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# Winter madness

by Audrey Green

Humber's annual Winter Madness week, which took place Feb. 8 to Feb. 12, started off with a bang when the Students Association Council (SAC) offered fun and exciting events.

"It went really well," said SAC Vice-President John Armstrong.

On Monday, the week began with a comedy bowl and coffee house while Tuesday brought the SAC Super Sensational Scavenger Hunt. The hunt got under way with two divisional teams (five people per team).

Two teams were formed by both the Radio Broadcasting and Solar Technology students and the team to win the event and the grand prize (a "Texas mickey" of Canadian Club) were the Radio students.

The team won the event when they arrived back at CAPS with most of the 50 items requested for the hunt.

According to Armstrong, the scavenger hunt started around noon and winners returned at about 4 or 5 p.m.

He said a few of the hunted items recovered were: A pair of edible underwear, the worst Playboy magazine the team could find, an original American \$2 bill, a person described as a hoser and various other items (many of a grotesque nature).

"They improvised a lot," said Armstrong.

Other Tuesday events were Trixie Goes To Hollywood and the movie Stripes.

Wednesday began with the preliminaries for the campus kiss-off contest (sponsored by Bonnie Bell) which had 50 anxious pairs of lips entered. Each person in the contest had to pucker up and kiss a small piece of white cardboard and from the 50 smooches six finalists, with the best sets of lips, were chosen.

Backwards Bob and illusionist Mike Mandel appeared before an enthusiastic crowd in the concourse after the kiss-off contest and Mandel proceeded to mesmerize the audience with his performance.

"They had (SAC president Joe Gauci) up there doing a Spanish dance," said Armstrong.

The movie Caddyshack was shown later, and at 3:30 p.m. the finals for the campus kiss-off contest were held in CAPS.

Out of the six finalists, three lucky judges had the exciting experience of trying out each entry.

"It was lots of fun," said Gauci.

A three way tie took place and from a secondary kiss-off, the winner Louise Pellegrino from the Executive Secretary program, was chosen.

Following the contest in CAPS, a Rolling Stone video was presented.

Winter Madness T-shirts were sold for \$4 each and buttons for 25 cents.

PHOTOS BY STEVE COSSABOOM

**Madness reigns**—During the week of Winter Madness, SAC-man Paul Borg (top photo) showed the boys and girls how it's done, in the Campus Kiss-off Contest. He made a deep impression on the cardboard. The athletic centre saw several padded pillows and a punching bag succumb to the prowess of martial arts experts (bottom, left) while in the concourse, hapless victim-spectators (bottom, right) fell prey to the mind of mentalist Mike Mandel, master of the fine line dividing the conscious and the subconscious mind.



# Experience '82 program provides innovative jobs

by Carolyn Leitch

If you've always wanted to carry out your own research project, but you've never had the funds, Experience '82 may be just what you're looking for. Experience '82 is a government

sponsored program designed to let students and teachers do innovative work in their field.

The Ministry of the Environment is one of 25 ministries which allocate funds to research groups. Ian Veitch, an environmental

planner on the Experience '82 Committee, said teachers often make an application for a project they are interested in and choose willing students to work for them.

Veitch gave the example of a professor at the University of Toronto who supervised a project investigating public participation in the clean-up of the Great Lakes.

Veitch said the pay is low (\$3.50 for students over 18), but students benefit from the project. "If they are really interested, the low pay is a short-term pain for a long-term gain," he said.

According to Veitch, students gain an opportunity to produce a report which can show future employers what they have accomplished. They also make valuable contacts in the government and gain experience in their field.

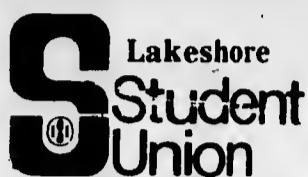
Veitch estimated that about 200 students will be hired this year, which gives applicants about a one-in-four chance of being accepted.

The maximum budget for any project is \$15,000, and 92 percent of the grant must be used for wages.

The Ministry is looking for projects which create educational jobs for the student and are useful to the educational institution and community.

The Ministry of the Environment has four major goals: the control of contaminant emissions; the establishment of environmental safeguards; the management of water and waste; and the development and maintenance of measures intended to restore and enhance Ontario's natural environment.

According to Veitch the deadline for submitting an application for a grant is Feb. 19.



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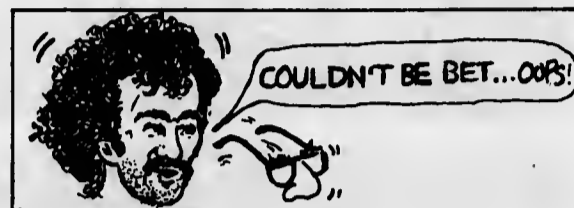
This week, Coven asked What do you think of the Students Association Council (SAC)?

Loris Giordan,  
First-year Package Design—

"No one really cares. Some candidate came up (to us during the SAC presidential election) and no one even knew him."

Brian Carrnduff,  
Part-time Computer Science student—

"They act as a go-between between the Board of Governors, the school, and the students."



Debbie Wilder,  
First-year Mental Retardation Counselling—

"For first-year students, SAC members don't come and explain what SAC is all about very well. I don't think we are very well informed"

John O'Sullivan,  
Second Year Law Enforcement—

"I can't get a student loan. I had to sign all these forms, they said to come back next week."

## York gets education in sexual harassment

by Steve Cossaboom

Setting a precedent for universities and colleges in Ontario, York University's Presidential Committee on Sexual Harassment has given the go-ahead for an on-campus complaint centre.

The proposed Sexual Harassment Education and Complaint Centre, which will serve the York community of students and staff, will function in two main areas.

The centre will provide an educational outlet for discussion on the issues and problems involved in cases of sexual harassment, and deal directly with specific allegations.

Outlining the details of the president's final report on the committee's findings and recommendations, Professor Ann Shteir said while the centre will exist to serve only the York community, she hoped its educational aspects would help bring the seriousness of the problem to a higher level of understanding in other universities and colleges like Humber.

Shteir said the main problem with an issue like sexual harassment is its credibility among many people as an actual problem.

"People don't see it as an issue you should take seriously," she said.

Outlined in the report are several scenarios, with elements common to many situations which could plausibly occur in educational institutions like Humber College.

The York Committee on Sexual Harassment has been in operation since April, 1980; when three specific incidents of sexual harassment were brought to the attention of York President Ian McDonald.

Although McDonald feels the need for the complaint centre is valid, he reiterated "that doesn't necessarily mean York is a hotbed of sexual harassment."

McDonald said the centre conceivably would be in operation by September, 1982.



# Graduates may pay

by Michelle Orlando

The class of '83 may be required to pay for their own graduation ceremonies, due to a lack of sufficient funds to cover convocation expenses, according to President Gordon Wragg.

"Half the colleges already charge students a fee for their graduation, and Humber's budget will not allow the college to pay for it much longer," said Wragg.

He said two members of the Executive Committee, Tom Norton and Jack Ross, are looking into the matter.

Registrar Fred Embree said the six ceremonies held each year cost approximately \$35,000.

"The students will only be charged a minimum fee to cover expenses and the school won't make any profit," said Embree.

Major expenses include the payment of band musicians, and food made available after the ceremonies.

Other colleges implementing the fee charge an average of \$20, according to Embree. He said if

Humber does decide to charge students, the fee will be the same or slightly higher.

Graduation ceremony expenses are now paid out of the college operating budget. Embree said an average of 2,000 students graduate every year. The six ceremonies usually take place during the second week of June, Monday to Saturday.

Other expenses include rented gowns worn by each graduating student, and wages to other stu-

dents hired to set up the gymnasium for the affair.

In the past, Humber has held graduation exercises on the football field and in the Equine Studies building.

SAC president Joe Gauci said he does not see why students should be required to pay to attend their own graduation ceremony.

"It's an unfair burden to the students, and to my knowledge the ceremony procedures will not be improved one bit," said Gauci.

## To join OFS or not that is the question

Humber College's Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) referendum will be held early in April, on the same day as the Students Association Council (SAC) elections, according to SAC president Joe Gauci.

Gauci said the decision to join or not to join the OFS, which will involve a separate OFS ballot, will

be based on a simple majority of the number of votes cast.

Matt Shaughnessy, field person for the OFS, said the federation will use a poster campaign and public speakers to persuade Humber's students to vote in favor of the OFS, but added the campaign will follow SAC's referendum guidelines.

## Faculty office at Lakeshore suffering from overcrowding

by Rose Jansen and Eva Blay

It looks like an office typing pool while the noise is comparable to Yonge Street on a rowdy Saturday night.

Although a colorful combination of the two, it's the faculty office at Humber's Lakeshore 1 (LS1) campus.

Campus Dean, Richard Hook admits there is a staff spacing problem, but hopes it will be resolved by this September.

### Dysfunctional

"The office is dysfunctional," he said. "The faculty can't work there; students cannot locate teachers, and to sum it all up, it's a lousy way to operate."

Currently 60 staff members are cramped in a room the size of two average classrooms. Faculty members are normally allotted 75 square feet in which to work. At Lakeshore, each member is limited to 35 square feet.

Hook said an additional 200 students are entering LS1 next year. "You obviously have to have space for students to meet with teachers."

Space is so elusive that the Dean's office doubles as a board room.

The noise in the office is due to a word processing machine, and because of a cement ceiling, acoustics in the room allow conversations to be heard from one end to the other.

### Good rapport

Hook did say, however, that faculty and students enjoy a good rapport at Lakeshore.

"Faculty all know each other," Hook said, "probably because they're practically sitting on top of one another."

Staff enjoy the comforts of a lounge located in the office which

### Coven thought

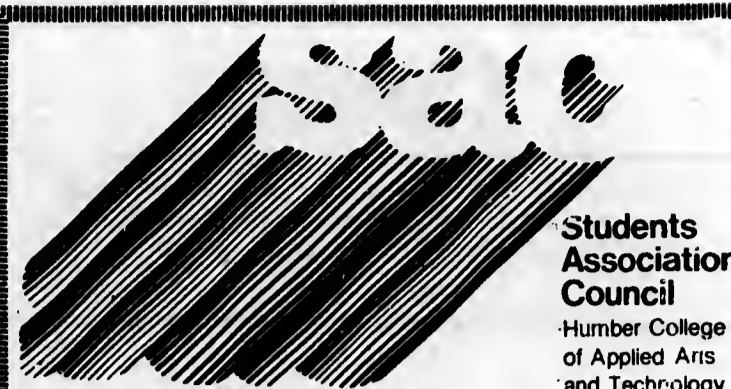
*The more ignorant you are, the more answers you have.*

offers no food services and "furniture in a disastrous state." Hook said that problem will soon be rectified.

He added the offices do not require a great deal of construction.

Most of the changes are cosmetic, and only need the addition of partitions to provide an office-like atmosphere.

He said the cost of the renovations has not been determined.



**Students Association Council**

Humber College of Applied Arts and Technology

### WANT TO STAY 'TIL MAY?

The colleges have planned to extend the academic year by three weeks. This is planned to take effect next year.

This means

- no more reading week
- classes until the middle of May
- watered down programmes

This means to you

- extra living costs
- reduced job market
- lost wages

### WHAT CAN WE DO?

Tony Grande will be here on Friday, Feb. 19 to listen to your concerns. If you don't want to stay 'til May, take part in SAC's actions to stop this and every form of cutback.

SAC has an anti-cutback committee which will work to stop the destruction of quality education. The government's policy of underfunding has caused this lowering of quality education.

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## Let's harass Humber

York University's move to establish a sexual harassment complaint bureau is a courageous and unprecedented step. Humber should take note.

That's not to suggest this college has more problems than any other institution, but it need only happen once to become cause for concern.

What we're discussing is harassment by figures of authority, who choose to wield their power in dishonorable pursuits at the grass-roots level—sex for marks, sex for job security or sex for promotion.

Admittedly in the minority, these sorry few exist not only in learning institutions, but in every walk of life. What is particularly disgusting, however, is that harassment can and does occur at colleges and universities and is directed at a very unique type of group: people who are relatively young, naive and fraught with insecurities—students who are, in many cases, away from home for the first time in their lives.

Sexual harassment, though as old as mankind, is an enlightened term born of the '70s, and one which will surely outlive the '80s. But, whatever gender, we all have a precious stake in eradicating these diseased parasites who choose to prey on the unarmed, if we're to see a cure by the next century.

However, equal time and protection must be given to those who are wrongly accused of harassment and we must pursue with the same sort of zealotry, those who point the finger either in error or with intent.

Let us not forget that sexual harassment is a criminal offense and solutions will be as elusive as the cause. Reputations and respect are earned, and should be treated with measured reverence, but fear of tainting a reputation can no longer be an excuse for sweeping the problem under the rug.

We can and should provide a confidential outlet for those being harassed, as well as the required protection for those being accused.

As students, you know the time and money spent to get here and that's already a hell of a price to pay.

## A closer look

All right, ladies and gentlemen of Humber College, it's time to break out the typewriters and get set to write a nasty letter to the Editor of Coven. We are in favor of charging students to attend their graduation.

But before you unload in a fit of pique, take a closer look at the reality of the situation: We already pay only a small percentage of the cost of our college educations. In the face of rampaging cutbacks in education, its only logical to spend what money there is in the right places.

If that means each graduate must pay a few dollars to be part of the final ceremony, it also means the approximately \$35,000 dollars the ceremonies cost the college each year can be diverted to more important things, such as equipment, maintenance or payment of staff.

Proposed fees for graduation are neither excessive nor onerous nor unwarranted, especially in view of the need to conserve what dollars there are in the budget.

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## Speak Easy



by Sylvia Dickens

*Familiar to all of us are the agonies of the coin-gobbling thieves that situate themselves so conveniently around town.*

*Laundromat robots enthusiastically gulp back all the quarters we feed them while we sit listening to the noises of the washing cycle.*

*Pop vending machines are especially greedy: They seem to feel the price clearly printed next to the coin slot is insufficient.*

*Telephones have even managed to get their rates lifted. They now suck back quarters, instead of dimes, yet their work is not guaranteed, either.*

*For some strange reason, when money is taken into these machines, and we're given nothing in return, nobody wants the responsibility of retrieving the stolen money from these money-hungry bandits.*

*Recently, I was attempting to make photocopies from reference material.*

*Approaching the photocopy machine, I stopped to ask a clerk for assistance. She assured me I could follow the directions. It took quarters, dimes, and nickels.*

*The copy I needed was of an oversized newspaper clipping. In my first attempt, I got half-sentences at the edge of the copy. On the second try, a lot of blank paper and a bit of copy. To get the entire article, I would need at least two more copies—one for each half.*

*Frustrated, I again asked for assistance.*

*The clerk refused to come around the desk to help me determine what was going wrong. (Perhaps she was afraid I'd jump her.)*

*Having carefully moved and realigned the article, I reached for my dime. Alas! I had only bills and pennies left.*

*Approaching the clerk for change for a two-dollar bill, I was informed that they don't give change.*

*"This must be a joke," I remarked. "How do you expect me to operate a coin-operated copier if you won't give me change?"*

*Perhaps she was afraid of mis-changing me. Maybe they don't want to give out all their cash. I altered my plea.*

*"Can you, at least, give me a nickel for five pennies?"*

*To my amazement and disbelief, she repeated that her orders were not to give change, and there was a notice to that effect. Outraged, I came away without my article.*

*I've yet to be offered a sensible, understandable excuse why people who allow coin-operated machines on their property try their utmost to make the public's use of these machines so aggravating and inconvenient.*

## Students upset over cancellation

Last week, my friends and I decided to participate in one of Humber's activities. We got in my car, and unfortunately (that was the night it snowed so much) took our lives in our shaky hands, and put 10 dollars worth of gas in the thing, and headed for CAPS' Female Legs Contest:

We had our hearts—and a few other vital organs—set on seeing this contest. We had already bought our tickets. We felt pretty damned patriotic, supporting a student-oriented activity like this one.

They cancelled it, and didn't even bother to announce it, via Coven, or even the "Big Brother" TV screens strategically placed around the college.

Sure, we got our bucks back, but after braving the elements, spending all that money on gas, and trudging across the frozen tundra to find out the people involved just up and cancelled the pub/legs contest—well!

Needless to say we were upset. Come on, SAC, or CAPS, or whoever is making the decisions down there. Get your act together.

—Phil Thompson  
Technology

## Our Mistake

It was incorrectly reported, in the Feb. 1 issue of Coven, that one of the departing Board of Governor (BOG) members was Frank Lambert.

In fact, Lambert is staying on as Deputy Chairman of the Programme Committee as well as representative for Keele, Osler, and York Campuses.

Herbert M. Forth is the departing BOG member along with Edward Jarvis and Kathleen Goodbrand.

Coven apologizes for the error.



# Immortality:

## Is it becoming reality?

Odds are that a 20-year-old Humber student has 18,000 days to live by today's statistics, so perhaps aging and death are not major concerns.

But mankind has been preoccupied with death and immortality since he first drew ghost-like pictures on the walls of caves. He has long searched for the elixir of life, apparently without success, since over 46 billion of our ancestors have passed away to date.

Immortality. The Spanish explorer, Ponce de Leon, scoured the Americas for it. The city of St. Augustine, Florida claims that there he found the fountain of youth. But there are fresh graves in St. Augustine.

The ancient Chinese prince Quin Shi Huan Di killed for it. After declaring himself the divine ruler of China, and faced with old age, he sent all of his wise men and magicians in search of the Elixir of Life. When the unfortunate souls returned empty handed, he buried them alive.

Literature is steeped in it, from zombies to Frankenstein, but its

fictional immortals are always something less than human.

Many religions guarantee it—not here on earth, but in heavenly peace or eternal torment.

Only existentialists and members of a few primitive tribes have been content to live without it.

The answer to the existentialist question, "Is that all there is," we may never know, for there is a very real possibility that the science of genetic engineering will give us the option of immortality here on earth.

Story by  
Sandy McGuire

"By the end of this century we could extend man's lifespan to 100 or 125 years, and by the year 2025, perhaps indefinitely," predicts anthropologist and Humber Human Studies teacher, Earl Reidy.

By the year 2000 virtually all major diseases will be treated by genetic engineering, according to Jeremy Rifkin and Ted Howard,

authors of a book titled *Who Should Play God?*

And immortality in the strictly biological sense, through cloning, is no longer science fiction.

"Within our lifetimes, carbon-copy human beings will walk among us," write Rifkin and Howard. "The switch to control the reproductive power of the human cell is almost known."

Even the U.S. government is involved: The National Institute on Aging has a mandate to "explore approaches to extending the vigorous and productive years of life."

The NIA is concentrating on the biomarkers of aging—reduced lung capacity, reduced pupil size, brittle bones, sleep problems and hearing loss.

If these biomarkers are hormonally controlled, they could be manipulated to challenge the aging process.

The way is clear. And the future is indeed coming. Yet the birth of no other science has created such debate among scientists as the ethics of playing God with human genes, for genetic engineering may produce a host of new problems.

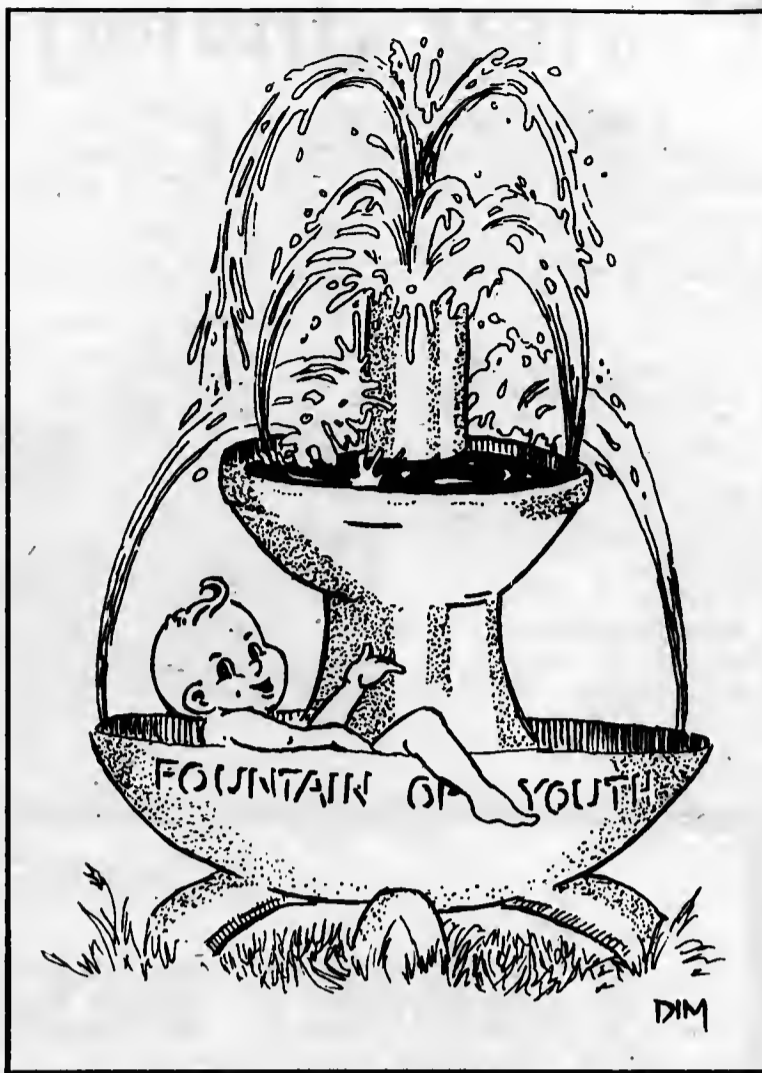
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According to Reidy, in the economy of the future, if we do live longer we could have a lot of empty time on our hands.

"With massive unemployment and increased longevity, we must re-define our concept of time and work," says Reidy. The Protestant Work Ethic will serve us no longer.

"We somehow have to wean people, especially men, from the idea that your self-identification is intrinsically wrapped up in work," says Reidy.

Other futurists have the same idea. Alvin Toffler claims in his book, *The Third Wave*, that if



people want to work in the near future they will have to accept part-time work and the idea of job sharing.

"Man has always wanted to believe he is immortal," says Reidy. Given the chance, "I suspect that man will grasp it." But what people will do with all that time, Reidy doesn't know.

Dr. Bernard Dixon writes in *Omni* magazine, "Human-gene therapy is clearly at a rudimentary stage. Yet it is equally certain that the remaining obstacles will be overcome."

Dixon knows the media has been blamed for sensationalizing science but that in the case of gene tinkering, believes scientists were the culprits. Now they're moving with caution for fear that public outcry will lead to official condemnation, moratoriums or bans on research.

The implications of genetic engineering are staggering. *Fortune* magazine has predicted that genetic engineering will soon become a multi-billion dollar industry. Rifkin and Howard believe it will be introduced to Americans gradually, almost imperceptibly, and "to succeed will require only our passive acceptance."

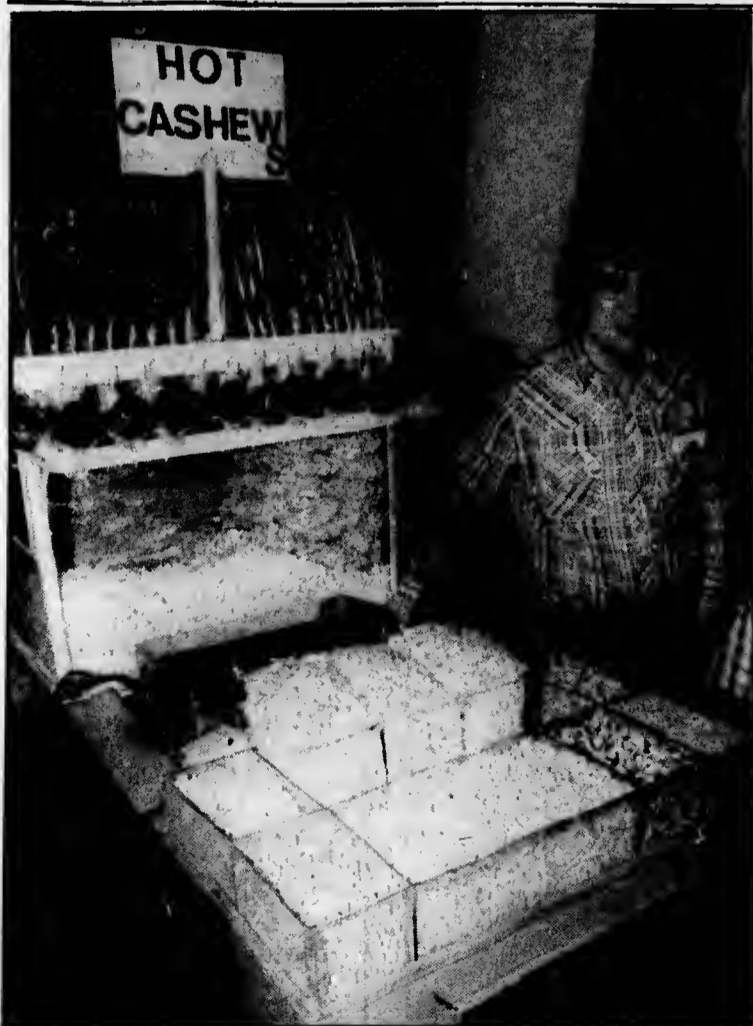
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Reidy foresees a brave new world full of difficult questions, if our lifespans are extended. In a world of limited resources, "How many are we going to allow to be born? Shall we have licences for mating? Will it be elitist mating?"

## More winter madness

PHOTOS BY  
STEVE COSSABOOM

Cashew salesman Nick Markakis (left) staked out the concourse Thursday as part of the SAC attack on students' age-old nemesis: The Munchies. SAC laid out a feast of tons of fast foods under the slogan "munch on our junk." Coven photographer and snacking champion Steve Cossaboom snapped and munched his way through the gourmand's paradise, to record these images.



# Winter driving safety no accident

by Deb Lang

When the weatherman cautions against driving in one of Ontario's famous raging blizzards, many people ignore the warnings until they find out the words of warning were words of wisdom.

Over 6,500 traffic accidents this year sent damaged autos to Toronto body shops—and the year is still young.

In Humber's parking lots alone, many accidents occurred to which victims cried, "I could've stopped in time if the weather wasn't so bad!"

And drivers who thought they could brave the elements successfully for just one little trip end up lamenting their lack of judgement in the aftermath of a fender-bender.

Fortunately, in Humber's lots, no one was physically injured, but, mentally, when the people climbed out of their vehicles to witness the extent of damage, many felt not only pain, but sudden depression.

However, some accident vic-

tims outside the College were not as fortunate to escape with only car damages.

Statistics show 262 injuries and nine fatalities between Jan. 1 and Feb. 10, 1982.

Compared to 1981 statistics for the same period, this year's driv-

ers seem to be taking more precautions even though accident figures are still high.

"People don't seem to understand that you have to slow down in this kind of weather. You just can't drive as fast," according to Constable McGregor of 23rd division.

Until an accident actually happens, it seems an abstract threat,

and early morning classes or meetings seem more important to a driver than road safety.

"Stupid weather. My mother's going to have a fit," muttered a first-year Travel and Tourism student, Sharon Hall, whose car damage is estimated at \$1,400.

But, they were warned by the weatherman who repeated over and over and over, "Don't take the car."



Toronto body shops feast on the many carcasses of damaged cars.

## Park on local streets and you'll be sorry

by Deb Lang

Students are being warned by police again that if they persist in parking on streets connected to the new residential area across from

the college, their vehicles will not only be tagged, but towed.

According to police, residents have complained they find it nearly impossible to leave the area with cars parked on the sides of the road.

"The snow banks have narrowed streets by three to four feet. Cars just can't pull away," stated Constable McGregor of 23 division.

Residents are extremely upset and have threatened to cause a scene if cars continue to be parked in that area.

"They've threatened to break cars up. Anyhow, it will save the students money if they refrain from parking there," said Constable McGregor.

Towing of cars will begin in a few days.

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# Bubble could burst over Humber

by Susan Perry

It's 'user-pay' on Humber's make-shift tennis courts each weekend, and the only free playing time for students is from noon to 6 p.m. Fridays. The reason lies in the history of the 'bubble' itself, while the future of both the facility and the tennis schedule is up in the air.

The air-structure gymnasium, or 'bubble,' as it's known to Humber students, was built in 1971 as an all-purpose but temporary athletic facility.

The present-day gymnasiums were classrooms, and the plan was to later turn them into a gym and pool. As it turned out, this would have meant a possible 18 yard-long pool requiring roof supports in the middle of the tennis courts.

The original cost of the bubble was \$185,000, and the life span of fabric envelopes such as those included in the 11-year-old facility was supposed to be 10 years. So many of its features are now obsolete, to properly renovate the dome would require \$200,000,

according to Director of Athletics Rick Bendera.

"To build the same facility today with the appropriate amenities would cost between \$300,000 and \$400,000," and a new insulated envelope alone would cost between \$80,000 and \$120,000, he says. With the present, single layer envelope it costs about \$25,000 a year for heat and electricity. Considering escalating energy costs, it's conceivable a new, insulated skin could pay for itself in five or 10 years.

Other problems with the bubble include potholes in the asphalt floor, which are invisible when covered by the carpet. Magnifying the obvious problems encountered upon falling in a hidden pothole, is the possibility of infection because of difficulties cleaning the carpet, Bendera says.

Aside from the deterioration in the envelope's fabric, Bendera's list includes poor insulation, air-pockets that form in the carpet due to undulations in the underlying asphalt during temperature changes, an anchoring system around the facility badly in need of repairs, and an antiquated lighting system that gobbles up energy.

Because running activities are no longer allowed in the bubble, eight big green carpets are rolled out onto the gymnasium floor each Friday and rolled up again Monday morning—just for tennis.

The college advanced \$21,000 to pay for the carpets, and the

Athletics Department found ways to pay off the debt with tennis and other club memberships, and outside tournaments in various sports. Possible revenue from the

other sports (the department has had to turn down a number of offers because of tennis) far exceeds that of tennis, so its future at Humber looks bleak.

# Murderball means sudden death

by Bernardo Cioppa

A team of mechanical drafters, alias Steel Urge, won three games in a best-of-five series over the Dodgers (Architecture) to win the finals of intramural murderball last Wednesday.

It took 35 minutes for the Steel Urge team to knock the Dodgers off their feet.

Gym C looked like a battlefield as both teams threw volleyballs at their opponents, trying to hit and eliminate them. The game started at 1 p.m.

Kendra Magnus and Lorri Badder, both second-year Recreation Leadership students and intramural assistants, organized murderball as part of their placement program.

According to Magnus, the two teams met in the finals after a round-robin competition among eight teams in two divisions.

She said the two top divisional teams played off for a chance at the finals.

"They seemed so enthusiastic," Magnus said of both teams.

"It was the first murderball event held in two years. We might run another competition before the end of the year."

Murderball involves six players per team, trying to "bump off" opposing players by hitting them

anywhere below the shoulders with the ball.

The volleyball is flung freely back and forth by team members as they aim to strike opponents on the rebound.

There are no boundaries, except the centre line which divides the playing area in half. The line separates the teams' territories, and players are not allowed to cross into the opponent's area.

The first team to eliminate all opposing players wins the game.

The Steel Urge team received a certificate of championship and the Dodgers received a certificate of intramural athletics.

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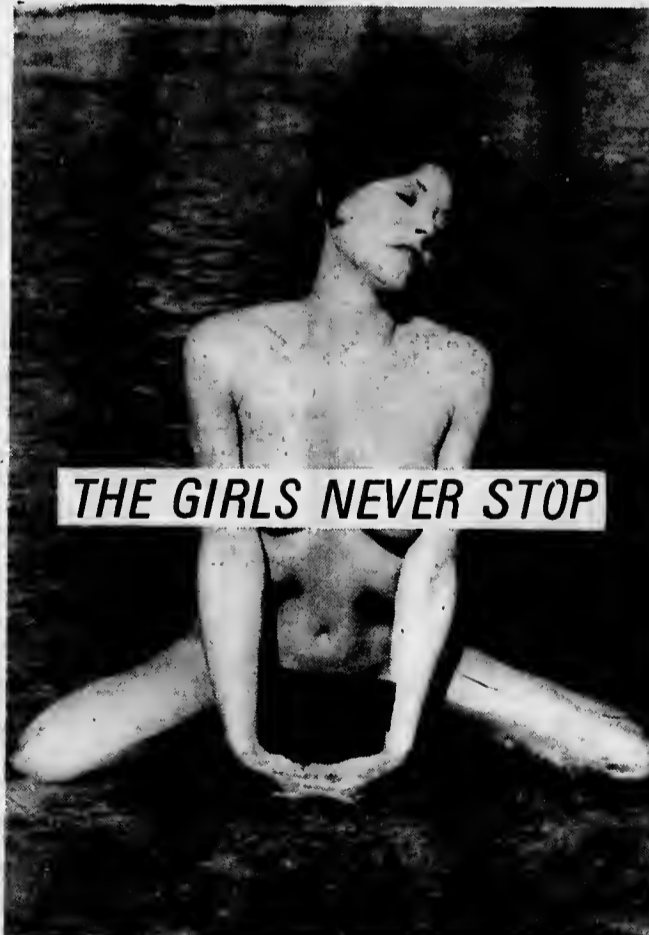
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# Humber badminton team nets OCAA championship

by Tom Michibata

Humber captured its first ever Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) regional team championship in badminton upsetting arch-rival Seneca College at Seneca two Fridays ago.

The Hawks also defeated teams from George Brown, Georgian, Centennial and Sheridan.

Humber's win over heavily-favored Seneca came as a shock to both schools.

"Seneca appeared upset at losing the team championship — they were expressionless," coach Terry Maksymjuk explained. "They played more tournaments than anyone else going into the competition and they seemed very high on winning."

Neil Pitcher, half of Humber's

Mixed Doubles team, said the players were really surprised at winning the team championship.

What made the team's win all the more satisfying for Humber was the rivalry factor.

"Part of the director's introduction mentioned the rivalry," Maksymjuk said. "They even mentioned hockey because they lost the big one last year (Seneca lost to Humber in hockey finals)."

Humber also won the ladies' team championship beating Sheridan in a tie-breaking procedure determined by points for and against.

Seneca took the men's team championship, something they haven't relinquished for the last six years.

Flawless play from Cindy

Newman in Ladies' Singles and Pitcher and Lene Desfor in mixed doubles sparked Humber's victory.

Newman finished first, not allowing anyone more than 3 points in any game. The team of Pitcher and Desfor were just as awesome, holding their opponents to less than 5 points every game.

Humber representing Southern Ontario, now advances to the provincials to be held at Conestoga College in Kitchener this Friday and Saturday.

For finishing first in their respective divisions at Seneca, Newman and the team of Pitcher and Desfor have a chance to advance to the Canadians and possibly win a gold medal—a first for any Humber sport.

## Real Estate students make good

by Deb Lang

When the latest crop of Humber College graduates sallies forth into the work world, some will find greater financial success than others. One program which promises the chance for substantial success in return for hard work, is the Real Estate program.

### Very profitable

According to the Ontario Real Estate Association, which organized the program about 10 years ago at Humber College's North and Lakeshore 1 campuses, real estate can be an extremely profitable profession—if you play your cards right.

"Only 10 per cent of the people who enter the field stick with it for life because they get fed up with having to devote themselves," said one Real Estate agent.

### Risky business

The business can be very risky, according to an agent for Gibson Real Estate Agency, because your earnings come straight from commission.

The course is mandatory in order to get a selling licence.

The program, offered at 22 colleges throughout Ontario, costs approximately \$300 and is divided into three segments.

"To my knowledge, Humber College offers the second largest real estate program in Ontario," said Bill Stokes, manager of special programs at Humber. "Seneca offers the first."

The program has recently been altered to improve the workshops, he said.

"We've rearranged the topics and there will be a workshop text," he said.

Statistics have also changed to meet 1982 standards.

"That only makes sense," said Stokes, anyone who looks at the text's figures for interest rates would probably laugh.

### Fulfilling reward

"It's a self fulfilling reward," said second segment student, Peter Smolder.

"Even if one doesn't enter the field, it's a worthwhile experience just to know and understand what it's all about," he said.



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