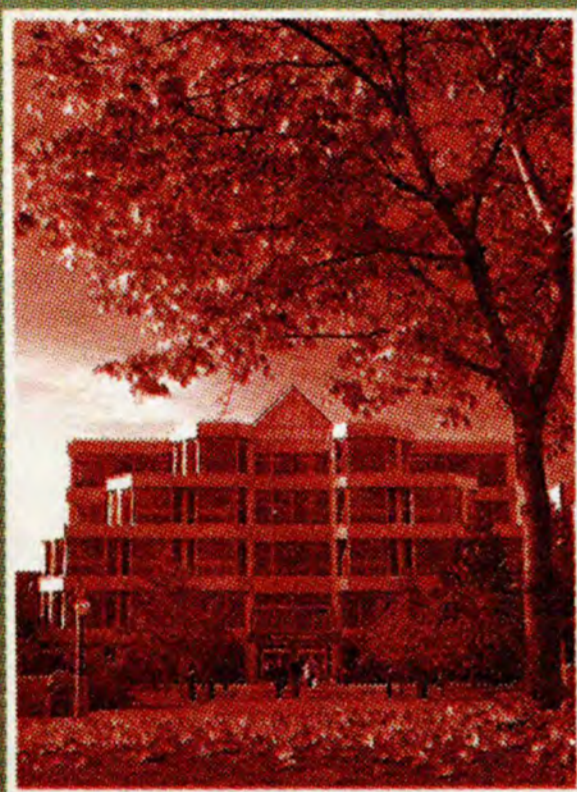


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Province invests \$3 million in Telecommunications Learning Institute at Humber College

The Telecommunications Learning Institute (TLI), a unique initiative established in conjunction with the telecommunications industry and the federal and provincial governments, got a shot in the arm recently when the Ontario government unveiled details of its 1998 budget.

As part of an investment in its skills projects strategy, the government will provide Humber with \$3 million to support comprehensive business and technology training in the telecommunications industry. At full capacity, the TLI, with 26 industry partners, will annually provide over 17,000 employed workers, from entry-level to executive, with training using technology ranging from CD-ROM to on-line access.

"We're already in the delivery stage, but this government grant will supply the kind of cash flow that will allow us, in the future, to accelerate existing training activities to a full complement coast-to-coast. It also provides our founding investors with the assurance that TLI initiatives will be embraced by a wider audience," says Humber President Robert Gordon.

Conceived in 1995, the TLI is the only market-driven educational and training facility in North America whose purpose is to serve the transformation needs of the telecom-

munications and convergence workplace. Its mandate has been endorsed by key industry trade associations including the Canadian Association of Broadcasters, Canadian Advanced Technology Association, Canadian Business Telecom Alliance, Canadian Cable Television Consultants Association, Canadian Wireless Telecom Association, and the Information Technology Association of Canada.

"Convergence is trendy jargon for the mixing of technologies,

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such as cable and Internet. Banks and financial services are the number one users of telecommunications and convergence technologies," says Clare Samworth, marketing consultant for the project. Other companies in the telecommunications sector include Bell Mobility, IBM, and Hewlett-Packard (Canada) Ltd.

"The TLI is not workforce entry, but workforce oriented," says Humber's Vice-President, Business

Development, Kris Gataveckas. "This means customized training for particular clients."

Plans are also underway to develop Humber diploma and certificate programs for those preparing to enter the sector for the first time. Also in development is a post-diploma program. Currently, Humber offers an eight-month certificate program in Wireless Technology.

"Through partnering with industry, the TLI has one of the most sophisticated networks in North America," explains Ms Samworth. The TLI is developing a high-speed electronic delivery capability, including satellite, so that training can be delivered 'virtually'. However, because the goal is to serve all client needs, more traditional training methods have not been excluded.

"Our courses can be taken at a desk, in a classroom, over the Internet, on an office lan (network) or simply downloaded to a local server or hard drive," says TLI Director, George Doherty. "We will even ship learning materials in the mail so that clients get to train exactly when and where they want to."

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component will be approximately 80%. To ensure ongoing relevance to its clients, the TLI is already surveying and sampling the marketplace through TESS, an electronic market research engine accessible through its web site.

"The TLI is a free standing, not-for-profit business that operates within the Humber family," explains Ms Gataveckas. "We project that the TLI will be self-sustaining within three years."

In addition to support from the federal and provincial governments, the TLI also has the support of many companies including Intria, Newbridge, and Cancom.

An official launch is planned for the fall and according to Ms. Gataveckas, the TLI will be in its off-campus quarters by September. It needs its own identity. She explains that this is a tremendous opportunity for Humber as the College will have access to TLI's network, not only for training in the telecommunications industry, but for delivery of its other programs.

The unique educational approaches being developed through the TLI will likely influence how Humber designs and delivers all of its programs in the future.

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www.humberc.on.ca a resounding success

In a very short period of time, the World Wide Web has become the preferred method of accessing information on virtually any topic imaginable. In that same period of time, Humber College has

Humber's site has grown to be the most complete Canadian academic site on the Web

established a firm presence on the Web.

In 1997, the College engaged Ken Morgan and Rob Malkovich to build Humber's web site and since that time, Humber's site has grown to be the most complete Canadian academic site on the Web. In fact, it's one of the largest Canadian-based sites on the Web.

Humber's site is unique in several ways. Both the full-time and continuing education calendars are the most complete and

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Photography student places first out of 15,000

Cindy Taylor, a first year student in Humber's two-year Creative Photography program, placed first in the people category in the Toronto Star's 8th Annual Photo Contest. Prizes in four categories are awarded: people, places, pets and 'best of show'. Approximately 15,000 photos were entered in this year's

competition.

Ms Taylor received a Canon ELPH, the world's smallest 3X zoom camera worth \$650, as her prize.

"I've been taking pictures since I was 14," she explains. "I started doing portraits as a favour for my friends and family. Before I knew it, I was getting all kinds of phone calls from people about my work. I decided to open my own studio and realized that I'd better learn something about the technical side of photography, so I came to Humber. I'm realizing my dream and doing what I love."

I applied to Humber's program because it takes the majority of the awards for college photography and because of its excellent reputation for placing students at jobs. I also liked the fact that the professors were still involved in the photography industry and staying informed about what is current."

Before embracing photography as a career, Ms Taylor was a member of the Canadian Armed Forces. She lives in Cobourg with her husband and two sons.

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Cindy Taylor's winning entry

Helping troubled students get back into community

Over the past year, Humber College's Centre for Justice Studies has been working with Etobicoke community members to help high school students, suspended because of violent behaviour, get back into the community through the Restorative Justice Program.

The Restorative Justice Program offers suspended students counselling, courses in self-esteem and conflict resolution and allows them to work together with their victims and the community to find the best possible solution to their individual situation.

The first school board partnership model of its kind, the program brings together the Etobicoke Board of Education, the Community Alternative Program for Suspended Learners in Etobicoke (CAPSLE), Etobicoke youth court judges, crown attorneys and police, as well as Humber's Centre for Justice Studies.

"This project enables Humber students enrolled in justice and community service programs to work in settings in which they are pursuing a career and to put into practice what they are learning," says Art Lockhart, program coordinator of the Advanced Justice Studies Certificate program at the College. "It also enables Humber and the Etobicoke Board of Education to develop a partnership which is unique to this province."

The partnership helps to create safer school communities in Etobicoke and healthy learning environments for all students. Contact: Art Lockhart at (416) 675-6622 ext. 3354

Gold galore at national music festival



Aaron Seunarine, winner of the Zildjian Young Drummer Award.

Students in Humber's Community Music School Youth Jazz program returned from the Musicfest Canada National Competitions, held this spring in Vancouver, B. C., with 10 Gold Awards.

This is especially noteworthy because of the ten groups (nine combos and a jazz ensemble) that Humber sent, all received gold.

Approximately 8500 young people from across the country were involved in the competitions. The Humber contingent included 43 students aged eight to 18 years.

Humber's Community Music School has the only program that teaches small group jazz and improvisation to youngsters. They begin by training students in oral skills and theoretical knowledge in a performance situation.

"Then," says Cathy Mitro, program director, "as they are introduced to jazz, they have the foundation to work with jazz artists and teachers. We believe our students are outstanding in accomplishing this."

Ms Mitro credits the faculty and the way the program is structured for the success of the music school.

The 11 teachers on staff come from both education and performance backgrounds. For younger children there are Orff and Kodaly specialists. Later on in the process, jazz artists teach private and ensemble lessons.

When asked what part talent plays in the development of a music student, Ms Mitro is

reluctant to say when or how unique talent shows itself. "Some talent manifests itself early and strongly," she says. "But, this is rare. For most people, other factors such as personal desire

come into play."

One Humber Community Music School student is a good example of talent manifesting itself early. In a competition for the Zildjian Young Drummer Award,

Many graduates of the school have gone on to post-secondary music programs and then on to careers in music.

for which there is no age restriction, eight year old Aaron Seunarine, who has been a student since he was four years old, won \$1500 worth of cymbals. He plays in a group with his father and recently performed at the Harbourfront Children's Milk Festival.

Many graduates of the school have gone on to post-secondary

music programs and then on to careers in music. One recently received a \$10,000 scholarship from the Manhattan School of Music.

Humber's Community Music School has the kind of reputation that is best represented in an introduction by the master of ceremonies at one of the recent Musicfest events who said, "... the students you are about to hear are in a league of their own and represent the future of jazz in Canada."

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Young musicians perform at The Rex in downtown Toronto.

Victor Chapman new College Registrar

Victor Chapman was appointed College Registrar in early March, replacing Martha Casson.

Mr. Chapman came to Humber with over 30 years experience as a university administrator at Carleton University in Ottawa where he was responsible for admission services, records and registration services, liaison and publication services, and scheduling and examination services.

He has a strong technical background and, while at Carleton, implemented a number of strategic innovations including the introduction of an interactive voice response network, an admissions application query service, student information system, and a personal timetabling structure for students.

His teaching experience includes a term appointment as an assistant professor and eight years as a lecturer in information systems at the

graduate and undergraduate levels. He was also a member of several university policy-setting bodies including the Senate, the Senate Committee on Admissions and Studies Policy, and the Working Group on Administrative Information Systems.

"I'm enjoying my time at Humber so far," he says. "The people at all levels have been friendly, cooperative and helpful."

Mr. Chapman admits that his appointment is not without a

number of challenges. "I'm being challenged by trying to sort the trees from the forest," he says. "In other words, there are a number of issues that I have been asked to manage or resolve and I've identified a number of issues myself. So, I'm trying to sort out the most important in terms of the College's priorities and bring resolution to them."

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Mr. Chapman admits that his appointment is not without a number of challenges.

Paramedic students place first in Intercollegiate Practical Competition

Jennifer Sham and Josh Sullovey, students enrolled in the Paramedic program at Humber, were each presented with an honours plaque for taking first place in the 1998 Intercollegiate Practical Competition held at Conestoga College.

The one-day competition, with entries from Ontario's 12 paramedic programs each of which enters a team of two students, has been running for four years. This is the second time Humber students have won.

The competition consists of a written theory exam as well as a series of practical theory examinations.

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Skills Canada competitions result in 7 medals for Humber students

Humber College students distinguished themselves by scoring top-level awards at both the Ontario and the National Skills Competition events this year.

At the provincial level, gold medals were awarded to Jakub Wasiljew for Mechanical CAD, Cole Gardner for Electronics, and Dawn Krpan for Culinary Arts. Silvers went to Omar Khorshed for Industrial Wiring, and Mimo Chiaromonte for Culinary Apprenticeship.

Omar Khorshed and Jakub Wasiljew went on to excel at the nationals, held recently in Vancouver, British Columbia. Mr. Khorshed was presented with a gold for his work in the Electric Motor Control (post-secondary) category and Mr. Wasiljew won gold in Mechanical CAD (post-secondary).

Both are now eligible to compete in the 35th Annual Work Skills Competition being hosted in 1999 in Montreal, Quebec.

John Dunicliff, School for the Built Environment, acted as team coordinator. "These results

show Humber's superior performance in the areas of service and high technology and this is where we, as a college, tend to concentrate our skills," he said.

Skills Canada, sponsors of the competitions, has been working for nine years to create connections between industry, government, youth, education, and labour to change the attitudes of young people about skilled, technical, and trade careers. They sponsor a number of competitions for secondary and post-secondary level students throughout the year. This year at the nationals, there were 1,000 finalists representing all ten provinces and two territories in attendance.

To date, more than 100,000 Canadian youth have participated in regional, provincial, and national Skills Canada competitions, demonstrating their industry standard capabilities in everything from CAD and web site design to cabinetmaking, culinary arts, auto service, plumbing, and welding.

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8th Annual Palliative Care Conference looks beyond the obvious

"Beyond Suffering" was the theme of the 8th Annual Humber College Palliative Care Conference held this spring in Toronto.

But "beyond the obvious" could also apply.

The sheer range of panel presentations and workshops, from the logistics of home care to the potential impact of physician-assisted suicide, prove that the palliative care field has definitely come of age.

Focusing on the title theme, three keynote speakers - Eric J. Cassell of Cornell University Medical College; Sandra L. Bertman of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center; and Ira R. Byock, past president of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine - explored the nature of suffering, its unique images and constructs, and ways to embrace and move beyond existential pain.

Dr. Larry Librach, director of the Temmy Latner Centre for Palliative Care at Toronto's Mount Sinai Hospital, gave the Carmelita Lawlor Lecture on *Home to Die: Issues and Controversies in Caring for a Dying Loved One at Home*. He spoke about how our burgeoning interest in dying at home must eventually be matched by some concrete policy initiatives in order to be successful.

"It's a myth that every palliative care patient has the opportunity to die at home," he said. "Palliative care resources vary tremendously from town to town,

as do medical staff and equipment. I don't think it's a given that the present system can always offer patients the support they need at home."

The full program also featured a workshop series on pain and symptom management, caring for dying children and their families, grief and bereavement, and delivering community care.

The plenary panel presentation, "Is Euthanasia/Physician-Assisted Suicide a Response to Suffering?" brought together divergent views on the role of assisted death in the context of palliative care.

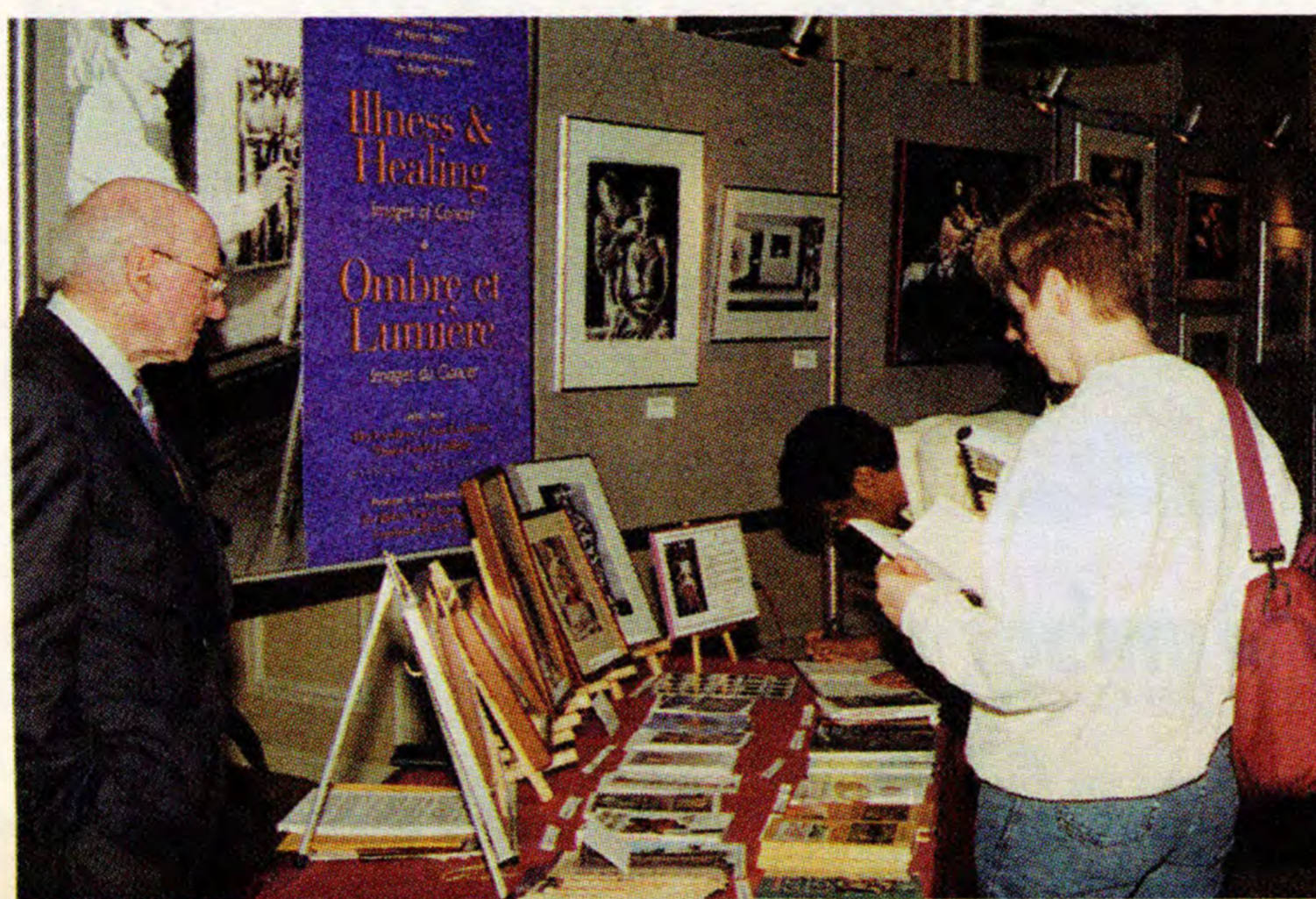
Is assisted death an appropriate response to suffering? Does it

enhance quality of life? A panel that included a bioethicist, a theologian, several palliative care workers, and a representative from Dying with Dignity debated the issue and heard questions from the floor.

Conference delegates also had an opportunity to view an exhibit of work by Robert Pope, who died in 1992 from Hodgkin's Disease. His work is not just his own personal legacy - it is also a complete visual record of one patient's experiences with the medicalization of death.

Approximately 600 people attended the conference.

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Artist Robert Pope's father looks on as delegates of the Palliative Care Conference visit art exhibit.

Program certification enhances chances for employment

Humber's Tourism & Travel program recently received its ACCESS (ACTA/CITC Canadian Educational Standards System) Level II certification.

What this means for students in the program is that they can now take the ACCESS standardized testing as part of their curriculum and upon successful completion of the course, can receive their ACCESS certificate.

This enhances their chances for employment as many travel companies now require that their employees have the certificate.

"There are two levels of

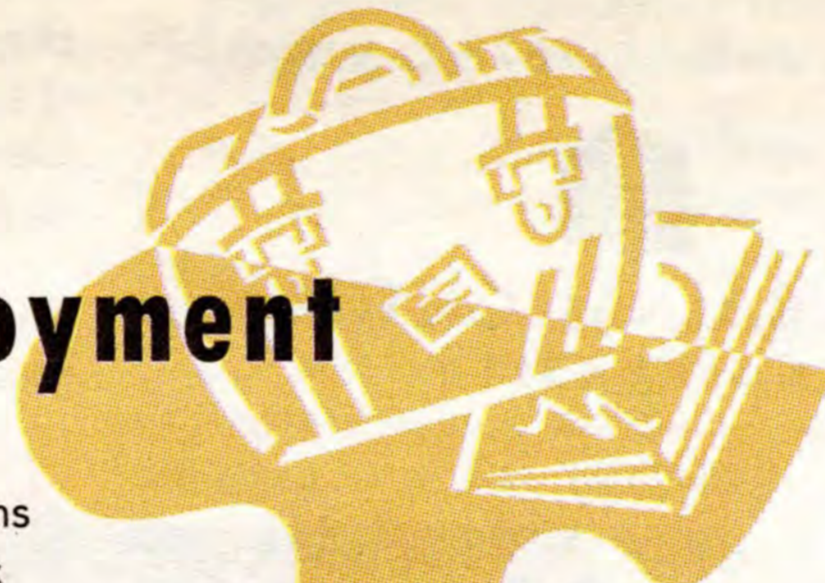
approval offered for program curriculum by ACCESS," explains Al Lobo, coordinator, Tourism & Travel program. "Level 1 standards aren't as high as Level II and Humber's program was accepted at Level II. This certificate helps us achieve our goal of providing an effective bridge for students between the College and the travel industry."

Standards for the ACCESS certification are developed by a validation council and other industry volunteers representing retail travel counselors, travel magazines, travel educators, and

travel service suppliers.

The standards that ACCESS looks for in a college curriculum for Level II certification fall under four categories: professionalism, administration, communication, and travel product. The program must teach specific skills from each category so that students graduate with a knowledge of all aspects of the travel and tourism industry.

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Unique program meets employment needs

When the Ontario-based Springmakers Institute (SMI) realized that there were not enough people trained in springmaking to replace retiring employees, they approached Humber and the first part-time certificate program for springmaking in Ontario was launched.

Recently, two representatives of the SMI donated their time and gave a two-day seminar about springmaking design to students in the program.

"I reviewed Humber's course curriculum and was impressed with the sound foundation it gives students," said Charles Pepka, president of SMI. "I came to the school to present the seminar because I wanted to support the effort being made here."

According to Jennifer Macklin, Mr. Pepka's assistant, there is a great demand for trained workers. "A student who has an engineering diploma and a springmaking certificate is practically guaranteed a job," she said. "On the average, it will only take an engineer with a springmaking certificate four to five years to become a manager, while it would take someone without the certificate about ten years to attain the same position."

Although there are a few similar programs in the United States, the Springmaking Certificate program is unique to Humber. Because the part-time component has been so successful, Andrew Brown, program coordinator, hopes that eventually the program will be offered on a full-time basis.

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Police training comes to Humber

Beginning in September, Humber College will be offering the two-year Police Foundations Training (PFTP) program at the Lakeshore Campus.

Based on a similar program offered at the British Columbia Justice Institute, Humber's program has been established to give police candidates a standardized education province-wide.

By the year 2000, it will be mandatory for all potential police officers to graduate from this program.

"This is a move to expand an officer's skill base," explains Ian Smith, associate principal of the Lakeshore Campus. "Policing, especially community policing, is becoming more complex and candidates require more than high school and four months of training camp. They need training in human relations, communications, law, investigations, and arrests. That's what this program provides."

The first year of the program concentrates on the social sciences and the second focuses on policing.

Upon completion of the PFTP, students will have to complete the Constable Selection Process and graduate from the Ontario Police College which trains in the use of firearms, defensive driving, and defensive tactics.

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Students and staff shine at CSPA awards

Three Humber Journalism program students and a staff member won Gold Circle Awards from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (CSPA). Their entries were chosen from over 10,000 submissions from colleges and universities across North America.

Winners were: Lisa Kemerer who received a second place award in colour art/illustration for newspaper; Andrea Wadsworth who received a certificate of merit in feature writing for her article, "Chernobyl Children"; and Matthew Blackett who was awarded a certificate of merit for a title of contents page design.

Congratulations also to Greg MacDonald, Journalism program staff member, who got an award for producing a two-page colour photo story on "A Day in the Life of Kensington Market".

"This is the first time that

Humber College students and staff have entered this competition," explains Terri Arnott, faculty advisor for *Humber Etc.*, the student newspaper. "I like this competition because it's done on a volunteer basis. Students and staff decide if they want to enter and which piece of work to submit."

The Gold Circle Awards recognize outstanding student writers, editors, designers and photographers. It is the largest national competition for individual achievement in college and university publications and is held and judged by Columbia University in New York City. Columbia is highly regarded for its Ph.D and Masters program in journalism.

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Starting a degree while getting a diploma

Humber's School of Liberal Arts & Sciences offers two courses that give students the opportunity to get started on a university education while completing a college diploma.

The courses, one in political theory and the other in literature, give those enrolled a general education credit for York University and two general education credits for Humber.

Students who wish to take either one or both of the courses must have a computerized placement testing score of 110 or higher, a grade of 75% in Humanities, an 80% grade point average, or they can attend an interview to determine eligibility.

"These courses are for students who want to explore their options or who are interested in attending university after receiving their diploma," explains Clive Cockerton, chair, General Education at Humber. "One of the advantages of the program is that the grade the student receives is completely transferable. For instance, if a student gets 75% in one of the courses, this is the grade that will appear on both the Humber and York transcripts."

The courses were developed two years ago and response has been good from all areas of the College. In fact, York University is currently reviewing the courses and if they continue to be successful, more courses will be offered in the future.

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Canada Trust initiative benefits students

Students in the Business Management-Financial Services program at Humber will have an edge on getting a job this year because of a partnership formed between the College and Canada Trust. Canada Trust is offering ten first-year students the chance to attend their ten-day Customer Service Officer Training (CSO1) program at one of their branches. They are also offering four graduating students a one-year work contract which includes their standard employee three-month Financial Services Officer (FSO) Training program.

The programs will be assessed by Canada Trust on a continuing basis and if they benefit both the students and the trust company, ten graduates will be placed in the FSO program in September, 1998, and another group of ten from the 1998 fall semester will attend the CSO1 program.

"Canada Trust is one of a number of community businesses that help Humber assess the students who apply to the Business Management-Financial Services program," says Program Coordinator, Mike Planche. "They were impressed with the quality of students that Humber was graduating, so they put together a proposal outlining these programs as a way to help students get a starting position in the financial sector."

Students have to go through an interview process in order to be chosen for the CSO1 program and are given an honorarium from Canada Trust upon completion of the training.

In the future, Mr. Planche would like to see the training become part of the first year curriculum because it gives Humber students an edge in the job market.

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The Tranquillity Garden - an oasis of calm

What better way to turn down stress levels than to sit in the new Tranquillity Garden surrounded by perennial and annual flowers and the sights and sounds of wildlife.

Here, in the Arboretum at the North Campus - in a space designed to commemorate past Humber College employees who have contributed significantly to the College - visitors can relax and enjoy a peaceful woodland setting.

The idea for this garden was initiated by Doris Tallon, associate

to the President, who wanted to establish a suitable location where College employees and visitors could slip away from the crunch of the work-a-day world.

How to get to the Garden? Simple. From the main Arboretum entrance, just follow the stone markers!

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CMU honours for Humber dean

Michael Harper, Humber's dean of Planning and the International Projects Office, received an Outstanding Achievement Award from Central Michigan University at the recent graduation dinner for Cohort 10 of the CMU Master of Arts in Adult Education program held at the College.

The award is presented by the Dean's Office, College of Extended Learning at Central Michigan, to a person whose work is recognized as making a significant contribution to the community college field in Ontario.

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CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Theatre Humber and Solar Stage introduce partnership

Humber College's Theatre Department and Toronto's Solar Stage have entered into an arrangement whereby students will have an opportunity to showcase their talents within a professional environment.

Solar Stage Artistic Director Ned Vukovic believes both parties will benefit. "Our mandate stresses education and it makes a lot of sense to hook up with a theatre school in a mutually beneficial partnership."

Each month, Solar Stage, a lunchtime theatre, will employ two Humber technical theatre apprentices to work on plays to be performed as part of their production season.

In addition, Theatre Humber will produce one play a season at Solar Stage. This play will be performed, crewed, and designed by students from the College.

This is the first arrangement of its kind between a professional theatre and a theatre school.

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Author, Administrator Joe of all trades

Joseph Kertes launched his new novel, *Boardwalk*, this spring at a reading held in the OISE auditorium. The book was well received by an enthusiastic audience. This is Mr. Kertes' second novel. His first, *Winter Tulips*, won the Stephen Leacock Award for Humour.

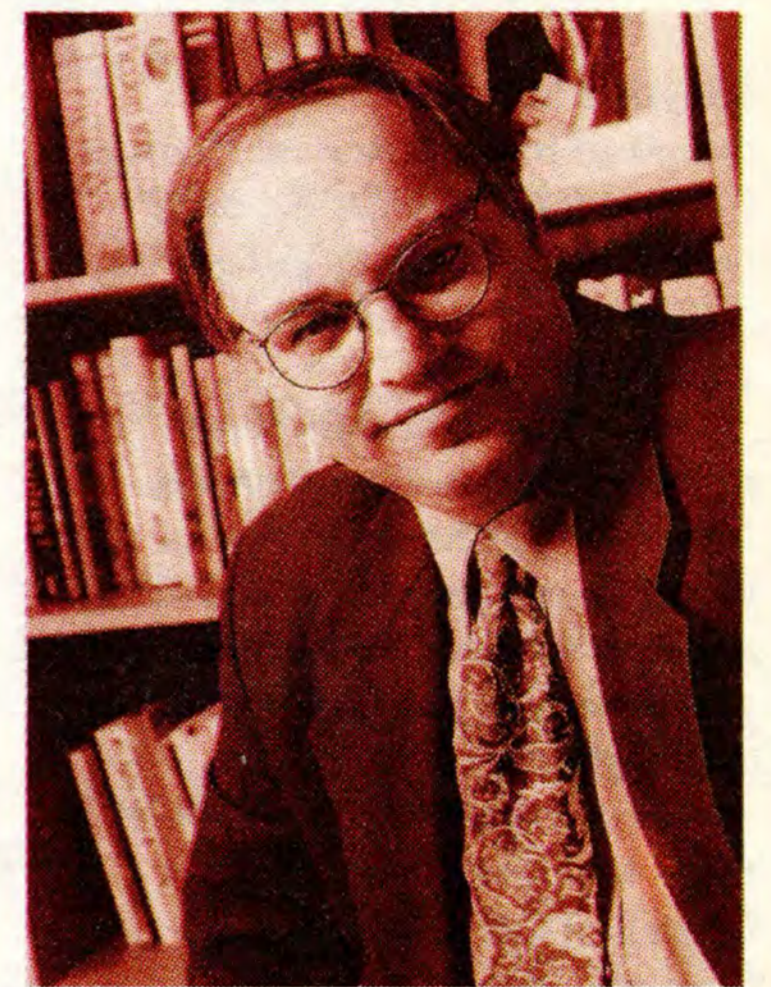
Boardwalk is a tale of two brothers whose relationship is described as a "bittersweet symbolic reflection of the decline of modern values built on greed, avarice, and glamour." Eddy, the younger and more innocent brother, comes to understand that while there are no "superior values" in the world, there is "hope in the rubble". Ultimately, he realizes that the love the brothers share for each other transcends their differences.

In addition to writing for adults, Mr. Kertes has also published *The Gift*, a highly acclaimed book for children. His new children's book, *The Red Corduroy Shirt*, a sequel to *The Gift*, will be published in the fall.

In *The Red Corduroy Shirt*, Jake, a Hungarian boy, and his Chinese friend, Jerry, learn of the difficulties of first generation children in this new country. The book offers hope for the new generation if not for their parents.

Mr. Kertes began his career at the College 17 years ago as a teacher of English Literature and Communications. Prior to that, he taught Literature at the University in Gutenberg in Germany and at York University in Toronto.

At Humber, Joe Kertes is director of Corporate Communications, the successful



Joe Kertes

Humber School for Writers (HSW), and the new Humber Comedy Workshop.

He credits Humber President Robert ('Squee') Gordon for backing daring and innovative ideas. As a result of this support, the HSW is now in its ninth year of operation.

Writers such as Peter Carey, who won the Booker Prize for *Oscar and Lucinda*, Tim O'Brien, who won the National Book Award for *Going After Cacciato*, and Carol Shields, who won the Pulitzer Prize for *Stone Diaries*, have taught at the School as have Richard Ford, Margaret Atwood, Wayson Choy, D. M. Thomas, and Timothy Findley.

The Humber Comedy Workshop completed its second session this July and featured the producers of *Seinfeld* as well as Canadian comics Joe Flaherty and Eugene Levy.

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Different people, different jobs, one centre

HRDC Employment Resource Centres and Humber College

Helping people find work

Patricia and Amrit were job seekers from different countries but they had one thing in common. Both successfully conducted their job searches at local Employment Resource Centres (ERCs).

Funded by Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC), these new centres provide job seekers with the necessary tools to conduct an effective job search.

Amrit started coming to the Rexdale Employment Resource Centre (Albion & Martingrove) in May. His objective was to secure employment in the pharmaceutical industry where his experience from abroad would apply. With help from the staff at the centre and by accessing a variety of job search resources, he was able to broaden his career objective and successfully secured a sales associate position with the Future Shop.

Patricia arrived in Canada in June 1997 and, acting on a friend's advice, visited the St. Clair West (Lansdowne & St. Clair) ERC and began coming three times a week. By utilizing the Internet, e-mail, and the phone centre, she landed a job with a leading Toronto telecommunications company.

ERC clients are a cross section of today's job seekers.

Michael, for example, reflects today's ever-growing number of contract workers. A graphics design artist, the availability of computers, high-speed Internet and e-mail access for two hours at a stretch are very important to him. He uses the computer to create resumes, proposals and quotations. He also appreciates the use of the phone centre and access to the helpful staff.

As a result of his efforts, Michael has successfully obtained numerous consulting and contract jobs.

Serving from 100 to 200 people a day, the centres are coordinated by Humber College. Services, which also include workshops on job search techniques, guest speakers, and resume critiques, are free to all job seekers.

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Screening of film and television work a *box office hit*

Graduates of Humber's popular Film & Television Production program held their first public screening in early May at The Royal Theatre in downtown Toronto.

The screening consisted of 12 works, showcasing a variety of styles and genres prepared and produced by the graduating students as well as the best productions of students in the first and second year of the program.

"The work justified being shown publicly," says Program Coordinator, Michael Glassbourg. "The screening showed the public what the industry already knows and proved to the young film-makers that they can produce a product that people will like."

Valeria Pugliese, producer of the short film *Paperboy*, said that because Humber's program focuses on 'hands-on' training, she is now ready for the real world.

Although there was only one screening and very little advertising, approximately 300 attended the event. Mr. Glassbourg hopes that in the coming year multiple screenings of students' works will be held with even greater success.

Humber's three-year Film & Television Production program offers a broad-based curriculum and provides practical, multi-disciplinary training. Graduates leave with the knowledge and expertise to launch careers as camera-operators, switchers, writers, film editors, lighting technicians, sound technicians, or production managers.

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Film & Television Production program students attend screening of their films at The Royal cinema in downtown Toronto.

Reaching out to parents in the workplace

Humber College's Early Childhood Education (ECE) department has developed a number of seminars designed to help businesses reach out to employees with parenting needs.

The Parenting Series begins in the fall in the Peel and Brampton regions. If it is successful in these regions, it will be expanded to the Greater Toronto Area.

Each 45-minute session will provide information on parenting issues including infant to toddler development, growing with your children, and topics specific to working parents. Each can also be custom-tailored to meet the needs of individual businesses.

"The employer will have the opportunity to choose the seminar that best suits the issues that specifically affect their employees," explains ECE faculty

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member, Laura Oyama. "The purpose of the series is to allow employers to reach out to those of their employees who are concerned parents. Right now, no one offers any support, beyond daycare, to parents in the workplace."

Contact: Laura Oyama at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4125

Learning for Life receives Excellence in Workplace Literacy Award

In 1990, Honeywell Limited began Learning for Life, a program designed to prepare the manufacturing workforce for dramatic changes in technology processes, competitiveness, and the introduction of self-directed work teams.

In 1998, Honeywell was selected as one of three award winners of the Award for Excellence in Workplace Literacy for the program by the Conference Board of Canada. Their award-winning initiative was showcased at the Conference Board's 1998 Business, Education and Community Conference in Ottawa.

Initially, instructors from the Scarborough Board of Education and the Toronto Metro Labour Board taught program courses, however this changed in 1994 when Honeywell established a partnership with Rebel Hardy, account manager in Humber's Business and Industry Services department.

Today, most of the classes are taught by Humber instructors. Learning for Life began with an English as a Second Language course and eventually expanded to include courses on personal development, self-defence, languages, college preparation, conflict management, communication, and training on several computer programs.

Ms Hardy joined Honeywell's representatives at the conference where they were presented the award. They also delivered a short presentation about the project and held a one-hour question and answer session.

Contact: Rebel Hardy at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4243

Humber sweeps Provincials with Women's Volleyball Team

Humber's Women's Volleyball team, after a spotless winning record, has secured its place as the new OCAA champions.

Other teams distinguished themselves with agility and quickness, but Humber's blend of power and accuracy was ultimately too much for them to handle.

The six-team, two-day tournament started on Friday with pool play and ended on Saturday with medal matches. Humber was in a pool with Durham College and Niagara College. The team edged out Durham in a 15-13, 12-15, 13-15, 15-6, 15-10 series and swept by Niagara in four games. Sheridan College was dismissed in three short games, with the final against Algonquin presenting no more of a challenge.

The National Championships were held in Quebec where Humber ultimately placed fifth. However, with their performance in the provincials, the team achieved the position of OCAA Gold medalists and the Sheridan and Humber Tournament Champions.

Humber's Christine Rudics was named Tournament All-Star and Cindy Ross won Rookie of the Year.

With their provincial record and winning team, the dream of a national championship next year remains very much alive.

Contact: Doug Fox at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4456

Sopman Award goes to Humber nursing students

Two graduating Humber College Nursing Diploma program students, Michaela Binder and Karen Punchedard, were recognized with the Sopman Award from the Toronto Hospital for the compassionate care they gave their patients while on the work placement component of their program. The Award carries a cash prize of \$1000.

The Sopman Award, initiated by Mr. Sopman in memory of his wife Belle for the humanitarian care she received as a patient at the Toronto Hospital, is given for clinical and academic excellence coupled with outstanding human qualities. It was set up to encourage humanity, compassion, understanding and the ability to communicate.

"I believe that Humber spends more time working with their nursing students while they are doing their work placement and this makes a difference in the students' performance," says Gwen Villamere, Chair of Nursing. "It's always rewarding to see the students win awards such as the Sopman. It shows that the program curriculum is on the right track and it lets the students be proud of their abilities."

Contact: Gwen Villamere at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4327.

Grad plays lead role in ice-storm cleanup

Victor DaSilva has never been one to miss out on an opportunity. This includes making a mark with his own business (Upper Canada Arborist Limited) in Cumberland, and lending a helping hand to a stricken community.

Seeing the chance to provide the Humber Arboriculture program with invaluable experience following the ice storm, Mr. DaSilva contacted his old professor, Ian Bruce, and arranged to have two second-year students, Ben Coady and Constantinos Liolis, sent to Ottawa to assist with the clean-up efforts. "It worked out so well that I contacted Ian again and asked if he'd like to send the entire senior class down to help out on a few jobs."

One of the jobs turned out to be the clean-up work for the R.C.M.P. headquarters. The three-day job, tended to by 11 students in addition to Coady and Liolis, was cited as an example of technical excellence for Ottawa and other municipalities to copy. A two-day clean-up at the Governor General's residence followed.

During the students' time in Ottawa, Mr. DaSilva took it upon himself to cover transportation expenses, as well as taking care of issues of wage and living arrangements.

News about his efforts have begun to spread. "There are a number of municipalities that are getting into the idea of student work," he says. "And, I'd be more than happy to make the arrangements and give the Humber students more practical experience."

Contact: Ian Bruce at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4731



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Humber also offers credit and non-credit learning opportunities through its Continuing Education Department. You can look at what's being offered by looking up Continuing Education courses at www.humberc.on.ca under Course Calendars.

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Career Services -

Get the latest in job search tips and resume preparation from Career Services. You can reach them at (416) 675-6622 ext. 5030. Look up their web site on Humber's home page under 'Student Services'.

Humber also has Campus Worklink, a new way for you to find employment. Its web site is <http://ngr.schoolnet.ca/worklink>. Once at the site, use the user code, hcollege, and the password, bercoler.

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Show off your hard-earned diploma or certificate by framing it in a polished gold-coloured frame complete with the Humber College logo on the burgundy mat. Call the Alumni Office at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4872 to reserve one now.

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P.S. Didn't get a card? Call Alumni Services!

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Each year, there are Humber students who can't afford to buy their own textbooks.

You can help these students out by donating your old texts (no older than 1994) to Library Services.

In recognition of your generous contribution, library staff will put a book plate inside each textbook to identify you, a Humber Alumni, as the donor.

If they get too many books of the same kind, Library Services will sell the extra books, and the money generated from the sale will go towards the purchase of new resource materials.

Contact Library Services at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4421 for details.

Upcoming Events & Reunions

Second Annual Varsity Alumni Reunion

October 3 & 4, 1998

Post-Diploma Program Graduate Reunion

October 28, 1998

20th Anniversary Package & Graphic Design

August, 1999

For details, contact the Alumni Services office at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4872

Industrial Design program hosts alumni dinner

Faculty and students of the Industrial Design program hosted an alumni dinner in April. Ken Cummings, program coordinator, updated everyone on the program's plans for the next five years. Miles Keller, president of ACIDO, also addressed the group.

The next alumni dinner is tentatively scheduled for September 1998.

If you are an Industrial Design program graduate and interested in attending this dinner, please contact Ken at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4058.

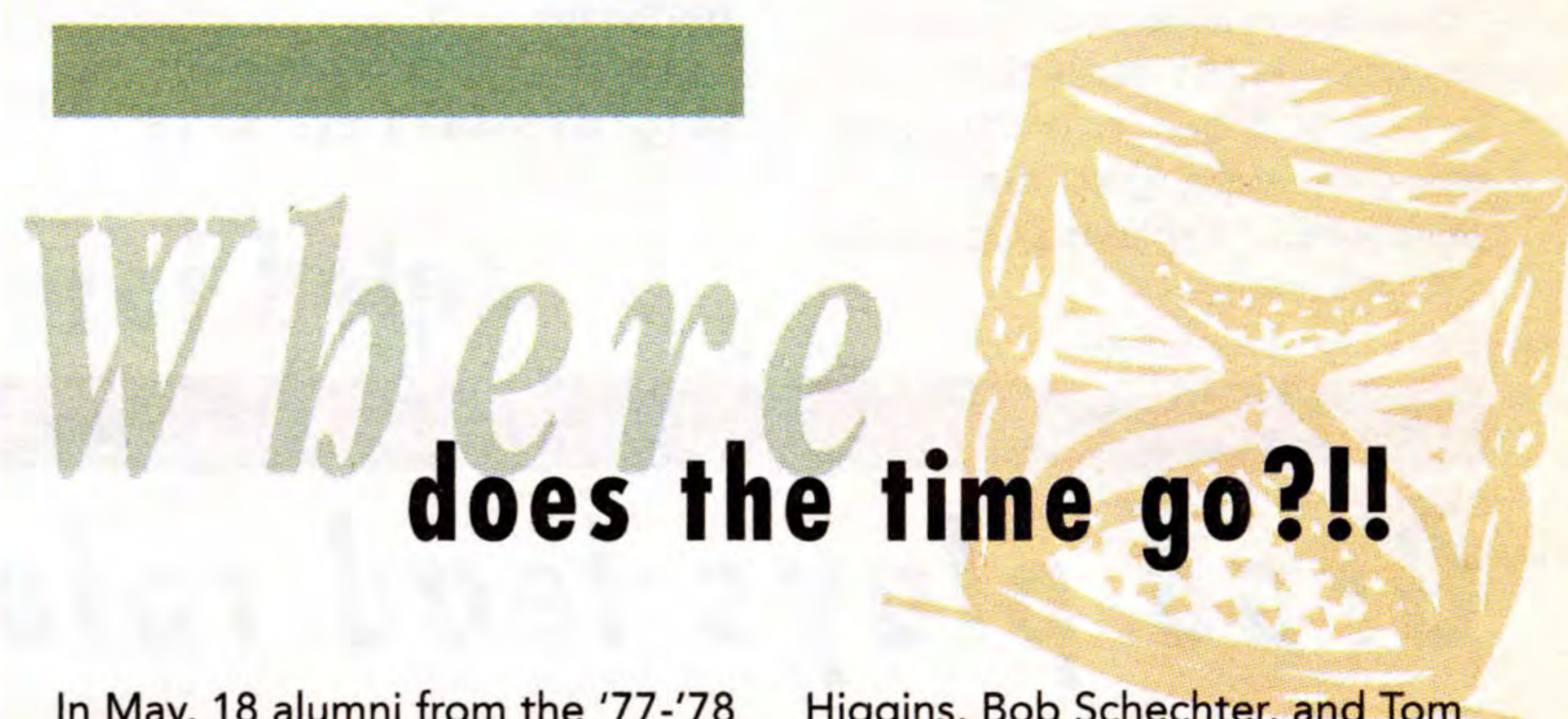


'77-'78 class photo - 20 years later.
Top row, left to right: John Hynds, Bob Schechter, Harold Horvath, Steve Nash, Scott Cairncross, Dave Nicholas
Middle row, left to right: Neil Shepherd, Robert Higgins, Peter Neff, John (Sting) Steigenga, Brian McCann, Mike Breward
Bottom row, left to right: Steve Johnson, Tom Clarkson, Jim Ward, Loris Giuricich
Not shown: Blake Mintz, Robert Wojcik, Dean Hilton, Stan Dalley, Bill Duccy

Congratulations to the new OPP Commissioner

Gwen Boniface (LASA '77) was appointed commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and sworn in at a ceremony in Orillia, Ontario, on May 28, 1998.

On behalf of the entire College community, the Humber Alumni Association extends sincere congratulations to Commissioner Boniface on her outstanding career achievement.



In May, 18 alumni from the '77-'78 Electro-Mechanical, Tool & Die, Safety Engineering, and Industrial Engineering programs met in The Humber Room to find out just how fast time did go by since their graduation from Humber.

Organizers Neil Shepherd, Peter Neff and Loris Guicich were thrilled with the response to their idea of a reunion.

"Lots can happen in 20 years, and everyone agreed it was time to get together," said Neil. "Except for a few guys who had prior commitments, we all made it."

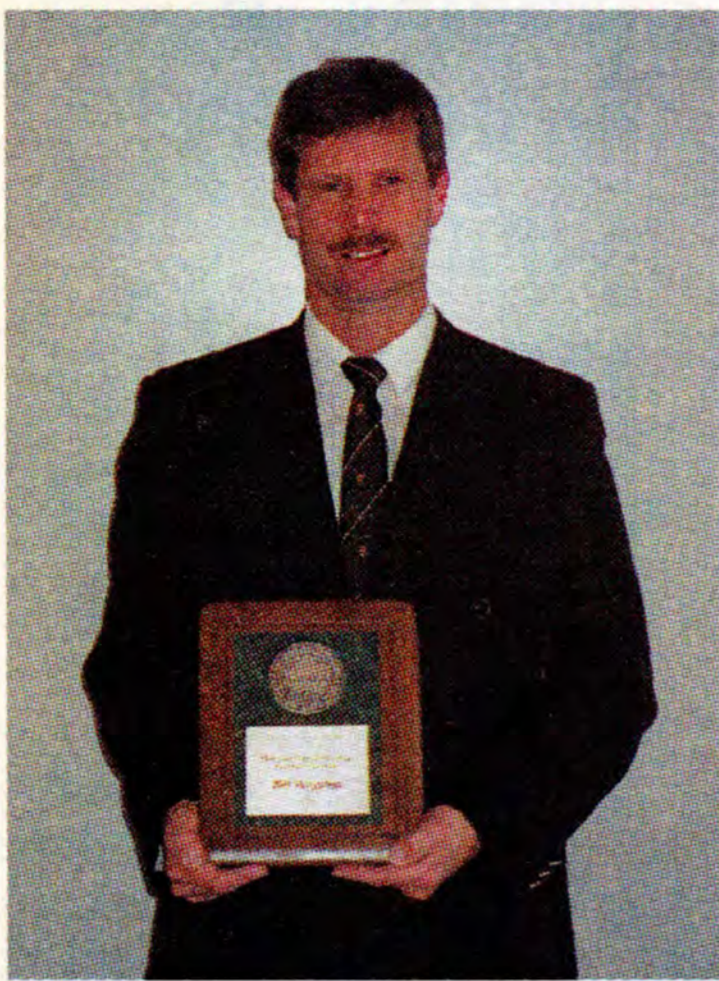
During the course of the evening, the group reminisced with each other and with a few of their former professors, Bob

Higgins, Bob Schechter, and Tom Clarkson. They also took in a guided tour of the College with Ken Simon, Chair of Mechanical & Design.

As well, the class of '77-'78 made a \$200 donation to the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund, a government initiative which matched dollar for dollar any money the College raised for the Fund over the past two years.

"The donation is a way for us to thank Humber for all the great times we had while we were student here," said Neil.

For these Humber alumni, the evening was simply a continuation of the good times they shared 20 years ago.



The golf business - a winning combination

"I love what I do," says Bill, 39, as he empties one more box of golf clothing for his extensive pro shop. "I enjoy coming to work, seeing the people, and, although it's not the biggest part of my job, playing some golf."

Golfing since he was five years old, Bill parlayed his love of the game into a lifelong career. He credits Humber's then dean of Business, the late Eric Mundinger, with some of his success.

"Eric loved golf, and he was able to put a golf slant to the program by adding in electives such as club repair and turf management," says Bill. "He also had a great relationship with the CPGA which helped us a lot."

Bill pauses, realizing that he's been a golf professional for the

better part of 20 years. He became a member of the CPGA in 1979, and, after graduating from Humber, worked as an assistant pro at the Bracebridge South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club. The next year, he accepted a position at The National Golf Club (rated the No. 1 golf course in Canada by Score Magazine).

After nine years of moving in The National organization, Bill took the head pro position at the Royal Woodbine Golf Club in Woodbridge and in 1992, became head golf pro at the Barrie Country Club.

Today, Bill manages a staff of 15 at a 600-member private golf facility in one of Canada's fastest-growing communities.

"My days involve more

administrative work and staff management than actually playing any golf," he says wistfully. "When you have a retail and service-driven business, that's just how it is."

When Bill is not working or getting in an occasional game (he's still a scratch golfer), he spends time with his wife, Carolyn, and children, Heather, 8 and Darryl, 5.

The shop door opens and in walks a member Bill hasn't seen since the first snow last fall. He excuses himself and goes to work. When the customer walks out several minutes later with several large shopping bags in hand, it's easy to see why Bill, doing what he loves to do, won those Merchandiser of the Year awards.

It's early April and Bill Wogden, head golf professional at the Barrie Country Club, is busy getting ready for the upcoming season.

For this 1980 graduate of Humber's Business Administration program and two-time winner of the Ontario Professional Golf Association Merchandiser of the Year award, it's the best time of the year.

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Premier's Award nominees sought

Do you know a Humber alumni who has gone on to achieve incredible career success while making significant contributions to society?

If you do, he or she may just be a nominee for a Premier's Award.

Premier's Awards for Graduates of Ontario's Colleges of Applied Arts & Technology were created especially for colleges and launched in 1992 in honour of the 25th Anniversary of the College system.

We are looking for nominees from each of Humber's four areas of study: Applied Arts, Technology, Health Sciences, and Business.

Contact Alumni Services with the name of your nominee, the nominee's current address and phone number, and the program from which he or she graduated.

Nominations for the 1998 Premier's Awards close September 30, 1998.

P.S. If you feel you meet this criteria yourself and want to be considered for the Premier's Award, please contact Alumni Services.

Humber alumni receive York University Provost's Award entrance scholarship

Humber alumni, Tracey Petticrew (Accounting) and Leanne Lavis (Journalism), are among the first recipients of the newly established York University entrance scholarship for community college and university transfer students.

The Provost's Award, valued at \$1000 each, is designed to recognize outstanding academic achievements at the post-secondary level.

Tracey began courses last fall in the Economics and Business program offered through the

Faculty of Arts. She entered York at the second year level having received five full courses (30 credits of advanced standing from her three-year Humber diploma).

Leanne is now working towards a Bachelor of Arts degree in Women's Studies. She also received 30 transfer credits from her Humber program.

Congratulations to both award winners and good luck in their future endeavours.

From the ground up

Derek Tiessen, who was enrolled in the Landscape Technician program from 1987-1989, has always enjoyed working with his hands and attending Humber convinced him to make a career of it.

Along with his father, Klaus, Derek Tiessen owns and operates Glen Echo Nurseries Inc., an award-winning landscaping operation based in Caledon East.

"I chose Humber for two main reasons: the location and the school's good name," says Mr. Tiessen. "There was really no other contender."

He feels that there was a good balance between theory and practice in the program and was especially appreciative of the 12-week apprenticeship component. He notes, too, that familiarization with Latin terminology and design work were also some of the aspects of the program that he enjoyed.

"Dave Kirkpatrick, who's still at the College, was great at teaching how to draw," he says.

Mr. Kirkpatrick himself adds that the landscape program now includes CAD courses as a matter of routine and says that Mr. Tiessen's praise for the internship facet of the program has resulted in more practical 'hands-on' course work.

With his award-winning skills amply demonstrated, Derek Tiessen continues to carve out a place for himself and Glen Echo in the competitive landscaping market.

Contact: Dave Kirkpatrick at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4881

Stay in touch!

Is there a move in your not-too-distant future? Don't forget to give Alumni Services your new address. You can reach us at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4872 or at alumni@admin.humberc.on.ca. Or, fax in the following form:

Name: _____ Student Number: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____ E-Mail: _____

Business Address: _____

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OCNA recognizes talents of Humber students

Humber Journalism students won three awards at the Ontario Community Newspaper Association (OCNA) convention this spring, and the student newspaper, *Humber Etc.*, won a third overall for general excellence in college and university papers.

First place for student writing went to Christine Siemiernik and Matt Guerin, third place in the same category went to Cheryl Waugh, and Matt Blackett won second place for best technically enhanced photo.

All awards were based on two copies of *Humber Etc.*, randomly picked by the OCNA committee. The writing and general excellence awards are chosen from submissions entered by all the college and university members of the OCNA. The enhanced photo award is judged based on entries from all members of the OCNA.

"The student writing awards have only been offered for the past two years and this is the second year in a row that Humber students have won two of the three awards," says Terri Arnott, faculty advisor for *Humber Etc.* "Being a part of the OCNA allows the Journalism program at Humber to build partnerships with other community papers in Ontario."

The OCNA has been in operation for 15 years and has approximately 250 members.

Contact: Terri Arnott at (416) 675-6622 ext. 5007

Another Humber staffer becomes published author

Yet another College staffer has joined the prestigious ranks of published Humber authors. Dalyce Newby, coordinator of Humber's Student Intercultural Centre, has published her first book, a biography of Dr. Anderson Ruffin Abbott, Canada's first African-Canadian doctor who volunteered as a surgeon in the American Civil War.

Almost eight years ago, Ms Newby was approached by the editor of *Canadian Medical Lives*, a series published by Toronto's Hannah Institute for the History of Medicine, to write Dr. Abbott's biography. She accepted the assignment and worked on it in her spare time.

With a keen interest in Black history and a background in social and cultural anthropology, Ms Newby set out to research the book - a project that took the better part of five years - and spent hours in the Baldwin Room of the Toronto Reference Library carefully handling delicate materials with gloved hands.

Growing up next to the Underground Railroad, between Chatham and the American border, Ms Newby was very aware of the cultural implications of where she lived.

"It's very hard to separate your own history from who you are," she says. "As a Black Canadian, I have been sparked by all the exclusions in my history and came to realize that there is a need for this knowledge."

The most challenging aspect of the project was how to write about the American Civil War from a medical point of view. "With a biography, it's hard to know how much to include," she explains.

Civil War buffs will find this biography engaging, as will those with a keen interest in African-American history.

"The obstacles for Blacks to overcome have been very difficult," says Dalyce Newby. "Young people today don't realize just how bad the racism really was."

Contact: Dalyce Newby at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4349



Dalyce Newby

Husqvarna and Duke loan agreements benefit students

Husqvarna Forest and Garden is lending their most current tree care and landscape equipment to Humber's Urban Arboriculture (tree care) program for a twelve-month period as a result of an agreement reached with Ian Bruce, coordinator of the Humber program. Humber will then have the option of buying the equipment at a reduced price.

"The plan benefits all parties involved: the program, the students, and Husqvarna," says Ron Galloway, a representative of the company. "It provides us with an opportunity to expose our products to those students who will eventually work in the tree

care industry. Students will benefit through access to top-of-the-line equipment, and the College will save money."

If things work out, Husqvarna will renew the loan program every twelve-months.

Duke Equipment, makers of landscaping machinery, has struck a similar deal with the College.

This past year, Duke donated approximately \$35,000 worth of brand new equipment to the Humber Arboretum. An opportunity to purchase the equipment at a 20% discount is an option at the end of the loan period.

"This agreement gives our

students a chance to use equipment that the College cannot afford to buy outright," explains Heather Somers, horticulture technician for the Arboretum.

Dick Raycroft, vice-president of sales for Duke Equipment, initiated the loan agreement. "We hope that by donating the equipment, students will be more inclined to either seek employment with our company or to use our equipment in the future."

Contacts: Juanita Baxter at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4100
Heather Somers at (416) 675-6622 ext. 4467

Web site contest links Humber to success

For the students who entered Multimedia '98, it was more than just a contest. It was a chance to test their creative mettle against post-secondary students from across Canada - and, in the process, make some serious money.

The 100 students who registered for the contest were given the challenge of designing a web site, complete with three linked pages, for the use of people affected by natural disasters. It had to relay information about numerous disasters and, at the same time, help survivors connect with concerned family and friends.

A panel of seven judged the designs and chose ten winners. Three were from Humber's School of Media Studies. All ten winners received a \$2500 contract to design an actual web site for contest sponsor, Stentor Communications.

"The quality of the work was fabulous," says Jim Boone, manager of Electronic Communications at Stentor. "This is the first time we've run the contest and there was such a great response that we plan to hold a Multimedia '99."

Margaret Gdyczynski was one of the winners. She spent four years at the Ontario College of Art studying drawing and painting and did some part-time computer courses before entering Humber's new Internet Management program.

"My design was a world-wide map, with flags to indicate disaster locations. Each flag was a link to more information," she says. "I wanted to be straightforward so that if you weren't computer savvy, you could still easily find out what you needed."

The team of Attilio Porretta and Joseph Marelo from the Internet Management program, and Fran Grasso from the Interactive Multimedia program, were the other winners from Humber. In total, 16 students from the School of Media Studies submitted designs.

Stentor is the alliance of Canada's full-service telecommunications companies. It administers the world's longest fibre-optic network and provides Canadians with state-of-the-art communications products and services.

Women in Technology winners announced

Five outstanding students have been selected as winners of the \$500 Women in Technology Memorial Bursary sponsored by Ontario's Colleges of Applied Arts & Technology and Inco Limited to honour the memory of the women students slain in the tragedy at Montreal's Ecole Polytechnique eight years ago. In a close competition, recipients were chosen by four regional committees, comprised of the heads of technology and financial aid officers. The 35 applicants were considered on the basis of need, academic excellence, professional promise, and community service.

One of the winners, Michelle Campbell, is currently enrolled in the second year of the three-year Air Conditioning Refrigeration Engineering Technician/Technologist program at Humber College. Ms Campbell has already completed two degrees at McMaster University. She decided to pursue studies at a community college to obtain training paired with her university education to give her a leading edge in today's economy.

Other winners were Laura King (Confederation College), Mihaela Hodivoianu (Fanshawe College), Katherine Lockyer (Sir Sandford Fleming College), and Rita Zaccagnini (Durham College).

The bursaries, which are awarded annually, were initiated by the Association's Committee on Equity in Education and Employment. The fund was established by contributions from all colleges and Inco Limited.

Contact: Karen Richard at (416) 596-0744 ext. 229

Helping dreams become reality

Imagine waking up one morning to realize that you have a job with a future, that you have a steady income to provide the necessities for you and your family.

For Lorena Medina, that dream has become a reality.

Lorena wanted a job so she decided to take a number of computer-related courses at night school. Yet, even with all her efforts, full-time employment eluded her. She had no practical experience in her field and employers simply did not want to interview her without that.

To overcome this hurdle, Lorena registered with Job Connect, a Youth Opportunities Ontario Program that focuses on career and employment preparation for young people between the ages of 16 - 24 years.

In Etobicoke, the program is delivered through a partnership of The Centre for Advancement in Work and Living (CAWL), the Etobicoke YMCA Youth Employment Services (YES), and Humber College.

In Job Connect, Lorena attended workshops and worked individually with one of the counsellors. The program helped her update her resume, learn interview techniques, and develop an action plan.

As a result, she was hired by Bedford Furniture Industries Inc. to train in their Accounts Payable department. When her training was completed, she was offered and accepted full-time employment.

The objective of Job Connect is to make Lorena's reality a reality for other young people.

Contact: CAWL at (416) 231-2295
YES at (416) 741-4611
Humber College at (416) 675-6622 ext. 3431

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Juno nomination for faculty member

Those who can, teach.

And Ted Quinlan, head of guitar studies in Humber's Music program, proves that this is so by successfully combining an exciting professional music career with full-time teaching.

As a testament to his skills, Mr. Quinlan was nominated for a Juno earlier this year for his original contemporary jazz CD, *As If*, and was also recognized by Toronto's Jazz Report magazine as Guitarist of the Year.

Inspired by the Beatles, he picked up the guitar at age 11 and became a jazz fan at 14. Originally from Montreal, where he began performing, he has also worked in Vancouver and, for the last 13 years, in Toronto.

He ran the gamut of performance engagements from clubs to commercial jingles, from weddings and bar mitzvahs to musical theatre - including the Toronto productions of *Cats*, *Miss Saigon*, and *Chorus Line*. Some of his film score work is heard in the movie *Crash*.

Although accomplished in a

number of musical genres, Mr. Quinlan maintains that jazz is the centre of his musical life. "Everything else branches out from there," he says.

Teaching, too, has always been part of his career. Before joining Humber, he taught guitar from his home. "I'd be doing a

gig and people would approach me asking if I could teach them and I was glad to do that. Teaching full-time was more of a natural progression for me, rather than a change of direction."

Contact: Ted Quinlan at (416) 675-6622 ext. 3408



Cyberbabies invade Humber

The tiny Tamaguchi's, which were banned from classrooms in Ontario, are welcome at Humber College.

Faculty in the Child and Youth Worker program use the computerized pets, that grow from baby to adulthood as long as they're cared for properly, to teach human growth, parental responsibility, and child development to students enrolled in the program.

The project, code named 'cyberbaby', began this year.

In the past, students were given eggs which they had to take care of and treat like children in order to learn about human growth. The egg was replaced with the 'cyberbaby' when the computerized pet proved to be more cost efficient and more realistic in terms of care-giving application.

"Students can experience the responsibility of having a child to take care of," explains Jane Clifton, coordinator of the program. "The 'cyberbaby' has to be fed, played with, taught new things, and given a proper sleeping schedule, or it will die. It is a real test of a student's ability to parent."

There is only one problem with the project: occasionally a student's 'cyberbaby' experiences technical difficulties and breakdown. Other than that, the 'cyberbaby' is a big hit.

Contact: Jane Clifton at (416) 675-6622 ext. 3263

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Sharing knowledge a great learning experience

In April, 1998, students enrolled in the fourth semester of the Microcomputer Management Program at Humber's Lakeshore Campus hosted training seminars to the public as part of a final semester project.

Presentation topics included Windows 95 Tips, Introduction to the Internet, Web Page Design, MS Internet Explorer, and PowerPoint 97.

The four days of seminars attracted more than 100 participants including home users, business users, and a class of computer students from Silverthorn Collegiate Institute. They found the 'hands-on' sessions to be both informative and useful, and many showed keen interest in returning for future microcomputer seminars.

Humber's graduating students found this opportunity of being able to demonstrate what they know to the public a valuable learning experience.

Contact: Bill Kwok at (416) 675-6622 ext. 3315

Students get into the movie business

Movie cameras, lenses, lighting, electrical cables and miles of duct tape were deployed to the basement of Humber's North Campus this spring as six groups of second-year Film and Television Production program students produced, directed and filmed their first movies.

The three-week production period was a long time coming for these students. During first semester, they each wrote their own movie scripts, and at the beginning of second semester, one script was chosen by each group for filming.

Faculty members, who were available for technical assistance and conflict resolution, assisted the students and offered guidance when needed.

One of the first groups to film was the crew of *One Night Story*.

"The story is about two people who have a one-night stand. In the first scene, two girls are sitting in a bedroom while one offers a detailed account of the night before. In the next scene, the guy she spent the night with recalls his version to a friend," explains Director Lucas Cardona.

For Mr. Cardona, the living room set had personal significance. When the crew began constructing the set, they made liberal use of many of the items from his living quarters. Other pieces were purchased from the Salvation Army, or acquired from the residences of other group members. Not surprising as the nine-person crew was responsible for financing all set materials such as paint, masking tape, furniture, fixtures and props. The total production budget, aside from film and processing, was about \$450.

The groups were comprised of a producer, director, assistant director, director of photography, art director, camera operator, editor, sound operator, and boom operator. Each position was decided randomly by lot after crew members indicated three key positions of interest.

The *One Night Story* group chose to recruit their acting talent through an ad in *Now* magazine. Thirty actors auditioned from which four were chosen. The absence of a budget with which to pay their talent posed no problem for the group. "We paid them in food," explains Producer Carissa Shaw. "Each crew member paid \$10 for food and we made a pot luck buffet for each day of shooting."

Eight hundred feet of film was used to produce a five-minute finished product. Including set construction and dismantling, the entire production was shot over three days in one of Humber's film studios. Following each day of shooting, the exposed footage was sent downtown for developing and returned the following day in case a re-shoot was required.

Production teams were required to fax a full report on each day's activities to their instructors. Completed productions were submitted for marking in three of the students' courses: film directing, camera workshop, and production management.

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Donated compactor being used to train Industrial Maintenance students

The Automatic Compactors Corporation recently donated an industrial garbage compactor to Humber's Industrial Maintenance program. Worth \$8000, the machine will be used to train students in the repair and maintenance of compactors.

Pat Belvedere, a member of the Automatic Compactors Corporation team, presented the unit to the College.

"This all came about as part of a business outreach program set up at the College," says Andrew Brown, coordinator of the Industrial Maintenance program. "Every year we approach business and try to create partnerships like the one we created with Automatic Compactors Corporation."

In exchange for the compactor, students and faculty will research ways of transforming the compactor's controls by developing ways of running the unit off a computer system capable of speaking with the main network at the corporation.

"This is a great example of a win-win situation for the school and for the corporation," says Andrew Brown. "It's a great accomplishment and proves that the outreach program works and benefits everyone involved."

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Virtual Career Fair: Another Humber first

Humber's School of Information Technology, Accounting and Electronics (SITAE) held a Virtual Career Fair - the first career fair to be posted on the Internet in Canada - in mid-May. The fair was an innovative breakthrough on how to connect employers who are offering jobs with students who are looking for them.

The web site, modeled after a job search web page in the United States, provided students with job descriptions, background information, and the opportunity to e-mail their resumes directly from the site to any of the companies that were listed.

"The Virtual Career Fair was incredibly successful," says Leah Brown, student and workplace liaison for the SITAE. "After the second day, the hits on the site had already exceeded my expectations and there are now 12 other businesses on a list to have their logo displayed the next time a virtual fair is posted."

The idea for the Virtual Career Fair was the brainchild of two students, Brian Sue and Randy Vasquez, who graduated from the Computer Engineering program this year and used what they learned in their program to create the web site.

Karen Fast, placement officer at the College, and Leah Brown located the businesses who wanted to participate.

Ms Brown and Ms Fast hope to continue posting Virtual Career Fairs for SITAE students on the Internet and are planning to post two more to help students connect with the employers who are offering 'actual' jobs.

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'Historical' opening on eve of new millennium

On the eve of the new millennium, New Year's Eve 1999, The Assembly Hall, a historic landmark next to Humber's Lakeshore Campus, will open as an arts centre.

Used a century ago to hold special events for residents of the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital, the Assembly Hall is being restored thanks to the City of Toronto and a \$3.6 million capital expenditure.

The hall has a 375 seat capacity with a proscenium stage and, on the ground floor, a dedicated art gallery, support service offices, a box office, and a kitchen. There is also a projection and large sound control room.

According to Jerry Smith, coordinator of the Arts Administration program at the Lakeshore Campus and volunteer with the Lakeshore Arts Advisory Committee, the committee will play a key role in determining what the Assembly Hall will be used for and how the interests and needs of the surrounding community will best be served.

Currently, building plans include the installation of an outside elevator, an amphitheater and a sculpture garden.

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Industrial Design

grads create leading-edge vehicles

Students graduating from the Industrial Design program at Humber have been hard at work creating new concepts for ecologically-sound cars, a transport truck, and a shuttle bus. Several of their designs were showcased this summer at Toronto's Design Exchange.

The EXOGEN, an alternative to the conventional automobile, was designed by Mark Lepper of Ajax and Marc Risdale of Sudbury. Known as a 'hybrid' vehicle, it uses both electric and human power. A lightweight, zero-emission vehicle, it is capable of utilizing existing road and highway infrastructures while maintaining the safety, comfort, performance and freedom demanded by conventional drivers. The design, based on a recumbent bicycle

seating layout, is proposed in a two-or-four passenger model powered on a continuous basis by a high-density compact battery recharged by regenerative braking and solar energy.

The C4, a three-door, four-passenger sport commuter, was designed by Tom Eltoft of Niagara Falls, Brendan Good of Mississauga, Elton Yong-Kee of Oakville, and George Koutsokostas of Toronto. A small car with a better-than-average size wheel base, the C4 is differentiated visually from other vehicles by its low-profile architecture, unconventional dimensions, electrochromatic roof and distinctive prismatic side viewing mirror system. Interior features include an electrochromatic roof that can go from transparent to an

opaque glass, and an instrument and pedal cluster that alters and conforms to individual human dimensions by moving forward or backward.

The ECHO, a new concept of public transit, was developed to function as a 'business class' shuttle bus picking up Go Transit riders at a predetermined area and taking them to the station. Smaller than a 40-foot city bus, the 24-passenger ECHO is designed to minimize noise and pollution and to decrease the number of cars on the road during peak hours. Unique features include the hybrid-electric power source, the updated driver controls, enhanced visibility, incorporation of the latest technologies such as a Global Positioning System and driver

awareness sensors, and a centered driver position. The shuttle was designed by Mark Gerardi of Etobicoke, Norm Hawley of Brantford, and Diego Pacitto of Thornhill.

A long-haul Class 8 transport truck was re-modeled for increased efficiency, safety, and aerodynamic advantage by Jason Bird of Golden Lake and Patrick Vizconde of Scarborough with a cab-over tractor style. This provides a superior aerodynamic shape which minimizes emissions and fuel consumption and makes for increased visibility and a more compact wheel base. The truck also features a collision warning system, a fatigue warning and sensor system to monitor and alert tired drivers, tire technology that allows the driver to track individual tire pressure and temperature, as well as a Global Positioning System.

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Building a better future

Humber College's Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism (HRT) Alliance has more than just a new logo. It has a new attitude and approach - one designed to allow its graduates the greatest flexibility and choice possible in an increasingly competitive market.

John Walker, director of the HRT Alliance, explains the thinking underlying the change. "It's a strategic plan that's been worked out over the last five years. We're changing to an educational-business approach. This means that we're setting up strategic links with industry. Our mission and goal is to be the leader in this regard in the next five years."

The means the Alliance is using to implement these changes involve the creation of internal teams. Each team, says Mr. Walker, has its own set of priorities. "My job," he continues, "is to keep the team members from getting overwhelmed."

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The HRT Alliance has over 500 links with business - called learning partners - which have been created and are being further expanded to avoid an us-and-them split between formal education and industry.

"We are continually being measured by the quality of our graduates, and real-life business defines the standard that we have to meet and exceed," Mr. Walker asserts.

John Walker also believes it was easier to implement this model over several others that were being considered because it is action-and-people-based. "We want a flexible learning products and services system, not a strait-jacketed hierarchy," he says. "The new Catering and Learning Centre, and our independent web site, are all part of our new direction."

A new series of award programs are also in place to encourage excellence in the

Alliance and to acknowledge the reciprocal nature of the education-business system. Small team successes will be recognized as will the use of intrinsic-extrinsic rewards: the first for accomplishments inside the teams themselves; the second for expanding the mutually-beneficial relationships with business.

"Feedback from the teams, based on sound observations, is absolutely necessary, but it also has to fit in with the larger vision that we're working with as well," Mr. Walker concludes. "We have to address change as a valuable necessity, not as something to be avoided."

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More bursaries than ever before

During the two-year Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund (OSOTF) Campaign, Humber College raised over \$1 million for bursaries for its students. The number of bursaries will be the highest ever made available to students in financial need at Humber.

Because of rising tuition costs and increased debt loads carried by students, the provincial government devised a plan to encourage students to stay in school. They decided to challenge all Ontario colleges and universities to raise money for bursaries and then match each dollar raised. The money raised by the OSOTF has been endowed and the interest generated from that money is given out as bursaries.

Here is one student's story of how an OSOTF bursary helped her stay in the Creative Photography program at the College.

"When I applied for financial assistance, I underestimated my costs for rent, food, school supplies, camera rentals, and other living expenses. After I received my loan, I realized that it would only leave me with \$50. After paying my tuition. Because of some difficult family situations, my parents were unable to help me financially. I felt like my dream was crushed.

In November, I received an OSOTF bursary for \$500. This money helped me successfully complete my first semester."

Staff in Humber's financial aid office gave out 25 bursaries in the 1997/98 academic year. Many more will be available for 1998/99.

To apply, students must complete an application form, prepare a budget, and write a letter which illustrates financial need.

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New name reflects new focus



The School of Architecture and Construction and the School of Horticulture, Fashion Arts and Design Foundation have been amalgamated and re-named The School for the Built Environment.

As a result of the change, the Fashion Arts department has been moved to the School of Business.

The new name describes, in a succinct fashion, the range of programs offered by the School. Under this umbrella, programs and services will be run by the Architecture & Construction and the Horticulture & Continuous Learning departments.

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Prof joins NICU team at Hospital for Sick Children

Alison Hughes, faculty member in the Advanced Studies in Early Childhood Education for Children with Special Needs program at Humber, was recently asked to be the parent representative on the Cluster Resource Team of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at The Hospital for Sick Children.

Ms Hughes' youngest child spent eight months in the NICU and then required 18 months of outpatient clinic and four months of specialized home care.

"I visited the hospital almost every day during those critical months," she explains. "I found that, even though my son was getting excellent care, I wasn't experiencing the team work and family involvement approach that I teach my students about. I feel it's one of the most important aspects

of neonatal care."

She approached the nurses with her observations and suggestions and, as a result, was asked to join the team. The group meets twice a week to discuss implementation of the new mutual participation model of care in neonatology.

"I'm honoured to be on the committee," says Ms Hughes. "This opportunity benefits me, the hospital, and my students. I'm making connections and developing friendships and have been able to find people willing to give seminars on their specialties to my classes. I'm also able to set up a lot of work placements for students with employment potential."

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College introduces new adventure travel program

Humber's School of Hospitality, Recreation & Tourism (HRT) has introduced its new Ecotourism and Adventure Recreation Program.

The program, developed by the HRT Alliance which was formed to generate business partnerships and to remain current with industry developments and standards, begins this fall. Classes will be taught by HRT Alliance faculty, industry mentors, and traineeship advisors.

"The program is open to college and university graduates who have an interest in the adventure aspect of tourism," says Bruce Poon-Tip, president of Gap

Adventures and a member of the program's advisory board. "This is a segment of the market that is rapidly growing and the program covers everything from setting up an international practice to being an adventure tour guide."

Industry members scheduled to work with the HRT Alliance in the program are: Hibiscus International Ltd., Explorer's Research, Black Feather, Astra Country Inn, Boreal Edge Ventures, Gap Adventures, Caribbean & Tourism Studies, The Travel & Leisure Show, and Langford Canoe.

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Humber to host NRCC forum - again

The first session of the Advanced Industrial Materials Forum, held at Humber last fall, was so successful organizers have chosen the College for this year's session as well.

Hosted by the National Research Council of Canada (NRCC), delegates at this year's session discussed trends for advanced industrial metallic materials.

"These forums help Humber keep abreast of current industrial trends," says Mike Sava, industrial technological advisor and research assistant for the NRCC. "They bring together scientists, designers, industrial technologist, researchers, the NRCC, and program assistants."

The forums also allow the College to strengthen its relationships with industry, create new partnerships, and improve student education.

One of the most successful features of last year's event was its emphasis on case studies. For this reason, the 1998 session, which will focus on the trends that affect the industrial design industry, will use case studies as a learning aid.

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Teaching hospitality on-line

Glen Stewart was recently appointed manager of on-line learning and technology for the School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism (HRT)

Mr. Stewart graduated from the Hospitality and Tourism Management program at Ryerson and began his career managing private clubs, restaurants, pubs and the SkyDome Sky Boxes. In the early 1990s, he started *GrafiLogic*, a business which creates designs for several high profile hotels and restaurants in Toronto. At that time, he also started *In a Pinch Hospitality*, a business that focuses on staffing for large recreation venues such as the Molson Indy, duMaurier Tennis, and the Molson Amphitheatre.

He has been a part-time teacher at Humber since 1997.

"I've had to learn as I worked to keep myself updated on what is current in the hospitality industry," he explains. "The on-line courses we offer are perfect for people like me who are constantly looking to upgrade their education but who have no access to schools, or who need the flexibility of an on-line program in order to fit education into their schedules."

The six courses offered on-line take approximately 68 weeks to complete. They concentrate on trends in the hospitality industry and appropriate management skills.

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On-line ski program a first in Canada



For the first time in Canada, ski resort employees will have an opportunity to take distance learning courses designed to help them develop and advance their careers in the ski industry.

A number of industry-specific courses will be delivered in traditional and on-line distance learning formats beginning in October.

Completion of the courses will

enable those enrolled to earn a Ski Resort Operations & Management diploma from either Selkirk College in British Columbia or Humber College in Ontario.

Both colleges have offered ski-related programs since the 1970's and their courses are endorsed by the Canada West Ski Areas Association and the Ontario Ski Resorts Association.

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intuitively cross-linked on the Web. Full-time programs are even linked to the College's graduation and employment report allowing potential students to evaluate job placement possibilities along with their program options.

Where program pre-requisites exist, the requirements are just a click away from the course or program listing. Another click provides registration and financial aid information.

Humber's site, by any measurement standard, is immense. There are 11,000 pages and that number continues to grow monthly.

Through a series of counters and tracking mechanisms, it has been established that each month approximately 40,000 users from around the world visit the site which is especially popular in Australia, Japan, Germany, and the United Kingdom.

"It's worth taking a minute or two to explore the site," says Mr. Morgan. "Those who do are bound to find out something about the College that they didn't already know."

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The play's the thing

The Stratford Festival is helping new theatre grads get on their feet with an in-house program that provides them with their first real experience in commercial theatre.

Humber College has the unique distinction of having not one, but two graduates enlisted in the ten-person group.

Susie Burnett from Kingston and Matt Deslippe from London were both accepted as apprentices and are currently working under Michael Mossen, director of the program at Stratford.

"We have three groups in training: apprentices, journeymen and the young company group," he says.

Mr. Mossen indicates that apprentices typically perform small roles on stage and act as fill-ins for the understudies. "They are given guided instruction by the Stratford coaches and senior

company members as well," he explains.

"I heard about the program from another student," says Ms. Burnett. "We have between six to 10 hours of class or rehearsal each day, so we always have something to do."

Matt Deslippe, who graduated from Humber's Theatre Arts program in 1997, says that the Stratford opportunity allows for different kinds of roles for different kinds of people.

Both speak in glowing terms about the Stratford experience, but Mr. Deslippe expresses the hope that it be expanded to include serious film and television training as well. "With the range of options open to us and the competition we're facing, it's not just a frill anymore, it's a necessity."

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Arts administration in Singapore... via Humber

When Hannah Tan and Josephine Tan responded to a national competition for a management role for the Esplanade Theatres, a new arts centre in Singapore set to open in 2001, little did either of them know that they'd be spending a year in Canada preparing for it.

As winners of the competition, Hannah and Josephine received scholarships to study in the Arts Administration program at Humber for a year.

Both women were successful candidates based on their backgrounds and genuine love for the arts. Hannah has a back-

ground in retail and marketing, while Josephine's is in advertising.

After having concentrated on building up its economy, housing and standard of living, it is only now that Singapore is in a position to invest in the arts. Esplanade Theatres, is Singapore's first national arts centre.

Because Humber's Arts Administration classes are held at night, both Hannah and Josephine are able to hold placement positions during the day to gain valuable on-the-job experience. Hannah is with Mirvish Productions and has also worked with The Canadian Stage Company.

Josephine is with Harbourfront.

Hannah finds that there are a number of similarities between Singapore and Toronto in that they are both cosmopolitan centres with a strong ethnic mix.

"It wasn't hard to adapt really," she says. "I have enjoyed living here very much. Toronto is a vibrant city and when I go back, I will miss the choice of things to do. Still, it's very exciting to be part of the beginning of something so new for Singapore."

Ningbo University + Humber form innovative international Business Administration program

Humber College in Toronto and Ningbo University in China have forged an innovative agreement linking the internationally known community college's business curriculum with a forward thinking university's program.

This September, Humber will welcome students from Ningbo to join students in the third year of Humber's Business Administration program.

Michael Hatton, dean of Humber's School of Business, describes this program as "one of the best examples of China/Canada cooperation you will see actually in place and working. It's as if Humber has a campus in China and Ningbo has a campus in Canada. Win-win, that's the reality of this program."

In 1996, Humber and Ningbo set up an international project where Chinese students study at Ningbo University in Ningbo's first year Business Administration program. The second year is also studied in China, but six of the 12 courses are delivered by a professor from Humber, in

English. In their third year, students study at Humber in Canada.

Students graduate with a three-year Business Administration diploma from Humber and, after a fourth year, they will graduate with a university degree from Ningbo.

"It is a unique program that provides an opportunity of a university education for people not qualified for a regular university program," said Bert Wheeler, professor in Management Studies, who taught at Ningbo in the 1997 fall semester.

In its first semester of operation (1996-1997), 59 students signed up. The following year, registration doubled and all signs indicate that registration will continue to increase.

The curriculum of this unique program follows that set by

Humber's School of Business.

"The Chinese are very impressed with how Canada, with such a small population, is a member of

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the G7," says Toby Fletcher, chair of Humber's Management Studies. "And they attribute that to our education system. This program provides the same education for the Chinese children as we give our sons and daughters."

Besides learning English, students learn a blend of Canadian business and Chinese business.

Although "things don't work (in China) the way they work here," Mr. Wheeler found teaching in China to be "a great adventure". Part of his positive experience lies with his students, aged 13-33 years, and the "wonderful Chinese people. The students were very enthusiastic and my relationship with them extended beyond the classroom. They would come over to my apartment and practice their English or teach me how to do certain types of Chinese cooking."

With a population of over a million, Ningbo is located about 100 miles south of Shanghai. It has been a commercial center for over 1000 years with strong ties to Hong Kong and Taiwan. The town has rapidly growing intentional connections and western methods are gradually becoming more prominent.

Ningbo University is relatively new, but its reputation for international and business courses is growing rapidly with help from Humber College.

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Learning in the Channel Islands

Sabrina Fischetti, a student in the Culinary Management program, is the first Humber student to embark on a work placement on Jersey, one of the Channel Islands off the coast of France.

The placement was arranged between Jersey Recruitment and Tony Bevan, coordinator of culinary and food service programs at the College.

Ms Fischetti, who was chosen for her potential to succeed, received a salary while on placement but covered her own expenses except for accommodations.

This new international work placement is part of the Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism (HRT) Alliance's initiative to create opportunities to encourage student success.

"The project gives students the incentive to do well," says Mr. Bevan. "They are motivated when they know that there is an opportunity to travel and work internationally and that the experience will provide them with work experience as well as life experience."

Ms Fischetti's placement has worked out well and Jersey Recruitment was so impressed with her abilities and her professional work ethic that they plan to offer the same opportunity to ten Humber students next year.

Mr. Bevan is hoping to create a similar placement opportunity with Highland College in Jersey. "This kind of endeavor is good for everyone, but it's especially good for the students - and that's the most important thing," he says.

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New program helps students get ahead

Dale Vanclieaf, professor of information technology electronics, joined forces recently with Texas National Instruments (TNI) to create a three-year Data Acquisition program at Humber. The program is unlike any other offered in Ontario.

"TNI software is the way the future is going," says Mr. Vanclieaf. "It gives students practical knowledge and the opportunity to develop professional relationships with the business community. The program is always changing so that students have the required credentials when entering the job market."

Mr. Vanclieaf is currently in the process of developing a mentor program between the students and company representatives and is also working on courses based on TNI's new initiatives so that students can stay informed with respect to changing technology.

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Introducing a new 3D post-diploma program

Targeted to meet the needs of the broad design industry and the emerging employment opportunities within the 3D modeling and animation fields, Humber College will be offering a new three-semester, post-diploma program - **3D for Design and Architectural Professionals** - beginning this fall. Using 3D Studio MAX R2, the leading 3D software package on the Windows NT platform, the program will focus on the design, modeling, rendering and animation skills required in the architectural, interior, urban, industrial, product, graphics, and package design industries, as well as in the entertainment fields.

To date, high-end animation (as seen in movies such as Terminator 2 and Toy Story) has only been available to limited markets due to the immense cost of the technology. Now, with the new wave of affordable NT tools, desktop technology has finally reached workstation power, and with the diminished cost of equally powerful quality animation, modeling and rendering software, such as 3D Studio Max, the previous excessive financial barriers have been removed and this market is opening up.

The 3D for Design and Architectural Professionals program was developed in partnership with industry following the successful completion of a project last year jointly piloted through Humber's Digital Imaging Training Centre and the School for the Built Environment. The program will involve two semesters of technical and classroom training and one semester of portfolio development, specialization, and internship.

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Campus WorkLink links students with jobs

Campus WorkLink, the Internet based job posting system linking students and employers, was officially launched early in the new year by representatives of the private sector, the five metro colleges, including Humber, and the Canadian Association of Career Educators and Employers (CACEE).

Campus WorkLink is a nation-wide non-profit job posting database which has grown from a pilot project at the Toronto area colleges to a stand-alone system presently working with over 70 post-secondary institutions across Canada.

For a nominal fee, this new tool gives employers the ability to post job opportunities in one easy step at any of the participating institutions. As well, students, graduates, and alumni from the participating institutions can, with a password and a computer, have access to a pool of full-time, part-time, seasonal or contractual postings 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The success of the pilot project involving the colleges, the CACEE, and Industry Canada shows how partnerships can work to the benefit of both Canadian businesses and students.

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On Cooking with Humber and Prentice Hall

Professors in the culinary programs of the Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism (HRT) Alliance have been hard at work on a new Canadian edition of *On Cooking*, a text book currently used across the United States and regarded as a valuable learning tool.

Prentice Hall Canada Inc., a Canadian publisher of educational texts, recognized the need for the new edition of *On Cooking* and approached Tony Bevan, coordinator of culinary and food service programs at Humber, about contributing to its development.

Agreeing to help, Mr. Bevan assembled a team of his colleagues for input and editorial comment. The result of their efforts is an 1100 page, four-colour text book of culinary fundamentals which will be available for sale and student use in September 1998.

"It really was a major project," explained Mr. Bevan. "I'm pleased that Prentice Hall thought so highly of Humber's programs that they invited us to get involved."

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Humber prof helps Cuban Medical Network

The health care system in Cuba is recognized by many as being a superior health care system. In fact, doctors, nurses, and educators from many countries visit Cuba to learn from the Cuban experience.

Joe Grogan, professor in both the Liberal Arts & Sciences Division and the School of Business at Humber, is a frequent visitor to Cuba. Recently, he was able to obtain significant funding

for Corpus, a project associated with Oriente University.

This funding, from the Canadian Auto Workers Justice Fund, will facilitate the development of a computer network in the city of Santiago which will

allow Cuban doctors, nurses and others to exchange medical information to enhance health care throughout the country.

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