro Hall and Exhibition Place, but will not shut down street lights, security power or public washroom lighting, said Lawson Oates, director of the Toronto environment office.

"We are working with facility management at the moment to try and co-ordinate the turning out of lights well before the event so that everybody knows what's happening," said Oates. "We also are working with all major fire, ambulance and police crews as well as the TTC, so that there is no disruption to essential services."

Mayor David Miller supported the initiative's planning stages of Earth Hour as part of the city's commitment to climate change and reducing greenhouse gases, said Oates.

"If we reach our goal of one million Torontonians for the event, there should actually be quite a significant reduction in electricity use," said Oates. "Toronto Hydro will be monitoring that to identify

CORRECTIONS

On page 1 and 24 of the Feb. 28 issue, Kirsty Goodearle's name was misspelled.

On page 1 of the Feb. 28 issue, Rachel Dubeldam's name was misspelled.

On page 1 of the Feb. 28 issue, Tonni Wasiuk's name was misspelled.

On page 4 of the Feb. 28 issue, Tamika Jarrett's name was misspelled.

We regret the errors.

A YouTube video of a Hawaii-based marine throwing a black-and-white puppy off a rocky ridge circulated the web earlier this week. — www.cnn.com

Cops give safety tips for the break

23 Division prepares pedestrians

Erin Lewis
NEWS REPORTER

While the wintry weather has most people thinking of spring, Toronto Police are reminding pedestrians to obey the rules of the road with the launch of its Smart Ped – Kids Beware campaign. “We’re trying to curb any type of fatalities,” said Const. Keith McBride of 23 Division. “We’re looking at 23 pedestrians killed in 2007, so we’re trying to get the message out to people early in 2008 to prevent this trend from happening.”

Const. McBride said Toronto Police will talk to students, teachers and school officials this week to raise awareness about pedestrian issues prior to March Break. He said the program operates in

partnership with the city to reduce jaywalking, promote the use of crosswalks, and eliminate people from walking down streets and highways because the sidewalks may not be cleared.

“We clocked a car going 140 km/h in the 70 km/h zone on Highway 27.”

—Const. Doug Woods
Toronto Police

Enforcement of pedestrian laws will ramp up next week where penalties range from a caution to a \$110 provincial ticket for jaywalking.

“Enforcement is out on Highway 27 in the area of the college,” McBride

said. He warned pedestrians and motorists to use caution.

“We clocked a car going 140 km/h in the 70 km/h zone on Highway 27,” said Const. Doug Woods.

Gary Jeynes, director of public safety at the college said, “Humber College is behind this program one hundred per cent.”



Dave Lipson

Humber students rally at Queen’s Park to protest Kosovo becoming its own country.

Kosovo’s move not welcomed by all

Country’s separation causes tension among nations

Dave Lipson
NEWS REPORTER

Humber students joined hundreds of protesters at Queen’s Park last weekend to denounce Kosovo’s independence from Serbia and urge the Canadian government not to recognize the new nation.

“The principles that Canada stands for are completely not going on over there,” said 20-year-old Alexandra Rajacic, a first-year business administration student. “Serbia had absolutely no say in Kosovo’s independence whatsoever. There was no kind of referendum, no nothing.”

Many Serbians are angry that the U.S., Britain, France, Germany, and more than 15 other countries have recognized Kosovo’s Feb. 17

declaration of independence. They do not want Ottawa to follow suit.

Kosovo was the last battleground in the breakup of the former Yugoslavia. The massacre of ethnic Albanians by Serbian forces triggered a 1999 NATO bombing campaign.

Kosovo is made-up of more than 90 per cent ethnic Albanians who are primarily Muslims.

But Rajacic said the region is equally important to its minority Christian population “because we have so many churches, monasteries, and burial grounds that are for the Serbian Orthodox faith there. It’s kind of considered Serbia’s religious cradle.”

Another of the protesters, Jovana Topisirovic, a Humber graduate of Serbian descent, said: “I don’t

think they will ever be able to coexist. It was taken away from us.”

Some Serbian-Canadians suggest Kosovo breaking away from its homeland is like Quebec unilaterally separating from Canada.

But the Democratic League of Kosovo in Toronto rejects that argument.

“If you want to compare Canada with the former Yugoslavia or Serbia it’s an insult because Canada has a very good record and is a champion in human rights,” said league president Agim Hadri in an interview from his office.

Hadri said he is optimistic Canada will recognize Kosovo’s independence and that Toronto’s Albanian community does not plan to counter pro-Serbian demonstrations.



Erin Lewis

Const. Keith McBride and Const. Doug Woods of Toronto Police 23 Division are warning pedestrians of unsafe driving.

Torontonians can track carbon footprint

Alex Cooper
NEWS REPORTER

Toronto Mayor David Miller said the city will reach out to institutions such as Humber to participate in its new initiative to reduce the city’s carbon footprint.

Zerofootprint Toronto is an Internet portal launched locally last week to allow residents, businesses, neighbourhoods and community groups to measure, track and reduce their contributions to greenhouse gas emissions.

“The calculator is designed in a way that institutions can use it as well,” Miller told students and faculty during an appearance at North Campus last week. “It’s intended to build partnerships so the outreach is happening. I’m sure Humber will become a part-



Justin Robertson

New website shows residents amount of resources wasted.

ner in the near future.”

The portal (toronto.zerofootprint.net) is a collaboration between the city and Zerofootprint, a Toronto-based, non-profit organization that provides services to consumers and businesses who wish to reduce

their carbon footprint.

The online calculator asks questions about individuals’ travel, food consumption, and household energy use to measure their greenhouse gas emissions. The average Torontonian’s footprint is 8.6 tonnes.

“This tool, because it’s web-based, will allow people to come together in groups of common interest, which could be as simple as carpooling, or it could be – we have two or three groups in Toronto – local neighbourhoods where people got together to buy solar panels,” said Miller.

While Humber has yet to commit to using Zerofootprint as a tool to measure and reduce its carbon emissions, Humber president John Davies said the school has invested in reducing its energy

usage.

“The power plant is mostly new over the past four years,” he said. “We’ve spent \$6 million or \$7 million into changing boilers and chillers.”

He added that the school has also installed light sensors in classrooms to reduce electricity consumption.

So far more than 50 organizations in Toronto have committed to using Zerofootprint, including York University and the Ontario College of Art and Design.

Ron Dembo, founder and CEO of Zerofootprint, said in a press release carbon emissions are at the core of the climate change problem.

“This site gives Torontonians a real, tangible method to tackle climate change,” he said. “We provide

not only a free measurement tool – but more importantly, a course of action that they can take to reduce their own carbon footprint.”

Robert Hellier, program coordinator of the new sustainable energy and building design program, said carbon calculators are a useful tool.

“It does allow for awareness for people that have not thought about it,” he said. “It makes a connection between someone’s lifestyle and the capacity of the planet to sustain life.”

Miller said the website will further the city’s goal of reducing its greenhouse gas emissions by 80 per cent by 2050 over 1990 levels.

“It collects data. It allows us to look at the data and make changes in big picture policies,” he said. “That’s where getting institutions like Humber on board will help.”

On Tuesday, California's top courts heard arguments on whether or not marriage should be limited to matrimony between a male and female. www.reuters.com

Locals argue student housing too rowdy

Sunil Angrish
SENIOR REPORTER

Residents surrounding the North Campus are upset with students and some are asking for action, according to Toronto city councillor Suzan Hall.

"Students need to be aware that when they do find housing they should take into consideration the community around them," said Hall. "One of the things that happens in my constituency office is I get a great deal of complaints from people in areas complaining about long parties, the drugs, the drink-

ing, the sexual activity going on outside – in warm weather."

Humber President John Davies said he is surprised to hear there are complaints and that Hall has not contacted him with problems.

"I've had no correspondence or interaction with councillor Hall on those issues," said Davies. "That surprises me, because I know her very well and we work on a number of projects together."

Gary Jeynes, head of security at Humber, said occasionally he receives complaints from members of the surrounding community, but there's little he can do.

"We have no control over students in the outside residences," said Jeynes. "If students are unruly we direct residents to take it up with the police."

HSF President Nick Farnell doesn't completely agree with Jeynes. "If it's Humber students, then Humber should do something about it," he said.

Hall has been asked to take a look at policies that were passed by city council in Durham, which put restrictions on housing near campuses. Students at Durham College objected to the measure because it unfairly targets students

in the community and would force many away from the campus.

Some students are surprised about the complaints. Mike Smith, a first-year architectural technology student who lives near the campus said, "I don't think that happens here. It's not Animal House."

Stephen Hanna, a second-year mechanical engineering student, has lived off-campus for about a year and said he's never had problems with his neighbours. "We're not a party house," Hanna said. "We have very strict rules."

Cilbert McLean, a landlord in the community, says he's not con-

cerned about the behaviour of his tenants. "I think most know better," he said. "But if they do bother other people then it's a problem."

Even if bylaw changes occur it wouldn't make an impact to Humber, Davies said. "It would not be as critical for us, because there's a big housing stock around Humber and many commute from elsewhere."

Farnell agrees with Davies, but added restrictions on student housing would be unfair. "Opening dialogue is the first step to dealing with the problem," he said.

Contenders get chance to speak

Caroline Gdyczynski
NEWS REPORTER

With voting continuing until Friday, candidates are keeping up their campaign efforts.

Trudy-Ann Powell a Presidential candidate, and Tamika Jarrett, a VP administration candidate for North Campus, were not interviewed on time for last week's *Et Cetera* article.

Both candidates agree that talking to students and listening to their concerns has been very important in their campaigns. They say this is also a main priority for HSF representatives once they are elected.

"I have been going around campus trying to get to know students and what they are feeling," said Powell.

Jarrett also feels reaching out to

students is important. "I want to make myself as available to students as possible, having an open-door policy for students would be an option for whoever is elected."

Both candidates feel this year's campaign has been very successful.

"The response from students has been phenomenal," said Powell.



Sunil Angrish

Some students said they wouldn't consider candidates who failed to provide their photos and platforms for poster ads.

Candidates miss out on campaign

Not all platforms available for ads

Sunil Angrish
SENIOR REPORTER

Several candidates are not included on HSF campaign posters and advertisements meant to provide information to students.

"It's unfortunate, I guess they had other stuff going on," said HSF President Nick Farnell. "They didn't make the deadline, but we still make sure their name gets out."

The posters were placed around the school over the past week and the advertisements ran in the *Et Cetera*.

Some students were upset with the lack of information some candidates provided, including first-year video game programming student Richard Dagenais, 18. "If they're not going to put out their photos and platforms, then why should I take them seriously?"

Lauren Chamale, 18, first-year business marketing student, said she would prefer if photos were not included. "I don't think you should use a photo to decide who to vote for," she said. "But they should have included information on themselves and what they want to do. Not including that makes no

sense."

Farnell said the intentions of the ads are to assist students and candidates. For students, it was to know who was running, for candidates it was to get their name out and save costs on individual campaigning.

Candidates were not required to hand in information, he explained, so there were no penalties and no one was disqualified.

"This was just our way of making sure that everybody is equally represented and they can get their name out," he said. "Whether or not they want to participate it's completely up to them."

While photos were not provided for all students on the promotional posters, names and photos are included at polling stations, Farnell said. "That way if you spoke to someone in the hall you can recognize them when you vote," he said.

While students might feel a little cheated by the lack of information available to them, the real losers are the candidates, Farnell said.

"It's unfortunate that they missed it," he said. "It's a huge detriment to themselves."

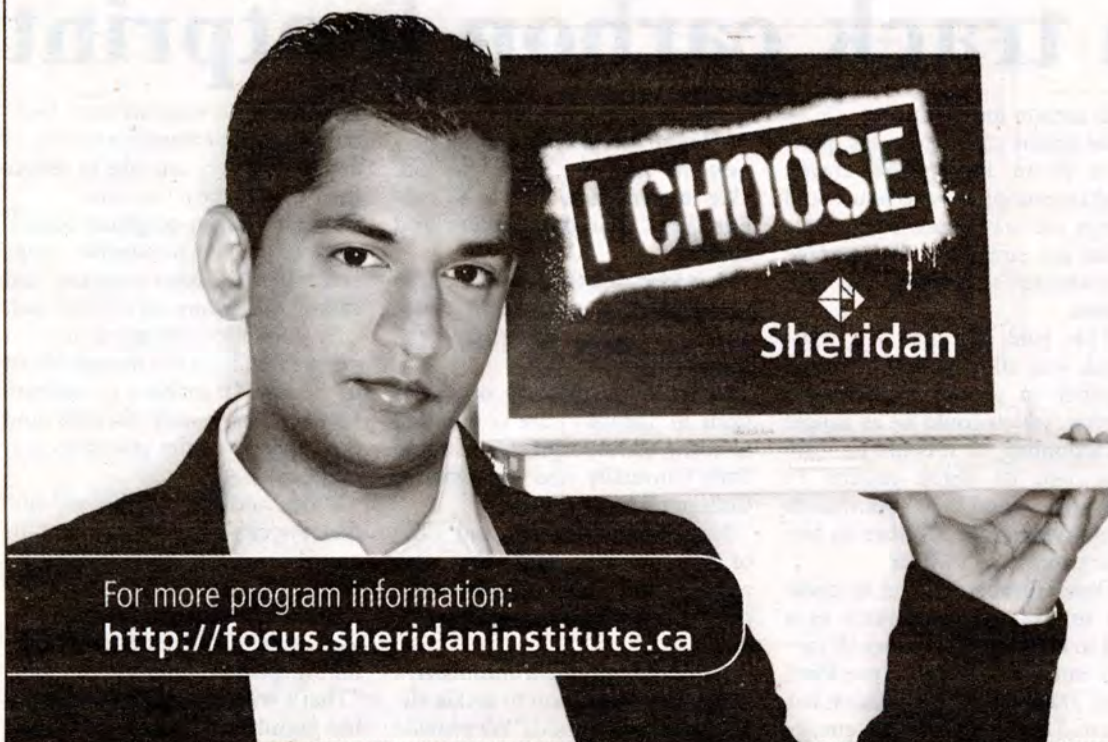
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Gunmen kidnapped a foreign worker after attacking a construction crew Tuesday in Nigeria. The nationality of the victim is unknown. — www.cnn.com



Jeremy Eaton

Current HSF president Nick Farnell estimates that over 400 students had voted as of March 4 at noon. Elections will run until tomorrow at 4 p.m. at Lakeshore and North campuses.

Turnout at 2.6%

Jeremy Eaton
NEWS REPORTER

The Humber Students' Federation's election is in full swing this week, with advance polls opening Monday night and voting continuing until tomorrow at 4 p.m.

"It's going great so far," said HSF president Nick Farnell. "A lot of people are coming out. Everything looks pretty solid."

Polling stations are set up at North Campus in the Guelph-Humber Atrium, Concourse and Athletics department.

Students at Lakeshore can vote in the AB and H cafeterias.

"It felt really good to take part," said Hanife Oruglica, a first-year business management student. "I think they (HSF) did a lot with advertising and promoting."

Posters advertised the election around both campuses to get the word out.

"It was well publicized," said Marina Pak, a first-year hotel and

restaurant management student. "Yesterday in the cafeteria they were offering stuff and told information about themselves."

Candidates continued to introduce themselves to voters on Monday in the student centre at North campus.

"I was there when the candidates were campaigning outside of HSF," said Rupender Singh, a first-year business administration student. "So I got their views and everything."

Farnell has high hopes for this year's election.

"I haven't been down to Lakeshore yet, but it sounds like people are making use of the voting stations down there as well," he said. "If I had to guess I would say that as of noon today, over 400 students voted."

With a total student population of 15,000, that means 2.6 per cent of students have already voted. Last year's turnout was 6.7 per cent.

Candidates use different tactics to attract more voters

Sunil Angrish
SENIOR REPORTER

Candidates are using everything from free samosas and coffee to their own words to convince students to cast ballots in their name.

"We're giving out stuff," said Rosemarie Ditaranto-Ivascu, a first-year journalism student and HSF presidential candidate. "They can get a coffee or pencil, all I ask is that they take a flyer."

Candidates are allowed to spend a maximum of \$300 on campaigning, and are required to keep track of expenses and hand in receipts, said HSF president Nick Farnell. Ditaranto-Ivascu said she spent about \$210 on her campaign, with the majority spent on flyers while some items were donated or loaned for free. Other campaigns

lured students with samosas and pop.

"We're doing it to get people involved," Ditaranto-Ivascu said of her giveaways. "We had just flyers, but nobody came over."

Others are trying the flyer-only route, including third-year Guelph-Humber public relations student and presidential candidate Mike Berg.

"I don't want to bribe your vote," Berg said. "I want to answer your questions."

Ditaranto-Ivascu insists she isn't bribing students to vote for her, but rather just trying to get their attention. "A lot of people aren't interested at all, but the coffee helps," she said.

Farnell said offering goods to students is perfectly appropriate, saying candidates should make

every effort to get attention — but they have to follow the rules. "There are limits to what you can do and say, and people are monitoring it," he said.

While he might not be interested in handing out freebies, Berg did ask HSF to increase the allowable budget for campaigns. His request was rejected.

All candidates in consultation with the returning officers agree upon the campaign budget, Farnell said. Although if the \$300 limit was too much for a student, then it would be reduced in fairness, he said. "If anyone can't afford it, it will be dropped."

While winning candidates will go on to the high echelons of student government at Humber, the losing candidates don't go home empty handed either, they are partially

reimbursed for their expenses, according to Farnell. All students who don't win will be refunded \$100, he explained. This is in addition to a \$25 security deposit all candidates receive back after the election.

The total cost of the election is pretty slim, Farnell explained. Seventy five per cent of the election budget went into buying ad space in *Et Cetera*. "It cost us \$3,700 for the ads," he said.

The other big cost was purchasing YouVoteHumber T-shirts for all HSF staff, who are required to wear it during the election week. Utilizing existing resources at Humber saved a lot of money, Farnell explained. This included using free software for its you-votehumber website, which left registering the \$35 domain name

as the only cost. More than 27,000 hits have been registered on the site since January. "It's a huge return on investment," he said.

Large, high-quality posters promoting the elections were provided free of charge by a printing company HSF has been working with for several years, Farnell said. "We got to save a big chunk of money there."

Farnell said after totaling the ad purchases, T-shirts and additional costs, the election will have cost about \$5000.

Labour agreement aimed at new Canadians

Christina Comisso
NEWS REPORTER

A new agreement between the federal government and Ontario should help Humber and others find better jobs for new Canadians, said Darrell Neufeld, communications officer at Colleges Ontario.

"Colleges are doing all they can to equip new Canadians with what they need to get jobs," said Neufeld. "Now that we have funding to expand the services colleges offer, we can do more for immigrants."

The newly signed Canada-Ontario Labour Market Agreement allocates nearly \$1.2 billion for Ontario's labour market over the next six years. These funds, which will be handed to the province on April 1, will help peo-

ple who are often excluded from the work force, including new immigrants who need help adapting to their new homes.

"Colleges are uniquely and ideally positioned to expand the number of programs we currently offer to upgrade the skills of foreign trained workers," said Neufeld. "We are very much in favour of a streamline process that will help integrate immigrants into the workforce quickly."

Melinda Kao, co-ordinator of Humber's Centre for Internationally Trained Professionals (CITP), said hiring new Canadians benefits employers.

"Our mandate is to educate employers as to why to hire immigrants," said Kao. "Not because it's the nice thing to do, but because these people are globally educated,

they have a wealth of experience."

Kao said that new Canadians have a lot to offer to employers including multilingual skills and knowledge of other working cultures. "If employers don't get on the globalization bandwagon, it's going to hurt them."

Kao said it is a lot easier for immigrants get their credentials in Australia or the U.S. compared to Canada. "The idea of a PhD driving a taxi or delivering pizza is still very real," she said.

According to a 2007 Statistics Canada report, federal immigration policies create a difficult situation for new Canadians. Highly educated immigrants are allowed into the country on the basis of their potential professional contributions to Canadian society. However, strict re-accreditation requirements often prevent these

professionals from working in their disciplines.

The report showed 90 per cent of Canadian-born physicians were employed while only 55 per cent of foreign-born doctors were working in their field.

"Generally, new immigrants have to have a degree to get into Canada," said Humber President John Davies. "Immigrants now have greater aspirations than they once had."

As the baby boom generation approaches retirement, Canada has to be more flexible in terms of recognizing foreign degrees, said Neufeld.

"We simply do not have enough younger Canadians with the skills to step in, so employers are looking more closely than they ever have at new Canadians and immigrants as a key labour force."

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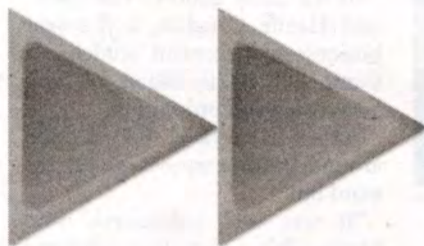
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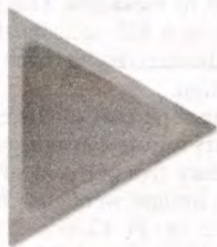
A video showing white students tricking black workers into tasting stew laced with urine has sparked protests at a South African university. — www.cnn.com



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New student grant program unveiled in federal budget

Harper government replaces Millennium Scholarship Foundation, but critics say problems remain the same

Erin Lewis
NEWS REPORTER

Humber students and faculty will navigate a different financial aid system next year because the Millennium Scholarship Foundation was not renewed in the federal budget.

"In September, we might have some interesting stories," the college's financial aid manager Holsee Sahid said about the new federal grant system, which begins in 2009.

Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced the Canada Student Grant Program in

his Feb. 26 budget. It will replace the foundation, which was founded in 1998 and expires at the end of the 2009 academic year.

The foundation is operated by an outside body and has given a total of \$350 million annually to students in need.

The new grant system has committed to \$350 million in its first year with the amount increasing to \$430 million by the start of the 2011 school year.

This system will give students monthly cheques to offset the cost of education, whereas the previous program provided lump sum grants to help lower student debt.

Sahid expressed disappointment in the loss of the foundation, but said she is optimistic about the prospects.

"You've got to look at the positive side of everything and hope that they will assist students in most need — that is the low-income students and the middle-income students," she said.

But the national director of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations, Zach Churchill, said while he is pleased with the government's annual commitment until 2012, the new system may not fulfill all of the functions that

the old one does.

"It will only be targeting one group that is under-represented in the system which is low-income students. There are still aboriginal students, rural students and students who are first-generation learners that are still under-represented in the system," Churchill said.

The foundation also does research to understand why these groups are under-represented, Churchill said.

"Time will tell if this program actually does address the issue of access and provide more students with the opportunity to pursue higher education."

—Zach Churchill
National Director,
Canadian Alliance of Student Associations

Those who run the foundation were disappointed to learn that Ottawa chose to discontinue the program in favour of a new, more centralized grant system, according to Millennium spokesperson Jaime Frederick.

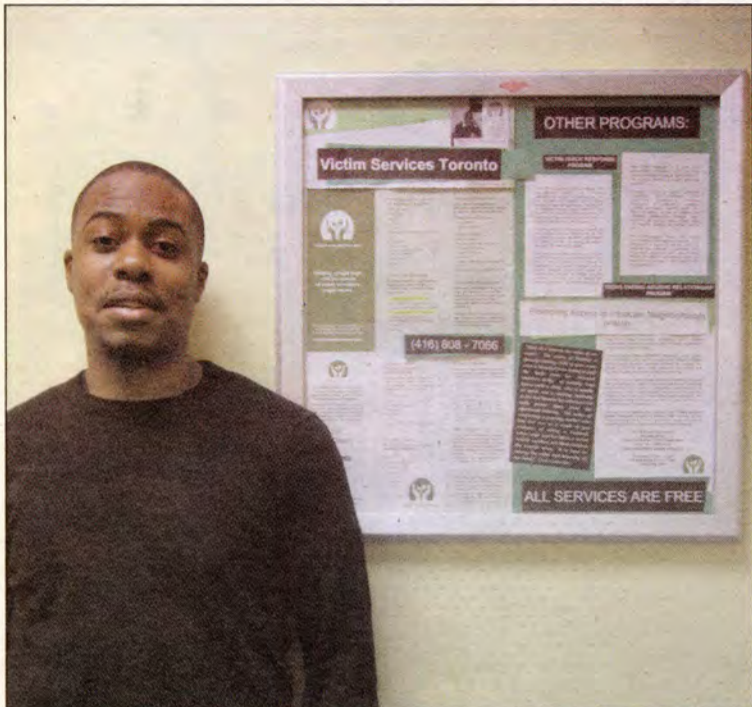
But the foundation remains committed to student interests, Frederick said.

"We are also encouraged that the government has followed the foundation's lead in deciding to distribute this money in the new program on the basis of income," Frederick said. "We will, of course, work with the government to share whatever expertise we have to facilitate the transition to make sure that students continue to receive maximum benefit possible from the money the government is investing in post-secondary education."

Churchill said although the new program will reach 100,000 more students, each individual will get less.

"We don't know how that's going to affect the students and we don't have the research to keep track of these programs like this to see if they're actually doing what they're supposed to do," Churchill said. "Time will tell if this program actually does address the issue of access and provide more students with the opportunity to pursue higher education."

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Outreach co-ordinator and crisis counsellor Andrew Bryan at Victim Services' newly opened Albion Mall offices.

Victims Services Toronto reaches out to Rexdale

Amy Leitner
NEWS REPORTER

A Toronto charity that helps victims of domestic violence opened a new office near North Campus in the hope that children, students and adults will seek assistance.

"We opened up an office in Rexdale's Albion Mall because we want to give people in a high crime community more access to help," said Bonnie Levine, executive director of Victim Services Toronto.

The charity educates people on the warning signs of domestic violence and how to prevent it.

"We go out to schools in the Toronto District School Board and get the kids and teachers involved

with interactive Power Point presentations," said Andrew Bryan, outreach co-ordinator and crisis counsellor with Victim Services. "Kids aged 13 to 19 are very receptive and ask lots of great, relevant questions."

"We are also coordinating a new project called PAIN (Promoting Access and Impacting Neighbourhoods), which aims to meet people where they live by hosting workshops in local apartment buildings so that residents can easily be there," said Bryan.

Victim Services moved from the 23 Division police station to the mall to make people more comfortable when coming in for help, said Bryan.

"Now, because we are a com-

munity agency, people seem to be more willing to accept our services and trust us, which is a step in the right direction," said Levine.

When students at Humber have been victimized, traumatized or need someone to talk to they are encouraged to go to counselling services located in B112 at the North Campus or A120 at the Lakeshore Campus.

Several thousand Humber students utilize counselling services each semester, said Judy Harvey, dean of student services.

"We have trained professionals here at Humber who know what to do in case of various types of emergencies," she said.

Police focus on female students

John Bkila
NEWS REPORTER

The police foundations program has greatly increased its female population after a focus group was held a year ago.

"Since the event, numbers have gone up 10 per cent," said Henri Berube, program co-ordinator. "We're heading in the right direction."

Female representation has been a concern for the program over the past few years.

"In 2005, the number of female students was 18 per cent," said Berube. "We thought we should address this to see if this was a normal number."

Berube created a focus group of first and second-year students in the program who were asked their

thoughts on the number of females and what could be done to attract more women.

The results showed that women did not have access to information on becoming police officers while in high school.

"Students said their high school counsellors didn't encourage them to join the Toronto Police Service or any occupation negatively seen as male-dominated," said Berube.

Genevieve VanderBraggen, a second-year police foundations student and member of the focus group, said she was the only female in her year that applied to the program after high school.

"It's good that this happened because it showed people actually cared about what was going on," said VanderBraggen.

According to the February 2008

Partners in Education Survey, the female population of the program has reached 28 per cent.

"We've changed the focus of the orientation sessions to make sure female students and faculty members are present to answer questions," said Berube.

Last month, Lakeshore hosted an event by Toronto Police targeted at recruiting more female officers.

Students have noticed a recent increase in the number of women in the program.

"In my section there are six girls in an overall class of about 50," said Sarah Kidd, a second-year police foundations student. "But I now find the program is starting to target women more."

She said she's noticed more women-targeted seminars and training sessions.



Courtesy Genevieve VanderBraggen

Genevieve VanderBraggen, in her fitness and police foundations uniforms, has noticed an increase in female classmates.

Asia trip opened to everyone

Jeremy Eaton
NEWS REPORTER

The school of hospitality, recreation and tourism is offering all students the opportunity for two weeks of travel, culture and education in Asia starting at the end of next month.

"It was just exclusively for students of hospitality, but now we are going to open it up to the entire college," said Dan Reeves, a professor of tourism operations.

The school decided to open the trip up after only five of the 25 spots were filled by culinary students.

Reeves says the trip won't focus on formalized learning but will allow students to celebrate and experience another culture.

"We will be doing some studying, in terms of learning an introduction to Mandarin as well as doing Chinese calligraphy," said Denise Gardner, co-ordinator of

the fitness and health program, who will lead the trip with Reeves. "When we go to Hong Kong we will be doing a seminar on the changing tourism and hospitality industry."

Gardner, who spent a year studying at the Psg College of Arts and Science in southern India, has high hopes for the students who join her.

"I hope they make some personal contacts with other students at Kaoshiung Hospitality College," she said. "To see how other young people lead their lives, seeing the similarities as well as the differences. I think it brings it together when you see how we are all very similar in terms of our interests, instead of just seeing differences."

There are 15 to 20 spots left and the cost is \$2,990 per student. The trip includes stops in Hong Kong and Kaoshiung, Taiwan, where Humber has a partnership with the Kaoshiung Hospitality

College, Reeves said.

"It really represents a two way flow of student exchange," said Alistair Mathieson, dean of hospitality, recreation and tourism. "We have Kaoshiung students here, so now it is our chance to let our students go there and experience their facilities and their educational system."

Michelle Patsiornik, a first-year hotel and restaurant management student who has signed up for the trip, says she is not intimidated by the foreign language and is looking forward to the experience.

"Just to see a different continent and different people in a different part of the world," she said. "That's why I am in this business"

Students interested in taking part in the Asian excursion are invited to attend an information session March 6 at 3:30 p.m. in the Humber Room, or to drop by the Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism offices anytime.

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Money saving food plan to be offered starting in fall

Fiona Collie
NEWS REPORTER

A cheaper meal plan will be available to students next year, but current students won't have to wait a year to benefit from the change, the Humber Students' Federation Board of Directors announced last week.

"Food services are lowering the price of the first-level meal plan," said Elisha Arcega, HSF vice-president administration.

The new plan priced at \$1,950 will be added to the three meal plans now available which are valued at \$3,200, \$2,800 and \$2,450.

Meal plans can be used at both North and Lakeshore campuses at any Chartwells food location.

Food services manager John Thompson said the plan was added "to provide more value to potential students who feel they need a lighter meal plan."

Normally, the \$2,450 meal plan is non-refundable, however, current students with a remaining balance between \$1,950 and \$2,450 can redeem their money for a Chartwells gift card, up to a value of \$500, that can be used next year at any campus dining facility.

"So it's going to be good for returning students," said Pravneet Sidhu, the dining plan office coordinator.

The \$2,450 meal plan is now the most popular amongst students, she said.

If the new basic plan of \$1,950 is not enough for hungry students,

they can add more money to their account throughout the school year.

"It's a good news story for everybody," said Thompson about the new meal plan. "Campus services and Chartwells are trying hard to work with students."

Some students, like Adriano Bilotta, 18, a first-year machining student, agree.

"In the long run, it's going to be better for students because they have to pay for other expenses," Bilotta says. "It's great that they got the meal plan lowered."

Other students still feel the meal options are too high.

"It does seem a little bit high, even the new plan," said Brittany Roane, 21, a first-year general arts and science student.



Fiona Collie

Students who use campus meal plans will have new options.

Program addresses hazardous waste disposal

Schools left out of new initiative which will only provide help to private households

Jon Sufrin
NEWS REPORTER

The provincial government has approved a new program that will help households properly dispose of hazardous waste such as paints,

solvents, and batteries.

The program will do nothing to help schools such as Humber, however, where small batteries used by students and staff are going straight into the garbage, said David Griffin, the college's

maintenance manager.

"There's a way to recycle batteries, but I'm not sure how you'd do it for such a large building," he said.

Kevin Loveys, environmental manager at The Battery Broker

Inc., an Etobicoke-based recycling center, said batteries that end up in landfills are harmful to the environment.

"Predominantly it's the leeching of heavy metals into the groundwater and into the soil," he said,

citing zinc and potassium hydroxide as some of the harmful components found in common batteries. "The cases alone, the metal cases that batteries are contained in, they break down over time in the landfill, and that material just leeches out into the environment."

Some schools, including McMaster University, have set up battery drop-off boxes at several locations on their campuses.

"It's going to divert thousands of tonnes of waste away from landfills."

—John Karapita
Ministry of Environment,
spokesperson

Batteries are 100 per cent recyclable, and Toronto would be wise to begin accepting them in blue bins, Loveys said.

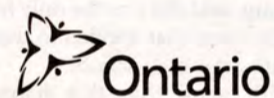
"With the use of batteries right now, and how prevalent they are everywhere, I think it would be a very good idea."

Although Humber's small batteries end up in the garbage, Griffin does not think it is an urgent issue.

"Put it this way, Humber wouldn't be a large producer of batteries," he said.

Ontario's new program will be introduced on July 1, and will increase waste collection events and make waste depots more accessible to people who want to safely dispose of batteries and other hazardous waste.

"It's going to divert thousands more tonnes of waste away from landfills," said John Karapita, spokesperson for the Ministry of Environment.



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Mar. 31, 2008 wage rate	\$8.75/hour	\$8.20/hour	\$7.60/hour	\$43.75	\$87.50	110% of the minimum wage

On March 31, 2008, the general minimum wage will increase to \$8.75 per hour from the current rate of \$8.00 per hour.

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EDITORIAL

"To some degree it matters who's in office, but it matters more how much pressure they're under from the public." – *Noam Chomsky, intellectual and activist*

Student activism not what it used to be

Current generation lacks spirit of campus protest present in 60s, 70s

Humber College, like many other educational institutions in the 1960s and 1970s, was a hub of social activism.

Jump ahead to 2008 and one might assume there are no issues or concerns on the minds of the young up-and-coming generation enrolled at Humber.

The war in Afghanistan, rising tuition costs or even the upcoming HSF elections could all spark lively debate, or even loud protests, yet the halls and campus grounds remain eerily silent.

Humber President John Davies told *Et Cetera* reporter Laura Cicchirillo even he is surprised at the lack of activism on campus.

The increase in the number of candidates running in the current HSF elections is a step in the right direction, but only if fellow students actually take the time from their schedules to learn about the candidates and vote.

Humber's popular description as a com-

muter school is often blamed for the lack of participation on campus, but perhaps apathy is a more accurate explanation.

Time spent on campus is time spent surrounded by educated individuals who share many of the same interests and offer a variety of unique points of view.

What better place is there to band together for change in the Humber community, the city of Toronto or the world?

The issues are there, the world's problems abundant, and based on the number of students loafing around on couches students do have the time.

So instead of spending time discussing the merits of the newest comic book movie to be released why not take a stand on an issue directly affecting the lives of students?

Start a petition, organize a protest or barge into the president's office armed with a relevant concern. He's been waiting for you.



Pamphlet prompted by car thefts not quite on track

In light of a recent spate of carjackings in the North Campus area – there have been five since the beginning of 2008 – a pamphlet has been distributed to staff and students.

Despite what appears to be the good intentions behind the two-sided pamphlet, it seems to fall a bit short.

Filled with various phone numbers and e-mail addresses, along with what to do to deter the theft of items from inside your car, the document fails to identify the other issue – what to do if you find yourself the victim of a carjacking.

Nowhere on the card, a joint effort of 23 Division's Community Response Unit and Humber's Department of Public Safety, is the potential of the actual car being stolen actually addressed.

Telling drivers to not leave valuables in plain sight or to keep your doors locked and windows rolled up are all good reminders, but wouldn't it be helpful to know what to do if

you and your car become a target for theft, whether you have heeded these commonsense practices or not?

The most recent incident where a car was stolen was Saturday. Two men approached the female owner of a vehicle parked at the Woodbine Centre. One of the men had a gun.

It is a bit of an understatement to say this is not a common experience most people are prepared for.

While the situation is not demanding that Toronto Police Services and the Department of Public Security create a wave of fear among the Humber community, the safety of students, staff and visitors is always an important concern.

If they are going to go to the trouble of printing and handing out a pamphlet around campus, it should move past commonsense cues and not skirt the issue that prompted the action in the first place.

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WORD ON THE STREET

What would you like HSF to do to improve campus life?



Anthony Haresak, 26, First-year personal support worker

I don't know. I think they do a pretty good job.

Marie Montes, 22, Second-year funeral services

Have more raffles, more dances so more entertainment. It's a pretty good school so it's hard to say.



Janet Park, 19 First-year bachelor of nursing

Probably more events because I heard there used to be a lot more events last year. It's not as lively as it used to be.



Manchak Chopra, 17, Second-year hospitality management

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Student debt waking you up in the morning?

Will Cottingham
Biz Tech Editor



My favourite day of the week is Sunday. When the guilt of sleeping late finally wins over I like to roll out of bed, make a leisurely breakfast and waste the morning meandering through a luxuriously-thick newspaper.

Unfortunately, this past Sunday didn't go as planned. My phone wouldn't stop ringing. It rang during that special early morning time reserved for emergencies and birth notices. So when I roused myself from dreams of flying ala

superman, I was expecting to hear news that was either very good or very bad. I didn't expect to hear how much money I owed.

There was a woman on the line with a deceptively pleasant voice. She demanded to know when I thought I could pay my outstanding balance. And when I told her that I didn't think my balance was very outstanding, she wasn't too pleased. It was then I knew I was in trouble.

I felt a little better when I later learned many students share my not-so-very-outstanding position of owing money. The Canadian Alliance of Student Associations says the average student debt upon

graduation has almost doubled from \$11,308 in 1990 to \$22,520 in 2000.

When I told her that I didn't think my balance was very outstanding, she wasn't too pleased. It was then I knew I was in trouble.

I told the friendly-voiced, yet remarkably unfriendly woman that I could begin payment in the summer when I started earning the big bucks. Then she did a very silly thing. She suggested I just borrow money from a friend to

solve the problem. I told her that I also could plant a money tree in my backyard. But she wasn't too pleased when I said that either.

Many students in Ontario turn to OSAP for salvation. It seems like a reasonable idea. They give out lump sums of money, and no interest is charged until six months after graduation. But here's the problem: a loan from the federal government charges interest at prime plus 2.5 per cent, which is generally higher than the interest charged by most banks.

Many fellow debtors also look to bankruptcy as a possible muting of Sunday-spoiling phone calls. But the government effectively took

away that option in 1998 with a change to the bankruptcy act.

That alteration made it clear that people could not seek bankruptcy protection on student debt until ten years after graduation.

To put that in perspective, someone could borrow money and blow it on bingo, or drugs or a trip around the world and still qualify for bankruptcy protection. Students, though, get no quarter.

As for me, Sunday remains my favourite day. It's true, I still have my debt. But that doesn't stop me from unplugging my phone. The only downside is that I have to hide in my own home. Now that's outstanding.

Manicures, makeovers and fourth birthday parties

Anupa Mistry
Copy Editor



On my fourth birthday I had a Care Bears cake. I don't remember how it tasted, or if I even had a piece amid the exciting prospect of presents, but the fact that I had a bubble gum-pink Care Bears cake is probably the highlight of my childhood. The rest of the party details were trivial to me: as long as I had the cake of dreams, my parents could take care of the rest.

And since I wasn't a demanding kid – cake dreams aside – my parents managed to pull together

something that would probably resemble birthday parties of four-year olds across the globe: loot bags, pass-the-parcel, musical chairs, that kind of thing.

I never would have imagined – and not that my parents would have allowed it – having a 'makeover party' at that age, or until I was over the age of 10.

But a Feb. 28 story from *The New York Times* talks about spa and make-up parties, as well as products, being marketed toward pre-teen girls. Girls as young as six are attending birthday parties where they get facials, makeovers and pedicures. A GTA-based company called Glama Gal Party, states

on its website that it offers party packages for kids aged three to 15. The website also says they've been "Empowering girls since 2006!"

Yeah, I don't really know about that.

As a 23-year-old woman, I feel daily pressure to groom myself in the mornings. I tell myself I know better, but to tell the truth, the days when I'm in a rush or just too tired to bother with powder and mascara make me feel exposed and flawed. And I consider myself to be low maintenance. That's because I have a bevy of girlfriends who wouldn't dare to leave the house without their eyelashes curled and armed with arsenal of

beauty supplies, ready to touch-up on the fly.

Miley Cyrus, the 15-year-old actress who plays Montana, has recently dyed her hair from blond to dark brown and regularly totters along the red carpet in four-inch heels, doused in make-up.

In a post-Lizzie McGuire-era, Hannah Montana is the eight-year-old girl's idol of choice. Miley Cyrus, the 15-year-old actress who

plays Montana, has recently dyed her hair from blond to dark brown and regularly totters along the red carpet in four-inch heels, doused in make-up.

We've already reached the point of no return: perma-beauty is entrenched into the way young North American girls are socialized.

Fostering expectations of beauty from the age of three through rites of passage, such as birthday parties, plant the covert seeds of doubt at too young an age.

A four-year-old birthday girl should be picking the colour of her cake, not the colour of her eye-shadow.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Outgoing president says HSF election campaign not so invisible

Re: HSF runs invisible campaign, Feb. 28

Last week's editorial in the *Humber Et Cetera* made a very legitimate statement about transparency and the ability for students to ask unscripted questions to their future leaders.

No student should ever be refused the right to question the person who could potentially be representing them and making decisions on their behalf.

"Wouldn't it be easier to just have an open floor in the student centre and give everyone the opportunity to ask a question?"

This valid concern was raised by the writer of last week's editorial. It is just unfortunate that they were not able to attend the entire debate – especially the open questions from the floor in the student centre.

The questions from the audience, specifically ones coming from the *Et Cetera* writers were eloquent, thoughtful, and showed

genuine interest in what the students on stage were planning to do for the population if elected.

The questions lacked fluff, they were well researched, difficult to answer and represented concerns from a wide variety of our diverse population.

The passion in the answers the candidates gave was equally as impressive to listen to.

The statement made about this year's candidates being "invisible" confuses me. In addition to the individual campaigns, which included everything from free candy and Facebook groups to all night political stunts, this year's election has been promoted better than ever before and students have taken notice:

- www.youvotehumber.com has had over 23,000 visitors.
- The "Voting Matters" events saw over 1,200 ballots cast.
- There were 13 articles about the election in last week's *Et Cetera* alone.
- Over 150 people attended the

all candidates debates.

- Five email reminders have been sent out to every Hmail account.

- More than 250 attended the "Voting Matters" concert.

There is no doubt that students have taken notice. Not only those students planning to cast a ballot, but specifically those who had the courage to run.

With more than twice the number of people compared to last year making the decision to run for office it makes a clear statement, and that statement is definitely not "invisible."

I would like to take this opportunity not only to encourage everyone to vote, but also to wish the best of luck to every candidate – I can say with confidence that regardless of who receives the most ballots, everyone who stepped forward this year would lead with strength.

Nick Farnell
Outgoing President
Humber Students' Federation



March 16, 2005: 80,000 students take to the streets of Montreal to protest the transfer of students grants to loans. – www.socialistaction.org

Activists set up campus tent city during '60s, '70s

By Laura Cicchirillo
IN FOCUS REPORTER

During the height of student activism on college and university campuses in the late 1960s and the early 1970s, Humber was the scene of a counter-culture movement that saw students setting up a tent-city commune and a controversial magazine laced with profanities.

Students protested just about everything.

"Anything, so long as it was anti-war, pro-smoke, pro-drugs, was good," says long-time teacher Win Morris, who began his career at Humber in 1970.

"Whatever went against the administration was good."

Campuses are calmer now.

Is there nothing left to fight for?

"It surprises me to a certain extent that we don't see activism amongst students," says Humber president John Davies.

"There are institutions with stronger cultures of activism than others. I think Humber at the present time has a weak culture in terms of this."

He attributes the lack of student activism to busy schedules, time spent commuting and a rapid turnover rate.

"Most people are here for two to three years, so building up the connections you need for that kind of activism has been difficult."

Student activists who attended Humber in the '60s and '70s held a number of protests against the values of business and technology and in 1970, a highly controversial magazine filled with profanities and questionable subject matter, called *Humbug*, was funded by the student council and circulated campus grounds.

In his book, *Past and Presence: A History of Humber College*, Walt McDayter explains that *Humbug* featured a six-page spread of harmless, but rather explicit erotic art, which included a "charmingly adolescent defense of sex and nudity in art."

Although embraced by some, the material offended many students who "protested that they were paying \$35 a year in activity fees to a student union that had wasted \$400 on the publication of such 'trash.'"

Across North American campuses, students "were trying to prove to the establishment that they could form their own schools and living quarters," says Morris.

"Students set up tents right out back of Humber College and they lived as a communal group for one or two years."

However, Morris says the student protest was softened when the former president of Humber, Gordon Wragg, made an effort to support their cause.

"Gordon Wragg was a very wise



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1970: before then premier William G. Davis was to ask businesses not to assess future employees solely on university degrees, Humber students protested, "Big Business is Killing Us!"

man. He went down to talk to them and help them and the students saw that their opinions were being respected. This really helped to smother violent action and this is what made it different between Humber and other institutions."

Morris recalls that Wragg visited the students in their tent city during the winter to bring them food and help them chop wood.

Even clothing was a way they protested the establishment.

McDayter says "to appear on campus wearing anything as controversial as a shirt and tie, or skirt and blouse, was to brand the wearer a lackey of the 'system.' For the only time in Humber College's operation, a dress regulation for students was imposed by the students themselves."

Most students are not anti-establishment or anti-business these

days.

"A lot of corporations today recognize that in order to attract this generation, you have to exude this environment of free thinking and individualism," says Humber's business program coordinator, Mike Planche.

"Valuing diversity is a big thing and that's where a lot of corporations have embraced that kind of change."

For students, the Internet has become a tool for protest.

"I wouldn't say a lot of activism has gone down under, but has evolved into different formats," says Planche.

"So now you get a lot of activism on blogs and websites. So people have found different venues to voice their opinions."

"I would like to see more activism," says Davies.

"There are big issues out there and if you're not engaged in them when you're young, when are you going to get engaged?"



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A 1970s *Humbug* cover.

Humber student gives LOVE to end violence

Jackson Hayes uses his passion for photography to help kids eliminate the violence in their lives.

By Gareth Vieira
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Humber College journalism student Jackson Hayes spent a few weeks last summer as a youth leader for Leave Out Violence (LOVE), and says the experience changed his outlook on life.

"At first I couldn't believe we were actually in 2007," says Hayes. "Students were coming in with bruises, stories of guns being pointed in their face and some were even afraid to touch. Before this, I didn't do a thing to help anyone. After this experience, I probably will [help people] for the rest of my life."

LOVE is a youth violence prevention organization that helps young people who have lived with violence end the negativity in their

lives. Through specialized programs, youth develop the skills to break the cycle of violence. LOVE is led by youth, for youth.

"I couldn't believe we were actually in 2007."

—Jackson Hayes
Journalism student and LOVE Youth Leader

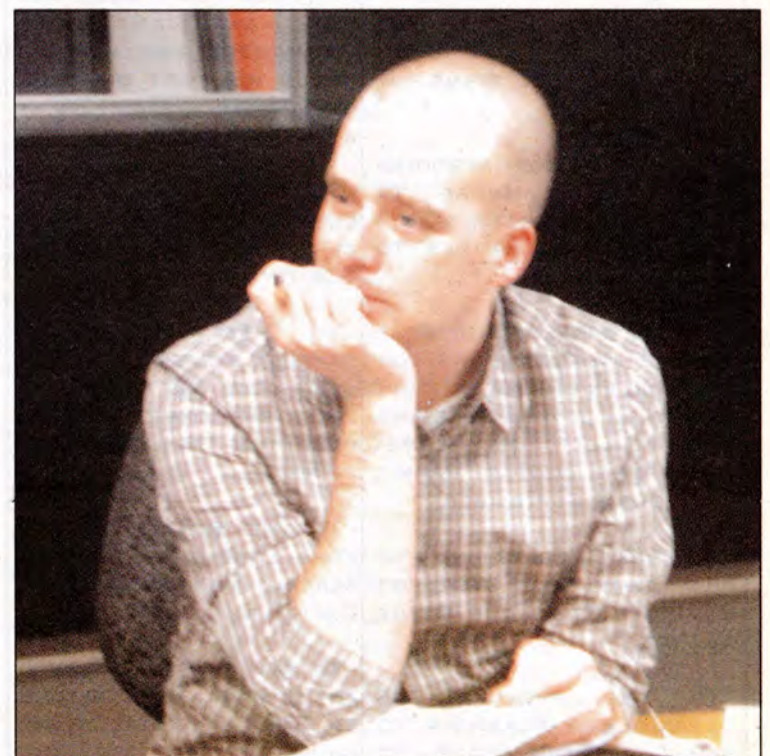
"The organization was started by Twinkle Runberg, whose husband was murdered by a 14-year-old boy," says Chris Cropper, program co-ordinator at LOVE. "At first she was really upset but when she learned that the boy was also a victim of violence, she decided to devote her life to ending the cycle of violence and created the organization LOVE."

Humber hosted LOVE for the first time last summer and ran a photojournalism workshop that was taught by photography instructor Anne Zbitnew.

"The LOVE youth have lived very differently from me and in many ways are so much wiser than I will ever be. I am now more honest and compassionate, and work very hard on being less judgemental," says Zbitnew.

Hayes, who had never participated in anything like this before, plans to sign on again next summer.

"I didn't even like children and hadn't been exposed to children before. I was actually pretty nervous. It ended up being great. I think it inspired a life-long desire for me to be charitable," says Hayes.



Gareth Vieira

Jackson Hayes hard at work inside the Humber Newsroom.



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LGBT club encourages smooth transitions

Lacy Atalick
IN FOCUS REPORTER

The Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgendered club (LGBT) at North Campus has been revitalized recently to reach out to closet homosexuals.

The president, Vanessa Zeniuk, along with 14 members and 40 supporters want to copy a program at the University of Guelph called Outline, a hotline for people who are struggling to come out.

"Sadly, I have known quite a few people who have struggled with their sexuality," Zeniuk says.

Outline is operated by students with a sensitive ear and is open beyond the university to the broader gay community.

Tom Hooper, the coordinator of Outline, says U of G also has a club called Camp Out for private people to discuss coming out, but don't want to attend meetings. He says

the phone line is best because people can remain anonymous.

LGBT club vice-president Jordan Vanden Dool says it is important for gay people to have a social network to meet other homosexuals.

"Once you come out it is hard meeting people, you have to learn how to date all over again," she says.

In the past, the LGBT club was geared specifically toward Humber students and not the community at all.



Former president, Ryan Russell, ran the club with the view that since students fund the club, activities should be based on them.

"We tried to make it fun, have people come out and meet each other and have a good time, nothing too political," says Russell.

They were credited as the most active club at Humber

with about 50 members but avoided propagating gay rights.

"This is my third year and I have never been discriminated against," Russell says.

Russell didn't resume the club this year so when Zeniuk, after four years of being quiet about her sexuality, was finally ready to join, she was disappointed.

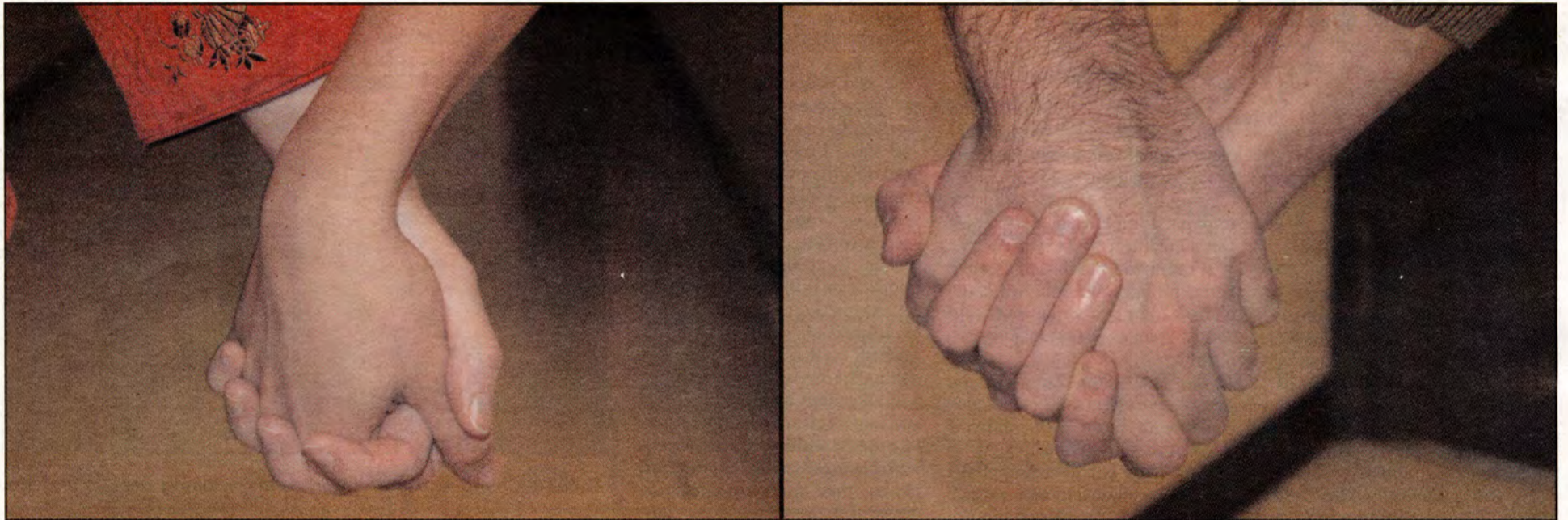
"It took me so long to build my confidence, and when I realized there was no group, it broke my heart," she says.

She feels that homosexuals need representation at North Campus.

She said that she once approached an LGBT meeting and overheard two girls saying, 'Oh my God, are we going to see a bunch of lesbians?'

As a result, this year she added an 's' to LGBT to include straight people too.

"I wanted to bridge the gap," she says. "There is too much ignorance, which is not necessarily a bad thing, it's just that people don't understand."



Mother inspired him to learn how to help

Lacy Atalick
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Dave Lawrence's mother had multiple sclerosis. After her death, Lawrence decided he wanted to dedicate his life to helping those with special needs.

Enrolled in Humber's one year accelerated developmental services worker program, Lawrence, 55, spends his placement time helping autistic adults.

"It is unfortunate that they cannot do many of the things we take for granted, but I want them to be able to partake in normal life as much as possible," he says.

Lawrence is completing his placement at Community Living Mississauga where he helps the intellectually disabled become more independent. He explained that simple tasks such as finding misplaced belongings or deciding on a television show can sometimes take up to an hour.

In addition to his placement, the former lifeguard takes an autistic boy swimming once every week,

and afterwards spends about 45-minutes helping the boy just to get dressed.

"I know if I do it for him I could be finished in five minutes, but I get satisfaction out of teaching him to do things by himself," says Lawrence.

Afterwards they visit Tim Horton's where Lawrence says the boy is ordering for himself and will soon be giving money.

At Community Living, Lawrence goes beyond what is expected of him by talking with the patients because he says that socializing is important.

"Society is rush-rush and they view the disabled as getting in the way," he says. "People often don't have the time or the patience to facilitate those who have special needs with basic daily functions."

Lawrence's supervisor, Molly Supersad says that Lawrence tries to interact and help out as much as possible but there are limitations because he is still in training.

Lawrence is excited to complete the program and begin working at

a group home. He said there are already enough issues with funding, resources and support.

A member of the board of directors at Community Living Mississauga, Joanne Okolisan, agrees with Lawrence.

"There are limited resources for families dealing with the intellectually disabled so there will always

be lengthy waiting lists," she said.

Lawrence is also organizing an outing with his peers for next month where they will voluntarily take a group of developmentally disabled persons bowling.

"They feel empowered once they learn to do something for themselves and that is enough of a reward for me," says Lawrence.



Dave Lawrence enrolled in Humber's one-year accelerated developmental services program after he lost his mother to multiple sclerosis.

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Ray Kwa shows off his hi-tech, self-warming, snow scraper.

Ray Kwa ahead of spring thaw

Bianca Hall
Biz/TECH REPORTER

Humber student Ray Kwa created a Shake-N-Scrape snow brush that uses heat to remove ice from car windshields.

"The energy for the heat to power the heated scraper is supplied through electro magnetic induction," said Kwa, a fourth-year industrial design student. "It's kind of what made the design clever because the motion that you need to generate the power, which is shaking back and forth, coincides with the movement and the action of scraping."

He was a finalist in the Dyson Design Competition, a contest for student engineers and designers.

Kwa designed the product last year for an assignment in his industrial design studio class and plans to enter it in the Industrial Designer's Society of America with Business Week magazine.

"The idea came about because I am a driver and I live in Toronto and experience harsh winters. I can recall past winters where there's a few millimetres of ice and you have to clean it off and it can be very time consuming and strenuous."

James Dyson, the British inventor of the bag-less vacuum, was at the event offering encouragement

to the contestants.

"James Dyson commented on mine and he said it was a very clever idea, especially for the Canadian market," said Kwa.

Though he didn't win the national competition, Kwa says it was a great learning experience.

"It reminded me that to create a better product, the solution doesn't have to be so complicated," said Kwa. "When an idea is really great, it's often very simple."

Kwa's instructor, Don Wilson, said when he first saw his design it was one of those "why didn't I think of that" moments.

"It's a need but it's using clever technology that already exists," said Wilson. "It doesn't require the electrical grid, it's friendly to the environment."

This isn't the first time Kwa has placed well in a design competition. The industrial design program runs 10 to 12 competitions each year.

"We find it's very beneficial to the students in that they get to work on real projects for real clients," said Glenn Moffatt, special projects coordinator for the industrial design program. "You present an idea, they critique it, they shoot you down, they praise it. It's as close to the real world experience as a design consultant will get."

Slow progress

Government out of step with industrial designers

Chelsea Saldanha
Biz/TECH REPORTER

An industrial design teacher at Humber says the school should become more involved in creating energy efficient cars despite Ontario's move to block such low-speed vehicles from public roads.

"I think Humber as an educational institution should be forward thinking by introducing a fleet of these cars, as it would be good business for us in terms of profile," said Bruce Thomson.

With Ontario's Ministry of Transportation now expressing concerns over allowing low-speed vehicles in a 'mixed traffic' environment, he says, people shouldn't be surprised by the government's decision.

He said people could argue that the government was putting up roadblocks to a cleaner technology and should make the electric car legal. On the other hand, the government would have reservations about the capability of LSVs to keep pace with other vehicles.

"The interesting thing about electric cars is they are trying to do something right now which is next to impossible and need to be pushed further," said Thomson, adding he hopes the government will take steps to limit fossil fuels and look at cleaner energy sources.

Lorne Hooshley, 22, a fourth-year business student, wants people to think for a minute about

where the electricity to power up LSVs comes from.

"You buy an electric car thinking it's environmentally friendly, but if you're going to plug the battery into an outlet, which burns fossil fuels like coal to generate the electricity, then you're not saving the environment at all," said Hooshley.

If these cars were to be introduced on university campuses where the maximum speed is 20 km/h, the energy could be generated by building a windmill or solar panels, he added.

Gary Jaynes, the director of public safety at Lakeshore and North Campus, said he would rather opt for a hybrid vehicle than a battery operated car.

"In case of an emergency where the vehicle would have to go off Humber property, we would need

something that can go more than 30 km/h," he said.

"If you want to shuttle people around Humber these vehicles might be a good fit, but in an emergency response situation I don't think it is."

From the province's perspective, while it supports green initiatives, it also looks at passenger safety, said ministry spokesperson, Bob Nichols.

"As of now we have a five-year pilot project that was launched in 2006 to study and evaluate low-speed vehicles in a controlled environment."

The definition of LSVs, which was amended by Transport Canada last December, identifies such environments as military bases, university campuses and recreational parks.



Gillbert Chandrabose and Carl Annis' winning design, Ch4rge.

A grand break in taxes for working students with children

Andrew Tomkinson
Biz/TECH REPORTER

A new federal tax program is designed to give working students with children a rebate of up to \$1,000 a year says the Canadian Revenue Agency.

"The Working Income Tax Benefit is a refundable tax credit intended to provide tax relief for eligible working low-income individuals and families," said Peter Delis, communications director for the agency.

In order to qualify, the person must be 19 years or older, have been a resident of Canada in the previous calendar year, and have an income of less than \$12,833 or an income less than \$21,167 if the person has a spouse and at least one child, said Delis.

The program introduced an advanced payment application that entitles eligible individuals the chance to receive 50 per cent of the total refund divided through four payments, said Delis.

"Starting this year, we have an advanced payment application. There is a form that needs to be filled out," said Delis. "It's the RC201 and it's all available on our website."

Bridget Woodcock, director of child-care services at Humber, said it is important to help alleviate costs for working students with children.

"Costs never seem to end and I can understand the struggle of being a parent and a student," said Woodcock. "Any additional money or additional savings that a student can get through income tax would be great and would really help."

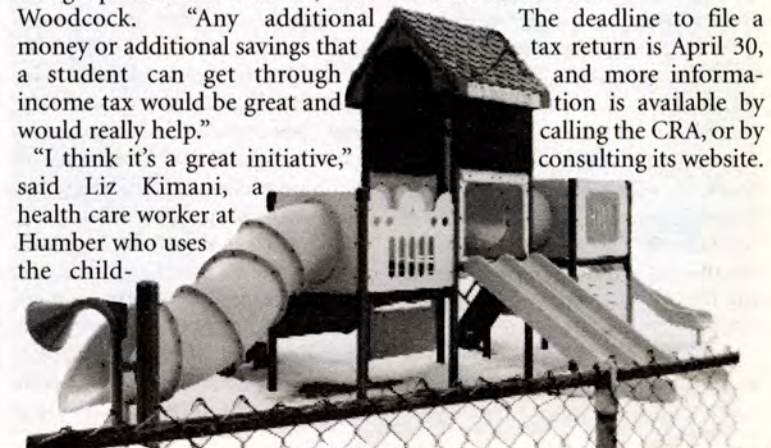
"I think it's a great initiative," said Liz Kimani, a health care worker at Humber who uses the child-

care facilities. "With children, it's hard to budget because you never know when expenses will pop up."

Students who do not have children must also be aware of tax benefits when they file their tax return, said Delis.

"Some common deductions and credits for students are the tuition, education and textbook amounts, interest paid on student loans and some moving expenses," said Delis. "Transit pass credits are deductible as well."

The deadline to file a tax return is April 30, and more information is available by calling the CRA, or by consulting its website.



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Andrea Iseman

Fitness instructor Nelson Bolarinho teaches women how to use basic boxing techniques to build confidence and upper-body strength at the athletic centre.

Women give a left-hook to boring fitness

Andrea Iseman
LIFE REPORTER

The athletic centre has recently added boxing to its roster of activities, and the greater appeal to women than men is not surprising, said fitness co-ordinator Leanne Henwood-Adam.

“Men still have the idea that fitness activities are only for women,” she said, “and they tend to stay away.”

The boxing class was added this semester to fill a need, said Henwood-Adam. The class is not

designed to be for self-defence, but uses basic boxing techniques to provide a fitness-based workout that is both fun and great cardio exercise.

“Anytime a woman can feel strong and more confident about herself, she can better defend herself,” she said.

Nelson Bolarinho, a fitness trainer and the boxing instructor said a lot of women like boxing because it is as easy as exercising on a treadmill, but uses the arms and legs as well.

“I always encourage women to

push themselves a little further than they think they can go,” he said, “but not to the point that you are passed out and I need to call an ambulance.”

Josey Johnson, 24, an alumna from the registered practical nursing program, said she enjoys the class because it makes her sweat.

“I’m not good at making myself work hard,” she said. “I get more of a workout with [Nelson] than by myself.”

Last Wednesday’s class had eight women and only three men, which is typical of the once-weekly class,

said Bolarinho. He also said some men who do attend fitness classes think they already know everything and are not as likely to listen to instruction and get as much out of the classes as women.

“Men usually just hit the weights,” he said.

Savoy Howe, owner of the Toronto Newsgirls Boxing Club, echoes this thought and said men use their gender as an excuse for not listening, but are very naïve when it comes to boxing techniques.

“Women are like sponges and admit they know nothing,” she

said. “Here we push the women as hard, if not harder, than men.”

Henwood-Adam also said the athletic centre would like to add more fitness classes, but has limited space to hold them. Women looking for more of a strength-training workout can try martial arts, which is also good for empowerment.

“To be able to learn how to do a kick, and hit a target with such powerful force, it leaves you feeling like ‘wow, you know what I’m pretty strong and I can look after myself,’” she said.



Kara Bertrand

Members of the executive committee in the second year public relations program.

Showing E-ppreciation

Awards banquet goes online to increase promotion

Kara Bertrand
LIFE REPORTER

Second year public relations students are using Facebook and YouTube to promote the nomination process of next month’s student appreciation awards banquet, said event chair Sebastian Gatica.

Exceptional Humber students, faculty and staff from all programs will be honoured at this year’s banquet on April 7 and nominations can be made between now and March 26.

“Our goal this year is to garner awareness on nominations,” said Gatica.

He said this is the first year students have used the popular Internet sites to promote the awards. YouTube has a video on how easy it is to nominate a member of the Humber community, and the organizers have started a group/event for the awards.

“With the new media, it should be great for us,” said Nancy Marino-Benn, a professor in the public relations program. “Other

classes haven’t had the opportunity yet.”

“My students are involved in every aspect of the event,” she said. “Promotion, and the logistics of putting on the event.”

The banquet has been running for over 20 years, awarding those in the Humber community who go “above and beyond and really make a difference to Humber life,” said Alice Salamon, a Humber alumna, and the awards and orientation co-ordinator.

While there are no specific categories, Salamon said there are usually about 10 inukshuk shaped trophies given out. This year’s theme, Making New Waves, was chosen by the public relations students, reflecting changes at Humber in the past year, she said.

“The significance this year is we’re welcoming president John Davies, and so it’s about newness and it fits in to the décor theme, which will be sort of nautical,” she said.

The process involves an application and letter from the nominator on why the nominee deserves the award.

Revlon Stoddart, a fourth-year early childhood program student, was nominated last year but did not win an award.

“I felt it was a great opportunity to be recognized for what I’ve done because sometimes although you do things just because you’re passionate about it, you don’t really want that recognition, but when you get it, it’s just, ‘wow, someone actually saw that I did that,’” she said.

Salamon stressed the importance of writing a heart-felt letter for a nominee. “That’s really how we get a taste for the greatness of this person, that’s the only way that we can understand what they’ve done and how they’ve affected the life of somebody else.”

Nomination forms and official rules can be found online at www.hsfweb.com/servicesappawards.html.

A green vacation

Arboretum’s March Break camp brings children back to nature

Imma Morcinelli
LIFE REPORTER

Children attending a day camp in the Humber Arboretum during March Break next week will have a chance to escape a what has been called an epidemic for a generation that’s lost touch with nature.

Jimmy Vincent, assistant camp director and nature interpreter, stresses the unique experience the camp has to offer.

“The goal is to get children in touch with nature. They’re becoming less in touch with the outdoors,” said Vincent.

“They can identify over 100 different corporate logos and yet they can’t identify 10 different trees.”

Barb Fox, camp director and co-ordinator for the Centre for Urban Ecology, agrees.

“If we don’t teach this generation that’s coming up more about their environment and everything around them, then this world is going to get worse; from what we’re breathing to the garbage we’re creating,” said Fox. “So anything we can do to encourage them to make this world a better place is always good.”

The day camp will include vari-

ous outdoor activities such as nature walks, bird watching, chickadee feeding and maple syrup harvesting.

It is designed for children between the ages of five and 12 and costs \$180.

“They learn a lot about their outdoor environment and they have a great time,” said Fox. “These kids are learning things they can incorporate into their regular lives and they’re also interacting with other kids, which is great for them to socialize.”

Clara Zasso, a first-time March Break camp counselor, has high expectations for the children attending the

camp and is confident that they will benefit from it.

“I just want them to learn and have fun. It’ll definitely be something for them to remember,” said Zasso.

“It gives them an appreciation for nature, because without that appreciation it would be hard for them to protect it,” said Vincent. “It’s to get them passionate about it.”

Approximately 15 children have been registered in the camp so far, with an expected 20 more to join them.

“The goal is to get children in touch with nature. They’re becoming less in touch with the outdoors.”

–Jimmy Vincent
Assistant camp director



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Finding what's inside

First-year journalism student discovered how to set his life in upward motion through program

Natalie Escobar
LIFE REPORTER

Joel Douglas credits a high school teacher and a program for at risk teenagers for helping turn



Natalie Escobar

Joel turned his life around with Future Aces, and hopes to inspire others to do the same.

his life around.

Douglas was leading down the wrong path until one of his teachers approached him to attend a conference hosted by Future Aces, a not-for profit organization.

"See I was a trouble maker and surprisingly the administrator for the Future Aces happened to be a teacher at my school and she told me about it," said Douglas.

The program, established in 1987, has two mandates: to inspire and assist youth and adults to become the best they can be as citizens, and to work with schools, community organizations and corporations to reinforce and enhance character-building initiatives that promote harmony.

"It was amazing in the sense of the physical aspect, just seeing the conference, seeing the resort, I felt so high on life," said Douglas. "The conference was empowering to me especially as a young black male."

At the conference Douglas had the opportunity to meet Herb Carnegie the creator of the organization.

"That was a big inspiration. It was a lot of things to me. I was inspired way before I actually met him. Meeting him in the flesh, it was a Michael Jordan experience," said Douglas.

The Future Aces philosophy is based on the belief that positive

attention contributes to and reinforces a person's self-esteem.

"We seem to hit a very hard cord with students who are at risk. Students can identify. The idea is we feel you can get way more mileage in finding ones strength," said Shapiro.

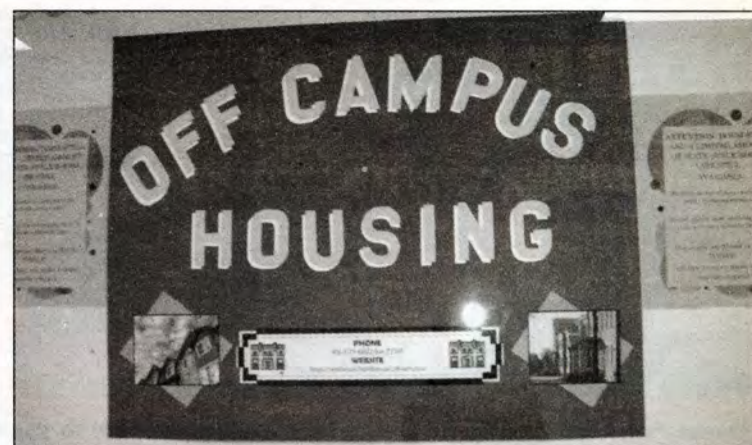
Lynne Thomas, media foundations program director said "He's very gifted. He's very good verbally. He's a charmer and he knows what he wants. He's also very civic minded which is interesting for a young man. He's mature beyond his years he thinks beyond himself. If anything holds him back it'll be that he spreads himself too thin."

Douglas is interested in applying to the radio broadcasting program next year.

He also has ideas in the works for making a video for high school students about the media programs offered at Humber.

He is hoping to get different perspectives from students currently enrolled to show students the diverse experiences of the programs offered.

"I feel that the best advice I've ever gotten was opportunity knocks only once, temptation barges in," said Douglas. "It means so much, so many times in life there are temptations, they just barge in on you. It's tough."



Bryanna Brown

Knowing where to look is important when trying to find a home.

Hunt for houses

Bryanna Brown
LIFE REPORTER

Students looking to find a place to live off-campus can utilize the internet to start their search.

There is a wealth of information on the Humber off-campus housing website said Kristin Feddema, student liaison officer, and students need to understand what the listing means.

"If the landlord has listed a 12-month lease, don't try to wiggle them into a nine month lease because they want what they want," said Feddema. "You should always be upfront about what you want so that the landlord knows off the bat what's going on."

Bringing references to an interview will allow the landlord to trust you more, she added. Trust is a key concern of both tenants and landlords.

"Ultimately what a landlord is looking for is a responsible student who will keep up with payments and won't trash their place. Prove that you're

responsible and they will be much more open to you," said Feddema.

Residence is a great place for students, but after a while its time to get out. Erika Faust, second year media studies student at Guelph Humber said, "I lived in T Building this year which is really nice, but I want to be closer to downtown Toronto so that I can get to know the city better."

Faust feels the Humber housing website is much more secure for students to use as opposed to Craigslist. Mariama Barrie, first-year media studies student at GH said residence front desk staff are helpful.

"They told me to go on the Humber residences website and there are listings that I can look at and choose whatever I want."

Feddema said students should not be afraid to ask the landlord's questions. "Communication is the most important thing in house hunting." Maintaining a great relationship is the key to success in independent living.

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56 per cent of grads get jobs in chosen field

Catherine Mann
LIFE REPORTER

Humber students fared well according to statistics by the Humber Graduate Report which stated about 90 per cent of graduates from the college obtained employment post-graduation.

"We're seeing an amazing year as far as employment opportunities are concerned," said Karen Fast, manager of the career centre. "We are now seeing some nice growth in the applied and information technology programs."

The most recent report released in 2006 stated that 56 per cent of graduates from Humber were employed full-time in a related field, while the other 22 percent employed worked in unrelated fields.

According to Fast, the schools of health sciences, business and hospitality have a high employment rate for graduates.

"You have to observe the economic, social, and political trends of the times," said Fast. "For instance when SARS came through Toronto several

years ago, the hospitality industry suffered a downturn, but recently we've seen a nice up swing. Now you just can't find enough people to fill the positions."

Fast contributed part of the reason for such high employment rates to the hands-on work experience most Humber students gain through co-ops and internships in their programs.

"Humber has a strong graduate commitment, which is very cyclical," said Fast. "We've had so many graduates call us and tell us that they've graduated from the program, and that their company is hiring. This shows us how positive the response is from graduates that want to hire our students."

According to raw data and statistics from the report, employers who hire a good number of Humber graduates are The University Health Network, Toronto Police Services, Humber College, Community Living, Rogers, Sears, TD Canada Trust, Trillium Health Centre, The City of Toronto, and The City of Mississauga.

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Appearance can affect an employer's decision to hire

Jordan Sandler
LIFE REPORTER

Humber students who expect to get jobs at funeral homes or work in fancy restaurants are learning now that they better hide their tattoos and get rid of their piercings.

In the culinary program, it is safety and sanitation standards of the industry that dictate a policy of forbidding students from wearing any jewelry in the kitchen, said program co-ordinator Rudi Fischbacher. "A), for safety reasons so we don't have things falling into the food itself, and B) for accident reasons – having an earring getting caught on a corner and ripping an earlobe off," he said. "I've seen a wedding band slicing right down to the bone."

For students in the funeral services program, co-ordinator Jeff Caldwell says those with tattoos or multiple piercings will give off the wrong kind of image to potential employers.

"Visible tattoos should be covered up and hair has to be relatively conservative in style and colour because the reality of funeral services is that it is a conservative business and the employers are going to want their staff to have a conservative appearance," he said.

Caldwell says that the policy is

based on industry standards, as students are essentially working as employees of the funeral homes in the GTA that are sending the bodies to the school. He added that the regulations are particularly strict when it comes to work in the embalming lab.

"The student would probably be told to remove it, and if the student says 'I can't remove it,' then they may be told that he/she isn't coming into the lab that day and another student would be brought in as a replacement," Caldwell said.

Craig McKenzie, 28, a first-year funeral services student, was asked by the co-ordinator to take out a total of seven piercings from his face during the first semester, though he says he does see value in the rule.

"I had two in my left eyebrow, three in my right ear, and two in my left," he said. "I was upset that I had to remove my piercings so early. But they would have eventually had to come out if I ever wanted a job in the field, so better now than later."

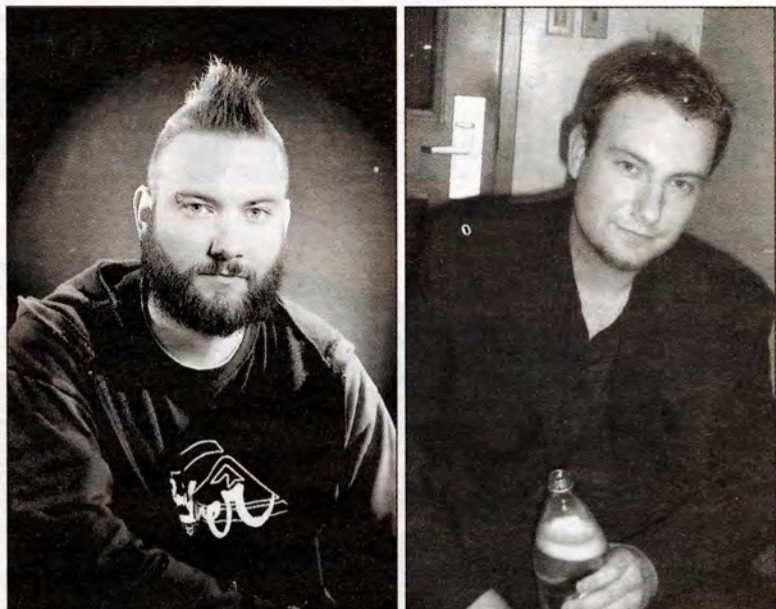
While some of Humber's programs enforce a strict ban on tattoos and certain piercings, others, like restaurant management, have their instructors explain to students that they may be damaging their career prospects.

"If a student has tattoos and

body piercings they might very well get a job in like a roadhouse or a sports bar," said Paul McCabe, the restaurant management co-ordinator. "But in fine dining restaurants, they might not be able to get a job there."

Ed Wright, a PR instructor and the GH Media Studies program head, expressed a similar sentiment.

"I think it's important that students know how to distinguish which circumstances are appropriate and which ones are not, and that's all part of the professionalism we try and help them develop here."



Before and after: Craig was asked to remove seven piercings and clean up his appearance in order to participate in his program.

courtesy

School to focus on many different cultures

Cecily Van Horn
IN FOCUS REPORTER

A prominent member of Toronto's black community offered her support for afrocentric education during a lecture at Lakeshore Campus last week.

Afua Cooper is a nationally and internationally renowned poet, author and historian who teaches sociology at Ryerson University.

Her lecture highlighted how oppression and resistance have been the two constant struggles throughout black history and still remain a challenge today.

The one-hour lecture was organized by Sabra Desai, manager of the Diversity Initiatives Committee along with the other members.

"We are trying to make the curriculum more diverse to include more cultures, enhance the education experience and to make it more meaningful," said Desai.

Cooper said in her speech that the research has been done, the experts are in place and now the people in charge must have the will to make the changes necessary to ensure that a multi-cultural education can take root.

"The people in power must realize

what's at stake – the liberation of minds," said Cooper, "I am trying to reduce the reluctance and to educate that blacks are part of society."

The lecture also highlighted the need to create a polycentric education, meaning an education system that shifts from a single western culture perspective to include all the marginalized people and races.

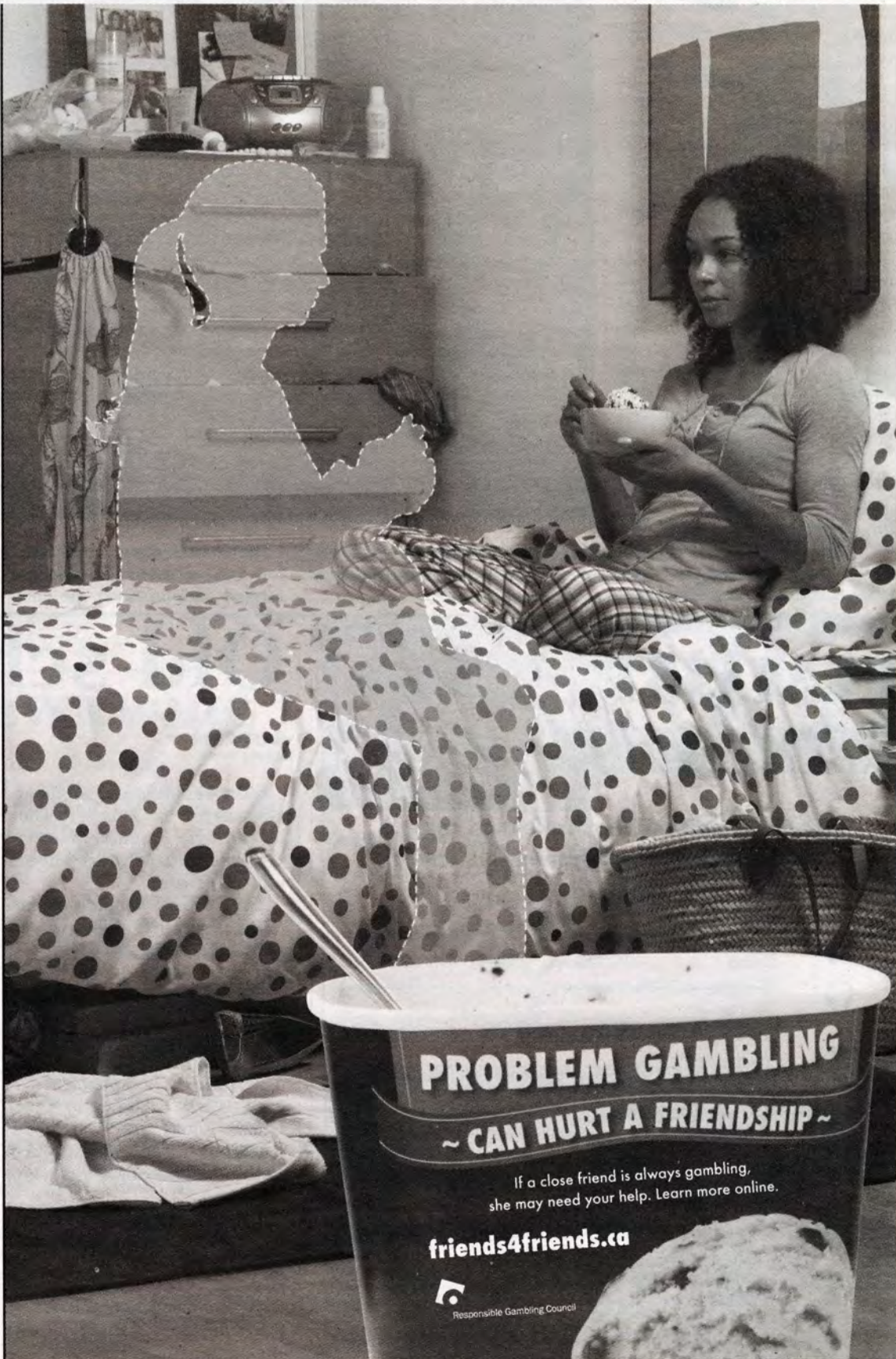
"Students must be taught to see with multicultural lenses, they must be taught perspectives," she said.

Cooper's speech also highlighted how the Toronto School Board is failing to help the black community and the need to reach out to the black students.

"The black school is not the whole solution, but it focuses on the parts that have been neglected in the past," she said.

The main reasons for it not being the full solution is due to the challenges that arise from teachers' discomfort to the issue; the lack of proper knowledge to teach the topics and the personal reluctance by teachers, said Cooper.

"The time for change has come," said Camille Hannays-King, member of the Diversity Initiatives Committee. "I thought it was quite good and relevant."



As long as war is regarded as wicked, it will always have its fascination. When it is looked upon as vulgar, it will cease to be popular. – Oscar Wilde

Culture swapping

By Cytalli Ruiz-Chapman
A&E REPORTER

Surprise trip down south allows students to experience the rhythm and roots of Chile's Colchagua people

The owner of Toronto's Concord Café sent a group of Humber and University of Toronto music students on an all-expenses paid trip to a music festival in Chile during reading week.

The trip was organized by the owner of the café, Genoveva Silva, to show her gratitude to the bands and musicians who perform at The Concord every week. The bands play for free and in the process are exposed to a different culture.

Twelve people were invited to go to San Fernando in the state of Colchagua. The two bands that traveled down were Dan Fournier and the Pill, which is comprised mainly of Humber students and alumni, and the Ninja Funk Orchestra from U of T, along with other independent artists.

"My vision for this trip was to bring back the roots of the Colchagua culture, which is a culture of peasants and people who work the land. Their traditional music, called Cuecas, and folk dance is dying," said Silva. "I also



Dan Fournier and the Pill made their way down to Chile to play local festivals and catch a glimpse of dying traditions. Centre photo, (l to r) Christian Ingelevics, Dan Fournier, Graham Campbell, Zoe GuiGueno, Mike Muscat.

"It was amazing how well it was received, especially our act because it is very urban and sexual at times, but they seemed to love it," said Fournier.

People approached band members for autographs and pictures after the performance, he said.

"I had a ridiculously good time. It was really cool to see a country like Chile," said Graham Campbell, a Humber music grad and band member of the Pill.

Musicians from different bands were able to bond and jam together on the trip, he said.

"I felt that by the time I left I was familiar with the city and I got to know a handful of people. I felt like I had a little

piece of the town to take home with me," said Campbell.

Silva is hoping to get government assistance and sponsorship to be able to do a similar trip next year, and wants to bring a group

of musicians up from Chile by September to experience Canada's music culture.

wanted to show the house bands my culture and to show Colchagua Canadian culture."

The festival was a competition for local artists. The Pill performed and provided the enter-

tainment while the judges tallied the votes, said lead vocalist Dan Fournier.

PLAYLIST PICKS



Biz/Tech editor Tyler Kekewich tells us what's in his headphones this week

- 🎧 Johnny Cash - I Walk the Line
I Walk the Line
- 🎧 Roy Orbison - Crying
Crying
- 🎧 James Brown - The Payback
The Payback
- 🎧 Bob Seger - Night Moves
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- 🎧 The Chi-Lites - My First Mistake
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Planet Rock: The Album
- 🎧 Derrick May - Nude Photo
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- 🎧 Stephanie Cooke - Holding on to Your Love
Mood II Swing
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Homework
- 🎧 The Freaks - The Creeps
The Creeps EP

Old school tendencies

Gareth Vieira
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Andrew Kaufman, an author and graduate of the Humber School for Writers' summer workshop, might be the only writer who still uses a typewriter.

"I think that computers are fantastic, it's just that I have a tendency to keep editing and editing on a computer. On a typewriter it's really hard to make changes. I guess a typewriter lets me focus on the writing," said Kaufman.

He published his first book, *All My Friends Are Superheroes*, in 2004. It was published by Coach House Books and was highly praised by Canadian writer Sheila Heti. He is presently working on a new novel.

"I expect this story will replace boxes of chocolates and flowers in courting rituals to come," said Heti.

The Humber School for Writers' places those just starting out with

more seasoned writers. Some of the writers who have been involved over the years include Paul Quarrington, Michael Ondaatje and Joseph Boyden.

Isabel Huggan has worked as one of the program co-ordinators for the school for the past 10 years. She is also a published author.

"I expect this story will replace boxes of chocolates and flowers in courting rituals to come."

—Sheila Heti

"The experience is usually always positive and different each time because the blend of people who come together in any workshop create a certain 'ambience of creativity' that is unique to that group," said Huggan.

Even though writing has never come easily to him, Kaufman has always known he wanted to be a writer.

"I can remember telling people that's what I wanted to be when I was six or seven. I certainly don't think I was born one though. Some people can put down exactly what they want to say. I'm not like that. It's taken me years and years to figure out how to do this" he said.

Kaufman has had many literary influences and considers some of them to be slightly embarrassing.

"I love Kurt Vonnegut – and it gets worse. I've definitely been influenced by Tom Robbins and Richard Brautigan. Lately I've been getting better. I've always wanted to be influenced by greats, but I can't seem to get past page 70 in either *War and Peace* and *Gravity's Rainbow*," said Kaufman.

Kaufman's editor, Alana Wilcox at Coach House Books, said she knows Kaufman is working on a new novel.

"Andrew has been writing something, but I think he might shopping it around."

Bob Marley's widow, Rita Marley, has struck a deal with film producers to produce, develop and distribute a biopic on the late singer. — www.rollingstone.com



Tracey Finklestein

Mobile's debut album, *Tomorrow Starts Today*, went platinum in 2007 and won New Album of the Year at the Junos.

And the votes are in...

Mobile performs at CAPS after music survey

By Tracey Finklestein
A&E REPORTER

A Juno-award-winning band took the stage at CAPS last week for an election event run by the Humber Students' Federation, after student votes determined the performer.

"We just finished recording our second album a month ago, so we are not doing too much right now and we were asked to play," Mat Joly, lead singer of Mobile, said before the show. "We haven't played a show in three months so we are excited."

Two years ago, the Montreal-based band won a Juno for best new artist.

The group released its first album, *Tomorrow Starts Today*, in 2006 and it went platinum a year later.

The concert was the last event held by the HSF to increase voter turnout for this week's election.

Before Mobile took the stage, five HSF candidates briefly spoke about their election platform while HSF staff handed out packs of gum with voting information.

"We want everyone to enjoy the concert, but we also want to remind people to vote," said Aaron Miller, HSF programming director.

Mobile's appearance was made possible by students who voted for the genre of music they wanted to see on campus three weeks ago.

Students had a choice between rap, country, and rock music and as the voting came to a close the HSF had only three days to promote the concert.

"Because it was such short notice and reading week was in between,

we did not have a lot of time to do a full advertising campaign, so we relied on posters and word of mouth," said Miller.

About 100 people saw the performance, but most students did not know Mobile was playing.

"I just came to CAPS and the band happened to be here," said Jordan Dionnel, 20, a second-year recreation and leisure student. "But I am having fun and the music is great."

This is the second time Mobile played at Humber. In 2006, the band played during a frosh week event for students in residence.

"It is fun to play for young people because they are the ones who are the future of music," said Joly.

Mobile's second album will be released in September. Its first single, *The Killer In Me*, will be out in June.

May be worth it to see *Definitely, Maybe*

Tracey Finklestein
A&E REPORTER

This is definitely not your typical romantic comedy. In *Definitely, Maybe* there are no misunderstandings, no race to the airport, no brainless one-liners and it is hard to predict what will happen in the end.

If you are expecting a predictable romantic comedy, you might be disappointed.

The Adam Brooks film is more of a romantic mystery than a romantic comedy. The audience is glued to the screen waiting to find out which girl will get the guy.

Ryan Reynolds stars as Will Haynes, a 30-year-old Manhattanite in the middle of a divorce. His daughter, Maya, (Oscar nominated Abigail Breslin) wants to know how he met her mother.

For the amusement of his daughter, Will begins a bedtime story about love and his past relationships with three very different women: his college sweetheart Emily (Elizabeth Banks), his confident and apolitical best friend April (Isla Fisher) and a carefree, but ambitious journalist Summer (Rachel Weisz).

Will changes all the names in his story, so Maya has to guess which women is her mother.

The bedtime story travels back to 1992 during Bill Clinton's political campaign and returns to the present. The script is unique in the way it is romantically unromantic but gets repetitive by the middle of the film. The girls in Will's life switch one too many times, becoming tedious.



courtesy Universal Pictures

Reynolds and Breslin have great chemistry on screen, but the *Little Miss Sunshine* star radiates in her performance. Breslin plays a very intelligent and witty eight year old, much like herself, and often is the one to be offering advice, rather than her father. Of all the girls in this film, Breslin is the one to watch.

Reynolds plays a charming, sarcastic, aspiring politician who always runs into problems, but unfortunately there is nothing new about his performance. He plays the same goofy, loveable character we have seen him in *Van Wilder* and *Just Friends*.

This romantic who-did-it is worth a trip to the theaters. It has all the cute elements of a romantic comedy along with awkward moments, tough discussions, sad partings and earned reconciliations.

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In this lecture, Dr. Walcott will analyze certain claims about crime and violence among Black youth through the lens of their own cultural expression. In so doing, he will assess how Black youth, particularly in Toronto, have characterized their experiences of life in Canada. These expressions, which often take the form of music, speak to the complicated and complex responses of Black youth to their lives in Canada. Dr. Walcott will conclude that if we really listen to what Black youth have to say, our responses to crime and violence may be very different.

Dr. Rinaldo Walcott is an educator, an author, and a public intellectual whose research interests include cultural studies, postcolonial studies, queer theory and multicultural studies. He holds the position of Associate Professor of Black Diaspora Cultural Studies at the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. Dr. Walcott is the author of *Black Like Who: Writing Black Canada* (2003/1997), the editor of *Rude: Contemporary Black Canadian Cultural Criticism* (2000), and founding editor of the online publication *New Dawn: The Journal of Black Canadian Studies* (launched in 2006). He has also served as the host of CBC's *NewsWorld* program, *Hot Type*, for a special show titled "Who's The Man: Masculinity, Mythos and Media." Dr. Walcott is currently working on two upcoming books, *Disturbing the Peace: The Impossible Dream of Black Canadian Studies* and *Black Diaspora Faggoty: Frames, Readings, Limits*. He holds a Ph.D. from OISE/University of Toronto.

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Humber only Canadian school at art association

Stephanie Stranges
A&E REPORTER

Humber College will begin collecting student work next week for its annual art show and contest to be held later this month.

"We get great pieces of art across the school from students in media arts to culinary," said Alice Salamon, alumni awards and orientation co-ordinator at Humber.

Student artwork will be displayed later this month and judged by a panel of professionals in the art industry.

Submissions can include work from various categories, such as painting, photography and digital and mixed medias.

"It gives students an opportunity to be creative and show an artistic side outside the class," said Salamon.

Judges will choose first, second and third place winners from each category as well as select five best-in-show pieces, with prizes awarded to the winners.

Salamon said the best-in-show pieces would be submitted to the U. S. annual League for Innovation art show.

"The association's purpose is to promote colleges and innovations among colleges including innovative teaching and other areas," said Salamon.

Humber is one of 19 colleges included in the association's board

and the only member in Canada.

"We are dedicated to moving the community college forward," said Wendy Neil from the League for Innovations in Phoenix, Arizona, which only includes the, "top community colleges in the field."

The event will be organized by Humber's public relations' students and is aptly named Thou Art.

Second-year students in the diploma program will be in charge of "dealing with the marketing, print, slogan, catering and all other functions that go with the event," said the program's event planning instructor, Nancy Marino-Benn.

Judging will be held March 17 to 19 at North Campus and March 24 and 25 at Lakeshore Campus.

"There will also be an awards reception where winning artists will be awarded their prizes," said Marino-Benn.

The event allows participants to get their name, as well as artwork out in the public-eye.

"It's a great chance for students to showcase their artwork and meet students with similar interests as well as get international recognition," said Salamon.

Students can submit their work March 10-13 at A101 north campus or H105 Lakeshore campus.



courtesy Alice Salamon

Humber artwork on display for judging at last year's event.



courtesy Alice Salamon

Alireza Paradazi-Moghaddam's painting, *Martyr*, was one of five best-in-show pieces last year at the League for Innovation.

New funny-man is 'On Your Side'

Nathan Fielder asks the hard questions ... and waits for your reaction

Dila Velazquez
A&E REPORTER

A Humber comedy grad says he's found it challenging to fit in as the latest addition to CBC's *This Hour Has 22 Minutes*.

"It is a staple of Canadian comedy that has such a defined tone," said Nathan Fielder, who graduated from the post-graduate comedy program in 2006. "I'm coming into it thinking very differently comedically. I'm trying to find a way to do what I think is funny and incorporate it into a show that has a very defined format."

Fielder is a special correspondent on the recurring segment, *On Your Side*. The segment features him conducting one-on-one interviews, speaking in a monotone voice and asking bizarre questions to provoke interesting responses from his subjects.

"I'm working with real people and I try to get them to react," he said. "Their responses will never be fake. I'll ask them a question and their reactions will be real, real people in real moments. That's what's funny to me."

Fielder honed his unique style in Toronto's comedy scene. A month into the comedy program, he began making short films and taught himself how to edit and

make movies. He said he is most satisfied by some of the shorts he has posted on his website, www.nathanfielder.com.

"I find making videos to be the most fulfilling because when you make a good one, you can put it online and have people watch it whenever. But when you do stand up you basically do it and that's it."

His interest in filmmaking and comedy led him to find comedians with similar sensibilities and helped get him noticed by Canadian network television.

"I met Nathan through doing shows," said Levi MacDougall, a Humber graduate, fellow comedian and producer of the Laugh Sabbath shows at The Rivoli. "Working with him is a very collaborative effort - his comedy is off kilter and as unexpected as it is funny."

For Andrew Clark, director of the comedy writing and performance program at Lakeshore, Fielder's success comes as no surprise.

"He was always very clever and disciplined. I think he's unique and has the ability to do a lot of different things," he said.


"He's a bit like Rick Mercer or a young Robert Klein. He's very funny and has the right look. He'll go far."

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Humber rolls out the welcome mat

What you need to know before the first serve at the men's national volleyball championship



#1 Mount Royal College (Alberta)
Coach Shawn Sky.
2007-2008 Record: 24 - 3.
Star player to watch for: Middle Chris Webb #4.
How they got here: Beat Briercrest in the gold medal match. Beat three teams in three sets.
Last national appearance: Took bronze in 2006.
Quote: "We have ten first year players who are all tremendously talented. If one guy struggles, there's always somebody else behind them to back them up. And that's something our guys take great pride in." - Shawn Sky.



#2 UBC-Okanagan (B.C)
Coach Greg Poitras.
2007-2008 Record: 13-8.
Star player to watch for: Setter Riley McFarland #12.
How they got here: Upset Malaspina University College of Nanaimo in the gold medal match for their first provincial title in 22 years.
Last National Championship: Hosted Nationals in 2002.
Quote: "To beat Malaspina in their own gym was quite something. There are only a small handful of people who have been able to do that." - Greg Poitras.



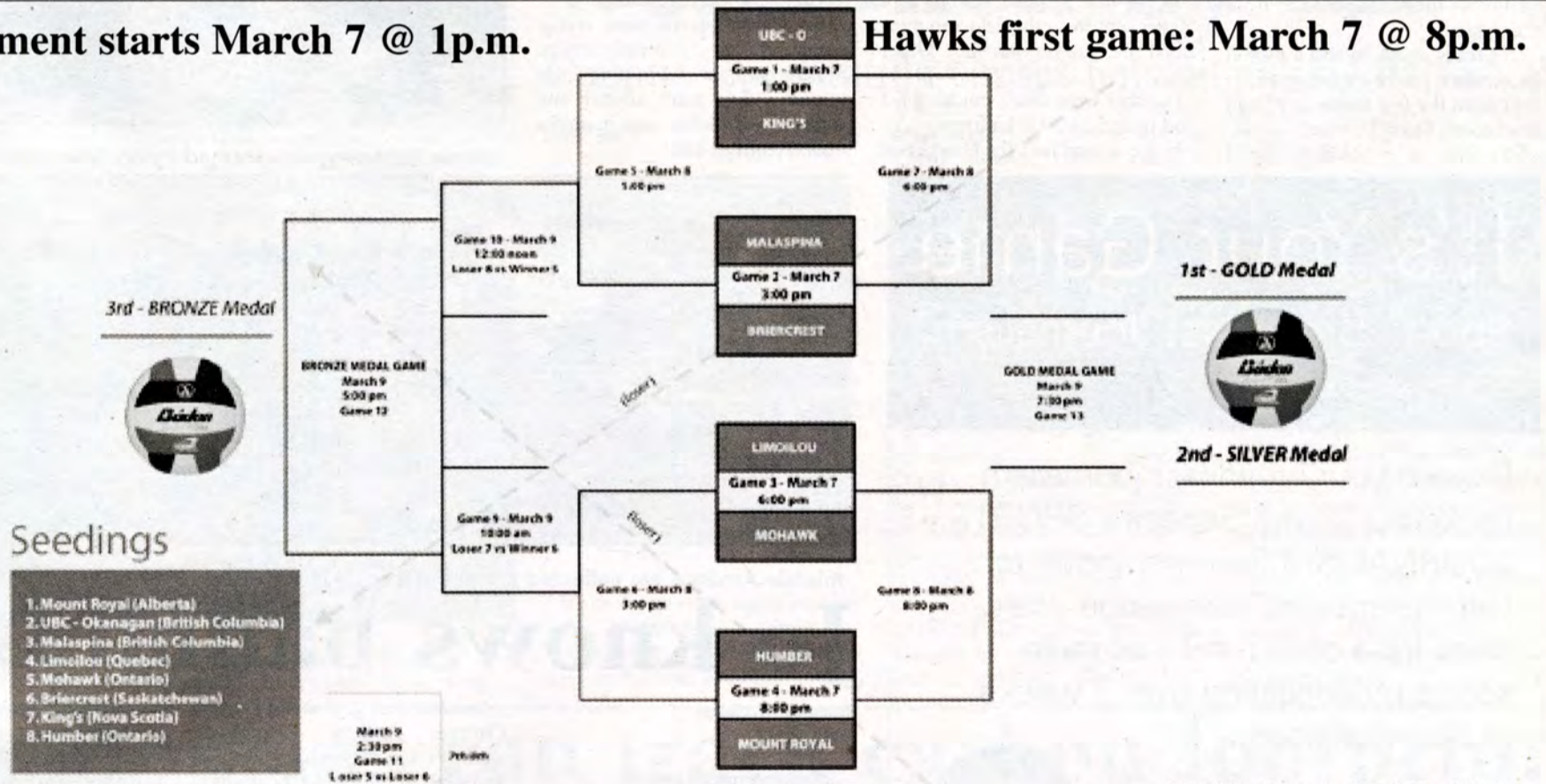
#3 Malaspina College (B.C Wild Card)
Coach Chris Densmore.
2007-2008 Record: 16 - 5.
Star player to watch for: Maverick Hatch (Right Side) #9.
How they got here: Selected as one of two wild card teams after losing provincial final to UBC-Okanagan.
Last National Championship: Silver medal in 2007.
Quote: "We're a very strong team that is experienced from being at nationals the last two years. I'm hoping the team learned from our mistakes at the provincials and we can turn this into a national goal." - Chris Densmore.



#4 Limoilou College (Quebec)
Coach Rock Picard
2007-2008 Record: 16 - 4
Star player to watch for: Mathieu McLaughlin #8
How they got here: Defeated Beauce Appalaches College in the provincial final.
Last National Championship: 2007- took fourth place.
Quote: "We are a very young team and we want to take a lot of experience from nationals. We can't wait to play Mohawk in the first round. It should make for a very good first match; a very tight game." - Rock Picard.

Tournament starts March 7 @ 1p.m.

Hawks first game: March 7 @ 8p.m.



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#5 Mohawk College (Ontario)
Coach: James Bradley.
2007-2008 Record: 15 - 0.
Star player to watch for: Jasmin Cull (Left Side) #6.
How they got here: Defeated Algonquin College in the OCAA gold medal match.
Last National Championship: 2007- Fifth place.
Quote: "The only team I fear is our own team. Usually it doesn't come down to our opponent, it comes down to us. There's no intimidating us at this point." - James Bradley.



#6 Briercrest College (Sask.-Wild Card)
Coach Nigel Mullan.
2007-2008 Record: 11 - 15.
Star player to watch for: Luke Dubbeldam (Right Side) #11.
How they got here: Awarded a wild card spot after winning the ACAC silver medal despite finishing sixth in league play.
Last National Championship: First Appearance.
Quote: "We feel we still have more to prove so we're excited that we get another opportunity to play together again as a team." - Nigel Mullan.



#7 U of Kings College (Nova Scotia)
Coach Benjamin Welsh.
2007-2008 Record: 17 - 1.
Star players to watch for: Setter Kyle Murphy #10 and Middle Jeff Bohan #2.
How they got here: Defeated UNB Saint John in ACAC final.
Last National Championship: 2007-eighth place.
Quote: "Our first match is definitely what we want to put all of our efforts into. UBC Okanagan are going to be geared up and ready to play, and we just have to get ourselves going early." - Benjamin Welsh.



#8 Humber College (Host)
Coach: Wayne Wilkins.
2007-2008 Record: 12 - 4.
Star player to watch for: Power Paul Kemboi #14.
How they got here: Qualified as host. Won OCAA bronze medal.
Last National Championship: 2005-fifth place.
Quote: "If we're going to play the number one team in Canada, I'd rather play them first in front of hopefully 2,000 fans before their players can get warmed up." - Wayne Wilkins.

The Anaheim Ducks and Ottawa Senators met for the first time since last year's Stanley Cup final, Monday night. Anaheim beat Ottawa 3-1. — www.tsn.ca

Hardcourt Hawks shocked

First time in 18 years, the men's team leaves the OCAA championships minus a medal

Kelly Roche
SPORTS REPORTER

HAMILTON — The men's basketball team walked out of the provincial championships without a medal for the first time in 18 years after dismal free-throw shooting led to a 59-58 first-round elimination to the underdog St. Lawrence-Kingston Vikings last Thursday.

At last year's championship, St. Lawrence-Kingston beat Humber in the semi-finals 72-68.

The Hawks brought home bronze and won gold the two previous seasons of the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association tournament.

"If we can't make free throws, I guess we don't deserve to win," said Hawks guard Jeremy Alleyne.

Humber hit just eight of 20 from the stripe.

"It's really tough to win a playoff game when you're shooting 40 per cent from the free throw line," said head coach Darrell Glenn.

"It's like a run-killer, right?"

Anytime you have an opportunity to go on a run, you can't."

Humber, ranked second in the West behind Sheridan, finished 16-2 in the regular season.

It was the Hawks' first meeting this season with the Vikings, who entered the tournament with a 14-6 record and were ranked third in the East.

"It's really tough to win a playoff game when you're shooting 40 per cent from the free throw line."

—Darrell Glenn
Head coach

In the first half the Vikings shot 50 per cent from the field and punished the Hawks, who shot 39 per cent.

Humber went down quickly 11-1 and trailed 34-29 at halftime.

In the second half, the Hawks tied

the game at 44 with nine minutes remaining, but could not contain the Vikings.

"Every time we had a great stop defensively," said Glenn. "We gave up a huge rebound, they'd get the ball and inevitably hit a three or get a basket."

Down by four points with 3.3 seconds left in the game, Humber's Jadwey Hemmings inbounded the ball to Jessie Simmons, who sank a three from half court at the buzzer.

But it was one point shy of the tie.

The loss was a heartbreaker for fifth-year veterans Roger Scott and Samson Downey, who suited up for the Hawks for the last time.

"Our expectation was to come in and win this game," said Scott, who finished with nine points and six rebounds. "I feel like I failed."

Two Hawks players were recognized at the pre-tournament awards banquet: Hemmings was named a first team all-star and rookie Mark McNee was named a second team all-star.



Kelly Roche

Jadwey Hemmings is swarmed by St. Lawrence Vikings.

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Jolande Amoraal has collected provincial medals in volleyball and badminton this year.

Jo knows badminton

Brandon Fitzgibbon
SPORTS REPORTER

Jolande Amoraal said it's a combination of organization and commitment that allows her to play for both the women's volleyball team and badminton team.

"When my volleyball team is at the pub celebrating, I'm off for the weekend to a badminton tournament," said Amoraal, 22, a culinary management student from Clinton, Ont. "I play badminton around my volleyball schedule and it works well because it's an individual sport."

Amoraal won gold at the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association women's volleyball championships and silver at the OCAA badminton championships.

Athletic director Doug Fox said Amoraal is the poster girl for recruiting.

"She is one of the best athletes we've ever had," said Fox. "We certainly will use her to attract other players."

Hawks setter Heather Longland, who is with Amoraal and the women's volleyball team in Calgary for the national championships beginning today, said she is a posi-

tive example that the girls on the volleyball team could follow.

"She is very committed to our team and you can tell that in practices and games," said Longland. "As a teammate Jo works hard for every ball and always puts the effort in whether in a game or practice."

Amoraal said it's hard work that has allowed her to play at the college level.

"I have to keep telling myself that no one's going to roll over and give me anything," she said. "I don't have a lot of talent. I'm just athletic. So no matter what, I'm going to have to work hard for a championship."

Maciej Chabelski
SPORTS REPORTER

Raymond Wong finished his successful badminton season with a solid fourth place showing at the national championships in New Brunswick last weekend.

Wong was also named CCAA's Men's Badminton Player of the Year. "It's an honour for sure," Wong said. "I'm only a rookie and to win this is big."

At the CCAA's, Wong won his first two games, including a victory over eventual champion Dan Kai.

After a tough loss in the third round, Wong was forced to play another game against Kai, which he lost, 21-18, 21-19.

"If the top four guys played again they would finish in a different positions every time," said Ontario assistant coach Michael Kopniak.



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Teams reach their goooooaals

Evangelos Tzaras
SPORTS REPORTER

Both men's and women's indoor soccer teams put on a goal scoring clinic during Monday's regional qualification round, as each team easily secured places at the provincial championships on March 19.

Both teams combined for 25 goals in just six games for the regional qualifiers held at the Vaughn Soccer Centre and both came out with perfect 3-0 records on the day.

The men thrashed Georgian and Confederation by scores of 5-0 and finished the tournament beating Sheridan 2-0.

The women smoked Georgian 4-0 before beating Confederation 5-0 and rounded out the tournament, beating Sheridan 4-2.

For the women, Hawks striker Holly Goddard was the star scoring five goals, including the game win-

ner against Sheridan.

Coach Mauro Ongaro heaped praised at Goddard, but really wasn't surprised.

"You know you're always going to get 100 per cent from Holly, she's never going to give up, she's going to give you that energy," said Ongaro.

"I'm happy," he added. "Everybody played well today, everybody played with a lot of intensity. We still have things to work on, but there's been improvement, in every tournament we have gotten better."

The men's team was able to continue with the momentum they carried forward from winning the Sheridan Invitational.

Coach Germain Sanchez credited defence and goaltending for his teams steady improvement this season.

"Defence is so important for us, we have to wait for our opponent at the back and then counter attack."



Evangelos Tzaras

Confederation defenders cover up, awaiting the Stavros Badunas free kick. Hawks won 5-0.

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