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Humber's top brass making big cash

by Chris Attard
News Reporter

The numbers are in. And three of Humber College's top brass made over \$100,000 during 1996.

But those salaries remained relatively unchanged from the previous year.

Under the Public Salary Disclosure Act, any civil servant's income over \$100,000 must be available to the public. And three members of Humber are on that list.

President Robert Gordon's salary was \$129,824 last year with benefits of \$8,652 - that remained virtually unchanged from the previous year. Gordon's salary ranks him fourth among all of Ontario's colleges. Only the presidents of Algonquin, George Brown, and Sir Sandford Fleming colleges made more.

Richard Hook, Humber's vice-president of Instruction, made \$102,802 with \$562 in benefits. Hook's salary ranks him the fourth highest paid academic VP in the province. Hook's salary was unchanged from 1995.

The lowest in Humber's \$100,000 Troop is Rod Rork, vice-president of Administration with a 1996 income of \$100,856 and benefits of \$733.

Missing from the list is Kris Gataveckas, Humber's vice president of Business Development and the college's only female VP.

Gordon, who sets the salaries of those in administration, said Gataveckas salary is now over \$100,000 for this year, but last year she was paid, "\$99,000 or so." He said her salary reflected her length of time at Humber.

"Richard Hook's been at the college for 30 years, and Kris has been here for seven. Plus she's got a smaller portfolio to take care of," Gordon said.

There are only three female college presidents, while the others are male. Dennis Stapinski, human resources advisor to the Ontario Council of Regents, made up of college presidents, couldn't justify why there are so few female presidents among the province's 24 colleges.

"We establish guidelines to recruiting for positions, but hiring is up to the individual board of the colleges. Other than that I really can't tell you."

Students' Association Council member Sven Byl, agrees with Gordon's salary level.

"The question here is value. The balance between the private and public sector is unbalanced.

Squee (Gordon) has to run an \$84 million school...and had to cut \$13 million from the budget last year. And he only gets paid \$129,000 a year. Some private sector workers get paid a lot more," he said.

"I think we're getting a good deal for the quality that we're getting. I think he should be paid more."

Other Ontario public sector notables on the \$100,000 list are Premier Mike Harris (\$126,142)

and last year's Social Services Minister David Tsubouchi, who told consumers to haggle with grocery stores over prices of canned tuna (\$101,308.) More than \$56 million in salaries are paid to those employed by Ontario's Attorney General including Crown Counsels and judges. The highest paid civil servant in Ontario is Michael Strofolino, CEO and president of the Hospital for Sick Children (\$390,000).



Incoming Prez Shirley Forde is taking over, leaving Steve Virtue with no choice but to pack up his bags and move on.

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Protesters gather at Queen's Park demanding an investigation into recent police shootings deaths.

Protesters angry with police force

Demonstrators gather at Queen's Park to protest recent police shootings

by Anthony Atakerora
News Reporter

About 200 demonstrators gathered at Queen's Park Saturday, demanding an investigation of Toronto Police Chief David Boothby on the deaths of Hugh Dawson, 31 and Edmund Yu, 35.

Dawson was shot to death by plainclothes police officers on a suspected drug bust at Kennedy Road, just south of Danforth Road. Yu was killed on a Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) bus at Spadina Avenue and Queen's Quay West on Feb. 20.

Protesters were angry about police silence and refusal to give statements to the Special Investigation Unit, a civilian body set up to investigate police in such shootings.

"We want the truth and we want to know what exactly happened,"
-Olivia Chow,
Metro Councillor

"Officers have to understand that they have special duties as police to co-operate with a Special Investigations Unit (SIU) investigation," said MPP Peter Kormos, provincial New Democrat, who attended the Queen's Park demonstration on Saturday.

"That's not a complex proposition and it's something they better come to grips with before the public anger heightens even more."

Metro councillor, Olivia Chow who made the demand for an inves-

tigation into Boothby recent pronouncements about the shootings before SIU investigator moved in to investigate the crime scene was upset about the incorrect statements Boothby made to the press. Boothby said in a press release at the crime scene on Kennedy Road that Dawson was shot death when he attempted to grab a policemen's gun in a scuffle.

"Boothby has a pattern of speaking out even before investigations are made so as to sanitize what is going on," Kormos said.

"We want the truth and we want to know what exactly happened to Dawson and Yu," Chow said.

The protesters organized by the Coalition Against Racist Police Violence are angry since the beginning of 1996 eight people, all of them from national minorities have been shot by the police. Six of them have been killed. Dawson was the latest shot to death as he sat in his car on March 31, 1997.

"There is no death penalty in Canada and the crime these people are accused of do not carry death or even life sentences. Why kill them?," said Alicia Gordon, 28, a recent law graduate from University of Western Ontario who was at the protest rally.

"Once you are a person of color and shot by the police you are either a drug dealer or an illegal immigrant. This is racism and they should be stopped before the fight turns ugly," Gordon said.

The protesters also, demanded the Ontario government's proposed changes to the Police Service Act, Bill 105, should be stopped. They opposed the Bill 105 on the grounds that it will grant police chiefs extraordinary discretionary power and make the Ontario police force even less accountable to the public than it is now.

The Coalition Against Racist Police Violence, said the only solution now is community policing.

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Money woes

by Marcel Watier
News Reporter

As the end of the school year looms, so does a horrifying realization — tuition is due in three months.

The due date for tuition is early July, giving students May and June to save the money they need.

"I think that it is a little too soon, school is just finishing," said third-year Advertising and Graphic Design student Neville Thompson. "There is no time for students to gather up the money they need."

With a 10 per cent increase coming, many students are feeling the crunch as they attempt to understand why tuition is due so soon.

"It's for the enrolment and program planning," said Associate Registrar Joyce Woodend. "The academics need to know how many students they are planning space for."

Woodend said the school has to start planning their spaces in July and could not wait until August, because it would be too difficult.

Thompson suggested that the school could require students to pay a portion of the fees in July, with the rest being due in September.

First-year Public Relations student Marie Harrison agreed, the due date is early and said she would recommend the school give the students an extension.

"I think it's fairer to the stu-

dent if they had time to earn some money," said Harrison.

Recently-elected Students' Association Council President Shirley Forde said she sees the benefits of paying early for both the school and the student.

"It's good for both the student and the college. It lets those students who want to get it out of the way do that and guarantees their seats for the next year," said Forde. "The college's point of view is that they know who is coming and who's not."

For students who apply for Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) loans, this becomes a problem, because OSAP does not send acceptance letters until mid-August. Those waiting to hear about their loans can defer payment until the start of the fall semester.

However, last year every student was required to pay a minimum \$200 deposit towards the fees by mid-July, this includes all OSAP students.

"The problem was there were too many empty seats in September," said Margaret Antonides, financial aid manager. "People were going somewhere else and not telling us."

Antonides said the school felt that if students had to pay part of their fees early they wouldn't want to give up their spot so easily.

"Some of these students were applying to three or four colleges

and universities and if you don't have to put a deposit you are not going to tell them [the colleges] that you are not coming," she said. "If you deposit \$200, you are usually more committed to it."

For those having trouble coming up with the deposit, Antonides said that it could be waved only if they were applying for OSAP and would receive enough to pay tuition in the fall.

So as students prepare to end their year at Humber, the school is busy looking and working towards next fall. Acceptance letters are mailed in May, and according to Woodend, Humber has many potential students to look at.

As of March 1 there were 39,500 first-year applicants.

This number is equal to last years applications but it is the first time in two years that applications have not risen.

Woodend said that of the 334,500 choices from Ontario applicants, "it would appear that Humber has received the most."

What this means for Humber, is they will have a bigger pool of applications to pick from.

Woodend said that students are assessed when they apply to Humber and are rated on a scale from zero to five. Those with the highest ranking are approved.

Woodend said the actual number of spaces varies from year to year depending on the "enrolment plans" of the different programs.

New sponsorships to reduce number of landed immigrants

Canada introduces changes to sponsorship applications

by Samantha Jane Weekes
News Reporter

In an effort to reduce the number of recently landed immigrants forced to seek social assistance, Immigration Canada has introduced changes to the sponsorship application process.

At a forum on Citizenship and Immigration, organized by Jim Karygiannis, MP (Scarborough, Agincourt) last week, officials from Immigration Canada made it clear the government intends to curb the number of sponsorship defaults.

Effective April 1, sponsors and immigrants have been given the option of entering into a legally binding contract outlining each party's responsibilities with regard to providing for the immigrants

basic care. The arrangement has a 10 year duration, beginning once the immigrant arrives in Canada. Residents of Quebec have been excluded from this change.

According to the recently released document, the sponsor (and co-sponsor) agree to assume financial responsibility for the immigrant's essential needs. Essential needs cover food, shelter and clothing as well as the services and necessities required for daily living.

"Default sponsorships cost the provinces and welfare offices \$700 million annually."
-Frank Perriccoli, of Citizenship and Immigration

The immigrant is obliged to make every effort to support

themselves (except for cases where the immigrant is a parent or grandparent) and will be expected to seek help from their sponsor should they be unable to do so.

In the 1996/97 fiscal year, Immigration Canada's received approximately 54,000 applications. Of the 35,000 approved applications, roughly 12 to 15 per cent ended in default, said Frank Perriccoli, a manager at Citizenship and Immigration Canada's Mississauga case processing centre.

Sponsorship defaults are the result of a combination of factors, Perriccoli said. Family disputes and job loss by the sponsor are the most common reasons.

However, default sponsorships cost the provinces and welfare offices \$700 million annually, Perriccoli said. The government must pay the cost of subsidized housing and other social benefits.

Legally landed immigrants are protected under the Charter of Rights and entitled to all the benefits provided to residents of Canada.

Gimme the pass to Metro

by Simone A. Brown
News Reporter

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) is wrapping up a pilot project launched last September which allowed York University students to purchase a metropass for \$45 less than the current price.

York students can purchase a metropass for \$67.50. The regular price for an adult Metropass is \$83.

The pass is subsidized through a \$20.10 student levy which students agreed to in a referendum held in 1995, said Wayne Poirier, president of the York Federation of Students (YFS).

The levy gives students a 16 per cent discount on a metropass. A four per cent discount from the TTC and a 12 per cent discount from the YFS.

Students not wishing to buy a pass can opt out.

Poirier said the reduced price for a metropass has given students a more cost effective way to travel to school and has encouraged more students to take the TTC rather drive to school.

The pass has not only benefited students financially but also the school since the volume of drivers at school has become an increasing problem on campus, Poirier added.

"We have reached parking capacity at York so we don't have any more parking spots on campus," he said.

In the past, YFS along with other universities had tried to get a student metropass for all university and college students but was unsuccessful.

Poirier said the TTC only agreed to use York University as a test model for this project to see whether it would increase ridership.

John Purins, a TTC official, said they haven't collected data on whether ridership has increased but he said so far the project is operating well.

He said the TTC can't afford to offer all university and college students a discount because of cuts in government funding.

Children, highschool students and seniors currently have a discount on TTC fares.

"With all the government cut backs ... we're really squeezed for money right now. And for that reason the commission is unlikely to be sympathetic to any suggestion that we discount another category of fares," Purins said.

But the TTC is willing to discuss the possibility of implementing a similar plan like that at York University with other schools, Purins added.

"We're quite happy to talk to anybody who is interested in this [but institutions] have to understand from the beginning that they are going to have to put some money into this," he said.

Steve Virtue, president of Humber's Students' Association Council, said it's unlikely Humber students will get a metropass for a reduced price like at York University.

He said the TTC isn't offering students a discount they're asking students to subsidize the pass.

"Until there's greater initiative on both sides of the fence it's not something I perceive is going to happen until the TTC is willing to give a little bit," he said.

Virtue said many students on campus probably wouldn't support the idea either.

Since all students don't subsidize parking on campus, students who drive to school wouldn't want to subsidize other students' TTC fares, he added.

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Forde driving to presidency in '97-'98

by **Rena Jarrett**
News Reporter

Incoming Students' Association Council (SAC) President Shirley Forde has made quite a sacrifice in order to hold her new position.

Instead of trying for a full-time job at an accounting firm after graduation, this Business Administration student will be coming back to Humber in order to head up SAC.

Forde does not see this as a missed opportunity, but rather as a chance to complete some unfinished business.

"You start something, you see how well it's been doing, and want to see it (through) to the end," said Forde.

Not only that, she said she feels being president will also allow her to gain some valuable experience before going out into the real world, experience that could one day come in handy.

"This (position) will help me to understand what it'd be like to have people working under me as employees."

However, for Forde there is a far greater issue when it comes to her reasons for wanting to be president and those reasons lie with the students.

"I wanted to be president because a lot of students complain that SAC doesn't do anything for them, and I personally know what SAC does for them. So I wanted to show students that 'yes, SAC is here for you, and they do things for you,'" she said.

One of the things Forde plans to do for next year is to revise the old health plan. Students can get a percentage off from their medication by showing their student card at a pharmacy.

"We're having some problems in that a lot of students are getting rejected from that plan when they go to the drugstores. So I just want to try and talk to some other insurance companies and see if there is another way we can do it so that less students get rejected and more students can use that plan."

And while this 21-year-old



Kevin Shillinglaw

hopes to make even more changes, she'd also like to see some changes made in how student government reaches the people it serves.

"I want to see SAC go out to students more — tell them what events are happening, tell them what speakers we're bringing in for them and have more of an open-door policy so that students know that SAC is here for them, and they can come in," Forde said.

A newsletter is just one possibility SAC will be looking at to inform both students and faculty.

Forde also encourages students to make suggestions when it comes to how they want to be

addressed and what they would like to have go on in the school.

"I want to take students' opinions more. And if they want to have a new band perform here at the school, then come (and) tell me," Forde said. "We want their input on the programming."

She added that while not every request will be met due to a lack of resources, she's certainly willing to hear anyone out.

"I'm easy going (and) I'm really easy to approach."

Even when the views being expressed are not in SAC's favor.

"I won't force anything like if they have a negative view of SAC, I'll try to explain the positive, but I'm not going to force them to accept SAC for who they are."

Compared to the current SAC President Steve Virtue, Forde thinks her governing style will be different too.

"I'm more of a personal type person when it comes to people who come into the office (and) when it comes to helping people in that sense and Steve's more of a

political-type person."

But Forde would not say that her way of doing things is in any way better than Virtue's.

"No. In any environment you want as many different approaches to something because they're so many different types of people."

In fact, she wants several of President's Virtues to stay.

"I'd like to keep it as Steve did his door open for anyone who was there who needed attention," said Forde. "They were able to go to him and seek that attention from him and he helped them."

No matter what approach Forde uses, the time to put them into use is fast approaching. As of May 1, her term will officially begin along with the numerous duties she will have to juggle.

"I'll be here all summer."

She will spend five days of the week in her role as president — three of which will be spent in leadership training, seminars, and meetings with other student council and the Ministry of Education. And the other two will be spent at Humber College in meetings with the new council and administration.

Forde isn't worried about the responsibility that lies ahead. As vice-president of finance in '95-'96 and vice-president this school year she is confident of her ability to work under pressure.

"I've had two years experience here. I understand more or less what a president is expected to do, and I've taken on that role when Steve wasn't in the office," Forde said. "So I think the transition should be easy, and there won't be that much necessary to prepare me for it."

She said her whole family was there for her throughout the elections, including her fiancée.

"He was my number one supporter," said Forde. "He was there for me all through campaigning week."

And Forde, who plans to say "I do" in 1999, knows her personal cheering section will continue, even if her job demands most of her time.

"He understands that I'm not always able to go out with him on a daily basis, and he accepts it."

A year from now, after Forde completes her term, she said she hopes to travel.

"There's a couple options. I might go to Jamaica for four months on a work term, and then come back and plan a wedding," Forde said. "I might go to university in Michigan for a while or I might just go look for a job."

In the meantime, Forde is quite content to be where she is. Humber is her home and there is no place she would rather be.

"We are a very multicultural college and the largest campus in Ontario. And I feel that it's a unique college in the fact that it's like Toronto — so many different types of people, so many different cultures and I get to understand and learn more about each and every one of them," said Forde.

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 Ontario

Faculty worries about Arboretum – community involvement is a must

by Shallene Holley
News Reporter

The Humber Arboretum has fallen victim in the past to rumors and assumptions about its safety.

Most people know that going anywhere after dark is putting yourself at risk, but Christine Frasier, of the School of Horticulture, doesn't believe that the Arboretum should be shied away from because of past incidents.

"It [the Arboretum] gets a bad rap but, any park – it doesn't matter if it's a corner park that has two trees in it and a bench – will have problems after late nights. So when we get the front page that said that this is a zone for students not to go, I say, if you're hiking with other people and you're not obviously doing the 'late night'..."

In other words, people traveling should always use their street smarts and stick to well-lit areas in late night hours.

"If you're anywhere late at night in a quiet zone anything could happen, but we promote the buddy system and I find that the more people that come out and enjoy it as a community park and really take claim to it – we call it 'stewardship.'"

Frasier said he believes people

should discard their worries about the safety of the Arboretum and look at it for what it is, a delightful, tranquil oasis. She invites all students and community members to come out and enjoy the scenery.

"I've been here a long time and we've never had a problem. By day, people are walking and hiking with their families. So I like to promote that it is, not 'the scary zone' – that it is a very friendly green space in the middle of the city."

In the summertime, beginning in July, the Arboretum hosts a Junior Councillor Training Program, a three-day activity where teens (age 13-16) learn first-aid and leadership training for summer camps. A summer camp for four weeks through the month of July is open to children of employees, the college and the community.

"It's a nature-based camp so it includes activities regarding how nature's connected. They'll be visiting ponds and rivers and meadows; it's a lot of fun. [We have] a lot of different activities, crafts and songs," said Frasier.

Parks day, is another day in July where children celebrate by having hay rides, nature walks and



The Arboretum in winter, a delightful, tranquil oasis any time of the year.

garden tours. The Arboretum staff will be offering refreshments, lunch, and a chance for the community to come out and enjoy "a beautiful green space".

"In August, summer camps and activities give an opportunity for as many children that wouldn't have that opportunity here in the city. A lot of times, the children that come here, it's their first experience in the woods," said Frasier.

At the Nature Camp for Children, kids do not just read about nature or look at it, they're actually using all five senses and exploring it.

"I think what we're doing [is] information sharing. In general, for families, stress levels and working people, or for family life, just for enjoyment. It gives a relaxing time just to come for a walk, it's not always programs. We find people here bird watch-

ing in the early morning and we have people here late at night just strolling through the grounds with their dog, and family, having a picnic. Frasier's overall message about the Arboretum is that people need to take back their communities by taking pride in them. Start taking 'stewardship', get involved. For more information, call Christine Frasier at 675-5009 ext.466'

By-law goes up in smoke

by Jennifer Barr
News Reporter

Good news for Caps smokers. Caps patrons will still be allowed to light up past May 1 after changes were made to Etobicoke's smoking by-law last week.

The city's Health Department has decided an enclosed room with separate ventilation is not required in the student pub.

New changes to the by-law state that smoking areas in bars can now take up to 25 per cent of the bar, while the other 75 per cent must be clearly marked with an Etobicoke a no smoking sign.

These changes mean Steve Portt, Caps manager's search to

find a separate area for smokers will no longer be necessary.

Portt had originally hoped to reconstruct a portion of the Games Room to accommodate the by-law, but according to Shirley Forde, the Students' Association Council (SAC) vice-president, those changes are against school policy.

"We will, however, make the smoking area visible to all patrons by possibly raising an area of the floor or by showing a distinct boundary for the designated area," Portt said.

These changes will have to be further discussed in order for Council of Student Affairs (CSA) to take care of the funding.

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Students and staff awarded

by Jennifer K. Hamoen
News Reporter

Exams are fast approaching and for many students the pressure is on to complete assignments. But the books were closed for one night as staff and students celebrated the 14th annual Humber College Student Appreciation Awards banquet.

Awards recognize staff and students for their contributions to non-academic life at Humber.

"We recognize their efforts tonight and wish to show our appreciation to the dedication to our College and the College community," said Steve Virtue, Students' Association Council (SAC) president.

Award recipients are nominated by students, faculty and staff for their exceptional efforts in social and cultural events, athletics, student government, teaching excellence and their involvement in the community.

The awards demonstrate that there is more to Humber than just getting a diploma.

"I think those in this room give a little extra and in return get more out of it," said Robert Gordon, president of Humber College.

Many of the staff and faculty at Humber also contribute to the College beyond their every day duties. Val Hewson, administrative assistant to Vice-President Emeritus Roy Giroux was honored by SAC which donated \$10,000 of student funds to the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund in her name. The award was to show appreciation for her involvement with the Council of Student Affairs as sec-

retary.

Hewson was surprised by the recognition and said being involved with students is why she is here.

"I get more from meeting the students than they probably do from me," she said.

Maggie Hobbs, director of student life at Humber was surprised with honors for her "enthusiasm and commitment" to the College.

Other first time awards included an award to North and Lakeshore Presidents Steve Virtue and Chris Redpath for a successful year in student government.

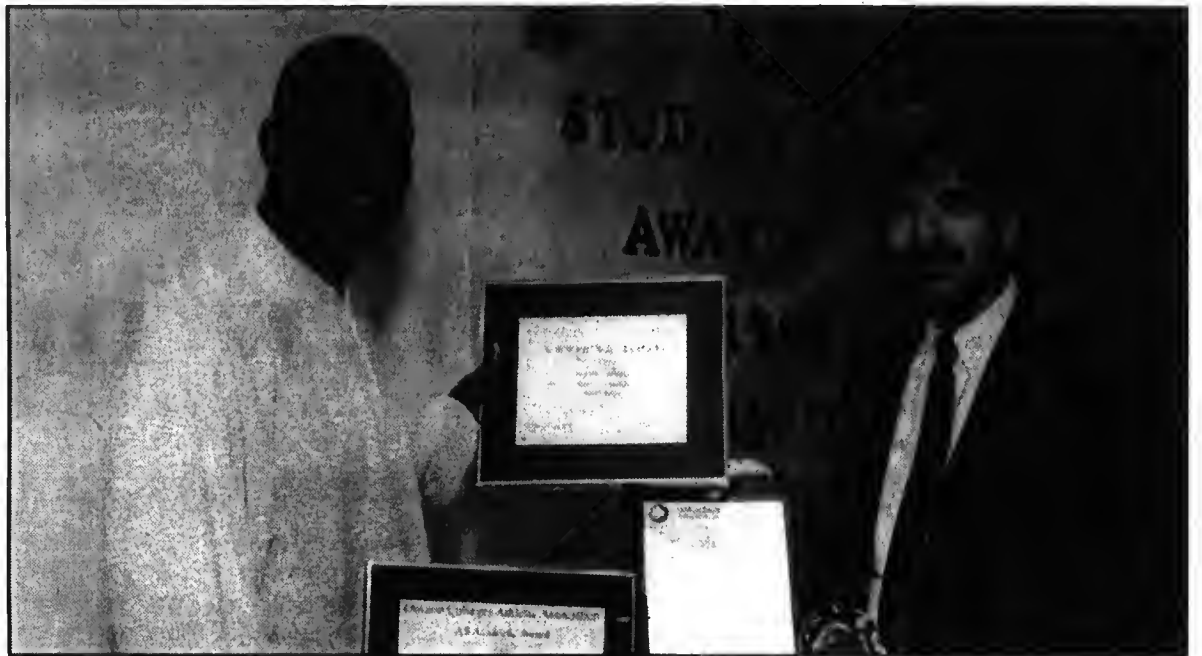
Gordon praised the student governments for their commitment to the College through student activities and their donations of student funds for such things as the Learning Resource Centres and the Student Opportunity Trust Fund.

Students who have had an impact on students' experiences at Humber were also appreciated. Lauren Buck, a journalism student, was acknowledged for her significant involvement with the Humber's, Gay, lesbian, and Bisexual group, Humber's Queers.

The awards banquet also honored students who are trying to make a difference beyond Humber.

Three students in Advanced Justice Studies, were recognized for their involvement in a community project for child victims of physical and sexual abuse. Liz Cook, Nadine Lacalamita, and Andrea Lewis have been heavily involved with developing the project. The Gatehouse will be the third of its kind in Canada.

Many of the winners of the



Rowan Beckford is presented his athletic awards by Doug Fox, Humber's athletic director.

evening were extremely happy to be appreciated, but they were just happy to give something to their college and the community.

Tracy Boyer, Business Marketing student was recognized for her work with H.E.A.T. (Humber Environmental Action Team). It is also important the groups efforts get recognized, she said.

"A pat on the back is nice but I do it because it feels right," said Ryan Burton-Garland, a second-year Computer Information Systems student, honored for his work with peer counselling.

Sports awards

Tracey Ellert, MVP of the woman's soccer team and Men's Basketball rookie of the year, Rowan Beckford, were given awards for athletic excellence and academic achievement. Both athletes have attained Provincial and National awards for athletic achievement. Beckford was voted

as the unanimous selection for the number one all Canadian.

Vince Versace, a journalism student, received The Joe Suzor award for his sports coverage in the *Et Cetera*. The award is presented in memory of Joe Suzor whose contributions to athletics as a sports reporter and editor were outstanding.

Student government award

SAC Lakeshore President Chris Redpath, presented Dionne Cushnie with the Beauchamp Memorial Award for the most valuable student council member. The award is named in honor of Kevin Beauchamp, a former Humber student. Cushnie has helped organize black history events and founded the *Humber Vibes*, a biweekly publication at Lakeshore.

The award was a surprise to

Cushnie, who said she just really enjoys working with other students and staff.

Other awards

Katina Constantinou - Student Life Award

Nelson Davies - film/television student organized a film/television organization

Sonia Herrfort - Lakeshore Students Athletics Co-ordinator

Mike Katz - Coach of the Year. Award named in his honor - The Mike Katz Excellence Award.

Tam Lafromboise - for her work with the Student Athletic Association

Roger Sue-Wah Sing - involvement with athletics at Lakeshore/volunteer work

Chris Weber - student leadership award for his work in residence.

It's a bird - It's a plane - No ... It's the "Flyerman"

by Chris Attard
News Reporter

Last week, students in the Pipe were bombarded with flyers saying they could earn money by being extras in the movies. The flyers were handed out by a man calling himself "Flyerman".

Mark Vistorino, owner of FreeCloud Productions, distributed the movie extra flyers at Humber and University of Toronto. FreeCloud Productions is listed with the Better Business Bureau and has been running since 1985.

In the flyer, Vistorino stated the obvious when he said the film industry "needs people of all ages" and "extras are needed for feature films, movies of the week, and North American television series".

"What I do is take a picture of you... some head shots, then forward that photo to an agent," Vistorino said. Despite all the talk of movie jobs, all Vistorino actually does is take 36 black and white photos and \$150 of your money.

Vistorino said he would not find

work for those who call, but said, "I inform them and educate them" about the industry. Vistorino said the photo charge is a one-time fee, a fee which "you would easily make that back when you start working". He said the rate of pay for an extra can range from \$7 to \$16.50 an hour.

When told of Flyerman, Kelly Lettner, a media relations officer for the Academy of Canadian Cinemas and Television, asked "why anyone would want headshots if they're going to be an extra, possibly in a large crowd?"

Lettner said some extras are in crowds, and some others may have small speaking lines, but few get recognized "big time". She added and this was not the way to go about becoming an extra.

Lettner said a better way to enter an acting career is to choose an agency like Characters, Pere Noble, or Oscar's and Abrahms.

As for Vistorino's flyer, it is really nothing more than one photographer's way of finding himself work.

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MS walk-a-thon slated for April—thousands are expected to volunteer their services

by Andrea Gordon
News Reporter

Kathryn Underwood is volunteering her feet for an important cause; a meaningful one for both her family and over 50,000 other Canadians with Multiple Sclerosis (MS).

This summer, thousands of volunteers are tying on their walking shoes to participate in the Super Cities Walk to raise money for MS research efforts and local patient services across Canada.

"This will be my second year in the walk," Underwood said. "It's a really good feeling knowing that thousands of people are volunteering to help a specific cause that is such a part of your life."

Kathryn's father has MS.

On April 20, more than 24,000

people across Ontario will walk for the Underwoods and thousands of MS sufferers. Staff co-ordinator of the walk, Doug Howe predicted over \$1.9 million will be raised in Ontario, the budgeted projection on a national level reaching over \$4 million.

"On a national level this is the largest walk in Canada," Howe said.

In 1996, more than 16,000 Ontarians walked and raised \$1.8 million. In the sixth-year of the Super Cities Walk, Ontario is adding Etobicoke to its list of annual participants. Rain or shine, more than 500 people are participating in a leisurely stroll along the Humber River trail.

"We have lots of great stuff planned for the day of the walk," said volunteer Co-ordinator

"It's a really good feeling knowing that thousands of people are volunteering." — Kathryn Underwood

Camille Dionne-West. "We have live music, a DJ, an aerobics warm-up for the volunteers, clowns and, of course, great food! Food before you leave on the trail, food at the checkpoints, food at the finish line. We even have snacks for our four-legged walkers."

Participants have a choice of

walking distances varying between five and 15 km.

"We have trails outlined that suit all walkers, from the slow to the enthusiastic," Howe said. "It's important for everyone to know that every volunteer adds her own to the effort of raising money and awareness for multiple sclerosis."

Volunteers are invited to register up to the day of the walk. "If you can't walk, yet wish to participate, we are still looking for lots of day-of-the event volunteers," Dionne-West said.

MS is the most common disease of the central nervous system affecting young Canadian adults. It interrupts the brain's ability to control various motor functions, such as sight and balance.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada was founded in 1948 in Montreal. Today it is the only national voluntary organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people with MS and their families. The Super Cities Walk is the largest fund-raiser organized by the group.

Librarians angry at unruly students

by Rick Smart
News Reporter

Humber's North campus library staff are getting fed up with students making too much noise, bringing food and drinks into the library, and being unco-operative during fire drills, according to Humber library technicians.

Elke Warwas said with signs posted all around the library, it's hard to believe students don't realize that in the library you have to be quiet, and that no food or drink is allowed.

"We go around and tell people to stop making noise or to stop eating, but the minute we turn our backs, it's the same old thing," Warwas said.

She said the library is a two-way street and that students have to give the staff consideration too.

She said this past week during the College's fire drill, the students were not very co-operative in following standard fire drill procedures.

"Security tells us that during a fire drill we have to make sure everybody gets out and leaves what they're doing," Warwas said. "Very few people, especially on the fourth and fifth floors, respond to the fire drill. A lot of them behave in a very juvenile manner."

Doug Willford, another library technician, said he agreed completely that students just don't want to obey the rules.

"We've had this problem for a while," Willford said. "These are adults we're talking about here, but you'd think they're teenagers because of how inconsiderate

they are."

Both Warwas and Willford also said they are concerned with the library being overcrowded, especially during exams, and that students may become irritated with the noise and the lack of space.

"Overcrowding has been a problem for us too. It gets crowded in here during exam time and it may affect some students' study habits because of all the noise and little space around them," Warwas said.

Warwas and Willford said they are currently trying to solve these problems, but they need the students' co-operation to do so.

"You'll always have two kinds of people," Warwas said. "You'll have the inconsiderate ones, and the co-operative ones."

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50 years later the torch is passed from Robinson to Woods

On April 15, 1947 Jackie Robinson walked out on to the baseball diamond dressed in a Brooklyn Dodgers uniform, at Ebbet's Field. He was the first black man to play in a major league baseball game.

Alone, he broke the color barriers.

Jackie Robinson handed a field of dreams to the thousands of black players in the negro leagues and throughout North America who would quickly follow in his footsteps.

25,623 fans showed up to watch Robinson go hitless in three at-bats against the Boston Braves in his first appearance.

The record breaking second baseman played with the Dodgers for 10 seasons receiving Rookie of the Year in 1947, and accumulating awards for batting champion, stolen base leader, and he was also named MVP in 1949. He stole home 19 times, played in six pennant winners and one World Series Championship and was a .311 hitter.

He was voted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1962.

It was a slap in the face for racist, and a step closer to the color-blind society of the future.

Robinson opened the door for future black athletes in all sports. Would Joe Carter have hit the world series-winning home run for the Blue Jays in 1993, would Jerry Rice of the Sanfrancisco 49ers have broken almost every record for his position as wide receiver including career touchdowns, total yardage, and total receptions, and would Tiger Woods have been the first black man and the youngest to win the Masters Golf Tournament with out the brave actions of this extraordinary man.

Black athletes are thanking Robinson today, 50 years since he changed the face of baseball forever. Prominent athletic figures like the Toronto Blue Jays Cito Gaston say without Robinson they would not be where they are today.

More than likely another black man would have eventually broken the barriers, had Robinson not, but how many of them would have tolerated the racial tensions that Robinson endured to excel in the great American sport? KKK death threats plagued him and many of Robinson's own team mates would not even speak to him during his first year in the league.

Fans spit on him and called him derogatory names. He endured it all, and triumphed despite it, and soon became one of the greatest baseball players of his time.

Although it all happened 50 years ago, Robinson's story is one that is important for all young people in today's multicultural society to know and to remember.

TIGER WOODS' THOUGHTS ON WINNING THE MASTERS...

GEEZE, I LED THE TOURNAMENT FOR THREE DAYS. YA THINK THEY COULD HAVE GOT THE ☆@*#☆ JACKET TAILORED!!



Inside the Et Cetera

by Ryan-Anthony Trotman
 Melodramatic Editor

Our editorial team managed to produce twelve editions of the *Humber Et Cetera* with all the grace and professionalism of a dysfunctional trailer park family.

Our camper or newsroom, was the centralized source of news and gossip, delivered in the colorfully stylish and often flamboyant pages of the 25-year-old paper.

Ma' (Terri Arnott) often donned the horns to play the devil's advocate in the never ending stage production of the *Two O'Clock Meeting From Hell*.

More often than not she morphed into an editorial saviour whose endless duties often go unrewarded.

James "Danger Dad" Cullin often filled the early evening with boisterous proclamations: "I'm a loser baby". His skills and experience are essential to the development of networking within the park.

Then there are the often squabbling and always opinionated siblings (or editors as it claims on the masthead).

Twin sisters Christine "I don't like that...not even a little bit" Siemiernik and Holly "These pages are f---ed" Crawford. The twins managed the news section and later led the paper to its glory in the second half. Their mother

often bought the same outfits for them and wouldn't you know they always wore them on the same day.

Anya "Work with me here" Luczak is responsible for the yellow issue. She plans to learn how to ski and design a page at the same time, in Vancouver of course.

Robert "What do ya' mean" Amoroso and Mike "Not that there is anything wrong with that" Trus tended to stroll into the camper by noon, yes just in time for lunch. Despite the onslaught of news stories at the end they managed to produce - to them I pass the torch of moral fibre.

Pam "What if we did something on..." Chynn made the dramatic switch between Lifestyles and Features. She is the one responsible for the Sex special feature, her phone number has been subliminally inserted in that issue.

Kevin "You can't change the laws of geometry" Shillinglaw was the one voted most likely to snap and become a human tornado to our feeble trailer park. Please take care of our darkroom boy and weed him off the chemicals.

Allison "We're not running this" Haines and Leeanne "We got color this week" Lavis were the true troopers of the camper. Lifestyle stories, bless them all and may they rest in peace.

John "I need summaries" Williams proved that he wasn't plotting our evil demise while he was chained in the backroom for the first half of the semester. Welcome to civilization.

Kim "Get the hell off of my computer" Tymecki spent the semester with the camper's webs and nets. She scared me.

Joe "That rocks" Mercer and Brandon "You're on crack" Grigg, one intends to be marketing director of Nike the other a PJ at YTV. Good luck sports jocks and stay away from the crack.

Christian "Show me the honey" Kluszczynski the quintessence of Quark, the highbrow of headlines and the hunter of honeys. See him live at the El Mocambo April 27.

Maryan "How do you turn this f---ing thing on" Florio managed to fall completely in love each of the 36 days we've inhabited this space. She too scared me.

And me Ryan "Hook me up with PJ Katie" Trotman, the quiet one.

Now that summer has come we no longer get the off-season discount at the park.. We must leave this place we called home for 12 weeks.

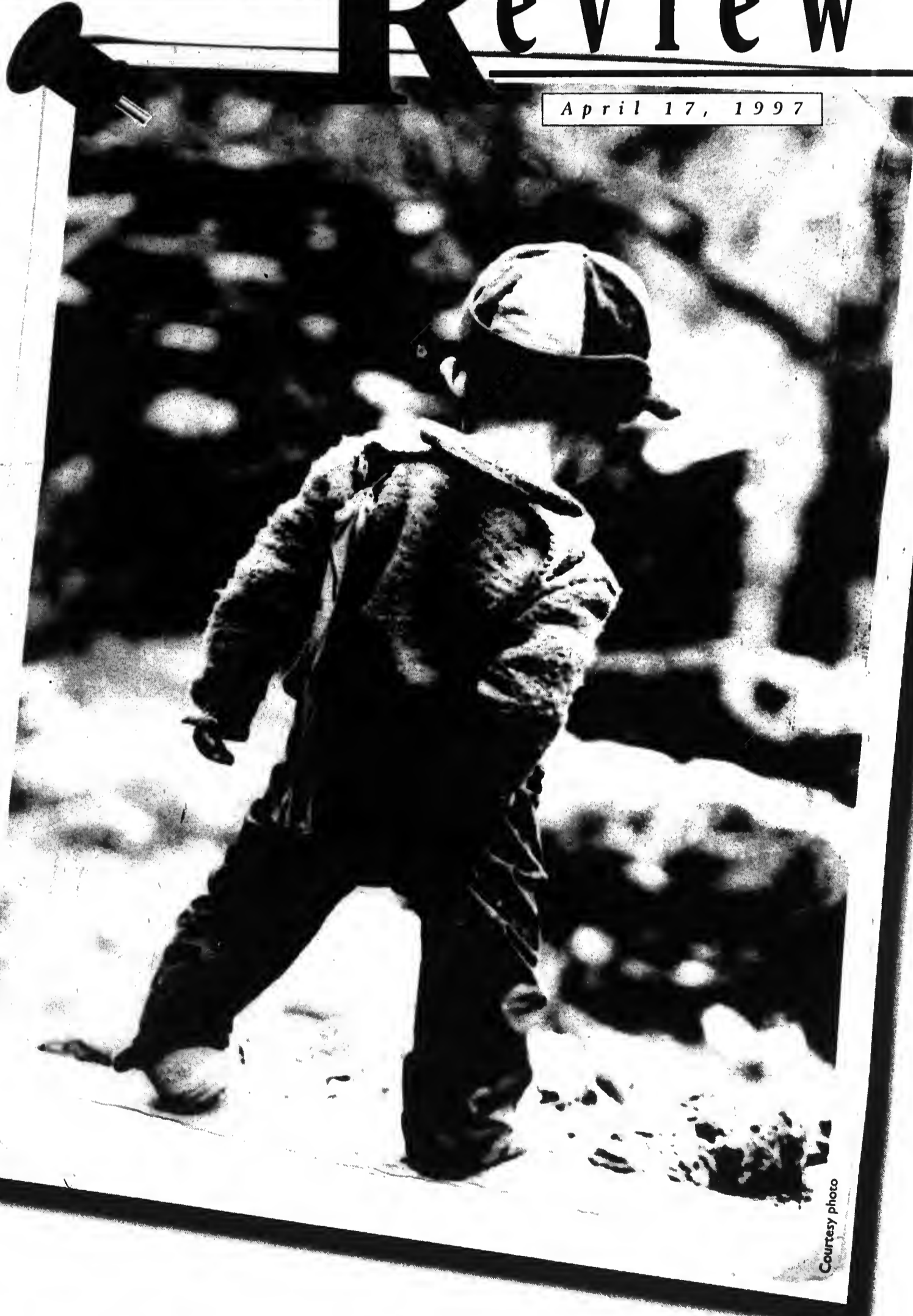
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Student apathy always a headache for SAC leaders

Virtue: gone but not forgotten

by Sean Hamilton
News Reporter

Getting students to be more aware of the Students' Association Council would be a top priority for Vice-President Shirley Forde, if she had to do it all again.

"I want them to know we're here, to come to our events and not complain," said Forde.

She acknowledged that student apathy is a problem and believes it has to do with the way many people are brought up. Forde said students see their parents not keeping up with issues and not voting in provincial or federal elections.

"If parents don't vote or keep

up with what is going on, then their children don't vote and it's a lot easier to blame someone than to go fix the problem," she said.

As much as Forde admits apathy is a problem, she said she doesn't really have an answer on how to correct it.

She said that SAC advertises in the *Et Cetera* and has posters on bulletin boards all the time. Forde said she talked to people during the



Virtue gets booted out of office by the Shirley Forde.

elections and was surprised that they had no idea the elections were going on, yet every where she turned she saw posters on the election or posters about the candidates.

"I don't know if anyone can ever change it [apathy] because if people don't want to be open minded and read information that is coming to them no matter

how much you put it in their face it is not going help the situation any," said Forde adding, "I hope it changes and soon."

Forde is surprised people don't want to know what is going on at Humber.

"You are in a community that has 10,000 people you want to know what is going on in your community. You want to know who your mayor is, why can't you know the president of your school is," she said.

Forde wishes people would tell her what would make students aware of what is going on in the school.

"It would make our job easier," said Forde.

by Sean Hamilton
News Reporter

If Students' Association Council President Steve Virtue has a personal motto it would be, "you catch more flies with honey."

Virtue said he believes the best way to get things done for the students is to be a "pro-active" student government.

"By sitting in the President's Office at York, Guelph, or U of T, essentially the administration isn't going to listen to you. They are going to be more close-minded and the only real way to combat these things is to deal with them before they happen," said Virtue.

"Nobody, including myself, likes to be told this is what the problem is. It gets tiring, and beats you down. As a political leader or student leader, if you don't know what the problems are, then you shouldn't be doing the job. It's working towards the solutions that really matters."

Virtue said taking over the President's Office or protesting is not really demonstrating but is showing attitude.

Virtue doesn't care if he is remembered for making great things happen at Humber, he wants to be known for doing his job.

"I'm not the kind of person who has to leave his mark on the College and come back in five years and say I built that or say that is my handwriting on the wall," said Virtue.

Accomplishments are goals he said you set and achieve, something every council and every person does, he said.

One of his achievements is the new computer lab because it was a partnership with administration, three different academic schools and AST Computers.

Virtue has enjoyed his time as president and his time at Humber but has other plans next fall.

"The last three years have been invaluable and I wouldn't trade it for the world," he said.

In the fall, Virtue hopes to attend university to study political science but not for the reasons most people would expect.

"I think political science is a well-rounded Liberal Arts education, after that I want to get my MBA."

Virtue said he has no plans to get involved with student politics at university, but after he graduates it's a possibility.

"I want to go out and get some real life experience first," he said.

Virtue also pointed out that his first duty is to the students and that is why he has an open door policy.

"I've left my door open all year. I'm not elected and certainly not paid by the administration," he said.

Megacity demonstration labelled "Rebellion of '97"



by Paul Richardson
News Reporter

In the spirit of the "Rebellion on 1837" and its hero William Lyon Mackenzie, the Greater Toronto Area's (GTA) anti-Megacity forces marched in the streets of downtown Toronto, in the "Rebellion of '97". This story doesn't have a hero, instead demonstrators carried signs with a message to their anti-hero Ontario Premier Mike Harris.

Lakeshore students have mixed feelings about SAC

by John Wright
News Reporter

Lakeshore Students' Association Council President Chris Redpath said he's proud of the accomplishments that SAC has achieved over the course of the 1996-97 Humber school year.

He said things like a new computer system and lab, a microwave for students, more food options on campus, as well as a lot of day-to-day accomplishments, have gone a long way in improving student life at Lakeshore campus.

"I think I've done pretty much everything I set out to do, or said I would do. However there are still a lot of things that I think should be continued to be improved on next year," said Redpath.

Some of these issues include more student participation, expanding to the games room and increasing SAC pres-

ence on campus.

"These type of improvements will make the campus closer knit, and in the long run I think it will increase student and campus pride," said Redpath. "Also I think it's really important for the president next year to work on getting a really good group of directors. People that want to be there and

"I think SAC would have a lot bigger impact on myself and other students if they were in the public eye more."

get involved. These are the people that make or break us."

Kelly Kuuseok, a student in the Business Management/Financial Services program said she's satisfied with what she's seen SAC doing on campus.

"I think they're doing a great job. They've organized a lot of

events and activities this year for students and it has really helped keep students motivated and involved with the school," said Kuuseok.

Tanya Smellie, a Business Administrative student, isn't completely satisfied with SAC, but admits that it really doesn't bother her that much.

"I think SAC would have a lot bigger impact on myself and other students if they were in the public eye more often. They need to work on getting more students to benefit from what they have to offer," said Smellie. "I'm sure they've worked hard, and I know they have encouraged some students to get involved, but they're a long way from reaching everyone on campus."

Redpath said he knows there's always room for improvement and encourages students that do have problems or concerns with SAC to get involved.

"Every student should get involved with SAC at some level," said Redpath. "It's a rewarding experience and makes you feel like you're a part of the school."

Event Check List:

Saturday, Feb. 15th 1997
- Rebellion of '97,
Anti Megacity March
to Queen's Park.

Tuesday, Feb. 18th 1997
- Forum at Scarborough
Civic Center to discuss
Bill 103

Sunday, March 2nd, 1997
- Megacity Rally
at Convocation Hall.

Wednesday, April 2nd, 1997
- the Provincial NDP
and Liberal parties stall
passage of Bill 103 by
introducing amendments to
the bill.

Friday April 11th, 1997
- The Megacity
fillibuster ends,
to the relief of all those
involved.

Women's basketball team ride silver bullet

by David Critelli & Mike Damergis
Sports Reporters

We are definitely going to be more effective as a pressing and breaking team, with a much better perimeter-shooting game. There are definitely things that we'll be able to do differently because of the type of players we have. Head Coach Jim Henderson's prophetic words, as the Humber Hawks women's basketball team went on to have a fabulous season.

The Hawks had a positive start to the new season by beating the eight player alumni team by a score of 92-47. Tanya Sadler, lead the Hawks with 24 points and was named the "Player of the Game."

The Hawks packed their bags and travelled to Montreal to do battle in the John Abbott Tournament. The Hawks placed fourth, losing to Montmorency, but they did win the consolation round against George Brown at the Durham Tournament in Ottawa.

The Hawks regular season opened in Hamilton against Mohawk. The Hawks annihilated their opponents with a 80-45 start to the new year. Centre Heather Curran lead the way with 16 points.

After an exhibition loss to Daemen, the Hawks grounded the Fanshawe Falcons 69-50 at home. Melissa McCutcheon lead the way with 13 points. At 3-0, the Hawks were ready for Durham.

The Durham Lady Lords left the Humber campus licking their wounds, after a 12 point defeat at the claws of our Humber Hawks. The Hawks lead by as many as 20 points in the first half, before taking a 17 point lead into the locker room at half-time.

The Humber Hawks crushed their next three opponents at home by scores of 85-40, 88-50 and finally 93-24 against Redeemer. The following weeks would bring much closer scores.

The Hawks travelled to face the Seneca Scouts, who took a four point lead into the half, and lead by five with just minutes to go. But key player

McCutcheon ignited the Hawks, as they battled from behind to win their seventh game of the year, 96-90.

The Humber Hawks rang in the new year with an impressive showing at the Seneca Tournament, winning two of three games. Coach Henderson said the Hawks win over arch-rival John Abbott (in the second round), was "the most important win we've had in my six years."

Unbeaten and unmatched, the Humber Hawks chalked up two more victories against George Brown and Niagara College, to move to a 9-0 record. In the first game, the Hawks beat George Brown 68-57. The Hawks crushed the Niagara Knights 75-38. For their ninth win of the year, with Sadler banking 19 and Tina Boterill scoring 18 points.

The Hawks, crushing Mohawk College, 100-53 For win number 10.

Four players hit double figures for this lollipop win. Tanya Sadler struck the 30 point plateau, centres Curran and Shane Ross hit 14 and 10 points, while McCutcheon sank 13 points in the win. The Hawks were 10 and 0 and on the go.

After the All-Star break, the Hawks travelled to London to face the 5-4 Fanshawe Falcons. The Falcons couldn't endure the wrath of the Hawks, despite trailing by only three points at the half. The Hawks outscored the Falcons 40-16 in the second half, for a 73-46 win. Coach Henderson said, "In the second half, we wore them down."

Week 12 would prove to be unlucky for the lady Hawks. On a cold and stormy night in Oshawa they lost to the Durham Lords 84-65. At the half, the Hawks only trailed by four points. But sloppy play, and a determined Durham team, the Hawks found themselves down by 16 points with only 10

minutes to go. A deficit they never recovered from. Despite the loss, Sadler banked in 23 points again, followed by Aman Hasebenebi's 10 points.

A home game was just what the doctor ordered as the Hawks forgot about their loss to Durham and beat the Seneca Scouts 78-55.

Graduating players Lisa Hogan and Tina D'Antonio were honored for their contributions to varsity sports. Sadler and Curran were also acknowledged for their outstanding team play.

The Hawks won their final game against a weak Redeemer team, 77-38. The win was their 13th of the year. At 13-1, the Humber Hawks women's basketball team was ready for the upcoming playoffs. Star forward Sadler said she wants "to win the O.C.s and go to the Nationals."

The Humber Hawks women's basketball team was favorites to advance to the Nationals in

Vancouver. Unfortunately, this was one flight the Hawks did not take. Despite their gritty 72-67 win over Seneca College in the first round of the playoffs, the lady Hawks lost to the Durham Lords in front of a packed house, 58-50.

Yes, the Hawks finished the year with a 14-2 record. Tournament all-star positions were awarded to Sadler and Hasebenebi for their outstanding contributions to team play.

Head Coach Jim Henderson complimented the girls, saying this is the most enjoyable group of girls to work with. Humber College's Athletic Director, Jim Fox said, "considering we only had one starter returning, it turned out to be an outstanding season with committed athletes."

Centre Curran said, "This is the best bunch of girls we played with by far."

At the 1997 Humber College Athletic Banquet, four players received awards from the Hawks women's basketball team. The Most Improved Player award went to Autumn Withrow. The Rookies of the Year went to the duo of Aman Hasebenebi and Melissa McCutcheon. All-Canadian Tanya Sadler was honored with the MVP trophy. An award of dedication and excellence was given to all-star forward Heather Curran.



Hawks shoot up a flare during championship play only to lose in the gold medal game against the Durham Lords.

Sports

What else happened



Golf

After 11 years Humber finally got a gold medal team in Patrick Treude, Jon Kerr, Todd Williams and Ian Carabine. At the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) golf championship, the team beat several golf teams to grab the gold Treude in the men's individuals.



Men's Soccer

The men's soccer season was filled with emotional highs and lows as the All-Star laden Hawks had another successful season. However, the Hawks were no match against their arch rivals Mohawk College and lost to them in the OCAA bronze medal game. Long time Hawk and All-Star goaltender Adam Morindini was honored at the end of the season when his number was retired.



Women's Soccer

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Et Cetera Lifestyles

Sheer and shimmery the sexy styles of '97

by Soma Gobin
Lifestyles Reporter

The message could not be more clear at Humber College's Spring Fashion Show last Thursday. Bold expression through sheer, shimmery, sexy clothes and seductive skin.

Unlimited, the first designer on the runway, set the trend of what was to come for women this season. Citrus lime, orange and yellow dominated the catwalk on men and women in everything from makeup and clothes to shoes and accessories. Soft pastels and nudes came in a close second. And brown, the new black, came in tones from dark chocolate to cafe au lait.

Fabrics for the season are shimmery and slinky, the perfect combination for the new sexy, close cut skirts and dresses.

Skirts were cut narrow and long, and clung to just above the ankle. The back of skirts becomes the popular place to expose legs with slits as high as you dare.

Androgynous is truly the state of men's fashion this season. Colors like neon pink, pumpkin

orange and lemon exploded onto the men's fashion scene. (Read: No stiff, structured collars). This season's shirts take their cue from

"Make up this for this season is light and translucent. Colors like lime green, frosts, whites, glittery and glossy are trendy for the spring and summer."
- Cathy Berlingieri, make-up artist.

the feminine line of softer shapes and bolder colors. Shirts were left untucked with the cuffs rolled up. Plenty of chest and washboard stomachs were highlighted on the runway when shirts were left fully or partially unbuttoned.

The key work for the season is freedom. Freedom from restric-

tive clothing and main stream styles. As if the flowing, airy clothes or the cross gender cutting and colors didn't tell the whole story, models pounded the catwalk barefoot to stamp the message home.

Androgynous is the Third Annual Spring Fashion Show hosted by students from Humber's Fashion Arts Special Events and Promotions program. The show features Sutherland Models, and makeup, supplied by Club Monaco, was applied by second year cosmetics students.

"Make-up for the season is light and translucent," said Cathy Berlingieri.

"Colors like lime green, frosts, whites, glittery and glossy are trendy for spring and summer."

In a recent press release, Leslie Cowan, Manager of Special Events and Promotions for Covenant House, said, through fundraising events such as the Fashion Show being held by Humber College students, they can raise the funds necessary to ensure the continued operation of their programs and facility.

Fashion show a stylish success

The third annual Humber fashion show raises money for the Covenant House

by Tony Berlino and Brooke Fontyn
Lifestyles Reporter

Humber's third annual fashion show was a great success as Sutherland models glided down the runway in Canadian and international designs last week.

The fashion show, Androgynous, and the accompanying trade show were organized and produced entirely by Humber Fashion Arts students.

Proceeds from the show will go to the Covenant House, a crisis intervention centre for homeless

youth aged 16 to 21. The centre provides homeless youth with a warm bed, nutritious food, clean clothes, counselling and medical care.

The total amount that will be donated will be known next week.

Androgynous featured designers such as Hugo Boss, Nautica, Unlimited, Replay, Brian Bailey and the 1997 Fashion Fantasy Award winner of Yorkdale New Designer Discovery, Noel Crisostomo.

"The show was a great success, the best ever," said Carolann Organ, a fashion professor at Humber.

The 7 p.m. show was sold out with standing room only for most of the guests.

Representatives from Hugo Boss and Brian Bailey attended the show to see their fashions displayed by the students.



Citrus lime, orange, and yellow and nudes and pastels are the colors of the season.

Good photos in a flash



by Kris Harvey
Lifestyles Reporter

Photography has always been a popular hobby. But many of us don't really know how to take a good picture or what equipment we should use.

Suzy Ketene, of *Photo Life Magazine*, said there are many common mistakes made by amateur photographers. "Many people line-up a group against a wall which creates an ugly shadow. If you move your subjects off the wall this makes for a better picture."

Chris Chown, a photography teacher at Humber College, said, "It is most important to fill the view finder, make sure the subject is large in the frame. Take time to talk to your subjects, pose them, make them feel relaxed."

Ketene suggests paying more attention to your background helps to produce a great picture. "People tend not to pay attention to the background and many times they end up with a pole or a tree branch sticking out of their subject's head." Ketene said a cluttered background is also a bad idea because it takes away from the main focus of the picture.

Shooting into the sun or in front of a window makes a person's face either very dark or completely black, said Ketene. "People must pay attention to double exposing their pictures," she said. Many people forget or are confused as to whether they have used a film or not. Many tend to reload a film that already has exposure."

Ketene has a few tips for new photographers. Overcast days can provide the best lighting for a picture. And anyone who is an amateur and is thinking of buying a new camera, she recommended the Advanced Photo System (APS).

The APS was launched about eight months ago. The APS film was a joint venture between Kodak and Fuji, and the APS camera was a combined project with Nikon, Cannon, and Minolta.

Laysum Lim, from Blacks

Photography, described the new camera as smaller than most and said only APS film can be used in an APS camera. "It is a more convenient camera and easier to operate," said Lim.

One of the features that comes with the developing of your APS film includes a contact sheet, or an index. This is the sheet of paper with all of your negatives on it, which allows you to choose which pictures you would like to develop and which aren't worth spending the money on.

Another feature on the camera is the ability to choose the size of picture you want. For example, if you wanted a picture to be 4" x 6" you can set your camera before you even take the picture. You have the choice of 4" x 6", 4" x 7", or 4" x 10".

"The canister is smaller," said Lim. "Also the camera lets you know if you have already used the roll before or not. There are no problems with double exposing your film."

Gilda Davis, from Henry's a Toronto camera shop, said the APS has improved on color in production, but, "The sales aren't as high as we thought, it has got off to a slow start."



Taking photographs doesn't have to be difficult. It could just mean changing the film or lense you use.

Virginia Beach cool summer hot spot

by Mike Damergis
Lifestyles Reporter

After a long gloomy winter, Canadians are going to Virginia to catch an early start to warm weather and sunshine.

Virginia Beach is 12 to 15 hours from the Ontario border. Although it is still relatively cool as far as Virginians are concerned, with temperatures still hovering in the 60s (Fahrenheit).

About half a million Canadians visit the state of Virginia a year and the bulk come in March, April and May.

Most Americans don't start travelling until after Memorial Day in late May.

Martha Steger, of Virginia Tourism, said "Canadians are

very important to us because they come in such large numbers and because they come heavily in the first part of the year."

Most Canadians go to Virginia Beach in the summer months,

when businesses close down for a couple of weeks and sunbathing conditions are at their best. Chris Christie, manager of the Dunes Hotel, said, "they just love sun and the surf that the beach offers."

Ron Kuhlman, director of Convention and Visitor Development, said, "Canadians drop close to \$40 million a year in Virginia."

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eight to nine per cent of the total travellers to Virginia Beach a year.

Although the Canadian dollar only gives you about 73 cents, Virginia Beach offers affordable rates compared to many resort areas in the states.

Steger said, "Canadian travellers have gotten used to having a lower dollar, since it's been going on for awhile."

So break out the golf clubs and shorts, Virginia is just hours away.

Get your brakes checked before they wear out

by Dionne Francis
Lifestyles Reporter

Whenever a car makes a squealing noise when the brakes are applied, it is usually a sign of trouble.

"How long brakes will last depends on the driver," said Desmond Dick of Des' Automobile Repair in Oshawa. "It depends on where the car is driven and how."

Dick said mileage plays a big part, but if the car is being driven in a low traffic area, the brakes will last longer.

"If the car is being driven in a lot of traffic, where the brakes are constantly being applied, the brakes are going to wear out quicker," Dick said.

"Brakes should be serviced every 20,000 km. They get dirt, dust and water in them. They also wear unevenly. They need to be cleaned," said Dick. Without being serviced, the efficiency of the brakes is reduced. "Dust and dirt can't get out," he said.

The front brakes perform most of the work needed to stop the automobile, especially in automatic cars.

"The brakes last longer on a standard," said Dick, noting he will replace two sets of front brakes for one set of rear.

Highway driving is easier on brakes because the brakes are seldom being used.

"Highway driving is less hard on the brakes," said Lance Brown of Speedy Muffler, in Etobicoke. "It depends on the driver though. Once a year should be fine," he said.

It is important to get brakes checked to catch any major wear and tear early. If ignored too long, a person may end up replacing their whole braking system, which can be very costly.

"The brake pads always go first," Dick said. "There is no specific time for brakes to wear out, that's why they should be checked regularly."



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AIDS awareness helps all cultures

by Paula Davis
Lifestyles Reporter

National volunteer week is celebrated during the month of April. With the recent provincial cuts, more and more agencies are relying on volunteers to assist in these services.

One such AIDS agency is the Black Coalition for AIDS Prevention (Black CAP). It is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization that works closely with the community. They allow a place for black people to go and not be judged. It evolved to fulfill the role of providing ways to prevent HIV/AIDS through education, and deliver services such as counselling and other forms of support to those infected with HIV/AIDS or those in the black affected in other ways.

Black CAP, established in 1990, came out of a need for an organization to provide culturally specific intervention in the black community and others, said Juanita Smith, Black CAP's educational co-ordinator.

"There are cultural nuances, as we deal with how we meet, etc. It is not just black people but Asians, South East Asians, Anglo, Francophones. I think that it is important that people delivering the programs, in any community are aware of those cultural nuances since they have implication on programming," Smith said.

"The messenger is as important as the message. You must have

people who are connected with the population that the message is intended to reach. If not it's going to be a total failure," Smith said.

The message that Black CAP had to send is that HIV/AIDS is not just a white gay men's disease, but that there are homosexuals in the black community.

"The church plays a large part of the denial of homosexuality in the black community. In my opinion our relationship with the church has been one that has been very powerful over the past 400 years because of the broader race, class and caste that we were forced into. What Black CAP did was never back down," Smith said.

The organization got off the ground with grants from Health Canada and the Ministry of Health. Some of the services that it provides are emergency financial assistance, advocacy, rides to the hospital, HIV testing and giving out free condoms. All the services are confidential.

"We have an information table at community events, we distribute resources through Canada and the United States. We have also helped people going overseas to do work such as the Red Cross and Youth Challenge International by giving them materials on how we do our work and our rationale. And of course we have the Caribana condom drive," Smith said.

Caribana is a 10-day annual festival celebrating Caribbean her-

itage. The event closes with a parade that attracts thousands of people from around the world to downtown Toronto. BLACK Cap uses this event to get their message of practicing safe sex and preventing HIV out on a mass level. Smith said, "Twenty-five per cent of clients accessing Black CAP in the past few years say they found out about it at the parade. This tells me that this is a critical intervention because we are putting a public face to AIDS by having volunteers hand out condoms and info cards. Also, people that might not get the message are being exposed to it."

High profile disclosures have a direct relation to an increase in people accessing the organization.

"Arthur Ashe, Magic Johnson and rapper Ez-E are all heterosexual males. There has been a boom of people from different races accessing testing sites. Individuals are saying if these icons can get it, then so can I," Smith said.

Smith doesn't not know if there will ever be a cure for AIDS. More than a dozen years after the discovery, there are still a large number of people being infected. Smith does believe there is one avenue to prevention.

"I think that education is the only way to stop the epidemic. That's all I believe in, since awareness is the first step to behavioral [change] and we have to keep plugging away there," she said.

Slip, slap, slop on the sunscreen

by Jackie Christie
Lifestyles Reporter

It is estimated by the year 2000, one in 75 people will be diagnosed with melanoma — the deadliest of skin cancers.

According to the American National Cancer Institute, melanoma has a 95 per cent cure rate if detected early, although an estimated 2,700 women in the United States died of it in 1996. Those with light hair and skin, blue eyes, a lot of moles, or a family history of the disease are more susceptible.

"Melanoma is one of the most harmful cancers out of all of the different types of skin cancers. If it is not detected early, a person can die from it. But if it is detected early, it can be easily cured," said Diane Finkle, Ontario health promotion's manager division of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Melanoma forms when the DNA in melanocytes, the cells that make you tan, mutate causing them to grow out of control. If left untreated, the growth can be fatal. Some researchers speculate the increase in rates of melanoma is due to the deteriorating ozone layer.

The Canadian Cancer Society said many different lifestyle changes often help combat cancer. The most important prevention for skin cancer is to avoid the sun.

Finkle said skin cancer is almost always curable if treated early.

"Our Senses message is simple," she said. "Slip! Slap! Slop! Slip on a shirt, slap on a hat, and slop on some sunscreen."

She also said to avoid direct exposure to the sun, if possible, by covering up using clothing such as long-sleeved shirts, hats and use plenty of sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 15 or more.

According to an article written for *Climate News* on ozone depletion, people can avoid skin cancer by monitoring UV levels, which are reported daily by the US National Weather Service. When the UV index is high, individuals should limit time in the sun and be aware of the health hazards and early symptoms of cancer.

If melanoma or any other type of skin cancer has been detected early, it can be removed in surgery. According to Finkle, the area around the cancer is then tested to make sure there is no more cancer.

"If you notice a change in your skin, especially a change in shape of a mole, or experience itching then you should be checked out by your doctor immediately," said Finkle.

The Canadian Cancer Society is having a sun awareness week from May 25-31 to educate people about this disease and its risks.

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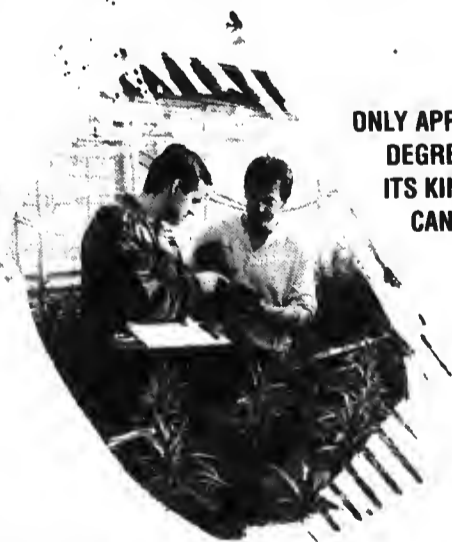
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New injected contraceptive not ideal for young women

by Cathy Mix
Lifestyles Reporter

Humber's Health Centre Co-ordinator does not recommend the newest form of contraceptives for young women.

One of the side effects of Depo-provera is "it has a lengthy indeterminate time when you can't conceive," said Marg Anne Jones.

And, she said, the other side effects, can be more severe than with oral contraceptives. It can take up to two years to begin your period again after use of Depo-provera has been discontinued.

However, over three million women world wide are using Depo-provera to prevent pregnancy. The drug is administered by injection every 12 weeks.

"It works in a similar way to the birth control pill in that it prevents ovulation," Deidre Bainbridge of the Bay Centre for Birth Control in Toronto said.

According to an article in the FDA Consumer magazine, Depo-

"Most women who discontinue this method will start their normal fertility cycle within six months. About 25 per cent of women will take another two years to get back their periods,"
- Diedre Bainbridge, Bay Centre for Birth Control

provera stops the production of gonadotropin, which is the hormone that controls ovulation.

Bainbridge said the drug also effects cervical mucous causing difficulty when semen tries to enter the uterus.

Depo-provera has been legal in Canada for many years to treat such things as breast cancer and menstrual problems. According to Bainbridge, Canada and India were the only countries in the world that were not using the drug for birth control until last week. The drug was approved for use in Canada on April 3.

Bainbridge said the Bay Centre has been giving Depo-provera for birth control for many years, even though it was not approved for that use.

"If you looked in any women's magazine, you would see advertisements for it," she said.

According to the FDA Consumer magazine, a woman should get her first injection of Depo-provera within five days after starting her menstrual period. The drug is effective immediately but does not protect against sexually transmitted diseases like AIDS, herpes, chlamydia, and gonorrhoea.

Bainbridge said about six months after a woman has started using Depo-provera, she will stop getting her period.

According to Jones, the drug is the most effective form of birth control. It is 99 per cent effective, comparable to the birth control pill which is 98 per cent effective.

"The failure rate is 0.25 to 0.3 per cent," said Jones.

"Almost anyone can use it," Bainbridge said. "It has benefits over the birth control pill in that women who might not be able to use the birth control pill because of a history of blood clots, but

they can use Depo-provera because there is no estrogen in it." Estrogen in birth control pills contributes to blood clots.

She also said women who have trouble taking oral contraceptives because they get nauseous or have digestive problems, which might make the pill ineffective, can use the injections with no problem. Women who have busy schedules and forget to take the pill also might be interested in Depo-provera.

"People who don't like needles should not use the drug," Bainbridge said.

She also said people who have difficulty keeping appointments with a physician should not use the drug. Women who want to get pregnant in the next two years should also not use the drug.

"Most women who discontinue this method will start their normal fertility cycle within six months to a year," Bainbridge said. "About 25 per cent of women will take another two years to get back their periods."

Side effects of the drug are very similar to those found when using birth control pills.

Jones agreed, but stressed the side effects are more pronounced with Depo-provera. Irregular bleeding or no periods at all are a main cause for concern for Depo-provera users, Jones said. "Fifty per cent of people have one or the other."

The FDA Consumer magazine also said the most common side effect of Depo-provera is change in the menstrual cycle. There may be some irregular bleeding or spotting, but that eventually stops after several injections. Weight gain is another side effect. Bainbridge said a weight gain of two to five pounds every year while on the drug may occur.



Depo-provera works in the same way as the birth control pill but has disturbing side effects said Humber's Health Centre Co-ordinator.

Some patients may also experience headaches, nervousness, abdominal pain, dizziness, weakness or fatigue.

"There were some concerns about Depo-provera and breast cancer...research internationally has shown no significant increase (of risk while on Depo-provera)," Bainbridge said.

She also added, "There needs to be more research done on a possible connection between Depo-provera and decrease in bone density. We just don't know if there is a connection or not."

Bainbridge also said there have been concerns expressed by women's groups over political issues and Depo-provera.

Bainbridge said, "In the past, Depo-provera has been given to disabled women, institutionalized women, psychiatric patients, in order for staff not to have to deal

with periods, or staff to be able to control those women's reproductive health."

"Rather than saying that women can't have this for political reasons, it's really about making sure that there is some acknowledgment of a bad history, and making sure that the person who has control over this is the woman, and that it's safe," she added.

The Bay Centre for Birth Control charges \$25 for each injection.

Bainbridge said use in Canada is not that widespread because the drug was just recently approved.

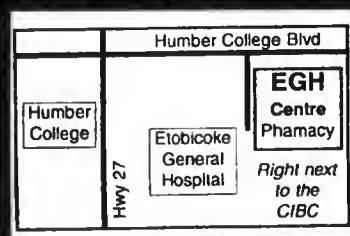
"There aren't that many physicians who would be willing to stick their necks out and give something when it is not approved for that (birth control), even though they know it could be used for that and it's very effective,"

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Music Movies Theatre Fashion

No sophomore jinx

by Scott Middleton
Entertainment Reporter

It wasn't long ago that everyone thought any music coming out of Canada sucked.

Some people still feel that way. Some people obviously haven't heard of Moist, I Mother Earth, Big Sugar or Rusty to name a few.

"What's happened for bands like Rusty and all other Canadian bands wouldn't have necessarily happened 10 years ago," said Ken MacNeil, Rusty's lead singer. "There are a lot of kids out there now that like Canadian music as a whole. There's a real awareness now. Kids are into it and open to it. You don't have to be from somewhere else to have kids come out to shows."

The members of Rusty have lived in Toronto for 12 years now and they plan on staying unlike other bands who now seem to be flocking to Montreal or Vancouver or worse, out of Canada all together.

MacNeil and bassist Jim Moore moved here from Nova Scotia with their previous band, One Free Fall.

Ex-Doughboys guitarist Scott McCullough moved here from Montreal and drummer Mitch Perkins is from Toronto.

"We try to sell records in a lot of countries but it's nice to be able to do well at home," said MacNeil. "A long time ago that wasn't really the way it worked. Now we do better here than anywhere. What better way than to start at home."

The band released its first album *Fluke* in 1995 which is currently approaching Gold status (50,000 units). They toured for a few years doing 250 shows then came back to write a distinctly different sounding second album ironically named *Sophomoric*.

All hilarities about album names aside this new one doesn't sound like the Rusty you thought you knew, or maybe it sounds more like Rusty.

Rusty doesn't sound as, well, rusty as it used to. They cleaned their sound up.

"We don't want to get too much into one direction. If it sounds different and it's a change, it's just an actual change," said MacNeil.

So why the change?

"If you look at the evolution of where we came from to now it's just a different thing now. The first record we made were songs we wrote together when we weren't really even a band. We were just guys writing songs together," said MacNeil. "And out of that Rusty was born and then we recorded and made a record. Then we went out and toured for 250 nights. Then we sat down and wrote a record that would be a Rusty record."

So now Rusty, a Canadian band, has two successful records, a number of hit singles and videos and has toured with Collective Soul and other huge bands.

All this from a band that is on



Rusty's debut album *Fluke* has almost reached gold status in sales.

an independent label.

Rusty is the show piece of Toronto-based Handsome Boy Records, a small group of people who MacNeil said, "give a shit."

He also said they plan on staying where they are.

"I mean, labels want to sign us but they can't offer anything that we don't already have other than tons of money," said MacNeil. "What can they say to us? 'We'll get you on the radio.' We're already on the radio. 'They can get

our videos played.' They already play our videos. 'We can get your records in the store.' They already are in the store so really I can't see the point. But if there was a point, I'd be the first one there. Handsome Boy is doing a good job and we're behind them."

"I think we've achieved some things independently that are going to be good for independent music and I'm behind it," said MacNeil. "I mean if no one wants to help you, do it yourself."

Not so Daft...Punk

by Renee Buchanan
Entertainment Reporter

There couldn't possibly be a better way to spend a Saturday night.

Despite the overcrowded club and obnoxious security, Daft Punk at Industry April 12 demonstrated the techno outfit are more talent than flash in the pan.

Daft Punk, the 'faceless' techno duo from Paris drifted through Toronto this week in a whirlwind of interviews and television appearances.

The grand finale of the French invasion was a DJ stint at Industry, 901 King St. W.

Thomas Bangalter and Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo appeared earlier last week on MuchMusic wearing clear plastic masks that slightly altered their appearance.

This anonymity, combined with the duo's noticeable absence from



Thomas (left) and Guy from Daft Punk spinning their way to fame.

their increasingly popular video "Da Funk", offers an air of mystery to the DJs mutant disco sound.

Bangalter and de Homem-Christo met in 1987 and formed a guitar band, Darling in 1990.

When a journalist reviewed the band and said they sounded like "Daft Punk", the two DJs chose this quote for their new techno twosome, when Bangalter received a sampler for his birthday.

When Daft Punk hit the mixing tables at approximately 1 a.m., the crowd at Industry rushed to the dance floor for over an hour of house and disco driven beats.

The final song of the night, their hit single, "Da Funk", saw the dance floor crowd go wild.

Although Daft Punk appeared at Industry to solely DJ, rumor has it that the two will be back before the summer to play more hits like "Around the World", the new single off their album.

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Bono, as said to *US* magazine

Shakespeare hits Humber

by Shannon Hancock
Entertainment Reporter

It would have been nice to hear the first 10 minutes of Shakespeare's *Richard III*, but after the extremely loud gunshots in the opening scene, all I could hear was the ringing in my ears and the jangling of my nerves.

The play begins with the word "Now," and Theatre Humber took advantage by modernizing it. The actors carry guns instead of swords, wear modern army garb and Herb Tarlek-style clothing, and there were journalists with video cameras and Pentax K-1000s running around covering Richard's speeches. It became progressively more ridiculous, but definitely amusing. The result, after all those gunshots in

the beginning, was that I didn't know whether I should laugh hysterically or crawl under the seat in terror.

But the actors are superb. Paul Robbins shines in the role of Richard. He is more than just convincing; he is commanding and mesmerizing, and also very amusing at times. Equally wonderful is Teri Carty playing Queen Margaret.

The entire cast handled the Shakespearean language beautifully, with virtually no stumbles or forgotten lines.

One particularly terrifying, and therefore marvellous, scene involved Donal Foley as George, Duke of Clarence in a stunning description of a nightmare in which he drowns. Shakespeare's prose is beautiful, but it is the acting that brings the feelings of horror into each audience member,

and Foley succeeded immediately. In one of the best displays of acting in a play full of good actors, Foley pulled the audience in and didn't let go.

Another impressive part of this production was the lighting. In a very small and very dark place like the Studio Theatre, the lighting can make all the difference, and it did here. The lights surrounding the actors and highlighting their expressive faces made the play everything it needed to be in each scene, especially the frightening ones.

Richard III is a story in which Richard, Duke of Gloucester murders his way to the throne of England and is later haunted by the ghosts of those he killed. Theatre Humber's production of *Richard III* runs until April 20.

Oh, my Oklahoma!

by Shannon Hancock
Entertainment Reporter

It was worth the price of admission just to hear Brenda Massey and Curtis King croon the classic songs.

As Curly and Laurey in Rodgers and Hammerstein's wonderful *Oklahoma!* Massey and King brought something close to magic to the stage at Weston Collegiate Institute on April 3.

From the moment King stepped onto the stage singing "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'", we were taken out of Toronto and straight to Oklahoma and Aunt Eller's farmhouse.

Surrounded by the enthusiastic

and talented York Weston Players, including Brenda Sullivan in a fine performance as Aunt Eller, it was probably fairly easy for King and Massey to bring the timeless love story to life.

Helder Ramos was a successfully sinister presence in the role of Jud Fry.

And points for sparkling and exciting stage presence go to Bruce Tetlow, who clearly enjoyed playing Will Parker and danced like a demon as well.

Julie Lennick was a hilariously lovable Ado Annie and had the audience giggling during her rendition of the whimsical "I Can't Say No!"

The orchestra, conducted by Michael Barber, was a pleasure to listen to during all the songs, but was especially delightful during the Overture and set changes. At times, they drowned out the voices of the singers, but not long enough that anything was lost.

The sets were designed by Chris Clifford, and were much more detailed than expected. Not satisfied with the usual painted backdrops, this play boasted a real farmhouse for Aunt Eller and Laurey, which served as a convincing stage exit for the actors. Jud's humble haven was even more elaborate, a convincing barn setting complete with saddles hanging on

the walls.

The only problem with the whole production was that it was difficult at times to hear some of the lines, a situation that became a common conversation piece among audience members during the intermission.

Oklahoma! is a classic and hilarious story in which love blossoms all over the stage while Jud Fry obsessively pursues Laurey, Aunt Eller stops fights between farmers and cowboys, and Ado Annie attempts to find Mr. Right in a peddler who wants nothing to do with her.

Pop goes the album

by Kristan Jones
Entertainment Reporter

U2's latest album, *Pop*, which was released March 4, is not unlike anything they've tried before. They didn't wander off their beaten path. In fact, *Pop* sounds nothing like their debut song "Discotheque", but more like their *Zooropa* album. Other songs like "Staring at the Sun" and "If God Will Send His Angels", are more of the U2 style that we've heard in the past. This album was not a sell-out in any way. The only thing that this band has sold out is tickets to their concerts.

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- hired by a person to whom they are NOT related (i.e. son, daughter, spouse, brother, sister.)

Employer Eligibility:

- operating in Ontario
- in the private, non-profit or broader public sector (municipalities, schools, universities, colleges, hospitals);
- not related to the person they are hiring (i.e. son, daughter, spouse, brother, sister);
- have Workers' Compensation Board coverage, or equivalent, and third party liability insurance coverage.

Employers may identify youth that they wish to hire with the wage subsidy. In these cases, the employer is responsible for confirming that the youth meet all of the program eligibility criteria (i.e. age, employment status, residency, relationship). In addition, participant profile information must be submitted on the employer claim form.

Employers cannot use this wage subsidy for youth who were hired before applying for the subsidy. In addition, youth hired through this program cannot displace existing staff.

SECTION 2

Service Delivery Guidelines:

Each delivery agency is responsible for:

- marketing the Summer Jobs Service to local employers;
- making youth aware of job search resources and local labour market information, including job leads and self-employment opportunities;
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SUMMER **Jobs**

All the nasty little Internet problems brought to light



by Robert Dutt
Technology Reporter

An end-of-the year summary of everything bad, tasteless tacky and just plain useless on the Net.



by Darren Leroux
Technology Reporter

Did you know that precise weighting makes a golf ball what it is?

That's just one of the tidbits of information I learned this weekend, thanks to the Internet.

The problem is, I didn't ask for this information, or either of the get-rich quick schemes which were thoughtfully sent to me from an anonymous e-mail address.

No matter where you look on the Internet, junk mail and advertising are taking over.

Two years ago, this would have been considered sacrilege by the Internet community, which was then dominated by educational facilities. A year ago, it would have been considered an annoyance. Today, two or three pieces of junk e-mail a day, and a relentless "This Space For Rent" mentality on websites are the norm.

Welcome to the commercialization of the Internet.

Junk e-mail is now a fact of life. If you've registered your e-mail address with a site that doesn't specifically say it's not going to pass your address on, chances are they will. But that's not all they do to ferret out e-mail addresses to send their schemes, scams and "offers" to. Anyone who's ever posted to a newsgroup is now a possible recipient, because there are programs that serve no other purpose than to read through newsgroups, adding every e-mail address it finds to its mailing list.

It's not just e-mail, either. What started as a good idea has gotten out of control, site advertising. When it was just the Internet Link Exchange, a program which allows you to advertise on other pages in return for providing those pages advertising space, it was okay. But now, there's Link Exchanges and Advertising Rings for just about everything under the sun. Companies are offering free web space to people who are willing to flog their products mercilessly, leading to sites which are, without exaggeration, 80 per cent advertising and 20 per cent content. Considering most of those advertisements are large-sized image files, that means longer download times, a real pain for home users on slower modems.

The commercialization has even spread into the arena of Internet Service Providers. As massive service providers like America OnLine, CompuServe and the Microsoft Network have made their services less expensive, local Internet providers have banded together to form larger companies in hopes of competing. The result is an Internet dominated by major companies that don't care too much for the people who use their service.

Six months ago, I was a member of a smaller service provider, and whenever I had a problem, it was dealt with quickly and courteously. Today, as a member of a nation-wide Internet Provider, I can expect to be put on hold for over an hour, waiting to tell my story of woe.

It used to be that the Internet was a small community for people who were computer enthusiasts or university students. When that community expanded, for the better of all involved, it soon found it had the same sinister underside as any other expanding society.

If the current trends continue, when the worldwide fad that is the Internet dies down a little, it may find itself as the hoola hoop of the information age and that would be a shame.

"You want what?"
"A year end column for tech," she said.
"A year end column eh? On what?"
"Whatever you like," she shrugged.

If ever there was an opening for disaster, my editor had made it. Write a column for the Tech section on whatever I wanted for the last issue of the *Et Cetera*.

So here it is, a column on the amazing world of cyber sex. Na, scratch that, it's been done.

What I will write about is web pages. There are millions of them out there, Lord knows I've seen a lot of them. Unfortunately, of the pages out there, many are simply brutal. Now I'm not saying that I'm an expert on web pages, far from it. But I know a good page when I see one. Hence the creation of Wicked Web Sites, where I surfed the Net for hours on end looking for cool, bizarre, or horrible sites that we thought everyone should see.

Enough of that, let's talk about web pages and what I think people should keep in mind when they decide to create one.

First of all, you have to think about what it should contain. This is an important part of creating a page. It should contain what interests you and what you think will interest others. So if I haven't made myself clear, it should be interesting. Good things to include when you decide on this is to include links to other places on the web that are related to your interests.

It should also look good. Interesting backgrounds, pictures, and images always help.

Basically, that's what you should have to make it interesting. That's the easy part. Now for the really important part, what to avoid.

There are four things you should be aware of and avoid when creating your page. These following tips are essential to ensuring that your page is not a total flop.

Avoid using too many frames, they take a long time to load, and that annoys many surfers out there. One or two frames are more than enough. Any more than that and your page will just become a nuisance.

Another thing to avoid is large GIFs and JPEGs. Anything over 100k generally takes a little while to load. One is okay, but anymore than that and people will get tired of waiting for the images to load. If you have a lot of big images that you think should be seen, you should add more pages. This would turn your page into a site. If you do this you can put the images into a picture/image area where people will expect to wait for a little bit.

You should also watch out for putting up too much personal information. Not everyone wants to know about the eating habits of your cat, Fluffy. Limit what you say about yourself, talk about who you are and what you like. Just enough to make yourself look good.

Another thing is to look out for advertising. Getting involved with places like Link Exchange and such is okay, but don't turn your entire page into an advertisement. One or two ads to a page is more than enough.

So those are the things that I suggest you try to implement and avoid when creating a web page. Others may disagree, but there is no accounting for good taste. Thus ends my advice on how to start a good page that won't end up on a "Worst of the Web" review.

Till next semester.

Wicked WEB Sites

by Robert Dutt and Darren Leroux

The Pulse Page

www.geocities.com/Hollywood/Set/4117

Rob and I have been good all year, so here it is. A link to my site, the Pulse page, it's growing and gradually improving. It'll be something to watch, mainly because it's going to be a great site, no, make that an amazing site, no, make that a stupendous site. Aw hell, just go see it.

The Rind

www.geocities.com/Hollywood/Set/4117/rind.html

It's new, it's a risk, and it's going to kick ass. That's all there is to say about The Rind.

The Andromeda Group

vader.castles.com/annmar/

Un-freaking believable. And people thought that the Heaven's Gate group was weird. These guys take scary up to that level and then some. There's even a letter from Heaven's Gate39 that's posted up there. This entire site can be described very simply, it's bad, and the idea is scary, if not *deja vu-like*.

The NPWA Online

npwa.simplenet.com/

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create a musclebound alterego and step into the ring to battle against fellow 'net wrestling freaks.

This site has all you need to know: how it works, who the players are, as well as a RealAudio "hot-line" with the latest rumors from around the league. All that, and the webmaster is a GREAT guy!

Worst Technical Writing Contest

www.corecomm.com/corecomm/worst.html

Ah, here's a site dedicated to something we here at Wicked Web Sites know a lot about — bad writing. In fact, this site strives to collect the grammatically-impossible, the spelling challenged, and the just plain silly. Something to think about when you're stressing over finishing a COMM essay.

The HTML Bad Style Guide

www.earth.com/bad-style/

Bad web pages. The ugliest of the ugly, the tackiest of the tacky, the most disgusting of the...well, you get the picture. Want to have an awful web site of your own? This is the place to find out exactly what to do to send people running from their monitor in horror the second they surf in.



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Et Cetera Sports

A Tiger's tale

by Joe Mercer
Sports Editor

It's a story for the ages. It is a hero that has overcome unbeatable odds.

And like every good story, it has a happy ending.

Not only did Tiger Woods become a 21-year-old who shattered records with his massive drives that averaged over 300-yards, he shattered any mis-belief that non-whites can play a "white sport".

Maybe it was supposed to happen this way, on the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson's emergence into pro baseball, no one can be for sure, but the one thing that Tiger proved for sure was, he can play golf, and play it well.

Tiger Woods just didn't win the Masters, the most prestigious golfing event of the year, he dominated the competition.

He became the youngest player to ever win the Masters. His four-round total of 270 was the best score ever recorded in the tournament, and his 12-stroke margin was the largest in Masters history.

Lee Elder, the first black player ever to become a member at the Augusta National golf course, approached Tiger on the last day of the tournament, and inspired the young golfer to succeed.

"He came down and just inspired me," Tiger Woods said in a televised speech after the Masters. "It really reinforced what I had to do."

Woods is among those who believe that his victory in the Masters may help to open up the color barrier, but he isn't completely sold on it happening right away.

What Tiger Woods has done for golf may always be compared to what Jackie Robinson did to baseball, but Woods doesn't see it that way.

Woods sees himself as a pioneer of golf because of his game, not because of his color.

The sad thing about it is people will never see Tiger as an incredible golfer, but as an incredible black golfer.

Sports quotel

Yankee pitcher Dwight Gooden on serving up a homerun ball to Jose Canseco:

"I just accept that I'm stupid."

Toronto Sun April 12, 1997

Get rid of that spare tire

by Renee Buchanan and Bethany Lee

Sport Reporters

Students generally have high body fat levels and poor cardiovascular fitness, according to Bob Chordis, a Humber recreation graduate and service manager for Bally's Total Fitness Centre located by the 427.

He and two other staff members were promoting the benefits of "total body fitness" at a trade show at Humber.

The club offered Humber students a deal; \$198 for a six-month membership.

"We're getting away from the 'musclehead' mentality," said Chordis. "We are very ethical. Some clubs are like, 'If you ask me a question, I'll charge you a dollar.'

"We don't have a hard sell," Chordis said. "We put efforts in during the first month; this is the most important time...if you don't come in for your endurance training, you'll become another statistic; we're not going to chase you."

Large clubs can offer cardiovascular workouts, flexibility training, muscular strength, body composition, and give general exercise

and nutrition advice, Chordis said.

Students took part in on-site fitness level testing.

"Students have shown a lot of curiosity," Chordis said.

"I think that's a really good price; I paid \$250 to join the YMCA for four months. If I had the money I might join, but I'm a poor bastard," said one Humber student.

Personal training has been being pushed at some of the larger clubs recently.

However, Chordis explained this can be very expensive and is part of the "hard-sell" attitude. Bally's aims to promote what Chordis called "total fitness", and move away from personal training.

Chordis said Humber students could benefit by working out at Bally's because they are not intimidating, they welcome all age groups and have a wide range of equipment.



People from all walks of life can benefit from working out at health clubs such as Bally's.

Women's volleyball making the grade

by Jeff Allen

Sports Reporter

The women's volleyball team may have had a disappointing year, there were still those on the court who signified Humber and its athletic program. Here is how the women performed over the course of the past season.

#2 Dyan Layne: brought in from the Women's Soccer team, after injury to Roberts...performed well in a limited role...became the Hawks most serious blocking threat...needs to improve hitting game to become a complete player...named the team's Most Improved Player. **B-**

#3 Angela Darrach: a small gritty player, she overcame her size to become a valuable bench player...the team's most consistent server, for awhile she was Hood's ace in the hole...constantly buzzing around the bench jumping and yelling...deserved more playing time than she got. **B-**

#4 Brenda Ramos: another player who played above her stature...after a slow start she adjusted to the blue and gold to become the Hawks main threat...was helped out greatly by the return of Roberts, which took pressure off her to have to kill every ball...she will be missed next season...may be the most difficult ingredient for the Hawks to replace...OCAA all-star...named co-winner of team MVP with Fletcher. **A**

#5 Caroline Fletcher: the undisputed leader on the court...may be the best setter in Canada...she won player of the game...two tournament MVP's...was an OCAA all-star...co-winner of team MVP with Ramos...constantly the talk of fans, referees, and opposing players...desperately needs a hard hitting power to set to. **A+**

#7 Amanda Roberts: the biggest of the Hawks, her size was missed while she was out with her back injury...disappeared from the team while out...her defensive shortcoming, namely digging, was exposed at times. **B-**

#9 Lindsay Anderson: not the most skilled Hawk, she easily was the toughest cookie on this gritty team...played constantly with high emotion, which she needs to learn to channel...was there to pick the team up with heart...and on-court leadership...a key returnee. **A-**

#10 Carloine Ambrose: another hard-nosed player, she showed her worth near the end of the season...played all of the playoff games with the flu, a testament to her grit...needs to have a much more consistent spike, she either hits a huge kill, or would hit the back wall...a dark-horse for next year. **B-**

#11 Richelle Elder: hard working...a quiet leader...was the Hawks most consistent power until her ankle injury at the Shocker Cup in January...needs to regain her confidence to return to form...coaching staff should have given her more of a shot to return to the starting lineup. **B-**

#12 Leslie Wheatley: another player who didn't receive much playing time...injuries at the start of the year had her away from the team frequently...a well-rounded player who isn't spectacular, but isn't weak in any area...helps keep up the spirit despite lack of playing time. **C+**

#13 Carla Riva: started off the year on the bench, but was a starter by the end of year...in mid-season she was the key defensive element for the Hawks...cooled off, but still a great defensive player...as a power needs a more consistent attacking game...seemed to slump after her sister Leslie left the team. **B**

#17 Andrea Roberts: the team's best "team" player...received very little playing time...should have gotten a chance to play in some of the early season games. **N/G**

Collen Gray: as a former player she relates well to her players...was 4-0, with a 10-2 record in games, when given the coaching reins...a excellent technical student of the game...should have used her experience as a player more at the OCAA's.

Dave Hood: despite the short bench you can't argue with his success...took a team of almost all rookies and lead them the OCAA's...in past was known for his emotion while on the bench, something he didn't do this year...a great teacher of the game...he seemed to pack up shop when the going got tough at the OCAA's...should have used the bench more at the beginning of the year when the games didn't matter...could do great things with this team next year.

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The "lizard-friendly", "cigar friendly", "generally nice people friendly", "pure evil friendly" sports editors...Mmmm evill -Joe "the evil one" Mercer & Brandon "crack Induced" Grigg

SportsNUT

by Brandon Grigg

The NHL season has come to a close for the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Finishing with a record of 30 wins, 44 losses and 8 ties the Leafs did better than anyone expected. After trading Doug Gilmour fans and the media gave up on a problem-plagued season. But with his neck on the line, General Manager Cliff Fletcher made the right move in trading Gilmour.

Gilmour was dedicated to the Leafs, but his play was slipping badly. Even in his heart he gave up before the midway point of the season. Now with the New Jersey Devils he has returned to his old form in leading the Devils to the playoffs.

The Leafs received a package of young players with the ability to turn this team around.

Jason Smith- His play on defense sparked the Leafs in the late half of the season with big hits and good D. He will be a fixture on the blue line for years to come.

Steve Sullivan- Looks like a young Doug Gilmour flying up and down the ice, even if his defense is suspect. Look for him to blossom into an 80 to 100 point man next season.

Alyn McCauley- We'll be seeing a lot of this guy next season, probably on the second or third line. Look for a 30 or 40 point season in his first year.

Will these kids take the Leafs into the playoffs in 98? Not just yet but the 97-98 season will be a more successful one.

Heys it's a hell of a lot more fun to watch a bunch of young guys improving than a bunch of 40 year old guys limping up and down the ice.

Sports in short

The Blue Jays are still having trouble winning games. Too bad Roger can't bat too.

Fifty years after he played his first game for the Brooklyn Dodgers Jackie Robinson had his number 42 retired all over the league. No player can ever wear his number again. And hopefully no one will ever go through what he did again.

Raptors playoff bound 97-98! I know it's hard to believe that the Raptors will ever be able to make the playoffs, but it's going to happen, and it'll happen next season.

In-line skating still rolling

by Mary Quickert.

Sports Reporter

In-line skating is one of the fastest growing sports in North America for all ages ranging from three-year-old kids to 80-year-old adults, Sport Chek manager Matt Shintani said.

According to Shintani "It doesn't take long to become an in-line skater — the proper term is in-line — Rollerblade is the manufacturer."

Sport Chek's advice is to buy within your budget. Their price range for adults starts at \$79 and runs into the \$100's.

"You pretty much get what you pay for. I know lots of first time buyers who've bought cheap Kmart or Toys R Us skates for \$35 — the wheels wear down after a few weeks and people are flying by them literally with a better product on their feet," Shintani said.

He said the most important features in recreational in-line skates are large wheels, good bearings, support and a light weight skate.

"The better quality wheels and bearings are going to make me go faster and less pushing and more gliding — the fit is determined by the liner and the shell," he said.

Sport Chek sells 80 per cent of their in-line skates for recreational use. The other 20 per cent are Bauer hockey skates and aggressive street skates, Shintani said.

There are over 50 manufacturers of in-line skates in the world. Sport Chek carries the top brands that make up the bulk of skates in the market like: Rollerblade (the top seller), Ultra Wheels, Oxygen, Bauer and K2's. All of these brands make entry level skates right up to advanced skates, he said.

Sport Chek recommends all safety equipment like wrist, elbow and knee guards, as well as a helmet.

Shintani said, "I can tell you stories about people who have broken their wrists, skinned the knees, road rash...I myself have fallen many times."

He said he's talked to customers who have hit their head and it could happen anytime — you could hit some soft gravel or be cutoff by someone.

Tracy Gruyaert, 24, is an average in-line skater who has the Rollerblade brand of skate. She said she has the new Rollerblade Spiritblade ABT that cost \$239.99.

"Rollerblade is sort of the Kleenex box of in-line skates," she said.

"However, I guess it's up to you...my boss...wants a pair of Bauer skates because he's used to hockey skates," Gruyaert said.

But, she prefers Rollerblade because they are a good skate which are easily adjusted and have

an active braking technology, she said.

She said, "I found with the other skates if I lift my foot too far, I lose my balance...at least with these ones the brakes are attached to my ankle. I flex backwards and they brake a lot easier."

Since, everyone else is wearing full gear or at least wrist and knee guards, it's becoming the norm and you don't look stupid, Gruyaert said.

She said maintenance is very important and by the end of the summer you should rotate your wheels, so the wheels wear evenly and last longer.

Lori Vella, 27, is an inexperienced in-line skater.

"I don't rollerblade a lot and I didn't want to spend a lot of money," she said.

She bought an average pair of Rollerblades. Vella said the wheels make the difference and her skates were only \$100, so she's going to buy better wheels.

She said Rollerblade and other brands make skates closer to the \$300 because they're a better quality skate.

Vella said she's stopped skating since falling and hitting gravel, but is optimistic she will skate after she buys safety equipment.

Tiffani Jodoin, 25, is a personal trainer, who said in-line skating is good for your Gluteus-maximus

which is the biggest muscle in your body.

She said if you skate consistently for 40 minutes to one hour and are breathing heavy, you will burn fat.

"I skate because it's good exercise," Jodoin said.

She prefers the Bauer skate because they're a good quality name brand and resemble a hockey skate.

Julie Daniels, 27, is a physical education teacher who also enjoys the Bauer skate.

"They provide me with excellent aerobic exercise and are a fun pastime for me. A great way to meet people," she said.

Daniels recommends the sport to anyone who can afford it, even her students.

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