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**Perspective on
spring**—Those of us heading
South for the Reading Week
break, or looking forward to a
change in seasons would be well
advised to familiarize ourselves
with "the green stuff". It's been
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Diverging views engulf forum

by Malcolm Norman

A war forum at Humber's North Campus Lecture Theatre gave students and faculty the opportunity to air their views on the Gulf War.

About 100 attended the February 21 forum, with a panel consisting of a former Washington correspondent, a Journalism student, a math teacher, and a retired army officer.

Tom Olien, a math and physics instructor with the Technology Division, viewed the war from a personal perspective.

"I acknowledge my naiveté at the enormity of the issues involved, my naiveté at the horrors and destructiveness of war, but I think my naiveté pales in comparison to that of the Western world that has armed the rest of the globe. My naiveté pales in comparison to Saddam Hussein, who thinks he could move into Kuwait and the world wouldn't mind — and to George Bush, who thinks we can have a quick decisive victory and it won't cost a great deal."

Olien called on the audience to look for alternatives to war.

Tom Browne, a Public Relations instructor and former Major in the Canadian Armed Forces, argued a strong stand must be taken against leaders like Saddam.

"I do not support what's happening now, but let's consider 10 or 15 years from now when there are all kinds of countries, many of them dictatorships. If those countries have nuclear or biological capability, and if there isn't some force in place that will make them hesitate to use that, this will be a kitchen squabble."

Browne said wants to see the United Nations become the force with the leverage to uphold international

law so situations like the one in Gulf don't arise.

During his time in the military, Browne served three tours of duty in the Middle East as a UN peacekeeper.

At the other end of the spectrum was Debra Ross, a Journalism student and public relations officer for Humber's Afro-Caribbean Club.

Ross was adamantly opposed to the intervention of the U.S. and its Western allies.

"(The Afro-Caribbean Club) thinks the war is unjust and it is racist. The president of the United States has clearly stated that he is primarily concerned with saving casualties on the U.S. side, not with the innocent civilians who are

dying daily. The history of the U.S. and other European countries has always been to conquer, rule and divide, and this is happening again."

Ross concluded with a call for students to organize and demonstrate against a war being waged against a "people of color."

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Stolen property returned

by Diana Leone

Stolen property was found and returned to two Applied and Creative Arts (ACA) instructors.

Journalism instructor Ray Heard and Radio instructor Robert Holiday returned to their desks in the ACA office on February 19 to find Heard's briefcase and Holiday's leather jacket containing keys and glasses missing.

They were returning from a Professional Development seminar conducted by Rick Bendera, director of Student Life, who had just finished lecturing staff members about security around the college.

"We left here at 5:15 and when we came back, I noticed my briefcase, which contained very sensitive documents, was gone," Heard said. "At first I thought I left it at the seminar, but at the same time, Robert turned to his desk to find his leather jacket was gone."

Heard said the back exit door was open. "It's very easy for anyone to come in the unguarded and unprotected ACA office through the front and exit through the back unseen."

"As soon as we got back, I looked at my chair and said, 'wait a second, someone's taken my jacket.' Needless to say, I was ticked off, but they left my scarf, which was nice to have on a cold evening," Holiday said.

Heard and Holiday immediately reported the robbery to college security.

Later that evening, someone returned a briefcase to Melinda Marshall, a third-year broadcast Journalism student who was monitoring the Athletics desk.

The briefcase, found by a door in the exit hallway, contained all of Heard's papers and Holiday's glasses and keys.

"Melinda called me at home and said 'Ray, your briefcase was found here at the Athletics exit,'" Heard said.

"The people who took the briefcase and the leather jacket obviously weren't interested in what was in my briefcase. I have my Gold card attached to the outside of the briefcase and I don't know why they didn't take that," he added.

Holiday said the the ACA office is "one of the most liberal offices with access to the students. There is nothing suspicious about a person walking on campus with a jacket and briefcase in their hands."

Holiday said he assumes they were ripped off by a simpleton because the briefcase was more expensive than the jacket.

"It's one of those old leather jackets. The simpleton didn't realize Heard's briefcase contained important papers with sensitive contents more important than the jacket."

Heard and Holiday were asked by police to file a report.

"If you don't think I'm not looking at leather jackets," said Holiday. "I've seen every type and description but mine's very distinct. It's a Harry Rosen jacket. Not too many students will be able to afford one."

Holiday seemed very concerned and said college security should beefed up.

Security was not available for comment.

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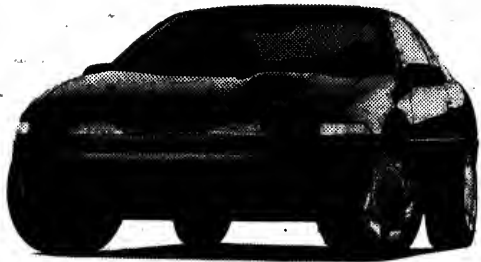
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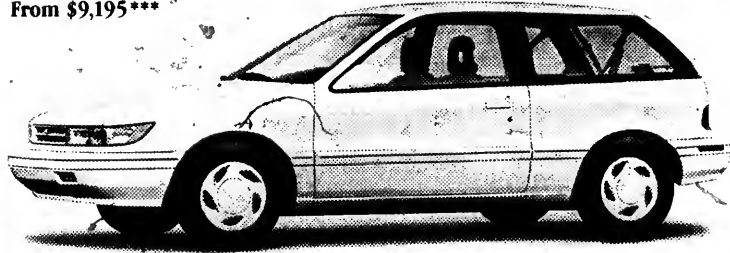
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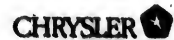
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Payment for transporting equipment

by Debbie Morrissey

Humber students who help their teachers transport audio visual (A.V.) equipment will receive a payment, of sorts, starting next fall.

A new plan will have students picking-up and returning A.V. equipment in return for a \$3.50 voucher which can be used at the cafeterias and the campus stores.

Many faculty members use A.V. equipment in their classrooms. The equipment, such as televisions, video cassette recorders, and film projectors, is kept in the Media Centre on the second floor near the library.

Vice-President of Educational and Faculty Services Roy Giroux said the plan was developed because some faculty members have difficulty transporting the equipment.

"The ramp between the library and the classrooms is a little steep and it makes it difficult for people who have health difficulties such as

back or leg problems, illness or pregnancy," said Giroux.

"The administration certainly recognizes the difficulty and is trying to develop a system that will assist those faculty who need help in getting the right equipment to the classrooms."

The service is not limited to faculty members with health problems. Giroux said it is for "any faculty member who feels they require the service."

The proposal was presented by Giroux, Vihari Hivale, director of Library Services, and Kelly Jenkins, manager of the Media and Graphics Centre. It was recently approved by the Academic Council.

Jenkins said "we've come up with this idea which will help students — help the Media Centre and help the faculty."

He explained many teachers don't have much time between classes, particularly if the classes are on opposite ends of the college.



PHOTO BY DEBBIE MORRISSEY

Transporting the goods — Under a new plan students who transport AV equipment will receive a voucher for their troubles. Rob Ciccione from the Media Centre is pictured above.

The proposal letter for the plan states the faculty member will book the equipment ahead of time. The teacher will then find a student in the class who is willing to pick up the equipment. The student will leave his or her identification card at the Media Centre as collateral. When the teacher is finished with the equipment, the student will return it to the Media Centre. At that time, the student will get back his or her identification card and will receive the \$3.50 voucher.

Giroux expects the system to be in place next fall.

Jenkins said he hopes to implement the plan at Lakeshore, which, he said, has a steadily growing media centre. He also wants to have the same type of system at the Keele campus.

Giroux said the college must work out some details of the plan, including what kind of vouchers will be used and how the vouchers will be rung in to the college cash registers.

Lakeshore forum examines issues

by Michelle Nicholson

Commissioner Roger Tassé from the Citizens' Forum on Canadian Unity joined a group of students at Humber's Lakeshore campus Monday to discuss their views of Canada and its future.

This was the fourth of several meetings planned at the campus, but was the first to be attended by one of the 12 members on the commission. Humber was the only post-secondary institution in Toronto scheduled to be visited by a member of the Forum.

Lead by Keith Spicer, the Citizens' Forum was created in November, 1990, by the federal government to initiate public discussions and determine what kind of future Canadians want for their country.

As a native and current Quebecer, Tassé contributed some distinct insights into Quebec's possible separation from Canada. He said it should not be considered a foregone conclusion that the province will separate, but has a "sense that Quebec is prepared to go if the rest of Canada does not respond" to the current situation.

Responses from the 19 students to the Forum's question "Quebec - a new partnership?" were unsettled. While the majority voted for remaining a bilingual country, many expressed confusion over the specific concerns of Quebec.

"I'm kind of hurt that Quebec wouldn't want to be a part of such a great country," said Elliot Zovighian. A 22-year-old in the Legal Assistant program, he voiced an opinion apparently agreed upon by many in the room - he perceived Quebec to be threatening the rest of the country.

"We all have our differences and we all have our cultures, but I don't think Quebec has the right to try to bully themselves...into having their own government because they have a different society, culture and language," said Zovighian.

The group also examined the issue of multiculturalism, and supported continued cultural diversity. Collette Rafferty argued that "by promoting separate cultures and communities it is difficult to promote unity."

Her classmate Carol Higgins, also studying to be a legal assistant,

expressed a similar concern during the meeting. "Quebec is saying me, me, me. The English are saying me, me, me. And all the other groups are saying me, me, me - nobody is saying us."

Humanities Instructor George Byrnes cautioned that while "a melting pot (system) gives a clearer sense of nationalism, there is a danger of blind nationalism."

Following the formal discussion, Commissioner Tassé said, "We pride ourselves on our immigration, but we need to do something to help (immigrants) feel more Canadian."

Tassé hopes that this will be part of what the Citizens' Forum accomplishes. "We are in the process of defining a new Canada, not just for Quebec but for all Canadians."

Tassé estimates that there are 500 groups like this one, with about 20,000 people participating. "Hopefully we will turn this into something Canada will be better for," Tassé said.

One of his primary objectives is simply to promote discussion among Canadians. "Whenever Canadians talk to each other - I'm happy."

Varied opinions voiced in forum

(From page 1)

Journalism instructor Ray Heard, one-time reporter for the British Sunday paper The Observer and the now defunct Montreal Star, took a more tempered approach.

"I honestly don't believe that the Americans are so stupid that they want to colonize the Middle East. They tried in Vietnam and they failed. So I think, frankly, the reason for this war is oil, oil, and oil — those are the three reasons. I don't think the U.S. would like to spend the next 50 years digging trenches in the desert. They would like a friendly regime they could control."

He warned those who don't learn from history are bound to repeat it.

The audiences' comments and questions represented a wide range of opinions, most of them critical of Bush's policy.

One of the most outspoken was Mohammed Hantash, a Social Service student of Palestinian descent, whose speech was punctuated by applause from the audience.

"Where was America when Tibet was annexed by China? Where was America when the Russians took over Afghanistan? Where is America today with the Baltic states? Where was America



PHOTO BY MALCOLM NORMAN

Critical audience — A war forum was held in the lecture theatre last week where diverging views were discussed and debated.

when Russia moved into Czechoslovakia in 1968? Where was America? Nobody knows.

"America is there (in the Middle East) for oil domination only. The Saudi and Kuwaiti oil fields are not worth a single drop of blood from an Iraqi child or a Canadian sailor."

A few speakers did support the military effort in the Gulf.

Lorne Corley, a Graphic Arts student, said: "The peace groups and other activists that cheer on fascist dictators like Saddam, who gassed his own people, shouldn't be Canadian citizens."

Spring will see new pool entrance

by Mauro Ermacora

Access to Humber's indoor swimming pool will improve for staff and students after the March break.

By the time Reading Week is over, an entrance connecting the Athletic Centre's Gym C, located across the squash courts, to the swimming pool will be completed.

"There was never a great need for a door linking the pool facility with the college," said Ken Cohen, director of Physical Resources. "But since the pool is a success with students and staff, an entry is needed."

Since the pool opened in January, faculty members and students going for a swim had to exit the campus building to enter the pool.

Roy Giroux, vice-president of Education and Faculty Services, said the college should have thought of building an access route before construction got under way. "It's ludicrous to have staff and students walking outside, especially in the winter, after a swim."

Cohen said one of the reasons the college hesitated in committing to an entrance was security.

"The college didn't want people, who weren't registered at the college wandering the halls. Also, The City of Etobicoke was uneasy about people coming onto the college's property."

A security door will be constructed, and Humber students and staff wanting to swim will be issued plastic identification cards at the Control Centre to be allowed in.

"I spoke with Director of Student Life Rick Bendera and he will assign persons to control the flow of people coming through the entrance so as not to disturb activities in progress," Cohen said.

The cost of constructing the entry and security door will be "around \$2,500," Cohen said.

"After February 28, I'll speak to the Facility Planning Committee and president of the college for funding. I can't see either the Facility Planning Committee or the president of the college not approving an entrance."

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Kuwait educational system dependent on west

by Sigrid Williams

College education in post-war Kuwait will crumble unless Westerners provide assistance for the physical re-building of the system, into what it once was, said Mike Hatton, Chairman of Social Services at Humber's Lakeshore Campus.

Hatton, who went to Kuwait two years ago to look at the college system there and to make suggestions on professional development, presented a forum on higher education in Kuwait, in the campus auditorium on February 21.

Hatton discussed Kuwait's pre-war college structure which included colleges and training institutes. There are four colleges—the College of Business, Education, Technology, and Health Sciences. Every college must have two campuses because women and men are not permitted to study together, he said.

"The colleges by and large are populated by Kuwaitis, the institutes are populated by other groups, most notably Palestinians," he said. This is mainly because Palestinians are trained for more service sector jobs as opposed to professional jobs, said Hatton.

The educational system relied heavily on the West prior to the war.

"There were very few Kuwaiti instructors," said Hatton. Egypt and India were large suppliers of faculty members. Hatton said there were three Canadian instructors teaching nursing at the College of Health Sciences, before the war.

Most of the instruction in the classrooms was in English, Hatton said. The method of instruction was adopted from the British "who tend to be rather teacher-centred in their orientation—they stand at the front and give the lecture, and somehow the students figure it out," he said.

"A lot of the scientific teaching material comes from Russia, and most of the other information comes from the Western world," said Hatton.

Hatton said that regardless of the Western influence, the curriculum in Kuwait was tightly controlled. Islamic law and religion were very important. He added that there was a "certain history" that was taught.

"I noticed in all the books at both privately and publicly supported schools that there is no reference made or there is certainly a

very different reference made to the state of Israel, compared to our understanding of the history of that part of the world," he said. Unfortunately, Hatton failed to elaborate on this point.

Hatton speculated on post-war education in Kuwait.

"Before the war, Kuwait had al-

ways managed to play an extremely good political game by maintaining friendly ties with both Iraq and Iran," said Hatton.

"In the post-war period however, Kuwait will not be able to rely on either of these two countries,"

he said. "Certain primary and secondary services such as hous-

ing, transportation, and electricity will have to be re-built," said Hatton. At that time the re-building of the educational system can occur.

"There's going to be a period of time before there will be a lot of consultants readily wanting to go back into Kuwait because of the instability of the whole area," he said.

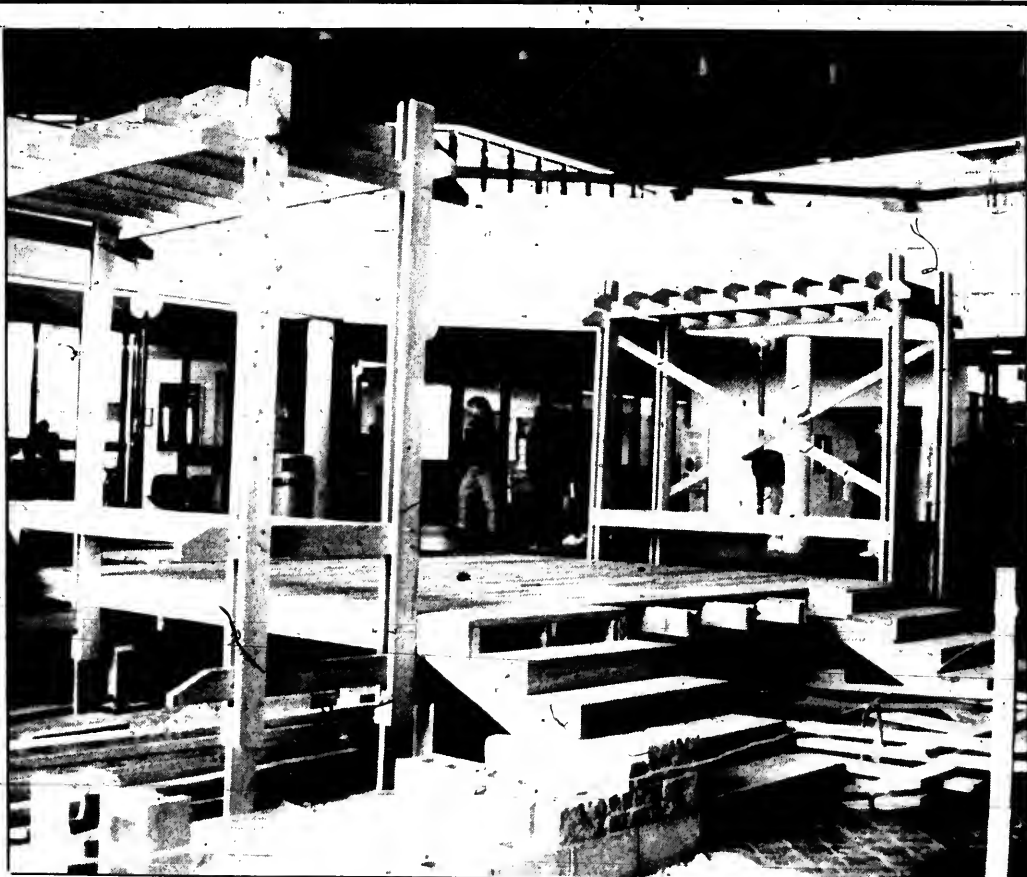


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Constructing a monument

The second-year landscape students are "working like dogs" constructing a landscape feature in the main concourse. The structure will be the centre of attention at a landscape conference being held during the March break. It was designed by Harry Chang co-ordinator of the landscape program. The students have been working on the project for over two weeks.

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Armed forces to visit Humber for recruits

by Paula Grant

The Royal Canadian Armed Forces will be at Humber's North campus in March, to recruit students for full, or part-time service in the army, navy, and air force.

Deputy Commanding Officer, Lieutenant (N) F.C. Simpson, said they visit Humber at least three or four times a year.

"We have a demand for people with high-tech training beyond high school, so we target Humber," said Lieut. Simpson. "It is a fabulous place to find people with diplomas in electronics, mechanical engineering, and other high-tech skills."

"high-tech training"

The Armed Forces rewards graduates through advance promotion and pay, over someone coming straight out of high school. Lieut. Simpson said Humber students are highly recognized because of the time and effort they spend getting an education.

There is a greater need for skilled technicians in full-time service. "This is where we are putting the majority of our focus this year," he said.

He revealed that they are looking for people to work on the brand new state-of-the-art ships that are coming on line. The ships are world-class, with the latest technology.

When you join full-time service, you have to sign a three-year contract.

"You are then shipped out of your local community for training, and then to a military unit in Canada or abroad," he said.

On March 22, during the lunch hour, his officers will give a specific presentation on the high-tech jobs available in the navy. They will show a movie, and answer questions.

District Recruiting Officer for the Reserves, Captain Joseph Maiolo, will send officers to Humber on March 14. He said they want to hire many people on a part-time basis.

Capt. Maiolo said that being in

the Reserves is ideal for students.

"They join a local unit, and train either in the evenings or on weekends during the school year. We pay for their education, but during the summer months, they undergo military training on a full-time basis, for which they are paid," he said.

Anyone working in the Reserves may quit at any time. However, Capt. Maiolo said that when people quit, it is because they cannot physically handle the intensity and length of the training.

"In the Reserve program, we want and encourage people who are interested in being officers," he said. "We want them to go through the whole program."

Scholarships are available for students and they are also eligible to get aid from the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP). After graduation, they are committed to serve with the Reserves, while working or doing post-graduate studies.

Since the Persian Gulf War started, enrolment in the Armed Forces has declined, but according

to Lieut. Simpson, the amount of people expressing an interest (filling out an application), has increased. He said that some people apply, saying, "I want to go fight in the Gulf war."

Gulf war

"This is not going to happen!" said Lieut. Simpson. "If you join the Military for full-time service now, it's probably going to be at least two or three months before you're enrolled. Then you have to spend six months to a year and a half going through training. The more complex the job, the longer the training. For example, it would be about two and a half years before a person working in the high-tech field would be trained." No one would be sent into battle without being trained.

When asked to comment on the deployment of Canadian troops to the Gulf, Lieut. Simpson said that the Military responds to political instructions. We do not set the

agendas, we react to them."

All potential recruits undergo a comprehensive screening and selective process. To qualify, applicants must be a Canadian citizen. However, the Reserves also takes landed immigrants. They must be of good moral character, meet the Armed Forces physical and medical standards, and have a high school diploma.

The Armed Forces recruiting centre at 4900 Yonge St. is responsible for recruiting in the greater Toronto area. They visit 255 high schools and 45 colleges and universities during the school year.

Lieut. Simpson said they have visited almost all of them already. He said that in Toronto, they usually hire 50 grade 13 students who want to go to university.

The Armed Forces will fully subsidize their education, but after graduation they have to serve five years in the Regular Forces (full-time).

Lieut. Simpson said that overall, they hire about 1200 people a year.

Humber lends its technical expertise overseas

by Shirley-Anne Bickley

Once again, Humber College is lending its expertise in technical training — this time, overseas.

A contract has been signed between Humber and the South East Asia Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) to develop a new centre for vocational training in Brunei, Darussalam.

SEAMEO is a consortium of eight countries: Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and since 1984, Brunei. These are known as "member" countries, while "associate member" countries include Australia, Canada, France, Germany and New Zealand.

As SEAMEO celebrated its 25th anniversary in 1990, representatives from Humber traveled to Brunei to consult in the new Regional Centre for Vocational and Technical Education (VOC-TECH).

The aim of the centre is to train the staff, teachers and administration, of educational institutions. They will take a series of courses over three months in such areas as leadership, curriculum, and program planning. They are also given a computer system to take back with them, and are expected to teach at least four of their colleagues and peers the elements of the program. This is called "leveraging", and it means that the training one person gets at VOCTECH results in a number of other people, in turn, being trained by them.

Dr. Bill Sinnett, manager of business planning and an interna-



Innovators — Bill Sinnett, Humber manager of business planning and an international consultant, talks with Azaharaini Hj. Mohd Jamil, interim director for VOCTECH in Brunei, Darussalam.

tional consultant at Humber, took a two-week trip to Brunei last summer. At that point a physical location had been chosen for the centre and Sinnett went to "further help with design and development of curriculum and job descriptions."

There, Sinnett worked in conjunction with Azaharaini Hj. Mohd Jamil who was appointed interim director for VOCTECH.

In the summer of 1991, the VOCTECH board of governors

will hold a policy setting meeting and will put into effect a pilot program; a trial run, to be repeated one year later with any necessary alterations. Once a year for four years consultants from Humber, often donating their vacation time, will travel to the centre to further aid in the development of the program.

Sinnett said Humber's involvement in the program is typical of the kind of projects the college is

interested in. "All community colleges are involved one way or another (internationally), but many stress Visa students they have recruited from other countries. At Humber, although we have Visa students too, the kind of action we have been stressing is this fellowship kind of thing," he said. "It is hoped that this experience will open doors to further cooperative international projects for Humber College."

Math Centre helps you 'excel'

by Nika Solujan

The North Campus Math Centre is teaching students to "excel" at math with problem-solving strategies, according to a Humber math instructor.

"We want students to excel in math," said Joe Adragna, a University of Waterloo co-op student, who is a math instructor in the centre.

Adragna says logic is the most common difficulty students experience.

"Students may have problems interpreting specific questions, and

we're here to help them in a form which they can understand," he said.

"We have to explain step-by-step the process of how to do a problem," said Suzette Fortney, also a co-op math student from University of Waterloo.

"We want students to understand how they got the answer, rather than having them follow the same pattern all the time," she added.

According to Fortney, another common problem is with the basic order of operations and signs; for

example, two negatives make a positive.

Students are not the only ones who have problems. The co-op math instructors of the centre said they also find themselves in difficult situations.

"Sometimes you deal with math you haven't seen before," said Adragna.

When Adragna and Fortney are presented with a problem they can't deal with, they advise students to seek help from Humber technology and business teachers, courses, to help out students. Their schedules are posted so students with particu-

lar weaknesses in a certain math area know when to get help.

Also, a series of math books dealing with particular problems are available for reference at all times.

The math centre is becoming more and more popular. "On a good day, there are 20 to 25 students coming in to get help," said Adragna.

According to Humber math instructor Bill Thompson, the centre has been open for six to seven years but this year is the first year that has had co-op students teaching year-round.

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Fashion industry expecting weak job market

by Rose Marie Valere

Many clothing retailers and wholesalers will continue to be battered by the recession until mid-summer according to industry observers — this is the reality that Humber's fashion students will face come April.

Retailers, however, are not the only ones feeling the crunch. Sales Representative Co-ordinator, Kerri Caswell, of Gaytown Sportswear

Co., a manufacturer/wholesaler, said "wholesalers are doing terrible in this economy. Our sales have gone down a bit." She added, for fashion students seeking permanent employment, "There are no jobs, not with stores going bankrupt right now. It will be difficult to find a job because those with experience will get the jobs first."

Production manager, with wholesaler/manufacturer, BRK Manipex Ltd., Peter Kahtly, echoed

Caswell's comments. "Wholesalers are doing badly, as well as manufacturers in the carriage trade clothing."

Earlier this year, Creeds, a carriage trade retailer and Toronto institution, went bankrupt after 75 years in the business.

Catherine Swift, vice-president and chief economist for the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, stated, "there will be more bankruptcies in the industry

at least for the first quarter of this year."

"Women's fashion is one industry that had excess capacity in the '80s. It was expected that there would be balancing out."

However, Swift added, "the economy is pretty much bottoming out now. And the feeling that we're getting now from our members is they're seeing the light at the end of the tunnel."

"There will be a gradual pick-up

in the economy by mid-year to fall. By fall things should be improving," Swift predicted.

Alec Forrester, vice-president of manufacturing for fashion wholesaler/manufacturer Mister Leonard Inc., remains hopeful that resourceful students can obtain employment in a recession. "There is no reason to be overly pessimistic. There are jobs at the entry-level, but they are scarce."

Forrester said although Mister Leonard has fared "better than most", the company still experienced a "ten per cent drop in sales" due to the recession. Nevertheless, he is confident there is not a great danger.

"Our fall lines are out and they're faring well."

John Winter, retail consultant with John Winter Associates Ltd, stated, "the economy looks very bleak at the moment." He predicts that more retailers will face bankruptcy due to the recession and decline in consumer spending.

However, "the economy should pick up before six months time," he said.

Students scared

For students job hunting in the fashion industry, he cautions, "It will be tough... April is the cruelest month."

A fashion student, who spoke on the condition her identity not be revealed, said "I don't feel secure about the future. Job prospects for the next six months look dim."

It looks like I will probably end up working in a retail store for minimum wage. I didn't take this course to end up in sales. The people I have spoken to are all scared now because there are no jobs," she says.

Humber's Fashion Division Co-ordinator, Linda Reader, remains optimistic students "seeking service-orientated positions as freelance make-up artists, or in apparel production and wholesaling will all get jobs."

Reader said "most students are already employed in part-time jobs." She also emphasized "field placements in April usually land jobs. Our students will probably all get jobs. Cosmetic companies are doing well right now and half of our students are in cosmetics."

Climb the ladder

She admitted, however, "not all students will be placed where they want to be. This course is designed to train students for positions in cosmetic and fashion management, not retail sales."

On the other hand, Fashion Instructor Jill Davis stated some students will be working in retail sales in order to climb the corporate ladder and eventually become buyers. She said, "Most students are confident they will secure permanent employment. I haven't heard of anybody who seems despondent, certainly not at this point."

Second-year cosmetic student, Pam McQuigge, said she thought otherwise. "The recession is affecting a lot of girls who are having trouble finding part-time jobs through the agency. About 20 or one-third of the 50 students in fashion do not have part-time jobs and I am one of the lucky ones because I have a permanent job lined up in retail sales at Eatons. I will be working in the jewelry department and cosmetics as needed."

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Rammage roaring South

by Tracey Anderson

Humber College's SAC President and third-year Public Relations student, Lee Rammage, is off to the races.

While other Public Relations students are preparing to intern at places such as Ford Motor Company and Revlon Cosmetics, Rammage will be heading south to North Carolina's Charlotte Motor Speedway.

"I couldn't ask for a better in-

ternship," said Rammage.

He said working in a major speedway's public relation department was all part of his master plan. "Right from day one of college"

Rammage, a race car fanatic, began sending letters to speedways across the United States in the fall of 1989. He said, The Charlotte Motor Speedway "is the best place I can go...that's known as the centre point of Winston Cup racing."

It is also the place where part of

the movie *Days of Thunder* starring Tom Cruise, was filmed.

"If I had been on my internship last year I would have helped out on the set," said Rammage, "thirty per cent of the movie was shot there."

Rammage said he is no stranger to racing. "My Mom has taken me to races since I was born," he said, "I've been racing for three or four years."

"It's kind-of funny, I always knew I wanted to race cars but I knew that I couldn't do it for a living. Public relations seemed like a good way to get involved in racing and get the two together," he said.

Pro-Canadian

Rammage has until May 6 to say good-bye to family and friends before moving to North Carolina where he will live on campus at the University of North Carolina during his four month internship.

So will we ever see our President again after graduation? "If they offer me something it will have to be something pretty good to keep me down there," said Rammage, "I'm a pro-Canadian, I don't want to become an American."



COURTESY PHOTO

Days of thunder— Lee Rammage, showing off his racing cart, is heading South to North Carolina's Charlotte Motor Speedway to work in the Public Relations department.

Students should be wary of overusing their credit cards

by Karlene Nation

The Credit Counselling Service of Metropolitan Toronto has introduced a new pilot program to educate students about the uses of consumer credit.

The Consumer and Financial Responsibility Education Program will initially target highschool students but will be extended to college and university students if the pilot program is successful. Its primary focus is to encourage students to take responsibility for their financial lives now to avoid future problems with creditors.

Students are entering the marketplace at a younger age but they are doing so without adequate exposure to practical information about money matters said Credit Counsellor Robert Tuzi, a former Humber College marketing student.

"It is mind-boggling that credit management is not being taught in schools. You can get courses in economics, accounting and finance but precious little information is being taught about the advantages and disadvantages of credit," said Tuzi.

"If I had been taught credit management when I was in highschool or college, I would have been further ahead today."

He points out that students generally aren't aware of the big picture when it comes to credit cards. "When you ask them what the term credit means, they say, 'no interest, no down payment, no money up front.' But when you ask them if they know how the credit system works, they come up blank."

Tuzi says large credit organizations are now targeting students as potential users of their credit cards and they are making it very easy to obtain these cards. The Campus CrediKit marketing brochure, that is widely distributed around Humber, informs students they are eligible to apply for major credit cards if they have successfully completed the first year of university or college and are a permanent Canadian

resident.

"This means that practically anyone could get a card even though they don't fully understand everything they need to know about managing credit. They need to know more about the cost of credit, the potential sources and the budgeting responsibilities involved, if they are to avoid the pitfalls."

Tuzi said gaining access to credit cards can be deceiving because people often see it as an extension of cash. "They generally go out and purchase a lot of big ticket items they would not have considered buying if they were to pay cash. Before they know it they are way in over their heads and they have creditors calling them at all hours to get payment on these goods."

Tuzi advises students to ask themselves a few simple questions before they rush out to get a credit card. Why do I want a card? Will I be able to cover my debt load? Do I need one now or later?

If a student decides he or she wants to get a card they should start out with a department store card or a gas service card before applying for the major ones. After establishing a good track record with these cards, they can "graduate" to the Amex, Visa or Mastercards. This is the route to establishing a good credit rating.

"A good rating is important, he said, because it will affect your ability to obtain future loans, to lease or rent housing, to buy big ticket items and quite possibly to get a job. A bad rating could cost you a job because employers can legally investigate your credit history."

Tuzi hopes the pilot will be expanded to include colleges and universities sooner, rather than later. He will be speaking to various administrators at the post secondary level to gauge their interest. If there is an overwhelming response, he and other credit counsellors will arrange presentations on campus for the students.

Training on two wheels

by Diana Leone

Rev up those engines. Spring is here and 1991 marks the tenth year of Humber's Motorcycle Training program.

Approximately 14,000 students have been trained since the program began in 1982.

The Motorcycle course trains no more than 100 people for the three-day program, which begins the first weekend in April and runs until October.

Last year, the program licensed 1,900 new riders, including people with years of riding experience.

Rick Mikula, the transportation

safety development account manager, said it's very hard to pin-point the exact number of students because a lot of the people don't show up.

"There is roughly a 12 per cent failure rate made up of those who don't actually receive their M-licence," Mikula said.

For those who do show up, the experience is invaluable. "They come a tremendous way in two days. The knowledge they come away with is an accomplishment if they fail or pass," Mikula said.

The course consists of three hours of in-class training, a written

test on Friday, and practical lessons on Saturday and Sunday.

The Friday in-class session is a lecture by a chief instructor and two senior instructors.

When it comes to riding the motorcycles, there is one instructor for every five students.

The students learn defensive street strategies like how to deal with dangerous situations, proper gear and clothing, balance, braking, riding positions, and clutch control.

"We wrap up the whole thing with traffic behaviour lessons," said Mikula. "We teach defensive driving right from the start. We want them to develop to a certain skill level and then progress on their own — the basis for constant improvement."

All this training and preparation is done without starting up the motorcycle. Mikula said he knows students who have never sat on a motorcycle before.

When learning to ride, an attitude means a lot, Mikula added.

Students must have a valid R licence (one for learners) to enroll. The program gives students the opportunity to be tested for their M licence, but there's no guarantee they will receive it.

"If the student does pass the course, the college has signing authority from the Ministry of Transportation to issue them their M licence."

The course is very popular for new and returning riders. By the end of January, the first two months of the program are full.



PHOTO BY DIANA LEONE

Defensive driving— Rick Mikula explains the course which helps students develop basic skills they can build on later.

Chinese club eager to grow

by Diane Foreman

Humber's newly formed Chinese Student's Association (CSA) is in full operation.

Ernest Chow, president of the CSA, said he wants "all oriental students to join this club and share their thoughts together."

Chow says the club is open to all oriental visa students and Canadians (Japanese, Malaysian, Taiwanese, Chinese, etc.).

The number of Chinese students at Humber's North Campus has been on the rise. "Two years ago there were about 50 Chinese stu-

dents here," said Chow, "now there's about 100 Chinese students." He said Humber is long overdue for a Chinese club.

Chow says he first got the idea through the other colleges and universities which have Chinese clubs. He carries with him a long

list of oriental clubs at various post-secondary schools across Ontario. Chow said he will be planning some joint activities with these other Chinese clubs after the March Break.

The newly elected members of the CSA have big plans for the

club. Chow and Anna Yuen, vice-president of CSA, are urging all oriental students to join. "It's only a \$3 membership fee," said Chow. Yuen is even going to help design individual membership cards. They are also going to publish a two-page monthly newsletter for the club.

Chow plans to get the CSA activities going soon, but said he is still looking for a place to hold club meetings. Chow doesn't think it will be a problem though. Chow said the only thing needed now is more members.

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Upon the distant lands comes a thunderous roar and a booming in the sands.

Out of the brush a flame spurts upon the forest floor.

The trees begin to blaze, the sky begins to haze and the forest is no more.

by Stephen Ellery

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Pool of security

Over the reading week Humber will get a door linking the college to the new swimming pool.

How strange that this should be an afterthought when both college money and property were provided for the pool.

When asked, Ken Cohen explained that the original decision (not to have a link between campus and pool) was made with security in mind.

"The college didn't want people who were not registered at the college wandering the halls," Cohen said.

Anyone not registered at Humber and wishing to wander our halls has only to walk through one of the main entrances. No doubt many have. In fact, knowing the state of campus security, it is conceivable that someone could attend all the classes necessary to receive a diploma without actually having registered.

So why the great concern over security and the pool?

Perhaps the college is not so much concerned with the simple fact that strangers may be on campus as with the greater threat they pose.

Prowlers coming in off the streets — with serious intent — is one thing, prowlers from the pool area — all happy and free of anxiety is another. The last thing a bureaucratic machine like Humber needs is good-natured, tension-free spokes clogging up the works.

It is a travesty the one issue the college takes direct action on does not — in relation to other incidents on campus — warrant even a second thought.

Being prepared for the possibility that a few inquisitive Etobicoke residents are going to take a refreshing swim and then an unofficial tour of the campus is one thing, being so paranoid about it that a convenient entrance for students and staff is denied is another.

Sinead sounds off

In the late eighties Bette Davis seemed to have come back into the limelight. The Tonight Show, Late Night with David Letterman — she appeared on every show — screeching like a drawing room harpy — and openly criticized both enemies and friends.

There was something wonderfully just about this — Davis had done her time, proven her mettle, and now had the right to sound off.

It is a new decade. Davis has passed on and a new lady curmudgeon has taken her place. Long live Sinead O'Connor the kvetching queen. Unfortunately, she lacks both the charm and the credibility to be of any interest.

At a mere 23, Ms. O'Connor has an indestructable opinion on everything from American Imperialism to M.C. Hammer. And she is more than willing to express her opinions with all the humorlessness of a young, naive idealist.

What is even more maddening is the apparent hypocrisy of O'Connor's stands.

While Grande Dames like Davis approached life with great stoicism — accepting the consequences for their decisions (as well as whatever life threw at them) — people like O'Connor seem to feel that their actions and their ideologies are two separate issues.

What is O'Connor doing in the pop world if she so hates materialism and shallowness? How can she criticize America and enjoy success there? And, finally, if O'Connor is such a foe to sexism and stereotyping how can she appear on videos all made up, bejewelled and bewigged?

All valid question deserving of answers.

The unfortunate reality about O'Connor is that she is truly representative of our time. While Bette Davis and her contemporaries knew that actions speak louder than words, Sinead O'Connor — like all those born during or after the hippie era — lives under the misconception that rhetoric can move mountains.



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What would you like to say to Sinead O'Connor if you could?



RaDeana Goodyear
 3rd year Journalism
 "Don't bite the hand that feeds you."



Emily Gargoles
 3rd year Chemical Technologist
 "Way to go, keep up the good work."



Dorothy Kosinski
 3rd year Journalism
 "Nice hair-do, babe. Funky tunes" — next time keep your mouth shut."



Derek Emerling
 1st year Business Administration
 "Grow some hair."



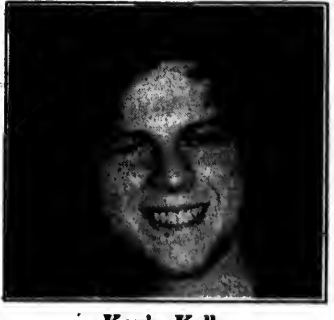
Andrew Bailini
 1st year Audio Visual
 "Get a haircut."



Kevin Mumfor
 1st year Public Relations
 "Your statements are good, but you should clarify your views before proceeding with your actions."



Ralph Cormier
 1st year Architecture
 "Hang in there."



Kevin Kelly
 1st year Film and Television
 "Get a life and stop complaining about everything."

INSIGHT



PHOTO BY PAM COTTRELL

They want you!— Marketing instructor Joan Boyd tells students how to impress employers at the Success Strategies Seminar.

Seminar inspires students

by Pam Cottrell

"You're the cream of the crop, you're young — employers want you."

That was the message Joan Boyd conveyed to the 35 students gathered in the North Campus Community Room for the Success Strategies Seminar held Friday at noon.

Boyd, a marketing instructor with the School of Business, admitted that Humber students have job-related skills but may lack the ability to find and capture the positions. Her presentation focused on six strategies which should give students the edge over their competition in the job market.

Her first piece of advice was to go after the hidden job market. The students who normally make it a practice to comb the want ads for jobs were stunned to learn that less than one quarter of all positions are actually advertised. "75 per cent of all jobs are sitting there ready to come up, ready to have people who are ready to slip in," said Boyd.

According to Boyd, students must adopt the right attitude to tackle such a job search. To get students in the mood she made them say "I'm a winner," over and over.

It was a fitting and inspiring statement considering the statistics. "Less than 20 per cent of the population has a college education," said Boyd.

Along with their college education, it is hopeful that students learned lessons on perseverance while in school. Such skills will be necessary to mail out the number of resumes Boyd suggested. "You need to send out to this market a minimum of 100 resumes," she said.

She encouraged students not to be afraid of rejection and to use any connections they might have. Boyd revealed, "Whenever you can use someone else's name it becomes stronger for you."

A resume that sells the applicant was the third factor in Boyd's success strategy. She said she could not stress enough the importance of a well-written and

organized resume. "If it doesn't scream out 'I'm terrific!' you won't get an interview," she said.

If an interview should arise, Boyd suggested that students prepare themselves before they walk in. Students are encouraged to do some research on each company. They should also assess themselves in order to be able to discuss their strengths and weaknesses. Boyd did stress, however, that discretion is imperative.

As an example of what not to reveal as a weakness, she spoke of a student who had admitted at an interview that he had a drunk driving charge.

Although an interview can be a nerve-racking experience, Boyd reminded students that the employer "expects enthusiasm, energy and interest ... you must be assertive," she said.

One of the greatest mistakes students make at an interview is to not ask for the job before they leave. Boyd said 95 per cent of all candidates don't ask for the job at the end of the interview.

Her final piece of advice was for students to call companies every week to check up on the hiring situation. A thank-you letter regarding the interview would also be appropriate.

"A call back shows that you're interested ... have drive and commitment," said Boyd.

Margaret Antonides, a placement officer with the Career Service Centre, said the seminar went very well. She was especially pleased by the "good participation from students."

Students who attended the seminar echoed Antonides' positive comments.

First-year Business student Brian Doyle was impressed with the presentation. "It was excellent," he said. "They're re-teaching you how to think and analyze."

Dawna Payette, a third-year Public Relations student, found the seminar quite helpful and exhilarating. "Now I'm going to go out there and dazzle the world!"

Humber flashback

B-ball Hawks make grade

1977

by Jim Haggerty

The lowly basketball Hawks may have the opportunity to compete in the OCAA. When this was said in March, 1977, it didn't seem likely.

The Hawks spent the 1976-77 season in the York Industrial League, amassing a win-loss record of 4-9 — good enough to earn themselves a sixth-place tie in the

final standings.

Rick Bendera, then Humber's athletic director, felt the chances of Humber playing in the OCAA the next season were good. But he did say they had two obstacles to overcome first.

The initial fear was not having a strong coaching commitment which was needed for a college-level team. It was felt that coaching hopeful Jack Buchanan, who was also the director of Educational and Student Services, would not be able to afford the time.

However, there was a larger

problem — the lack of a proper game and practice facility. But plans were already in the works for a brand new athletic centre.

These plans materialized into the Gordon Wragg Centre.

The Hawks have come a long way from those days and have materialized into one of the dominant forces in the OCAA.

This season they amassed a 22-2 win-loss record and are currently ranked number one in Canada. Now the playoffs and a national championship are only a free throw away for the Hawks.

Enrolment increase linked to trend

by Lori Culbert

The high enrolment for the current winter semester can be linked to a trend that occurs during hard economic times, according to Associate Registrar Sue Hunwicks.

Almost all of the positions in the 17 programs offered in January and February at the Lakeshore and North campuses have been filled this year.

"The economic situation is usually one of the ways Humber knows that it's going to be getting more students," Hunwicks said. "This influx of students is similar to the 1981/1982 recession when enrolment at Humber increased as unemployment increased."

Hunwicks said students "find out they're not able to work, so they get more education to develop skills — and to become more marketable."

Courses offered in January are usually aimed at mature students who already have a post-secondary education or work experience. For example, to enrol in the RNA Operating Room Nurse program, a student must have an RNA certificate.

Students beginning engineering or computer courses in January are often funded by Canada Employment, Hunwicks said.

"The government likes to sponsor programs that run continuously, with no breaks, because they are not willing to give benefits to people who have summer holidays."

The original concept behind February enrolment was to assist students from high schools on a semester system who graduate in mid-year. But many people are enrolling in these courses after working for several years because of competition in the workforce and lack of available employment.

"I was working in a travel agency for a year but I still needed to know a bit more, so I took the course. A lot of people said I should go to college," said Pearl Marshall, who began her Travel and Tourism course in February.

Marshall graduated from high school and has been working since 1986, but came to Humber because she "would like to be manager of a big travel agency one day."

Linda Pariselli, a Hotel Management student, worked in an office for a year and a half after graduating from high school, but decided recently that she needed a post-secondary education. "I chose the program I wanted to be in, so I looked it up in the Humber books. The next class began in February so I didn't have to wait until September."

Renee Christian graduated from high school last spring but was not certain when she wanted to continue her education. After working part-time at a cleaners for six months, she enrolled in the Travel and Tourism program in February. "I would like to be a police officer but I am taking this course so that when I get my time off I will know where to travel."

Each division at Humber decides what courses will be offered in January and February, depending on budgets, empty rooms, staff and equipment availability.

"It would be wonderful if we could open our doors to everybody, but that doesn't happen. We have restrictions because of these particular situations," Hunwicks said.

Humber flashback

Voting marred

1976

by Jim Haggerty

Heads or tails, call it in the air. That is precisely how the choice made on one of the ballots cast in the 1976 Student Union presidential election was decided.

The election race between Marlon Silver and Peter Queen ended in a 197-197 deadlock after 93 ballots were declared spoiled.

Voting procedures at the time had stated that each ballot had to be clearly marked with a 'X' beside your choice. The ballots that had been declared as spoiled had been marked with a check mark or some other unacceptable mark.

On one ballot, counters couldn't agree whether or not the mark was an 'X', so they simply flipped a coin.

To add to the confusion, votes taken at the advance polls had not been signed by scrutineers, thus making them invalid.

Lisa Janssen, activity coordinator for SAC, said SAC elec-

tion ballots no longer require a specific marking such as an 'X'. Any type of mark beside your choice is acceptable.

Then Student Union President, Ted Schmidt, and Chief Returning Officer, Paul Murphy, were unable to render a decision on the matter. They were forced to seal all valid and spoiled ballots in a ballot box and let a provincial court judge solve the matter.

This decision was met with a great deal of opposition as it was felt a provincial court judge had no place in student government.

Matters were further complicated when it was discovered that candidate Peter Queen was not eligible to run for the presidency. Queen had not paid his tuition and was therefore not considered to be a registered student.

The situation worsened when the remaining candidate, Marlon Silver, was asked to withdraw from the college because of poor academic standing.

Eventually the student union was forced to hold another election in April, 1976, which was won by Molly Pellacchia.

ARTS

Talents shine at showcase

Students take centre stage

by Jeannie MacDonald

Humber's Music Department showed their stuff to a full house at their Small Group Showcase in the lecture theatre on Wednesday Feb. 20.

The two-hour show featured quality performances of jazz, fusion, and latin style music and was emceed by Music Program Director Paul Read.

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The Jazz Ensemble was followed by Don Baird's Electric Ensemble including Scott Chow and Kevin Sallow on keyboard and piano, Terry Davidson on guitar and Richard Levesque on bass. They performed their own version of Frank Zappa's Blessed Relief, and did justice to it.

The first act was Pat LaBarbera's Jazz Ensemble. The group consisted of Les Portelli on piano, Peter Teleford on bass, Paul Rochester and Dave Bates on drums, Simeon Alev and Fritz Kraii on saxophones and Sandy Giaupapa and Sara Clarkson performing vocals. Among their selections were Forest Flower and I Got the Blues.

In the second half of the show,

Art Maiste's large Jazz Ensemble charmed the audience with their version of I've Got it Bad, sung by Anna Bonter.

Memo Acevedo's highly energetic Latin Ensemble ended the evening with lively versions of Bilongo and Last Cha.

The very impressive program was performed entirely by Humber music students and instructors, and displayed talent that would be expected from musicians with years of professional experience. It was an excellent worthy of the \$5 admission fee.

The next show will be the annual Vocal Night, taking place on March 20 in the North Campus lecture theatre.



PHOTO BY JEANNIE MACDONALD

Four on the floor—Art Maiste's Jazz Ensemble was just one Humber's fabulous homegrown acts in the lecture theatre at the Small Group Showcase on February 20.

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Video contest marred by lack of humor

by Kathy Rumble

Humber's Funniest Home Video Contest began half an hour late last Tuesday in Caps. It was definitely not worth waiting for.

The first video was a too-long segment depicting the Muppets in a B-type slasher movie. There is only one thing you can call a clip about Kermit as a werewolf (werewolf) ... dumb.

Another clip showed a man getting his head shaved and showing his friends his bald head. This too lacked humor.

The only tape that was at all funny was a video in which a little boy began urinating beside his sister in a field and then hit her in the face with a cricket club. This was in the true spirit of a spontaneous funny home video.

Not in this spirit however, was a video filmed by people who obviously had better to do with their time and decided to film their drunk buddy regurgitating the night's pollution into the toilet. The video footage was tasteless, horrifying, despicable and not even slightly humorous.

The show went on despite continual technical difficulties. Clips kept flipping back to an unidentifiable Glenn Close movie. It would sometimes take quite a few minutes to return to 'Humber's Most Horrible Home Videos'.

"Kid Clubs Kid" by John Schaley first prize of \$100 and "Killer Kermit" by Jerröd Tiffin won the \$50 second prize.

Drama club collapses

by Jeannie MacDonald

Once again Humber is without a Drama Club.

"We've basically given up for this year," said first-year Computer Engineering student and Club President Mike Labadie.

The 15-member club had selected and was working on a Woody Allen Broadway play called *Play It Again, Sam*, a romantic comedy about a lonely and desperate divorcee who falls in love with his best friend's wife. It was originally to be presented in mid-February at the North and Lakeshore Campuses.

Labadie said there were a number of factors in the club's demise.

"We lost it after the Christmas break," he said. "The main characters were really gung ho, but a lot of the rest of the cast and crew weren't committed. I didn't have time to get things going again, so it's also my fault."

Humber's last Drama Club suffered a similar fate about three years ago, and had been without one until Labadie started this year's, along with vice-president Adrienne Del'Rizzo, a first-year Film and Television student.

They are planning to start the club once again next semester.

"We'll be starting up in the first week of September," said Labadie. "And we plan to present the play before the holidays or right afterward."

SPORTS

They're back

Ski team hits slopes

by Michelle Nicholson

The self-formed, all-rookie Humber College ski team came in second place at the OCAA Championships, on February 14 and 15, without having competed in any of the regular season events this year.

"For a team to come in cold and pull that off is almost unheard of," said coach Tom Browne, an instructor in Public Relations. "They scrambled like crazy to come up with that spirit and results."

The men's team took second place overall in the Giant Slalom, and third in the Slalom. The women's team came away with third in the Slalom, and fourth in the Giant Slalom.

Individually, Camille Bouchard, a Ski Area Management student, won a bronze medal in the Slalom. Nine colleges competed in the two-day event in Mansfield, Ont.

Official plans for a ski team this year were cancelled in December due to a lack of funds. Their participation in this competition was due to the students' own initiative.

"Frankly nothing would've happened unless the skiers themselves put a commitment to it — that they would do it on their own," explained Browne. Athletic Director Doug Fox was able to provide some financial support so the team could attend the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association finals.

These funds covered the team's registration fees and gave them some meal money, while Browne waived his coaching fee. Out of their own pockets, the team paid for their transportation, accommodation, and a day of training before the meet.

Regarding athletic funding, Browne said, "the problem is not the athletic department — they work hard with what they're given — it's Humber having the fifteenth (lowest) athletic budget for the largest college." This has resulted in varsity sports being "steadily chipped away over the last six to seven years."

Browne recommends that students and the Students' Association Council (SAC) should make the College give athletics a higher priority. Or perhaps look at which sports are funded, "it would be extraordinarily cheaper to fund these sports (tennis, skiing, badminton) rather than hockey."

Browne suggested "if SAC wants to help why don't they do more of their job with the administration — get them to pick up (all of) the salaries of the athletic staff. Perhaps it is something that candidates for next year's SAC might make a campaign issue of."

Hockey Hawks thinking 'D'

by Stephen Bucic

The hockey Hawks are gearing up for the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association playoffs and defence will be the key to their success.

The Hawks finished the season tied for first overall with the Georgian Grizzlies for the best goals against average in the league. During the 24 game schedule, the Hawks only allowed 73 goals, for an average of 3.04 per game. This is the fifth straight year the Hawks have won the goaltending title.

This team is not the same one that started the season. The Hawks stumbled at the beginning of the season, opening with 2 wins and 3 losses. They then went on a mini seven-game streak and coasted into the Christmas break with a record of 8 wins, 3 losses and 1 tie.

Head coach Nick Harbaruk kept saying that after Christmas his team would be beefed up by additions and the Hawks would start to make some noise.

He wasn't kidding.

The Hawks went on an eight-game winning streak to start 1991 and finished the second half with a record of 11 wins and only one loss. But even in the loss the Hawks showed character. They fell to the Sheridan Bruins 6-5 in overtime in Oakville.

To further illustrate the Hawks' improvement in the second half, they scored 103 goals in 12 games, while only allowing 30. They had the best record in the second half, besting league-leading Georgian by one game.

The Hawks finished the season in second place overall and have received a first round bye in the playoffs. They must now wait for the first round matches to finish and they won't play their first game until Tuesday, March 5.

The Hawks have been practising at Westwood arena and the specific stress has been on defence. "De-

fence wins you hockey games," said Harbaruk. "In the playoffs it's the most important thing."

According to team manager Chris Kupfer, the Hawks will be healthy come playoff time. "Kelly Cain will be back as far as I know, and so will Greg Ware."

The insertion of Cain back into the lineup will only strengthen the Hawks' offence. It will give them another scoring threat to take the pressure off Shawn Vaudry and Bob Emmell.

But the key to the Hawks' playoff success may lie in the return of Ware. His size and agility will be a welcomed presence on the blue-line. Added to Trevor Smith and up and comer Bill Davidson, the defence should be solid.

Goaltending will not be a problem with Len Spratt in net. Spratt's clutch performance in the last few games against Seneca and Georgian were one of the main reasons the Hawks finished as strongly as they did. Good goaltending gives the whole team confidence.

Lady Hawks lacklustre in win over Huskies

by Joe Szur

The basketball Lady Hawks played a lacklustre, uninspired game against George Brown Lady Huskies, but a win is a win and they'll take it.

The Lady Hawks went out in the first half and gave every indication that they'd rather be at home sleeping than playing their last home game of the year. But they hung on to beat the Lady Huskies, who played with only five players all game, 84-54 last Thursday night to go undefeated at home for the year.

"Well we won," said a less than impressed Lady Hawk head coach Linda Versage. "It wasn't a good win but we'll take it."

The smaller, yet much quicker Lady Huskies were breaking down Humber's full-court press and getting inside for easy baskets. George Brown killed the Lady Hawks on the boards getting second and third chances at missed shots time after time.

"We knew we would win, but ya know it's hard to get up for it (a game you're expected to dominate)," said Versage.

"We didn't look well, we didn't pass well, we didn't run well, we

didn't shoot well, we didn't (do) anything well."

"Mind you we played everybody. We played people that wouldn't play — we played our whole bench other than the first 10 minutes."

With Humber leading 8-6 and five minutes gone in the game, the Lady Hawks used a 10-0 run to pull away for good. George Brown would claw and fight back into the game several more times in the first, but by the end of the half the Lady Hawks had control of the game and went in to the half up by 20, 38-18.

Lady Hawk point guard Denise Cummings scored 14 of her game-high 21 points in the first to lead the way. Deborah Henry continued her offensive improvement by scoring 16 in the win while forward Liz Murphy added 14.

The Lady Hawks played their final game of the regular season last night against Seneca (score unavailable at press time) before heading into the Ontario championships next weekend.

The Lady Hawks stand at 13-2, one game behind league-leading Mohawk and are one of the favourites to claim the title.

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COVEN SPORTS

Fitzroy 'lights' up the Huskies as Hawks romp in home finale

by Joe Suzor

Although the basketball Hawks won't be going to Florida during spring break, the sun is certainly shining bright wherever they play these days.

Even though the sun has shone brighter at home this year, the road has turned out to be the Hawks' home away from home.

Riding the wave of a five-game winning streak and 18 straight home wins, the Hawks captured their last three games of the year to finish with their best record ever at 22-2.

Humber finished their 12-game home schedule in convincing fashion, and sent a message to the rest of the league by hammering George Brown Huskies 134-73 last Thursday night.

With a little different twist to their seemingly consistent game plan, the Hawks came out flying from the start. Better yet, Fitzroy Lightbody came out flying. It took the first-year guard 15 seconds to take command of the game as he pulled up to the top of the key and hit his first of three three-point shots. In a span of just over two

minutes, Lightbody connected on his next two three-point attempts to put the Hawks up 15-6 with 17:15 still to play in the first.

The Hawks capped off a 12-2 run with great passing. Tony Carvalho brought the ball up court, fed Doug Lawrie, who passed it to Patrick Rhodd down low. Rhodd dished it off to Larry McNeil who converted a baby hook for a 31-10 Hawk advantage and only six minutes gone in the game.

By the 10-minute mark head coach Mike Katz had his starters resting and his bench picking up where the other five had left off — racking up points quickly. Richard Saunders scored eight of his 14 points in the first to help the Hawks take a 69-46 halftime lead — Humber's highest scoring half of the season. It was Lightbody, however, who did the damage as he scored 19 of his game high 24 points in the first.

With the help of a 30-point second-half performance from the bench, and a 24-2 run from 16:12 until 10:51, the Hawks ran the Huskies right out of the building scoring 65 points in the second half.

Katz felt that George Brown just ran into a team on a roll.

"That's not a bad team," Katz said of the Huskies. "We're playing at another (higher) level right now."

The Hawks travelled to North Bay and Sudbury on the weekend to round out their regular season schedule. Even though the Hawks were making the trip without the services of both of their starting forwards Doug Lawrie (sprained ankle) and Patrick Rhodd (previous commitment), it seemed that the Hawks would just have to go through the motions as they were taking on two of the weaker teams in the league.

They did anything but make it look easy as the Canadore Panthers — the Hawks' likely first-round playoff opponent — led 44-35 at halftime, and just narrowly missed upsetting the Nation's number one team as the Hawks pulled out a squeaker, 79-71.

On Saturday, Humber had a bit easier go of it as they built on a nine-point first-half lead, with the help of Gareth Broad's 15-point second half, to win 82-61 and conclude their highly successful regular season.

Home-court advantage

by Joe Suzor

The home-court advantage for the basketball Hawks and Lady Hawks is spelling doom for opposing teams this year.

The Hawks went undefeated at home this year (12-0) and haven't lost at the Gordon Wragg Centre since November 23, 1989. The Lady Hawks also finished the year at home undefeated with an 8-0 record.

So what does all this mean, what it means is if things keep going according to the script, the Humber teams will be flying off to Kamloops B.C. the end of March to compete as the Ontario representatives in the National Championship.

Humber College is playing host to the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association men's and women's basketball championships. The two-day event will take place Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9.

The Hawks are a slight favourite to take the title as they are the top-ranked team in Canada. However, the number two-ranked team, Sheridan Bruins, also plays in Ontario and they are the defending National Champions. The Lady Hawks go into the tournament a mild underdog to Mohawk.

For game times and ticket information contact the Athletic Department during regular business hours.

V-ball Hawks earn a final-four berth

by Keith White

They ended the season on a losing skid, but nonetheless, the volleyball Hawks are playoff bound.

Humber lost its last three regular season games against Sheridan, Durham, and Mowhawk. They finished the season at 5 and 7, and were a solid fourth in the standings. Despite the poor finish, head coach Amer Haddad is not concerned.

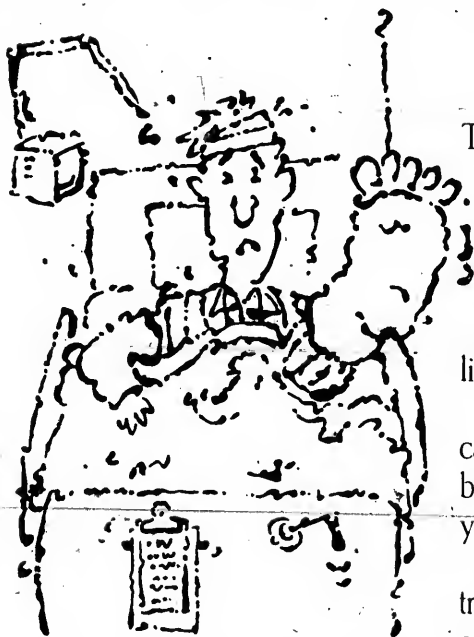
"My goal was to go to the finals," Haddad said. "We achieved that goal. Now we'll just see what happens."

After being dominated by Sheridan, the Hawks travelled to Durham February 21 to face the Lords. Humber put forth a strong effort, but lost in four games (17-16, 16-14, 15-7, and 16-14). The three sets that Humber lost could easily have gone their way, but according to Haddad, they have trouble finishing off teams when they are tied in the late stages. "It's a different style of play," said Haddad. "A player has to know how to win when they're so close. Our (guys) don't."

Tuesday night, the Hawks entertained the Mowhawk Mountaineers, a make-up game of one that was scheduled here for November 20th, but was cancelled due to an ever popular bomb threat. The game was played at Lakeshore Campus due to gym tie-ups in the Gordon Wragg Athletic Centre, and was meaningless for Humber as far as the standings were concerned. Mowhawk, however, were fighting for a playoff berth and climbed past the Hawks in four games (15-8, 9-15, 15-8, and 15-9). "Our guys know that we're in the finals, so they didn't take the game seriously," Haddad said. "We didn't play from the heart. The other team did."

As far as the Ontario Championship Tournament, taking place at Sheridan College from March 7-9, Humber has made it and that's all they're concerned about at the moment. Haddad likes his team's chances and says that the only team that may give them trouble is Sheridan. He says this is good experience for the guys, and hopes they can move on after this tournament to the Canadian Championships in Quebec.

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Fitzroy Lightbody of the basketball Hawks scored 53 points in the Hawks' last three wins of the season including a 24-point effort in the home finale.



Karen Smith of the basketball Lady Hawks has played tough defensive basketball in helping the Lady Hawks to a second place finish in Ontario.