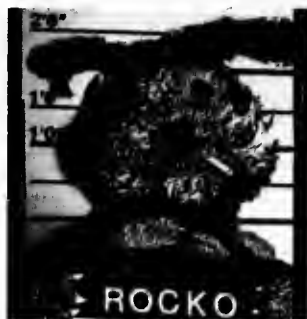




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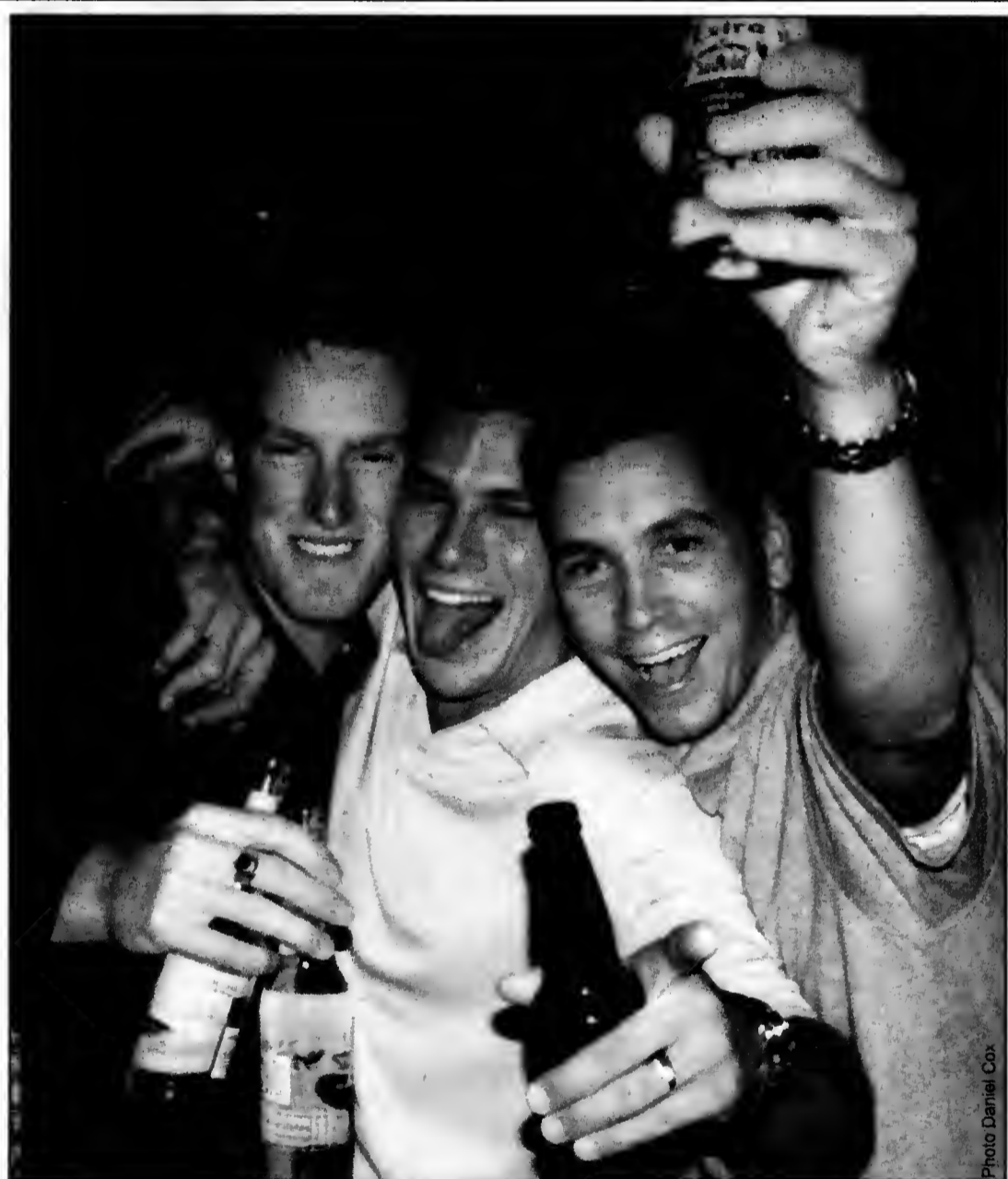
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Well worth the wait: Students whoop it up at Caps last Thursday night. The first pub night was delayed by a week due to construction. See story page 12.

Robber nabs \$1,200 during campus heist

By KEVIN RABJOHN

An intruder made off with about \$1,200 from Java Jazz, a North Campus coffee shop, last Wednesday night after threatening to kill the on-duty cashier.

The intruder forced the cashier to her knees and said "shut up or I'll kill you," store supervisor Karen Udit said.

The robbery took place at approximately 9:35 p.m., when store employees were performing their routine checkout. The man entered the coffee shop when the cashier, the only employee not in the back room at the time, opened the door thinking he was one of her fellow employees.

"Everyone was going back and forth to the stock room...she didn't bother looking because she thought he was one of us," Udit said.

When the man entered, the cashier struggled with him and tried to knock on the back room door to get the other employees' attention.

Once he had her on her knees the intruder took the cash from the register and demanded the keys to the other safes. The cashier told him she didn't have the keys.

The man then pushed her against a wall, told her to turn around and fled the scene. The cashier then told another employ-

ee, who was in stocking the fridge, that the store had been robbed.

At that point "[I] came running in and then went straight to security," Udit said.

Gary Jeynes, director of Public Safety said, "[security] is working with Toronto Police on the investigation and reviewing our closed circuit camera system."

"As a result of this, we've changed a lot of our practices to make them more secure. We've implemented a buddy system in terms of going to the back area and transferring monies," General Manager of food services, Don Henriquez said.

At a Thursday evening meeting, food services staff from Java Jazz discussed the incident and looked at safety measures to prevent another robbery.

Henriques said, "This is the first time that money has been taken from one of our staff."

Humber security has released an alert describing the suspect as a black male, aged 20 to 30 years old, slim muscular build, clean shaven, wearing a grey, hooded jacket.

According to the cashier, the man spoke very good English with no accent.

If you have any information on the robbery, contact police or call 222-tips to speak anonymously.

Traffic more than doubles in one week

School tracking student porn hits

By NATALIE MANDIC

WARNING: the following article contains adult material and information that should only be read by persons 18 years of age or older. If you are not 18, please shield your eyes and turn the page now.

It seems this warning is all too familiar to Humber students.

In the first week of the new

school year, 70,000 hits were recorded on campus computers to Web sites containing sexually explicit material. In the second week the hits jumped to 180,000.

Humber's Information Technology department has limited the use of popular file sharing and chat programs like Kazaa and MSN Messenger. But the school hasn't decided whether anything

should be done to restrict access to sites containing adult material.

"Right now we're not the Gestapo of students on what they can and can't do. Certainly it is up to the individual to decide if it's appropriate within their education," director of the college's Enterprise Technology Services, Joseph Brazas said.

Since virtually everyone has

access to the Internet, adult material is now easily accessible through the click of a mouse, and students are taking advantage of it.

When asked if they had ever visited a Web site with adult material, on their computers at home, 74 per cent of students answered yes.

Whether or not students confess to visiting these sites at school, it's

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Young workers at higher risk on the job

By JASON PUSHEE

Young workers are at a higher risk of injury while on the job in Ontario, but a campaign designed to improve safety for workers aged 15 to 24 is trying to change that.

Workplace safety is second only to drinking and driving in social concerns among young workers, according to the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB).

"A few years ago people weren't thinking about workplace accidents, at least young people weren't," said Perry Jensen, a spokesperson for the WSIB. "Now it's the number two issue and we think that is a good sign that at least people are noticing the message."

The WSIB started the campaign three years ago and recently caught young people's attention with ads concerning death on the job.

"One of the reasons we chose to target younger workers is because statistics tell us they are more at risk of being injured," said Jensen. "They may not know the various dangers in their workplace."

Statistics from the WSIB show that in 1998, even though young workers represent 14.3 per cent of workers in Ontario, they accounted for 15.6 per cent of workplace

injury claims.

In addition, younger workers work fewer hours than the rest of the work force so these numbers are even higher when represented by hours on the job.

Statistics also show that more than half of young workers in Canada are not trained when given different or new assignments with-

in the workplace.

"We have found through asking young workers and getting their attitudes towards work, some young people don't want to ask questions. They may be cowed or eager to please," said Jensen. "They may just not be as involved in the workplace."

In 2000, there were 17, 222

work-place injury claims resulting in lost time from work for young workers, according to the WSIB.

The Harveys restaurant at the North Campus has regular meetings focused on safety in an attempt to counteract the statistics.

"Everybody is aware of the problems that can arise, like greasy floors," said Susan Shemilt, an Evening Supervisor at Harveys. "We're okay here. We do pretty well, we're very careful so there is no area of concern."

Program now underway to prepare new staff

By PAUL PAPAS

The rush is on to prepare new college staff and administrators for Humber's explosive growth, which begins with next year's influx of 4,000 additional students.

To ease the transition, Academic Vice-President Richard Hook has organized an orientation program, which consists of 16 weeks of luncheon sessions for the new senior academic administrators, including six associate deans and registrar John Mason.

The program kicked off last Thursday, with college President Robert Gordon explaining Humber's vision for the future. He also stressed college values including respect for people, innovation and customer service.

"Actions speak louder than

words," Gordon said. "Interactive moments with students are special."

Gordon wants administrators to focus on students, giving them the tools and time they need to succeed at the college.

There has never been a structured orientation program like this before, because there has never been this many senior academic changes, according to corporate training manager Maggie Swithenbank.

"We're swamped trying to fill these positions," she said. "We're trying to get [the new administrators] up to speed quickly."

Swithenbank said there would be more positions to fill next year as administrators retire and new positions are created to handle an estimated student population of 17,000, compared to 13,000 this year.



Photo Jason Pushee

Jason Sheard shows just how dangerous the workplace can be for young people if not properly educated about job safety.

Media giants threaten diversity of news

By MIKE ZETTEL

Think we have a free press?

The Canadian Journalists for Free Expression (CJFE) would like you to think again.

Concentrated media ownership and corporatization is threatening diversity of news coverage, the panel of speakers for CJFE said on Tuesday evening.

Haroon Siddiqui, *The Toronto Star's* former editorial page editor, and Wilson Southam, former corporate director of Southam Corporation, spoke to an audience of about 40 at U of T's Massey College.

The main topic of concern was

CanWest Global's ownership of media outlets throughout Canada.

Southam was one of the 40 former Southam officers and directors who urged CanWest to reconsider its policy of mandating editorial content from its head office to its papers throughout the country. Many consider the policy an attack on editorial independence.

Russell Mills, the former publisher of *The Ottawa Citizen*, who was fired for running an editorial contradicting the head office's stance, had originally been scheduled to speak. He declined one week before the discussion, citing settlement negotiations with CanWest, according to Joel Ruimy, CJFE's executive director and chair of the panel.

"His firing produced a wave of reader and public reaction that made CanWest blink for the first time," said Siddiqui. *The Citizen* saw a sharp increase in cancelled subscriptions following the move. Siddiqui suggested such tactics could be used to resist the trend of diminishing diversity.

He said the easiest way to test a paper's openness to diversity is to use the letters to the editor. If enough people with a common voice write and that voice is not published, he said, then there would be a legitimate concern that could be taken to the Press Council, a media watchdog.

"It makes life uncomfortable for

those who have it easy and are not accountable," he said.

Wilson, speaking for an organization called Diversity of Voices Everywhere (DOVE), also addressed "market myopia" in the media. Among his suggestions were calls for "gatekeepers" on the Internet, who would ensure that the

same standards in print journalism are applied online.

He said he would like to see more non-profit news organizations like the CBC and tax breaks for those that increase their investment in the production of quality journalism. Southam said that in the current corporate environment

news bureaus are being shut down and there is less investigative reporting, because it is expensive and time-consuming.

When asked if these proposals were likely, he said "stranger things have happened," citing national health care and the Canadian pension plan as examples.

Funding may not match enrolment

By ADAM COHEN

The good news is that government funding for students has increased, but enrolment numbers far exceed the allotted funding.

The government must now decide whether funding will increase to compensate for the higher enrolment numbers.

"We are talking about more money for new students...and current students," President Robert Gordon said.

Ontario's 24 colleges depend, to various degrees, on government funding.

College funding is based on enrolment averages over the previous three school years to determine how much each college receives.

Humber has averaged a student enrolment of around 11,000 people over that period.

This year, although enrolment has swelled to about 13,100 students, Humber is only receiving funds for 11,000 students.

In 1992/1993, the government allotted approximately \$3,994 in subsidies per student and that number has decreased every year since.

In 2000/2001 each student was subsidized by \$3,019 in grants compared to the \$2,948 available per student this year.

"Money is tight, no doubt, and in times of growth this gets very tough for everyone," John Davies, vice-president of administration, said.

Three years ago, in preparation for the double cohort, the government initiated plans to up the funding to colleges by 5.8 per cent by next year, but at this time it is unclear how much that hike will help.

"We spend all the money we get and it's all focused towards the students. We don't do anything here not involved with the student," Davies said. "We strive to maintain a high quality of learning with what we've got and we think we do a pretty good job, but we still are under pressure financially."

Davies said current students would be affected if the province does not assist colleges in funding for the cohort crunch.

"That would mean less money we could put into things like extra furniture, equipment and all auxiliary things not to mention less money for construction," Davies said.

For his part, Gordon says that without more money he is not sure the school could take extra students outside of its planned enrolment.

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Muslims fear racial profiling

By NOEL MCINNIS

Tightening of airport security at Pearson International has led some Muslim women to wonder if they have become a target of racial profiling.

The Canadian Islamic Congress (CIC) has received complaints from women who have been made to remove their hijab by airport officials when going through security checks.

"Racial profiling, very quietly, has been implemented in Canada," Wahida Valiante, CIC vice-president, said.

"Basically [Muslims are] still trying to organize ourselves from the events of Sept. 11. I can't begin to tell the devastation that has been brought on the Muslim community. Our lives are not the same as they were, because people seem to think somehow we are guilty by association."

Asking a woman to remove her hijab in public shows a lack of empathy on the part of airport staff and security. For many it is a violation of the Muslim faith, Valiante said.

"I don't think they are trying to insult [Muslims], but

nonetheless people do not have that understanding and knowledge," she said.

Valiante recognizes a need for security at the airport, but wonders if staff sometimes go too far.

"What is the issue if a woman is covering her head? It's very tightly put on the head and you can see what is under there. You can't hide any instruments or guns under there," she said.

She added airport staff is pressured to increase security and therefore should be trained in cultural etiquette.

Valiante, who travels frequently and has never been searched, also pointed out that people do not have to remove their clothing when they go through security monitors.

"There are other ways of [searching people], and if it is really a must it should be done in private," she said.

Canada Customs spokesperson Mark Butler said officers have the legislative right to search people, but they must have probable grounds to do so and are required to state their case to a supervisor.

"If we have reason to

believe there is something under a headdress, we bring that person into a private area and ask them to remove it. If there is any situation where a person refuses, we remind them of the legislative right under the Canada Customs Act," he said.

He also said that the person

subjected to the search removes her headdress, not Customs officials.

Butler also said that officers receive training on how to accommodate people from different cultures. There is also a chapter in the Customs Operations Manual on dealing with issues of culture.

Faculty and support unions gain bargaining advantage

By MIRANDA PYETTE

In April 2003, both faculty and support staff contracts will expire, giving both Humber unions advantages in bargaining power.

"This situation gives each side a lot better bargaining power," Maureen Wall, faculty president, said. "It is beneficial that both contracts expire [at the same time]."

Helen Hrynkiw, Humber's support staff union president, said she is curious why the government would have both unions begin bargaining at the

same time this November, when this could have been avoided.

"They wouldn't give us a two-year contract for this agreement, instead they gave us a three-year contract," Hrynkiw said. "I can't see the government wanting us to have that advantage when it comes to bargaining."

This is the first time both faculty and support staff contracts expire at the same time.

"The support staff has only ever gone on strike once," Hrynkiw said. "Traditionally, we haven't been supportive of a strike."

Support staff issues are different from faculty concerns when it comes to bargaining.

"Our workload is pretty well defined," Hrynkiw said. "We are looking more at retiree benefits since the support staff is getting older. The bottom line is we support administration and faculty so students get the services they need. We are everywhere."



Helen Hrynkiw says unions have the upper hand in negotiations.

Net scams targeted

By CAMILLE ROY

Humber College students who like to surf the Internet will be protected against on-line scams if new legislation proposed by the Ontario government last Thursday becomes law.

The proposed Consumer Protection Statute Law Amendment Act, 2002, introduced by Consumer and Business Services Minister Tim Hudak, contains an eight-point list of principles, concerning privacy, payment, personal information, security and liability.

Internet vendors would also be responsible for providing potential customers with product information under the amendment.

A recent three-day search-and-sweep program conducted by investigators with the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services, found 18 Web sites they "considered to make questionable or exagger-

ated claims about products or services."

Carol-Lynn Lepard, at the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services, said that although her ministry checks out all sites where a complaint has been filed, the sites searched in this recent sweep were totally random.

Investigators surfing the Internet have certain key words and phrases to watch for. Lepard said consumers should beware of phrases like "high-income, low-investment," "we fix your credit" and "make \$300 a day at home."

Lepard also said that some of the most frequent problems on-line consumers encounter are from sites that offer auction services, but never deliver the goods.

The new legislation would address all these problems, however Lepard said the bill must still go through a second and possibly third vote before it is passed.

World Digest



By DALIA WRIGHT

U.S. developed germs

UNITED STATES. The Iraqi weapons of mass destruction U.S. President George W. Bush wants to eliminate, could have developed with the help of Washington two decades ago.

U.S. records show its Centres for Disease Control and Prevention gave strains of germs to Iraq, who claimed to need them for medical research. U.N. weapons inspectors discovered these samples were a part of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's biological-weapons program in the early 1990s.

The report concludes that Iraq used the samples to create bioweapons like anthrax and West Nile virus.

U.S. defence and intelligence suspect Hussein has given permission for his field commanders to use the bio-weapons in case of a strike on their country.

Israel's seige on again

ISRAEL. After what seemed like the end to the siege of Yasser Arafat's headquarters in Ramallah, the Israeli military repositioned themselves Tuesday.

Israeli troops pulled back Sunday from a 10-day siege on Arafat's compound, after intense pressure from the United States government.

Hurricane Lili kills four

JAMAICA. Four people died Monday as they battled floods and mudslides produced by Hurricane Lili on the island of Jamaica.

A woman and her child were killed when both tried to cross a flooded street in the town of Trinity Ville, just east of Kingston. In St. Thomas a taxi driver drowned trying to free his cab from a mudslide. The fourth also died in Trinity Ville.

Forecasters believe Lili will hit the U.S. gulf coast by the weekend. By Tuesday, the hurricane forced Texas and Louisiana residents out of their homes.

Senegal ministers quit

SENEGAL. Senegal's defence and transport ministers resigned Tuesday, following the end of the search for survivors of the MS Joola, which sank off the coast of the Gambia last week.

The ferry bound for Dakar, Senegal was carrying nearly twice its passenger capacity of 550 people when it capsized. Of the 1,034 people on board, only 64 people were saved and 400 bodies recovered.

AIDS to soar by 2010

UNITED STATES. The spread of HIV and AIDS is expected to accelerate in Ethiopia, Nigeria, China, India, and Russia—the world's most populated countries—by the year 2010, a new U.S. intelligence report says.

The spread of the virus in the five countries is expected to outnumber the cases in central and southern Africa, where the infection rate is the highest of any country in the world.

These five countries may have between 14 and 23 million cases of HIV and AIDS.

According to a report released at the 14th International AIDS Conference in Barcelona this summer, by 2010 the number of orphans who lost parents to AIDS will jump to more than 25 million.

Vandal sprays, now residents must pay

By CAIT BELANGER

The women on residence floor R5 have been fined \$500 (approximately \$12 each), after a fire extinguisher was discharged in their lounge leaving a thick, white dust covering everything in the room.

According to Colleen Parton, Residence life Co-ordinator, every student in residence signs a contract in September stating that he or she is responsible for anything that happens on their floor or in their room.

Several of the approximately 40 students who live on the vandalized floor object to the \$12 levy.

"There were all of seven people who stayed on the floor that night. I was in my boyfriend's room all night so I wasn't even there but I still have to pay for someone else's

stupidity? I just don't understand it," Jennifer Smith, a first-year Social Services student said.

Jessica McLaughlin a General Arts and Sciences student said, "We even offered to clean up the lounge ourselves but we were told that the dust was toxic and that it had to be cleaned up professionally. Two days later I saw our regular cleaning lady cleaning up the dust. It's just not fair," she said.

If the girls decide not to pay the \$12 fines Parton said, it will be documented on their student record and they will not receive their diplomas. She said it is like a library fine, if you don't pay it then you don't get your credits and you don't pass.

If the perpetrator is caught, they will have to pay the cleaning costs themselves, as well as other undefined consequences.



Photo Cait Belanger

An R5 resident holds a notice posted on the floor's common room door ordering payment of vandalism clean-up.

Move sparks complaints

By ANITA VERMA

A little black cloud is forming above a few recently displaced Media Studies students, whose program was moved from the North Campus to the Lakeshore Campus.

"I absolutely detest the parking situation at Lakeshore, the food services are horrible, and the layout of the school is just not feasible," Thelma John, a second-year Public Relations student said. "I don't understand why we got moved to Lakeshore anyway. I don't find the classes any better and quite honestly, I feel Humber lied to us."

John said she resents being moved to Lakeshore and said the campus was not adequately prepared for their arrival, making routine tasks a daily inconvenience.

"Every day when I come to school, the first concern I have is where I'm going to park. I pay \$400 for a parking spot and even though half the faculty parking spaces are empty I have to park all the way in lot A and trek 10 minutes to class," John said.

Eating on campus has become a nuisance for these students, who are not impressed with the food services available.

"The food services are very limited and the cafeteria is in the main building, so just to get a snack we have to trek all the way over there," Sharon Beattie, a second-year Public Relations student said. "They said they were going to put in a new student centre, but in a year and a half, so we're not even

going to benefit from it. Why couldn't they have that ready for us?"

Despite the 17 student complaints, some students are pleased with the setting and the improved equipment and facilities.

"I like the school; everything is set up well and all the equipment is new," Lucas Brancalion, a second-year Advertising and Graphic Design student said.

"The scenery is really nice. You can take a walk by the lake for inspiration, or to get a break from classes. There's no pub in the school, which I would enjoy, but I think it was a positive move."

William Hanna, dean of Media Studies, said he has addressed the students' concerns.

"There is more than enough adequate parking for all students and faculty at Lakeshore, but there is a longer walk, which is no further than some points of the North Campus," he said.

"They have food kiosks, William's coffee shop and the newly renovated extended cafeteria in building A-B."

However, the students say they still feel cheated by the college.

"They said there was going to be a shuttlebus to take students from North Campus to Lakeshore, so a lot of people are still renting places in Rexdale, but when we asked them about the shuttle bus they said they didn't know what we were talking about," Beattie said.

Hanna said the college agreed to



Some Media Studies students are unhappy about the long treks from parking spots to their classrooms and to the food kiosks.

find a means of addressing the transportation problem.

"Among the solutions was a shuttle bus, but it was not the only option. There will be some sort of support provided for transportation for the group of returning students who were in residence last year."

Hanna said those returning students living in residence will receive a lump sum of money to off-set the cost of their transportation.

Hanna said he tried to deal with the change proactively by giving students a heads-up about the move when they applied for the program and said he wants to eliminate potential problems and issues by dealing with them up front. He also spoke with students individually and in various classrooms last year.

However, both John and Beattie said they were not initially informed of the potential move at all.

"We weren't even told once about the move. I found out by accident in conversation with a career counsellor, and when I told my classmates they didn't know anything either. [The administration] obviously weren't clear about it if in a class of 28 students nobody knew about it," Beattie said.

Hanna said he would like to reassure students that their issues and concerns are being handled as efficiently as possible.

"The college is not ignoring this, and we do want it to work and do want the students to be happy there as we've tried to address their needs and immediate concerns."

Group opposes Iraq war

By NICOLE LARKIN

Anti-war protest groups are focusing on halting military action in Iraq and the co-founder of one such group teaches at Humber.

The Toronto Committee Against Sanctions and War on Iraq, (TCASAWI) based out of St. Steven's Community Centre, was founded by Pam Johnson, a Lakeshore Dance teacher.

She began the committee three months ago when the U.S. seemed poised for military action in Iraq.

"Right now we have the oppor-

tunity to stop this before the war starts," Johnson said at a Toronto forum last week.

TCASAWI organizes the circulation of pamphlets, public forums and discussions, and protests at local MPP's offices.

Their last public forum included a documentary about life in Iraq, illustrating the effects bombs dropped by American troops during the Gulf War had on Iraqi civilians.

"What is actually happening to the people of Iraq has been hidden by the U.S., even what happened

to their own soldiers over there."

TCASAWI is speaking against military action on Iraq and the sanctions imposed on the country by the UN at the end of the Gulf War in the 1990's.

Johnson said sanctions are hurting citizens of Iraq, causing poverty, famine, and preventing medical supplies from reaching the sick.

TCASAWI plans to join other groups for a national day of action on Nov. 16, 2002. Mass protests are scheduled for Queen's Park and Parliament Hill.

Live bands every Wednesday

By JENNA VAICIUS

Every Wednesday, from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., the Humber Students' Federation (HSF) presents live bands made up of Humber students who perform free of charge in the lower cafeteria.

The first band to perform this year was Ferfolia whose members

are all students in the Music program and have been together for about three months. Although they are predominantly a cover band, some original material may be in the works, the band said.

Ferfolia entertained the packed cafeteria with songs from the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Craig David, Jamiroquai, and George Michael, among others.

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Pam Johnson wants to prevent proposed action in Iraq.

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Pearson steps up security

By JEFF COLLIER

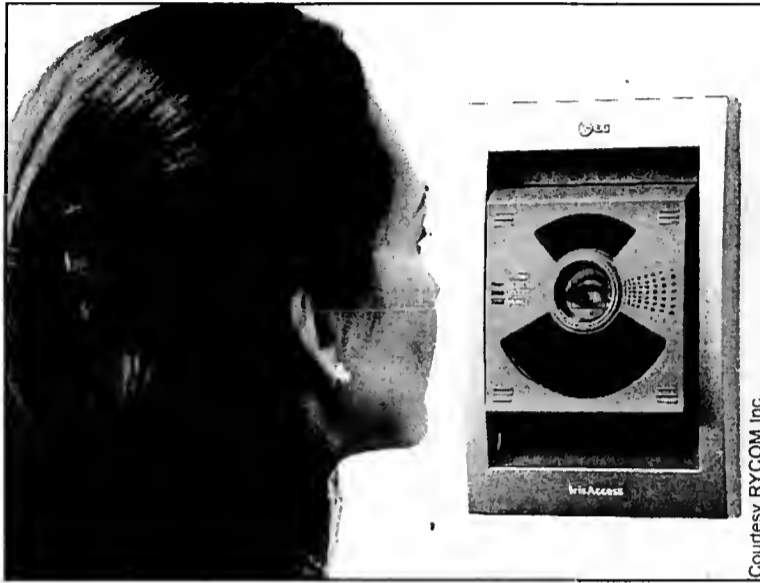
The federal government announced plans last week to use iris recognition technology at airports to allow swifter and more secure entry into Canada for pre-approved, low-risk travellers.

Toronto's Pearson International and Vancouver International will be the first of eight Canadian airports over the next five years to receive 27 CANPASS-Air machines in the government's latest effort to make air travel safer.

Starting January 2003, the project will permit frequent fliers who sign up for an annual fee of \$50 to clear customs by merely looking into a camera that recognizes the iris of their eyes as proof of identification.

Mandy Sandher, general manager of business and development at Mississauga-based RYCOM Inc., the company which manufactures the CANPASS-Air machines, said that next to DNA, iris recognition has the highest rate of accuracy in the world for identification.

"The technology is based on the uniqueness of the iris," Sandher, whose company is also responsible for the marketing and distribution of CANPASS-Air.



A new method of identification, which reads a person's iris, will be used by Pearson International airport starting in January.

"The method is virtually 99.9 per cent accurate."

Sandher said there is no danger associated with the unit since the iris recognition method uses a low-level infrared camera to take a black and white picture of the eye.

The participant must be within the capture zone of the camera, anywhere from three to 21 inches away to scan their iris, which means the unit won't activate without the consent of the user.

Each participant receives a personal ID card which allows them to pre-register and receive authorization to pass through customs without having to be interviewed by agents at Canadian airports.

As well, Sandher said each member's information will be updated on a consistent basis.

"If I sign up for the program today and commit a serious crime tomorrow, and am somehow still on the streets," Sandher said, "CANPASS-Air would have that information immediately and I'd never make it past the authorities."

Participants of CANPASS-Air will be required to undergo security checks upon initial registration and at every annual renewal.

Euros causing irritation

Swiss study finds electrifying results, coins cause skin rashes

By SARAH LISI

A rash of skin irritations has followed the release of the new euro coins this January.

Anyone with a nickel allergy or sweaty palms could have problems with the one-euro and two-euro coins.

According to dermatologist Frank O. Nestle of the University of Zurich Medical School, patients in the school's allergy unit complained of skin irritation after handling the euro coins.

In the Sept. 12 issue of *Nature*, Nestle reports the results of his

experiments. One of these included taping coins to the backs of seven patients known to have nickel allergies. All seven had red rashes after a couple of days.

Nestle discovered that an electric current of about 40 millivolts flows between the two alloys in each coin, like a mini battery. The current leads to corrosion and the release of nickel ions.

The coins resemble the Canadian toonie as both have a two-toned structure. Both the outer ring and the centre of the euro coins contain nickel, but in different ratios.

This high nickel content is said to be 320 times as much as the European Union permits in substances with prolonged contact with the skin.

"The technical specifications of the euro coins do not infringe EU law," said Olaf Prüssmann, direc-

torate general for economic and financial affairs.

According to Prüssmann, a EU nickel directive stipulates a certain limit for objects that have direct and prolonged contact with the human skin, such as jewelry.

"Coins do not fall into this category and are not covered by the nickel directive," Prüssmann said in an e-mail.

The euro coins were made with nickel because it is inexpensive and the two-toned structure makes them harder to counterfeit.

Though nickel is one of the most common allergens, Prüssmann said he had not heard of any instances of rashes attributed to euro coins.

"There is no scientific evidence that the normal use of coins causes nickel allergies. Therefore, there are no plans to alter the euro coins," Prüssmann said.

According to Prüssmann, the European Commission did evaluate the possibility of nickel allergies when designing the coins.

What's up . . .

Oct. 4 - 6

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On the move

How to buy a used car and not a lemon

By MARIO CYWINSKI

People buy *new* used cars everyday, but don't know how to watch out for car dealers who may be giving them a price ride.

No used car will ever be problem-free like a new car, but shopping carefully and doing your homework will allow you to make a better decision.

Here are some useful tips while used car shopping from private sellers and used car dealers:

- Always check the car's repair/accident record - use www.carfax.com, which offers vehicle identification number checks for under \$20
- Look up the value of the car in the Blue Book or in any other used car value publication - www.carprices.com is a good choice
- Ask for the vehicle's maintenance record from either the dealer, owner or repair shop
- Be sure to test drive the car - on hills, highways and in traffic
- Try to have a mechanic inspect the car - by law, the car must pass a safety and emissions test before it can be licensed
- Never buy a car as is - always have needed minor repairs made to the vehicle before buying it
- Most importantly, have a written contract whenever buying a used car - the Ministry of Transportation usually provides one to have the car re-licensed

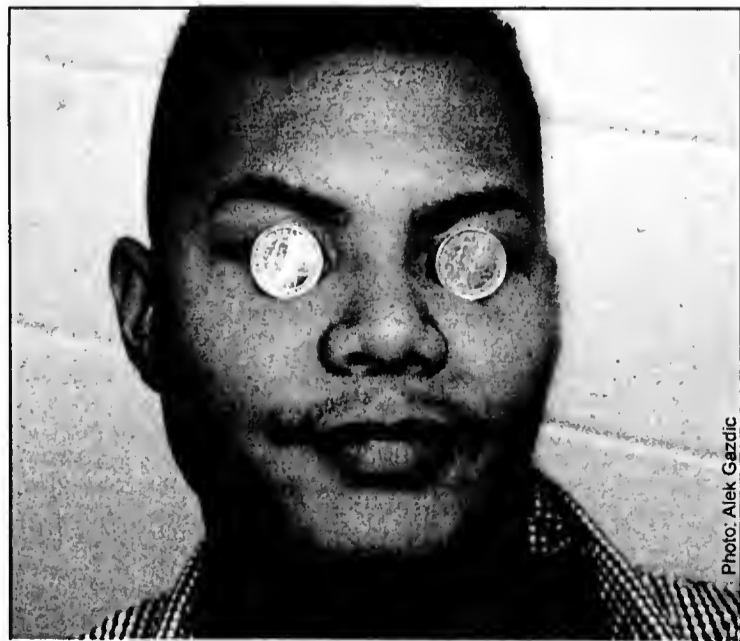


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The electric currents that flow between the new euro coins can cause a minor rash when handled, according to a new study.

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Editorial

Level of threat posed by Iraq still unclear

Last week, British Prime Minister Tony Blair presented a dossier to parliament outlining Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's weapons of mass destruction, and called on the United Kingdom to support a war on Iraq based on this "proof."

As Britain throws its hat into the ring, other Western nations are being forced to take a second look at the upcoming threatened attack on Iraq, and what their roles should be.

In Canada, both the government and the general population have expressed doubts as to whether the proposed war is the best way to rid the world of the "apparent threat" posed by Iraq and its weapons program. To Canadians, the threat is not apparent at all.

Many people have been asking for solid proof regarding weapons of mass destruction in Iraq. But the public has not been given enough information. Blair's dossier is inconclusive at best, while U.S. President George W. Bush's rhetoric has been equally vague.

Now that weapons inspectors are heading into Iraq, we can hope more information will be made available, without jeopardizing national and international security. This will allow the public to make an informed decision on the issue.

Bush in particular needs to prove that an attack on Iraq would be an essential step in the war on terror, and not an attempt to finish his father's war.

While we can be reasonably certain that Canada will lend support to the U.S. once the war gets underway, many Canadians still won't want to get involved.

Perhaps if we were given more conclusive proof of the need to strike a pre-emptive attack on Iraq, we could support our U.S. neighbours. Until then, our resolve will continue to waiver.

Don't punish the innocent

Why should Humber students be held responsible for something they really have no control over?

On the weekend, a fire extinguisher was discharged in a common room in residence. So far, it isn't known who's responsible for the act, which left the room covered in a white powder.

Now, 40 floor residents have been ordered to pay \$12 each to cover the \$500 clean-up cost.

Simply ignoring the fine isn't an option, because if a student doesn't pay, it will be marked down on her student record and her diploma will be withheld.

Students should take responsibility for damage that happens in their rooms, or as a result of guests they bring into the residence, but common areas?

What if more substantial damage was done? Would an act of vandalism that cost \$10,000 be divided up among the 40 floor residents? In the current case, the fee per person is small, but the principle of the thing remains the same.

Some of the students were out of town visiting friends and family for the weekend. Others were out for the evening. Do they deserve to be punished?

We have a justice system in place. Under this system, we don't penalize an entire community for a crime committed in its midst. Instead we seek out the guilty party and hold that person accountable.

Maybe students should lie in wait and take night-watch shifts so they can catch the next hooligan who's up to no good.

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"The internet's down again, so I have to do my research the old fashioned way."

No interest in service charges



CHRISTINA GELINAS

My bank account is rapidly dwindling to a zero balance.

When I calculate how much I actually spend on material goods, I realize that I'm not as frivolous as I assume.

It seems my liquid assets are draining into a cesspool of interest charges, service charges and taxes.

As I sign a cheque for the minimum monthly payment on my Visa, I notice the amount is merely paying the interest, which is 15 per cent above the Bank of Canada's 2.75 per cent rate.

Then there's my trusty bank card that lets me magically swipe and receive. However, I am paying an \$8 per month service charge for this convenience.

Last month, I paid an extra \$5 in additional charges, not to mention the fact that some individual bank machines charge a fee before fulfilling a cash request. So I incurred a charge on top of a

charge?

My car, now five years old, was taxed 15 per cent to the original owner.

When I purchased it last year, I too was subject to the provincial and federal piggy bank donations.

It seems all too easy for banks and major corporations to make outstanding profits from the "I want it now" mentality of many consumers.

The lure of no payments and no interest for six months at stores like The Brick allows suckers to furnish their home on the spot. However, the fine print, which many purchasers fail to read, reveals that once they get out of the payment-free term, the interest on the balance nears 30 per cent.

Unless the account is paid in full, the monthly balance amount will never go down.

I understand I shouldn't spend what I don't have and I take full responsibility for my credit card debt. However, I cannot comprehend paying tax on a car that has already been taxed, or paying multiple monthly bank charges. Nor can I comprehend any justification for interest rates that soar as high as they do and hover.

I don't understand the economics of establishing such a low national prime if major money corporations can stray so far from it.

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Opinion

Hockey night may never be the same



KRISTINE ARCHER

As a fan of professional sports, I've gotten used to squabbles over salaries and contracts. Just this summer I watched Curtis Joseph take off to Detroit, leaving the blue-and-white behind. But I never thought a contract dispute would rob me of a beloved hockey broadcaster.

It seems Ron MacLean, long-time host of the near-sacred *Hockey Night in Canada*, will not be renewing his contract with the CBC. Actually, to be accurate, the CBC may not re-sign MacLean.

That means the face of a Canadian institution has changed drastically after 16 years.

And what's the problem? Why can't the CBC and MacLean seem to agree to terms? What else? Money.

Four-time Gemini winner MacLean was reportedly receiving \$400,000 a year last season and has asked for a 14 per cent raise, which CBC bigwigs nixed. Now that's more money than most of us could hope to make in our lives.

But we don't host a live weekly broadcast, watched by millions.

We didn't cover the Winter Olympics, reporting to a nation about figure skating injustices and long-awaited hockey glory.

Most importantly, we don't sit next to the lovable but loud-mouthed Don Cherry every Saturday night. It's difficult to imagine a better straight man for the over-the-top Cherry. MacLean represented most Canadians — he was in turn annoyed, angered and amused by Cherry's comments.

Whether he was correcting Cherry's pronunciation, or poking fun at his neckties, MacLean was the perfect foil. He reined Cherry in. He was not spineless. He made his views known, but he also knew when to let Don run with the ball. *Coach's Corner* is as much MacLean's success as it is Cherry's.

It's unfortunate that the CBC chose this year, which marks its 50th anniversary as Canada's public broadcaster, to play hardball with a man that many young viewers equate with one of their flagship programs.

Hockey Night in Canada will still be a success. The fact that Ron MacLean will not welcome Canadian hockey fans back for this season doesn't mean Canadians will stop watching hockey.

But if negotiations with MacLean aren't successful, Canadians everywhere will miss Ron MacLean, the part of Saturday night they have taken for granted for so long.

Parents should listen to Eminem



ALEK GAZDIC

Jason Bernard, a 13-year-old Alliston high school student, was forced to eat a cigarette recently by a teacher who saw him smoking on school property.

The OPP didn't charge the teacher with a criminal offence because they said what she'd done was not illegal.

Apparently the kid was given the option to receive disciplinary action rather than eat his cigarette, but he chose the latter and chowed down on some hard-core tar. (Wonder if it settled his nic-fit?)

It was wrong for the teacher to allow the teen to eat a cigarette. If a parent did this, like the child's mother, she would almost certainly end up in jail and her son might be taken from her for a short while.

In Ontario's crumbling education system, children spend most of their young lives growing up in the classroom. Teachers are tremendously influential in shaping a child's mind and character.

Most teachers are compassionate individuals, willing to work inside a cash-strapped system.

Everyone's had at least a few great teachers they'll never forget because of the significant impact they've made on their lives.

Unfortunately, other teachers are memorable for the wrong reasons. In 1998, a group of Ontario students were strip-searched by their teacher and vice-principal after one boy said some money went missing. Both staff members attended counselling following the incident, but that hardly makes up for what was likely a traumatic experience for the students.

By spending so much time with teachers growing up, many children see their teachers as parent figures. Teachers have an enormous responsibility and they know it.

Even controversial rapper Eminem understands the importance of being a good role model for his six-year-old daughter Hailie Jade. The themes in his songs are quite clear: pop music sucks, freedom of expression is great and good parenting is key to raising a child.

Moronic Mel Lastman protested Eminem's concert two years ago on the day of the show, telling parents they should be "ashamed" if they let their children attend the concert. I stuck it to the man that night by enjoying a brilliant concert by the rapper, who can already be described as a legend.

Many people don't quite understand the soap-opera life Eminem has led. They say his words are

nothing but profanities used to excite teens. But Eminem is one of the best modern day writers in the industry.

Eminem's latest compilation, *The Eminem Show*, gives listeners an inside look into his crazy past. On the album, he takes up subjects like his divorce, his weapons arrests, the lawsuits he's faced and his battered childhood, thanks to his white-trash, pill-popping mother Debbie (who sued Eminem for character defamation).

Eminem's music always makes the listener think. His songs give a realistic alternative to the mind-numbing, teeny-bopper crap that plays tirelessly on the radio.

His lyrics spill the fact that parents often blame him for their children's bad behaviour, when really, this is just a convenient excuse for their own failures as parents.

Robert Frost was a twentieth-century poet who painted beautiful pastoral pieces. Irish-born W.B. Yeats centred most of his pieces around a woman he loved but didn't receive the same kind of affection from.

Eminem is America's modern day poet. He spits it like it is and takes "nothin' from no one" and always has the last say.

He knows that the parent-child relationship is strong — probably the most important bond in a family.

This is what we all should learn, if we just listen to him.

Who said opposites attract?



KELLY BRENTON

Do you and your significant other look alike?

You should, according to social psychologist Bernard Murstein. In his research, he discovered a "matching phenomenon." Simply put, people pair off with others who are as physically attractive as they are.

Most research in the field shows there are in fact three things that can make or break a relation-

ship: proximity, similarity and attractiveness.

The need for proximity makes sense. If you've tried to maintain a long distance relationship, you know the farther apart you are, the harder it is to make it work.

Having some similarities also sounds intuitively right. While we've always heard that opposites attract, there's got to be some common ground if you stand a chance as a couple.

So those two factors require little explanation. It gets more interesting when attractiveness is thrown into the mix.

We equate beauty and a person's worth too often; but maybe that's because we're hard-wired to do so.

How do you separate nature from nurture? On the one hand, the fairytales we heard as children taught us the good guys were gor-

geous, (think Snow White; the fairest of them all) and the bad guys were repulsive, (insert any wicked stepmother here).

On the other hand, studies have shown that even infants, who haven't been socialized yet, will look longer and smile more at an attractive face.

"When I see a couple that doesn't 'match,' I question how they ended up together."

While I tend to take psychological theory with a grain of salt, I have to admit Murstein's findings sound accurate.

Take Benjamin Bratt and his wife, model-turned-actress Talisa Soto. An extreme example, I know. It looks like they were separated at birth. It makes you wonder if Bratt

has some vanity issues, when he's chosen to spend his life with someone who is essentially him, with longer hair.

You can see the phenomenon extending to friendships as well. Consider your own group of friends. Do you tend to shop in the same stores and sport the same haircuts? Even if you don't, how often have you seen clones walking side-by-side down the hallways at school?

Don't get me wrong, I don't claim to be immune to these things. I have to admit, when my closest friend gets a new perfume, I've been known to rush out and buy a bottle of my own. The girl's got good taste — why would we be friends otherwise?

Similarly, when I see a couple that doesn't "match" I question how they ended up together. Embarrassing to admit, but true.

If you've never done this, well, more power to you, but I suspect you know what I'm talking about.

We're not entirely superficial though. The matching theory extends to other attributes beyond the physical.

According to Murstein, people who have similar interests and who are on the same level intellectually are also more likely to get together than those with dissimilar tastes.

While I maintain that there's some truth to Murstein's findings, as far as I'm concerned, he doesn't have all the answers.

After all, isn't it also true that as you get to know and appreciate someone, he or she becomes more attractive in your eyes?

Sure, physical attraction plays a part in what initially brings people together, but perfect abs or a stunning smile won't help you sustain a meaningful relationship.

FREEDOM HAS MANY FACES

Guelph-Humber instructor is a super-hero for free expression

By CHRISSIE O'BRIEN

The most important lesson a media student can learn is their right to protect their freedom of expression and speech.

Journalist and Guelph-Humber professor Wayne Sharpe should know.

Having reported from across the globe he has witnessed the results when such freedoms are eroded.

"It is my personal bias that freedom of the press is the cornerstone of basic human rights and economic rights," he said.

Sharp says removal of freedom of expression affects not only journalists, but has a domino effect on the basic structure of human rights for the citizens of any under-developed country.

"Where there is no freedom of expression we can't progress as a society in the way we want.

"That creates an atmosphere where nothing happens," Sharpe explained.

"It affects what people want to say, what they want to do with their lives, what they want to build.

"People don't start businesses, and international investors won't come in.

"It is very harmful in the long run," he said.

Sharpe has taught and written within this premise throughout his career.

He has worked as a journalist in West and East Africa, Thailand and from 1999 until recently, in

Cambodia as director of the Cambodian Journalists Training project.

This project addressed themes on media and elections; as part of it Sharpe taught about the freedom of expression and speech.

"You can tell so much about a society by the freedoms they have; for instance, to say what's on their mind, the freedom to read about what's happening outside of the country, and the freedom to meet on certain subjects," Sharpe said.

In Cambodia, Sharp helped journalists offer fair and balanced coverage of the country's first local level elections.

"Ultimately free media will mediate through the government and the people, and in countries like Cambodia they're mimicking what we're doing.

"But, they did it way too soon in the country's evolution and journalists were killed for it," he said.

As the former executive director for Canadian Journalists for Free Expression (CJFE), Sharpe has worked to raise awareness of the number of journalists being held without trial or killed for their profession.

He speculates that at any one time between 100 and 150 journalists imprisoned without trial around the world.

"The CJFE is like Amnesty International for journalists," he said.

Working with over 50 similar groups worldwide, the CJFE issues alerts for journalists in distress to

oppressing governments, UN officials and the media.

"The group is protecting and promoting the rights to free expression."

Sharpe said: "We want to raise awareness in an attempt to save

Yet Sharpe believes we soon may not deserve this elevated position.

"The Canadian media is excellent, but there are some dark clouds on the horizon," he said.

One of the threats to freedom of

Sharpe explained.

He also believes the monopolization of Canadian media is detrimental to freedom of expression. The balance of opinion in journalism is required for free expression to succeed. The journalist must be free to impart the information and society free to receive it.

"In Canada too much of the media is owned by four or five media powers," he said.

"[Former *National Post* owner publisher] Conrad Black has taken so much flak in the past for his heavy-handed tactics—telling his editors what to write and what not to write and publishing his own diatribes in his newspapers."

These factors, Sharpe says, are a very big threat to balanced journalism.

"To me the whole idea is there is a plurality of views that people can access easily, and can even contribute to. It is a marketplace of ideas. It's not a soapbox," he said.

Sharpe says to have freedom of expression, a journalist has a responsibility to the public.

"We do have a social responsibility because the playing field is not level.

"Regardless of what you think of the situation there has to be a little extra effort by the media to give voice to the powerless side," he said.

Freedom of expression is at the heart of our democratic system — providing the journalist with the necessary arsenal to cover the entire field.



Wayne Sharpe teaches his first-year Guelph-Humber media writing class to write a good article and the value of freedom.

journalists who are being imprisoned, attacked or killed."

In the West, the press plays an important role in ensuring the dominos of human rights do not fall, acting as a watchdog over political powers and big business.

As a result, the Canadian press has been put on a pedestal for the media worldwide, in their aspiration to achieve freedom of expression.

expression in the Canadian media is Ontario's Provincial government.

"They make it very difficult for journalists to access reports the people have the right to see, by charging high fees and having veto power at some mid-bureaucratic level.

"There are too many roadblocks the government has put up to keep reports, about what they have done on behalf of the electorate, secret,"

Tent City: freedom lost

By CHRISSIE O'BRIEN

When Home Depot evicted more than 150 homeless squatters from its property on Lakeshore Avenue on September 24, they left the people of Tent City with a tough choice.

"Certainly they're not interested in going out into the shelters, but they are interested in subsidized and affordable housing," Musonda Kidd, a representative for the Toronto Disaster Relief Committee (TDRC) said.

"Conditions in the shelters are deplorable. These are people who are used to living on their own and wanting their own space."

Kidd says there needs to be a combination of a shelter system and affordable housing to end the crisis of homelessness in Toronto.

"In the shelters there is violence, theft and disease," she said.

Nonetheless she allows that the former residents of Tent City are

more likely to have dispersed to the Woodgreen Community Centre and to the Kingston road hotels.

"Maybe half took the city up on the emergency shelters but half have dispersed out onto the street," Kidd said.

Kidd says people in the shelter system do not feel free to come and go as they please—which originally prompted the creation of Tent City.

She says now an alternate solution is required.

"You need both shelters and housing," Kidd said.

The TRDC says the lives and personal freedoms of Toronto's homeless are in a state of disaster.

"We're trying to say this is happening because of a larger picture—a lack of affordable housing," Kidd maintains.

Nevertheless, in the wake of Tent City's destruction, Toronto's shelters are still readying for increasing numbers of guests.

"Tent city people used our main

building, mostly the restaurant and drop-in centre.

"We have a 40-bed women's hostel and we added beds to it the day Tent City closed down, just in case," Donna Strausen, a representative of the Fred Victor shelter at Jarvis and Queen streets in Toronto said.

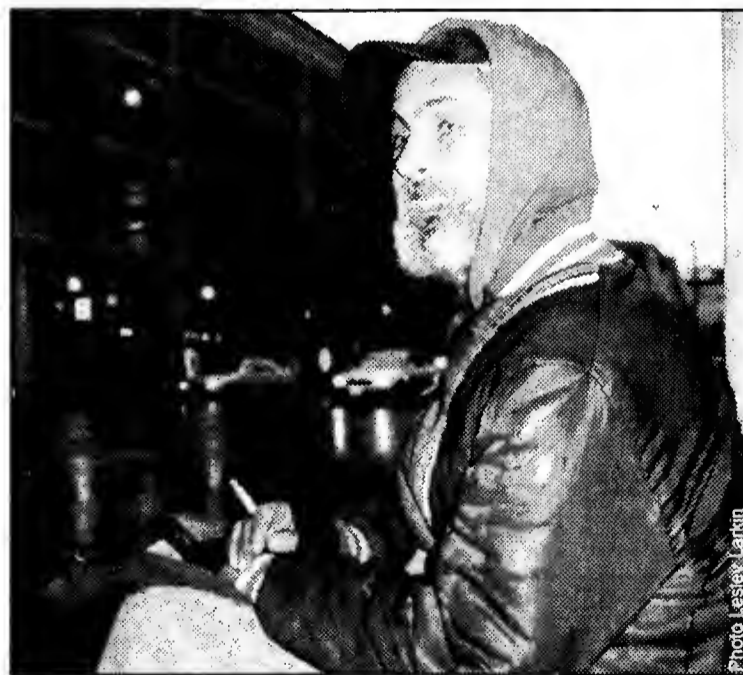
However, the TDRC still maintains Toronto's homeless are unlikely to turn to the shelter system.

"A lot of people don't like living in shelters because there are hundreds of people. The men's shelters have hundreds of people and you share with people you don't know," Kidd said.

She said this is why Tent City was so valuable to the people who made it their home.

Kidd says the TDRC has been working for the last two years to bring the squat up to UN standards for refugee camps.

"We've continued to support the residents while they were at that site to improve the standards,



Ed, a former Tent City resident, panhandles at Union station.

to bring in showers, toilets and a generator," she said.

Shelter representatives are still ready to receive Tent City refugees, saying the \$500 rental subsidy the City of Toronto paid to each of these individuals for their freedom

will not cover the cost.

"It's an absurd amount of money," Strausen said.

"A room in downtown Toronto can be around \$450, which doesn't leave any money for food."

UNMASKING THE ENEMIES OF FREEDOM

Picture of a dictatorship

An analysis of life in Turkmenistan

By NICOLE LARKIN

Western media has been chuckling at the current situation in Turkmenistan.

In 1991 it was one of six new countries to gain independence from the former Soviet Union.

Since then, the eccentricities of Saparmurat Niyazov — Turkmenistan's self-declared "President for life" — have been the butt of Western media's humour.

He has pronounced himself "Turkmenibashi" which translates literally to "father of all Turkmeni" — all 4.6 million of them.

He's a dictator to be sure, but he is also fodder for good copy — the leader of one little country of oppressed people is better satirized than lamented.

And satirized he is. Niyazov's exploits have found their way into Reuters' "Oddly Enough" pages, and *The Salt Lake Tribune's* "News of the Weird" column.

But perhaps for a real laugh, Western reporters could look to the harsh realities of those living under Niyazov's unchallenged rule.

In early 2002 Niyazov began his outright self-indulgence when he named the days of the week after himself, his mother, and objects he holds dear.

As the press laughed at these indulgences the education system in Turkmenistan was hit hard by

Niyazov's government.

As president, Niyazov added "spiritual advisor" to his list of titles, and has insisted the Rukhnama, a text he published as the definitive spiritual growth manual in Turkmeni history, be the core subject reading for all Turkmeni students.

The Rukhnama has become required reading at all of the country's schools, universities and research centres.

Niyazov claims this definitive text fills in holes left by the Bible and the Koran.

Citizens must now demonstrate sufficient understanding of Rukhnama to receive documents and licenses.

Perhaps Western journalists would like to chuckle at Turkmeni students who are graduating from post-secondary facilities with little practical knowledge.

As a result they struggle to find work within Turkmenistan.

Yet, Niyazov is also wary of granting visas to students who wish to study in other countries.

Still laughing? There are alternatives for students to explore.

The *Washington Post* reported that a U.S. led program offers study placements at American high schools and universities to the highest ranked 2,600 central Asian students in the six former Soviet countries.

One of the Turkmeni students interviewed (all refused to be named) told the *Washington Post*:

"People my age [in Turkmenistan]

are so eager to learn more, but they can't."

There are few other options. Students can apply for visas and to schools like Humber with international student programs.

However, even if they were accepted, they would still require permission from their home country to study abroad.

Michael Kopnik, manager of International Student Services says although the program is popular, with 622 students from 65 different countries at Humber alone, it can be hard for students from certain countries to gain access to foreign study.

"It's very difficult for those particular countries to get visas. We can't go to bat for them. After September 11, it's very hard in some of these countries."

Kopnik said it could take up to a year for a student to be processed.

International students also have to pay higher fees, up to \$25,000 a semester.

Some organizations are trying to go to bat for these students.

But even human rights organizations like Amnesty International say it can't help much.

Amnesty's focus on primary education and for older students they say they are resigned to watch from afar.

Hillary Homes of Amnesty International maintains that in a situation like the one in Turkmenistan — where educational development is not top priority — there is no reason to laugh.

So why is the media laughing?



Neighbour to some of the world's most feared countries, is the Turkmenistan dictatorship really a laughing matter?

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Population: 4,603,244

Location: Central Asia, bordering Caspian Sea, between Iran and Kazakhstan

Capital: Ashgabat

Independence : Oct 27, 1991 (from the former Soviet Union)

Government: Republic, the president is both the head of government and chief of state. Formal opposition parties are outlawed. Legislative Assembly of 50 members appointed entirely by President Niyazov.

Declared president for life by the Assembly on Dec 28, 1999

More than 58% of the population lives below poverty line.

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On Campus

Arboretum gets Urban Ecology Centre

By COLLEEN MCDOWELL

The Arboretum is undergoing plans to upgrade and develop the Nature Centre to create a million-dollar Centre for Urban Ecology.

Known as the EcoCentre, the building will be both an educational centre and an up-to-date example of environmental sustainability.

Carol Ray, special projects coordinator at the Humber Arboretum, says her goal is to raise at least \$1 million over the next two years to aid in the transformation of the Arboretum.



A watercolour rendition of the EcoCentre after the proposed renovations.

"We are retro-fitting it to make it more efficient and more environmentally friendly," Ray said.

Some of the new features include a solarium, a student workshop, a conservatory and a children's nature activity centre.

With the additions and expansion, the annual capacity will triple with an increase from 15,000 to 45,000 visitors.

There will also be several additions to accommodate visitors at the Arboretum including a gift shop, a resource library with Internet access and full accessibility for the physically challenged.

A major feature of the EcoCentre is the use of technology to create a state-of-the-art, environmentally-friendly building.

Wind turbines and solar panels will provide all the energy for the EcoCentre that will result in a 100 per cent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

Another big step is the use of composting and a grey water filtration system, which will remove the Nature

Centre from the City's sewer system. This will save about 240,000 litres of municipal water annually.

A group of Humber College students worked with ecological architect Greg Allen to create the feasibility study and conceptual drawings for the EcoCentre.

"Instead of doing something that wasn't real, they had a real hands-on project to work on," Ray said.

Features include a roof-top garden to help insulate the building, the use of straw bales for insulation and filtering water through the conservatory into the new wetland garden outdoors.

Construction is expected to begin next spring, with the college committing \$160,000 to the project.

Firefighters heat it up for charity

By LEAH NONATO

Advanced firefighting program students, stoked the flames last Thursday, grilling burgers for the Canadian Cancer Society.

"The Cancer Society is dear to our hearts, because it's probably the leading cause of death in firefighters," Michael Jerome, one of the firefighters involved with the barbecue, said.

The barbecue fundraiser isn't a first for the firefighters; other classes in the program have had barbecues in the past.



Humber firefighters show they know how to cook at their first charity barbecue.

Jerome said that every firefighting class tries to do a charity event at least once a term; whether it's a barbecue, or a car wash.

Students lined up for the barbecue, for lunch and to help out a good cause.

"The firefighters came out to our fundraiser, so now we're coming out to support theirs," second-year University of New Brunswick Nursing student, Nadia Tavernese said.

Jerome said students were really supportive.

"We've been going around with the boots, getting the boot drive going and everyone has been throwing in their change," he said. "A lot of people have come out for lunch and it's been great."

The goal the firefighters hoped to reach was a thousand dollars.

If you missed out on supporting this good cause and didn't get a chance to see the firefighters behind the flames, just keep an eye out for their future charity events.

HSF election results

By COREY BELLAMY

After two recounts of student votes, the HSF now has a new vice-president of administration.

Nadia Conforti, winning the race by only two votes, was elected to the VP's position. Conforti will oversee the day-to-day operations of the HSF, acting as an administrative officer and will help set the budget with the executive committee.

Lynsay Connell, who came in second, was still optimistic after the vote results were finalized.

"You live, you learn, you move on," she said.

Newly-elected director of the School of Social and Community Services is Carley Leatham.

Five out of 22 seats remain vacant on the HSF board of directors, but the board will move on with their agenda for the year.

The HSF board of directors' first bi-annual general meeting will take place on Oct. 16.

Porn pop-ups share blame

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happening; and the school has the equipment to prove it.

"The technology is already at the college; on the Net, sites are all classified. We're using a standard classifications system on the Net, keying in on adult sites," Brazas said.

The school's tracking system can trace usage of all computers on campus, including those used in residence, which explains the jump in hits experienced during the second week.

Students in rez may feel when visiting these sites they have certain anonymity. Unfortunately, that's not quite true," said Brazas.

Pop-up windows and obscure Web page addresses could also be to blame for a majority of these hits. A small number of students polled said that when searching the Web at school they unintentionally accessed adult sites while looking for something of a completely different nature.

"I get a lot of pornography from email," first year funeral services stu-

dent, Jennifer Moulton said. "The URL is very obscure as far as what they tell you. You click on the link and you end up at some site called Farm Sex!"

Until a decision is reached as to what should be done, Brazas and his team will continue to monitor the severity of the problem.

"What we're not doing is tracking individual access at this time, rather we're gathering metrics and statistics about how big an issue this is. Are we dealing with a bread box or a football field?"

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First pub night success

By DANIEL COX

Caps opened in style last week with the first pub night of the year.

Derek Peukin, a second-year Golf Management student, used to live in residence and says he went to Caps at least three times a week last year.

"Caps was good last year but

looks even better this year. When I walked into the pub, it completely blew me away," he said.

Jose Bazan, a third-year Architecture student, said the renovations make the pub look a lot cleaner, that he likes the distribution between the two bars; and being a non smoker, he likes the idea of the patio and how it sepa-

rates the smoking and non-smoking sections of the bar.

"They paid more attention to detail, making the appearance of Caps more appealing and more welcoming," Bazan said. "Patrons of the bar also don't have to wait very long to get drinks."

Yasmay Mora, a first-year Multi-Media student, said last night was her first time visiting Caps and was amazed at the size of the pub.

"They really made the pub big so they can get a lot of people in here," she said.

Even though the main reactions to the renovations have been positive, some patrons showed disapproval when they were forced to

the back of the pub to smoke.

John Gonzalez, a second-year Business Administration Student, thinks most of the changes made were improvements; however, he feels they should have made a larger smoking area.

"There are usually more smokers than non-smokers who come to the pub," said Gonzalez. "I don't like the idea of having to smoke on the patio. But besides that, everything looks new and improved and I am looking forward to the next pub."

Caps opens its doors tonight at 9 p.m. for another great night.



Students enjoy the new look of Caps at last week's opening pub.

Dine in style at Humber Room

By KRISTIE KENT

First-year Hospitality and Culinary students were praised by diners at the Humber Room opening last week.

Amy Martellacci, a second-year Tourism and Travel student, ate in the Humber Room last year, liked it and has come back for more.

"The service is more formal, but that could be because they are just starting out," Martellacci said. "The food is a great price for what you're getting."

Richard Pitteway, food and beverage manager for the School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism, echoed Martellacci's praise. Pitteway, who had assigned different jobs to his students, said he was very impressed by the food being served.

"The food I'm seeing come out today looks really good," he said.

Those who attended, dined on Vichyssoise soup (cold potato and leek), marinated flank steak (served with mashed potatoes), and sipped their choice of beverage.

Claudia Magalhaes, a first-year Hospitality student said students have the misconception that they are not allowed in the Humber Room.



Amy Martellacci, Peter Rudicki and Ann Nguyen enjoyed a student-cooked meal at the Humber Room last week.

"But it's not just for the teachers," she said.

Students cooked the meals at an action station in the middle of the dining room. Pitteway explained that last year, the action station was not used much, but assures it will be used every day by the students this year.

"It's going to be a lot fun. You can see what the students are doing and ask questions, which makes it more interactive," Pitteway said.

"We were a little quieter than I would have liked today, but it is the first day and people still don't know enough about us. It was a good opening. It was a success."

If you missed the opening, the Humber Room's hours are Tuesday to Friday from noon until 1:30 p.m.

Residents all fired up

By JASON BAIN

Residence students are angered by the new network firewall that's preventing them from getting online.

Second-year Practical Nursing student Chris Coles hasn't been able to connect to the network from his room in residence since he moved in.

"It was great with the old system," he said. "Whatever changes the school has made with the servers is preventing me from accessing the Internet. It's part of what we paid for and I can't use it."

Coles wants the school to help him, and the other students he knows that can't access the Internet, out. He has even tried to pull residents together and form a coalition but because he can't post messages around the residence it has been very difficult.

"It's frustrating having to go and use the labs in the school, particularly for Internet tests, which are a part of my course's curriculum," he said.

Melissa Jurchison, second-year Tourism and Travel student, says the Internet in rez is very unreliable; and when she is able to get online, the server is extremely slow.

"I use Web CT and it's extremely slow in rez and most of the research I do for my projects are Internet based," she said. "I'm also doing an online course and you pay by the hour; so if the Net is slow, it's taking up too much time."

Scott Hammond, Webmaster of Resnet, the official Web site for residence, said a network as big as Humber's is likely to have something wrong with it.

Hammond said he is sure there is a faulty connection that may be denying students getting online. As

an example, a girl who lives on the same floor as Coles uses Windows XP as her operating system. She entered all of the information correctly but can't get online. She's received no help from the school.

Hammond suggested that with the network firewall blocking file-sharing programs, the school may have accidentally blocked out certain users.

"There's a problem," Hammond said. "It's something that needs to be addressed. If it woked last year, it should work this year too."

Suite, new addition for Humber Residence

By JASON BAIN

The building of a new residence at the North Campus begins next month, with an expected completion in late December 2003.

The new building will house 302 residents on an acre of land in the Humber Arboretum. The building will connect with the existing residence building through the food services area, which will be expanded. The two-room suites will have a shared bathroom and kitchenette with a seating area.

Associate Director of Ancillary Services and former residence manager Derek Maharaj is one of the people behind the project, which he said is addressing the needs of residents.

According to Maharaj, the building will be designed to match the current residences as closely as possible, though it will have slightly different windows and facade.

The building will feature two wings joined by a courtyard, with one wing running parallel to the road and the other on an angle stretching towards the back of the arboretum.

Director of Public Safety, Gary Jaynes, said no more parking lots will be built on campus or in the arboretum area, but another lot will be built on Queens Plate land

next year.

"At this point that's the only area we have for expansion," Jaynes said. "We have no other green space."

Even with the expected enrollment growth this year, due to the double cohort, Maharaj said with 200 to 300 people on the waiting list to get into residence there is always more of a need for residence than the college could provide.

"I still feel I could fill that building without the double cohort happening," Maharaj said. "Like any viable institution we are trying to meet the needs of the students and if that's providing more on campus that's great."

Maharaj said current facilities in residence will be increased proportionately to provide the same service after the new residences are built, but there are no details yet regarding full-time jobs.

"The RA program might be extended to provide another Residence Life Coordinator and obviously there will be enough resident assistants," Maharaj said.

New Residence manager, Allison Alexander just finished four years managing the residence at Seneca College and is anticipating her role with the new residence.

"I'm very excited and there's lots of things to come," Alexander said.

HSF voting to go online

By JASON MAGDER

The turnout for Humber's student elections last March was low. The turnout for last week's byelection was even lower.

In an effort to boost voter participation, the Humber Students' Federation will replace paper ballots with online voting next March, when the new president and executives will be elected.

The HSF hopes this will attract more students than the 4.5 per cent who voted in this election and the 10 per cent last year.

"We're trying to maximize how our organization is run," HSF President Craig Wilson said. "Each student will get a pin number and

password that will ensure they can only vote once."

Wilson knows students may be critical of online voting, but pointed out there was also criticism of the election last March, when he and another candidate were disqualified. Wilson was reinstated, but the ballots weren't tallied until three weeks after voting ended.

"It's a catch-22. You give some, you take some, and hopefully the new method will work," Wilson said.

Ben Zettel, who was the chief returning officer during the March controversy, said if online voting leads to more students participating, he's all for it.

"When less than 10 per cent are

voting, then people are power, it says to me that there's problems with the system," Zettel said.

Zettel said Humber isn't the only school struggling to increase voter interest. He contacted many colleges and universities last year, and found the average voter turnout for student elections stands at 10 per cent.

He said online voting would be more convenient, since so many students visit the HSF Web site on a daily basis.

The main objective according to Zettel is to get more students voting.

"Easily there could be problems, and that will be something that needs to be evaluated once they let it run for a term," he said.

Etc.

Health

Computers blamed for new vision problems

By MELANIE COUTO

Surfing the web and checking your e-mail between classes can kill a lot of time but it could have you seeing your eye doctor sooner than expected.



Staring at a computer all day can cause more than just sore eyes.

The most common computer eye condition is known as Computer Vision Syndrome (CVS). CVS is a vision-related problem that affects people who use computers regularly.

Dr. Mario Lunsky, a Toronto optometrist, has dealt with many cases of CVS.

"When you use a computer all day, your eyes get tired and things tend to get blurry", he said. "It becomes very demanding on your vision ... when your eyes are exposed to the glare of the computer."

Tired, dry and burning eyes, along with blurred vision, are symptoms of CVS.

Other indicators of CVS include backaches, headaches, neck strains and shoulder pains.

Dr. Lunsky has developed an efficient way to determine if a person is suffering from

CVS.

"When you use a computer, at the end of the day, your eyes are very tired and things tend to be blurry but when a weekend or holiday rolls along, your eyes don't seem to bother you anymore," Dr. Lunsky said. "That's when you know you have a problem."

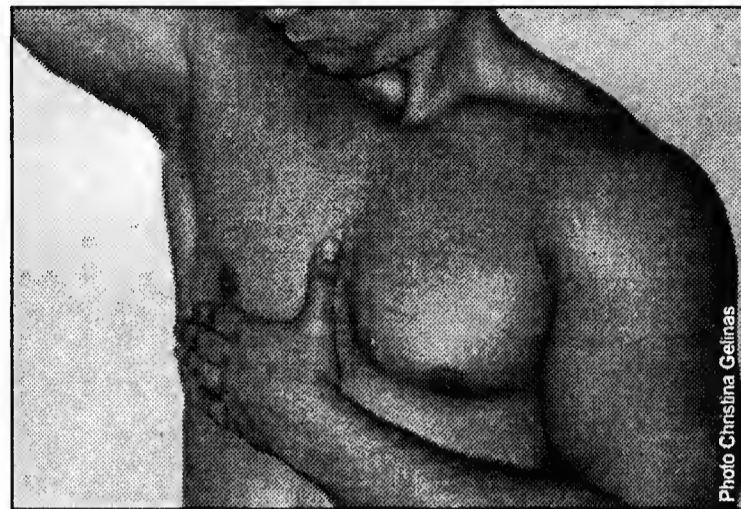
The most common way to control CVS is with a prescription for glasses.

"Some companies are trying to help by marketing special computer tints that are brownish in color," Dr. Lunsky said.

These tints are added to the lens of the glasses or can be clipped on to reduce the glare of the computer.

For more information about CVS visit Doctor Ergo at www.doctorego.com.

This web site includes a CVS test to determine if your eyes have a problem with your computer.



Men should perform monthly breast self-examinations to detect early signs of cancer, Toronto doctor advises.

Men advised to check their breasts for cancer

Minimal risks are still enough to be cautious about health

By MELANIE COUTO

Breast cancer is usually associated with women but men are also fighting a battle against this disease.

The Canadian Cancer Society estimates 140 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer and 40 will die of it this year in Canada.

According to Health Canada, male breast cancer accounts for less than one per cent of breast cancer cases.

Because of this small percentage, many men are unaware that they can develop breast cancer and Toronto physician Dr. Ludmila Khout said they do not examine their breasts regularly.

Dr. Khout said the first symptom of male breast cancer is a painless lump that is most commonly discovered by the patient. Symptoms that follow are bloody nipple discharge and a skin infection around the breast.

After detecting something unusual, seeing a doctor is the next step.

"When the patient finds that he has a lump they come to the doctor, then the doctor will decide what to do," Khout said. "Many people when they examine themselves they think they might have a lump but it usually ends up being nothing."

To successfully diagnose breast cancer, a doctor must review the patient's medical history, perform a physical examination and order a mammogram.

Like women, men should perform a self-examination each month.

"Self examination for men is actually much easier because they don't have as big breasts as women," Khout said.

Breast self-exam for men and women

Lying down:

Place a pillow under the breast you are going to examine and lay your right hand behind your head. This distributes breast tissue evenly on your chest. Then move your other hand around the area of the breast. Also check around your armpits and up to the collarbone. Repeat on the other side.

In the shower:

Stand in the shower with your fingers flat and together. Move your hand gently over each breast in a circular motion, moving from the outside in. Look for lumps and thickening. Use right hand for left breast and left hand for right breast.

In the Mirror:

Stand with your hands on your hips. Visually check for changes in skin color and nipple area. Move your hands over your head, flex your muscles and check again.

Eating healthy is a state of mind

By JACQUELINE BOULET

Changing your way of thinking can help ward off the inevitable college weight gain.

Stephanie Moriarity, recent Humber Law Clerk graduate, admits to having had poor eating habits while at school. "In the past two years, I gained a lot of weight. It was too easy to grab a quick bag of chips or chocolate bar."

However, Beth Gould, a registered dietitian, said nutritious choices can be made at every meal, and choosing to have a healthy lifestyle does not mean sacrificing food that is considered unhealthy.

"If you're eating pizza, try to avoid high-fat meats like pepperoni. There are all different types of vegetables that you can put on pizza. Try to go for a lower-fat meat like ham," Gould said.

Gould also said eating a salad before pizza helps the body fill up and minimizes the slices eaten.

Many quick snacks are also easy to eat on the go and affordable

on a student's budget.

"Some of the grocery stores are selling pre-cut veggies and dip. That is a great way to get in your vegetables," Gould said.

Milan Miokovic, co-owner of the juice and smoothie bar Booster Juice in Hamilton and Ancaster, said being healthy is a way of life, not a struggle.

"You shouldn't be afraid to change your way of thinking," he said. "Your body doesn't crave grease; your mind conditions your body to do so."

Moriarity said she is familiar with cravings.

"Now I'm trying to work [the weight] off at the gym," she said.

Gould recommends exercise to her clients as a part of their personal nutrition plans.

Moriarity is also more conscious when selecting foods.

"I try to choose lower fat options on any menu," she said. "If I'm having a sub, I get whole wheat and mustard instead of mayo. At a fast food place, no more



Choose healthy foods to avoid weight gain at college.

deep fried chicken and fries, I choose one of the two."

A McMaster University Website offers tips and recipes to minimize chances of gaining weight while at college: www.mcmaster.ca/hwc/frosh15.html.

Ask the nurse

North Campus Health Centre nurses answer your questions...

Q: I've recently heard about a birth control patch. How does it work? Is it as effective as the pill?

A: The birth control patch, *Ortho Evra*, is yet another contraceptive choice. It is worn on a woman's buttocks, abdomen, arm or upper torso and releases the

hormones progestin and estrogen, the same hormones in the birth control pill. Like the pill, the patch prevents ovaries from releasing an egg to be fertilized, causing the body to think it is already pregnant. The patch is worn in a cycle of three weeks on and one week off. To date, it is only available in the U.S., but it is Health Canada approved and will be available in January of next year. However, the patch will not replace the \$8 contraceptive pills

sold at the Health Centre. Like the pill, the patch does not protect against STDs. Condoms are always available for free at the Health Centre.

For more information on the patch, visit the website: www.orthoevra.com.

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This week: Fashion police pay a visit ...

Get all tied up

By AMBER TOUTANT

Lawyers use them, accountants use them, even Avril Lavigne uses them.

Ties are one of the most expressive accessories available, but why is it that this sliver of fabric holds so much importance in conveying someone's personality?

"In a man's wardrobe, the tie is the punch in the outfit," Susan Robertson, student advisor of Humber's Fashion Arts program, said. "All you have to play with is the shirt and the tie."

A tie can be bright and bold, wacky or conservative. Most men try to take advantage of that little piece of freedom in their business attire.

"The tie actually does say a lot about the man," Robertson said. "It's the only thing they can change about the outfit."

Having a tie that reflects the

man is becoming increasingly important, according to Brian Wickens, a Fashion Arts teacher.

"For a lot of business wear, it's the tie and the tie alone that allows the man to make a personal statement," Wickens said.

That statement has varied greatly throughout fashion history. If you're spending a lot of money on a tie, it's a good idea to stick to a classic style of 2-3/4 to 3-1/2 inches wide.

When ties were first discovered, that was not the classic look at all.

In 1660, after Croatia had claimed victory over the Ottoman Empire, the Croat officers were wearing brightly coloured silk handkerchiefs around their necks.

When they visited Paris to meet with Louis XIV, the king liked the statement and made it an insignia of royalty. Before long, it was a fashionable way to display a

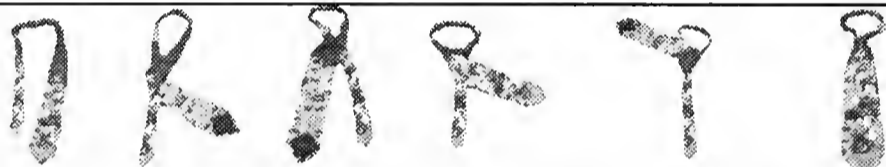
gentleman's nobility.

Today, men like Gav Patel, a first-year Interactive Media student, find ties still hold that distinguished image.

"I think it's a symbol of power," Patel said. "People get a good first impression of me, then I just play with that assumption. My tie doesn't reflect my personality, rather, I reflect the tie's personality. There's an image you have to keep up."

The image of a good tie not only leaves the wearer feeling more confident, but also attracts attention from others.

"It gives him that nice, professional, clean-cut look that I think a lot of girls find attractive," Anita Molnar, a first-year Nursing student said. "It gives him a sort of distinguishing character, because when a guy's all proper and got a tie on, you kinda just wanna mess him up."



Roo Guilherme

Knot to worry: A simple 6-step guide for those who have difficulty with the Half-Windsor Knot.

Try mud instead of suds

By DIANA MARIANI

Spas have become increasingly popular in the past few years for promising relaxation. For most students, it's a treat they just can't afford.

Maria Aversa, owner of Cocco Paradise Spa, feels differently.

"Cost isn't an issue, for a half-hour massage it will cost you \$40. I think that's reasonable," she said.

The therapeutic aspects from a spa experience are for the mind and body. Body treatments have become

increasingly popular in spas throughout North America for their rejuvenating and softening effects on the skin as well as for soothing and relaxing the mind. The trend is so popular that 5-star hotels are adapting spa treatments and relaxation programs to their regular services.

"Escape," is the motto at the Renaissance Spa in Woodbridge.

"When people come here they tend to forget about themselves and their busy schedules so they can look better and feel better," Maria Christina Ferrante, an esthetician, said.

Manicures, pedicures, facials, ear candling, seaweed wraps and Jacuzzi treatments all promise the path to better beauty attracting mainly female customers.

According to Ferrante, the spa sees mainly middle-aged woman and a few men.

"Students are few, but they usually come for more 'beautifying' treatments rather than stress relievers," she said.

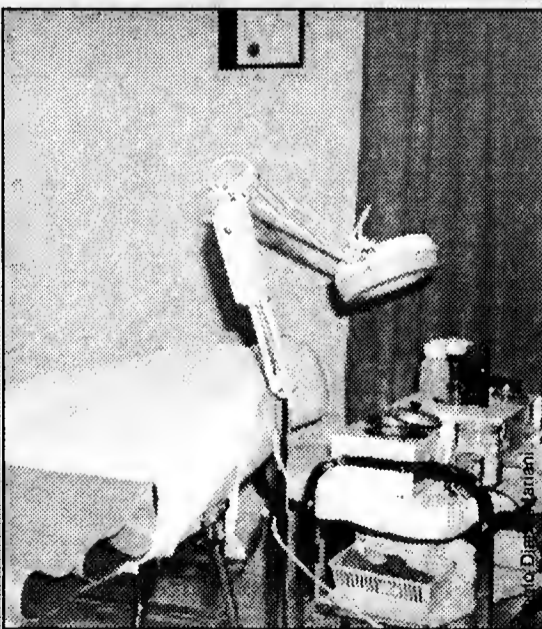
Some students would like to embark on a luxurious spa experience but just don't have enough knowledge or money to put their curiosity into action. The Estee Lauder spa at Holt Renfrew has a package specifically designed for teen and young adult budgets.

"I have been interested in going but never looked into it and it would cost a billion dollars," Tanya Colley, a Nursing student, said.

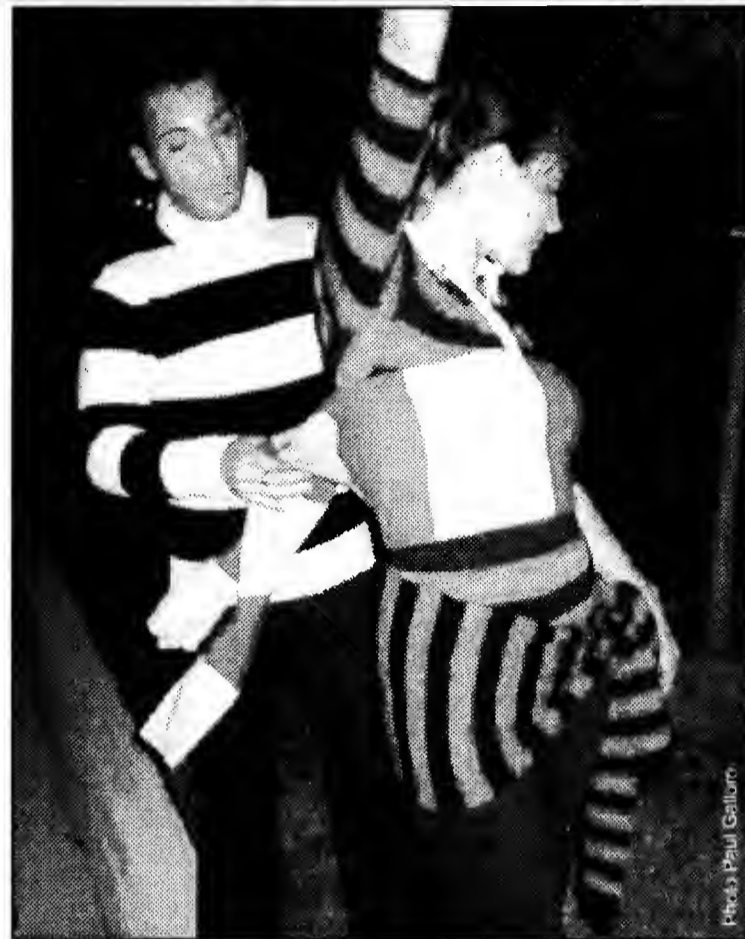
"Our Jacuzzi bath, seaweed wrap and hydra and massage therapy stimulate the body eliminating toxins, promoting deep relaxation and even relieving the pain of injuries," Ferrante said.

Aversa agrees.

"People pamper themselves nowadays much more than 10 years ago because they look after themselves much better," she said.



Massage beds are a common sight in spas and retreats and a good way to be pampered.



Just follow the line: Be sure to include at least one striped item in your fall and winter wardrobe.

Hype on stripes

By PAUL GALLORO

Size may not matter to some, but length certainly does. At least it does in the fashion world where designers appear to have gone stripe crazy.

This season, stripes are found everywhere from top to bottom, including accessories. The craze started last year with Harry Potter's infamous scarf.

"Everything in the store has stripes," said Treasure Pinto, assistant manager of Club Monaco in Yorkdale Shopping Centre. "We've got wide and bold, or pin-striped. Every bit of clothing has stripes on them."

Stripes can go anywhere from a black tie dinner party, to a girl's night in, watching *Bridget Jones' Diary*.

"The look is formal, as well as casual," Pinto said. "Anything goes."

"Stripes give the eye a direction to follow, making it aesthetically pleasing," Jason Margolin, a Fashion Merchandising student at Seneca College, said.

"Vertical stripes make the body look longer, best for shorter, full-figured people, while horizontal stripes make the body look wider, better for thinner people."

The must-have for Fall/Winter 2002 is the striped dress shirt.

Banana Republic lists the item as one of their ten must-haves.

"Stripes on pants come and go, but stripes on a dress shirt is a classic and will stay with you from season to season," Pinto said.

"[People] are doing stripes with stripes these days," she said. "If it's a subtle stripe then you can mix, but keep the bold stripes with a solid piece."

Wearing bold striped turtle-necks with solid black pants gives a formal look. Multi-coloured striped pants with solid colours are more casual. Pinstripes work best for that classy, chic look.

To achieve that sexy, slimmer look, thin vertical stripes are the way to go.

"It causes the eye to follow the line up and down, making you appear taller and thinner," Margolin said. "If horizontal stripes are your thing, keep them up top to make you look broader. Putting them on pants will make your hips look wider."

"The '70s are really strong...they did a lot of striping back then and this season is very reminiscent of that time," Mineau Jacobs, visual merchandiser for Club Monaco in Yorkdale, said. "It gives it a little more diversity."

Stripes are so popular this season, they can even be found in smaller retail stores.

Rory Lindo, a designer at Damzels in this Dress, says stripes have made it into their collection, but won't be seen until Spring 2003.

"We've done a lot of diagonal stripes in that collection," Lindo said. "We've done diagonals that point towards each other so they form slimming lines."

"We try to stay away from obvious trends because everyone does them," she said.

HERO File: Heroes in Humber's midst

By MARSHA KNAPP

Take a look around. You might be sitting next to a future hero.

Humber College offers to train these future heroes and prepares them for the real world, in a variety of programs.

Humber's Paramedic program had 1,500 applications to fill only 70 seats this year.

Students receive hands-on exposure in this two-year diploma program.

"Humber has an excellent reputation with 100 per cent hiring across the province," Andrew Zvaguli, an instructor, said.

"Our students scored the highest in anatomy and physiology thanks to the bio-science department."

The large practical component to this course is ride-outs, where students are set up with a pre-selected ambulance crew trained to take students along.

The students do whatever the crew does, which can include making it through a 12-hour shift.

"Our job consists of making a positive difference in someone else's life," Zvagulis said. "We go into almost anything, with no clue about what we are getting ourselves into. You never know what could happen."

"I'm an adrenaline junkie," Carrie Morgan, a second-year

Paramedic student, said. "This program is awesome, especially because we gain a lot of knowledge through hands-on."

More heroes are in the making at the two-year Police Foundations program. A whopping 2,000 applications were received, and only 155 students were accepted.

"This course attracts a wide-range of people from thrill-seekers, to those that want to make a contribution to society," program coordinator Ron Stansfield said. "You need to have empathy for human beings and have excellent

"Our job consists of making a positive difference in someone else's life."

problem solving skills."

Students are exposed to communications, forensics, interviewing skills and criminology. This program also has a volunteer placement, where students complete 40 volunteer hours at a community agency.

The Police Foundations program was recently chosen to join a formal partnership with the Ontario Provincial Police, Greater Toronto region.

"The Humber police program is awesome, and is a good lead into

the Police College training. Our teachers are acting police officers, the exposure to the field is awesome," Jesse Mabon, second-year student, said.

Students attending the Fire and Emergency Services 40-week certificate program become fully-trained firefighters in large part due to the practical component.

"You have to be community oriented, be team oriented, adaptable, quick thinking, and have a mechanical aptitude, and honest," Ian Sims, program coordinator, said. "Most of these qualities get developed here. They look at things differently and they come out more mature."

Students in fire services spend four weeks at the burn tower training with live fires. For another four weeks, they get a taste of the fire station environment at their placement as real firefighters.

"So far this course has been pretty good. It's highly recommended from fire departments," Dustin Carter, who is in his first semester, said.

"I was drawn to the field because I love being able to help people and give them a second chance. It's the best feeling in the world I could ever get."

This is part one of two profile looks into programs offered at Humber College that involves risk on the job.



30cc's of hero juice, STAT: On top of risking personal safety in their chosen professions, the emergency services students are trained to save lives.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL HUMBER STUDENTS

Notice of Election
for the Student Representative
to the Board of Governors of Humber College

An Election will be held on Wednesday, October 16th and Thursday, October 17th, 2002 for the position of Student Governor on the Board of Governors of Humber College. All Humber students are eligible to vote.

The Candidates for this election are:

Sam Vekemans
Craig Wilson

All Humber students are invited to attend the Candidates' Forums, which will be held as follows:

Monday, October 7th 2002
Lower Cafeteria
Lakeshore Campus
1.00 p.m.

Thursday, October 10th 2002
Student Centre
North Campus
1.00 p.m.

Campaigning will take place from Wednesday, October 2nd through Tuesday, October 15th, 2002

The Polling Stations will be open as follows:

Wednesday, October 16th 2002
Thursday, October 17th 2002

9.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.
9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Locations of the Polling Stations:

Foyer between A and B buildings
Lakeshore Campus

Outside Tall Hats/adjacent to the Concourse
North Campus

Further information about the Board of Governors of Humber College and this Election can be obtained through the President's Office, Room D 167, North Campus, or by contacting:

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Etc.

Spotlight

Small town student set to release single

By AARON SAWYER

All of the elements are in place for Toronto's next urban talent to rise up within the music industry.

Luke McFadden, also known as Ella Mental, a General Arts and Science student at Humber, is on the verge of breaking into the urban music scene in Toronto.

After working towards his debut album for the last two years, McFadden, 23, is set to release his first single by Christmas. He is looking at 2003 for the release of his first full-length album.

"I've been working towards this for the last 23 years, but seriously in the last two," McFadden said.

McFadden, who last year signed with the newly created Titan Records, has been rapping since the late '80s and first performed in his home town of Port Hope in 1990. Coming from such a small town, McFadden never thought hip-hop would lead him anywhere outside Port Hope.

"I always just thought I was this white kid from Port Hope. I mostly just did it for fun, it was almost like a gimmick at the time," McFadden said. "I was the only guy in the small town who was a rapper. I'm not saying it was good or bad raps, but I was writing raps all the time. That's all I ever considered myself, was Port Hope's rapper."

After writing off hip-hop as something that could be pursued, McFadden focused his energy towards other types of music, fronting punk rock-reggae group, The Degenerates. But after receiving the occasional compliment from friends regarding his hip-hop talent, McFadden began to reconsider pursuing his urban sound.

"One day I got the compliment from a few people that I had met," McFadden said. "I was really uncomfortable rapping in front of them, but as I met some MC's and got the balls to flow with them, I realized that I might have something."

Coming from a small town,

McFadden thought he wouldn't be accepted into the urban community. But as time went on, he realized that hip-hop has hit every corner of the Earth.

"At first I thought my differences would be too much to be accepted; I thought that I didn't belong. There are no MC's rapping on the corners in Port Hope," McFadden said. "But hip-hop has reached everybody; you can't pretend that it's only black music anymore."

"It's always been black music and we can never forget who created this music, but now it's something that reached every household, every neighbourhood, every suburb, it's reached all around the world."

Since his merger with Titan, McFadden is more focused than ever on getting Ella Mental's voice heard.

"I'm not afraid to write 10 shitty songs if it means I get one good one. It's not about what car you drive or what watch you have, it's about who has the best rhymes and you can back it up.



A man full of rhymes, Luke McFadden, seated in the library. McFadden has signed with Titan Records.

There's such a huge market for hip-hop right now. The world is listening," McFadden said.

"I'm not interested in making money as much as I am leaving a

mark. I don't want to be remembered as some guy who knew how to make a hit record. I want to make music that is timeless, that's my goal."

Former stage play set to air

Killer puppets TV debut

By PUNEET BAJAJ

They are cute and cuddly, but they are also killers. Former Humber College music and theatre teacher, Bruce Hunter, is one of them.

Hunter is a puppeteer, who stars as Rocko the Dog on The Comedy Network's *Puppets Who Kill*.

The show was originally a stage play written, produced and performed by John Pattison at the Fringe Festival in Toronto, where it was a success.

According to the Comedy Network Web site, *Puppets Who Kill* stars Dan Redican, as an ill-fated social worker who is responsible for rehabilitating four puppets (Buttons, Bill, Cuddles and Rocko) that have gone bad.

From sex scandals to run-ins with the law, the puppets continue therapy and hope one day to be released back into society.

Pattison believes the show works because it's silly.

"The puppets all looked like



Rocko the Dog from *Puppets Who Kill* posed for his mugshot.

Muppets," he said. "They were these cute little cuddly characters, but their personalities embodied the worst elements of society—the hard-core criminals and psychopaths."

For Hunter, show business has brought to him many memories. He remembers distinctly the time

he worked on Jim Henson's, *A Celebration of 30 Years*.

"It was funny to see all those Muppets and characters from *Sesame Street* all together. I can remember seeing Big Bird all dressed up and swearing while we were off air," Hunter chuckled. "It's one of the highlights of my career."

With all that's going on in Hunter's life, he still finds the time to keep the job he loves. He teaches improvisation at Second City and is hoping to get back together with his group, the Illustrated Men.

Hunter is currently in The Hubb, performing at Blue Moon in Toronto every Thursday. The show is free to everyone and he is always looking for new talent.

"It would be great to have [students] who want to perform to come down," Hunter said. "If you play music, write poetry or do anything artistic, try out. If you're good you can be on (stage) in a couple of weeks."

Puppets Who Kill, debuts Oct. 11 at 10 p.m., on The Comedy Network.

Reviewed this week: The Who

By JON DUNFORD

British rock icons The Who proved to 13,000 fans at the Air Canada Centre last Saturday night they still have what it takes to put on a powerful rock and roll show.

Singer Roger Daltry and guitarist Pete Townshend, the two remaining original members, along with the help of some friends, ripped through their greatest hits catalogue, including, "My Generation," "Baba O'Riley," "Pinball Wizard" and, "Won't Get Fooled Again."

Bassist Pino Palladino filled in for the late John Entwistle, who died four days before the tour began in July.

Ringo Starr's son Zak Starkey filled in on drums for the great Keith Moon, who died in 1978.

The audience showed their appreciation of Palladino and Starkey, who were joined in the background by keyboardist John "Rabbit" Bundrick, as

well as Townshend's brother Simon on backing guitar and vocals.

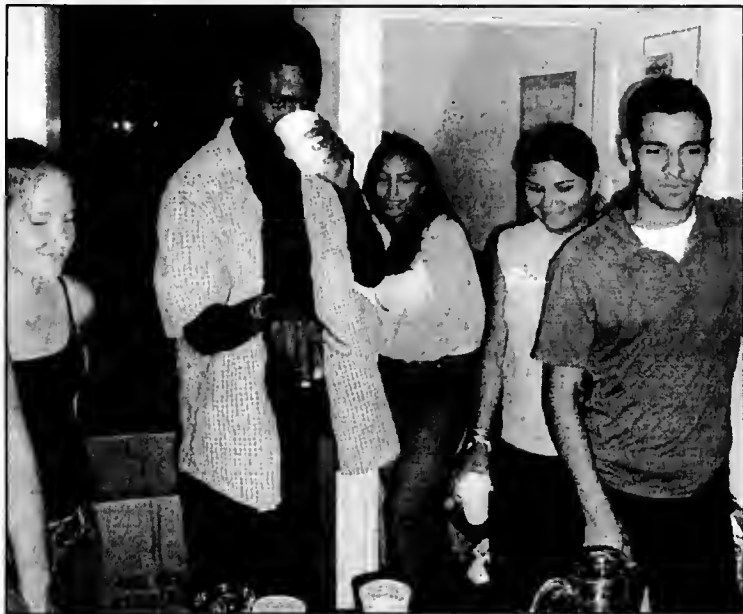
Townshend, 57, showed off his trademark windmill twirls to the delight of the crowd.

One could be skeptical of a tour by a band that is missing two important members and who haven't released original material in 20 years, but fans appreciated the chance to experience The Who's music once more.

Dave Helm, 19, was especially thankful the band decided to tour again.

"I'm glad that I had this chance to see them. There are not many bands from that generation that I can say I've seen live," Helm said.

No guitar was smashed at the end of the show like one would have expected from the band 30 years ago. Instead, that youthful energy came from the crowd who, along with the band, celebrated a wonderful musical career.



A different brand of Survivor castaways face challenges that test their party survival skills in a new copy-cat game.

Survivor game mixes drinks with challenges

By REBECCA VIRGIN

The new television season has begun and students are talking about *Survivor: Thailand*, but they are also buzzing about a new game: Alcoholic Survivor.

"I took two things that I really enjoy doing, watching *Survivor* and drinking, and combined them," Andrew Waters, inventor of the game and a computer science major at the University of Toronto, said.

"You have immunity challenges but all the immunity challenges are based around alcohol."

The game requires 16 willing contestants (is it hard to find 16 college students to play drinking games?) who don't "outplay, outwit, outlast," but instead "out-drink, out-mingle, outlast," the competitors.

From traditional games like the boat race and beer-pong, to sobriety challenges, you'll need plenty of time (and stomach) to get through this game.

"There are just so many different alcoholic games out there and this is just a way of funneling them and focusing into one night of an obscene amount of drinking," Waters said. "But it's not just about who has the highest tolerance of alcohol. It's all about mingling. Everyone has a chance at winning."

Waters explained how his second Survivor party unfolded.

"It got down to a really large, heavy drinking guy, and a small girl. The girl won because she formed an alliance with a bunch of other small girls," Waters said. "They used the bigger guys, brought them along, protected them, and then one by one picked

them off until it was done."

The people at the party who aren't playing have a good time too. Alcoholic Survivor, to people who aren't competing, is the entertainment value of the party.



A different logo for a whole new game.

Not only did Waters come up with the idea, but he also threw in a few of his own twists.

"Instead of having a merge first we did a split where the two tribes became three tribes," he said.

"I also developed a lot of the ideas *Survivor* has like fire in *Survivor* is life. Well, what's life at a party? Life at a party is alcohol because when you run out of alcohol the party usually ends. So I said alcohol is life," Waters said.

"If you throw up, you're 'helicoptered' out of the party, because if you remember in the second *Survivor* one of them fell into the fire and had to be airlifted out, so if you throw up it's like falling into the fire and you're done," Waters said.

Instead of reward challenges the players compete in sobriety challenges to win food like bread to help stay sober.

Even though this kind of party takes a lot of time to organize, Waters said it's worth it.

Virgin opera goers

Tips for your first time...

By IRENE RUNDLE

For all the opera virgins out there, there's no need to get nervous about your first time.

The Canadian Opera Company promises to make it enjoyable—and even give you a special deal.

The COC is flirting with all students between the ages of 18-29. Just present your student card for specially-priced tickets at \$20-\$25.

After you've bought your ticket, Public Affairs' assistant, Nisha Lewis, knows the first time can be a bit overwhelming.

One common query is "What do I wear?" The COC has patrons who don tuxedos and gowns, but most of the audience wears things that are a little more comfortable.

"Nowadays at the opera you can pretty much come as you are," Lewis said. "We've seen everything from great gowns to jeans."

After you've sorted out your attire, the next thing that can cause anxiety is that the opera can be in another language.

"A lot of people are worried that they're not going to understand the opera. We do English surtitles," Lewis explained. "It's like watching a movie with subtitles. If you can read, you'll get it," she added.

While the idea of going to an opera may at first seem a little dry to some, it's a good opportunity to take that "college brain" to an entertainment venue that's a little different.



Scene from *The Queen of Spades*.

"It combines music with the visual elements, with drama, with everything," Lewis said.

"A lot of people call it the ultimate art form because it does combine so many of the arts together in one package," she said.

The season opened up last week with Tchaikovsky's *The Queen of Spades*, which runs until Oct. 11.

The Queen of Spades doesn't end with a fat lady singing. Au contraire, the stage fades to black with a slightly overweight crazy man shooting himself in the chest and collapsing onto an oversized cardtable.

On Oct. 12, the season continues with a production of the well-known Greek tragedy, *Oedipus Rex*.

Experimental art finds a home in Toronto gallery

By MANUELA SPIZZIRRI

If you're looking for an alternative to mainstream or traditional art, the *Play Tonic* art exhibit at Toronto's A Space Gallery is definitely for you.

"I'm trying to convey the notion that it's okay to have a sense of humour (in art)," Andrew Harwood, *Play Tonic* curator, and member of the A Space Gallery's board of directors, said.

The exhibit features the works of Ed Pien and Janet Morton, two Toronto artists who have never worked together before.

Harwood put the exhibit together to give the public a chance to celebrate Toronto artists.

"Sometimes we don't applaud our own artists enough," he said.

Morton's *Mandala Series* consists of two large circles (one made of clear plastic) with everyday household items like forks, zippers and hair curlers embedded in them.

She also exhibits a work called, *A Small Collection of Dependable Objects*, which include items ranging from a pair of headphones to a teddy bear, all covered in tweed.

I Want More pokes fun at consumerism with a collage of barcodes.

"I find it interesting," Mary McKenzie, an artist and spectator said. "Just the idea that someone thought of doing it."

Pien explores a new medium in a video trilogy. In *Striptease*, Pien takes off his clothes using a stitch-ripper, one stitch at a time. *Psychics* has Pien going to three

different psychics to evaluate their accuracy. Finally, in *He loves me? He loves me not?* (or *Pluck*), the artist films himself plucking his pubic hair while reciting, "He loves me? He loves me not?"

Pien's work is thought-provoking, but can also be considered a little disturbing to some viewers.

Ingrid Mayrhofer, the gallery's programme director, said when an art class came to see the exhibit, a teacher turned off one of the monitors.

"They thought that it was a bit much," Mayrhofer said. Even Harwood said he was revolted the first time he saw the video. But the A Space Gallery is a vehicle for artists to push their art to the limit.

"People do something new, or slightly more edgy," Mayrhofer said. "It might be totally off, and they may never do it again, but they experiment here. It's cutting-edge."

Play Tonic is running at A Space Gallery at 401 Richmond St. W., Suite 110 until Oct. 19. Admission is free.

What's up?

•The Tragically Hip, Kris Kristofferson and more perform a Ronnie Hawkins tribute at Massey Hall on Oct. 3.

•The Docks hosts *Australia's Thunder From Down Under*, a Vegas style male dance show Oct. 4. Call (416) 260-2363.

•Alpha-Q Toronto's premier 10-piece live house and funk band plays Sneaky Dee's Oct. 12. Go online www.alpha-q.com

•Anthony Hopkins is Hannibal Lecter in *Red Dragon*. Movie premieres tomorrow.

•The Strokes play the Air Canada Centre Wed. Oct. 9.

•Rent this week: *The Scorpion King*, *Enough* and *Jason X*.

Compiled by Kirk Villamarin and Kristine Hughes.

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Rugby team tackles competition

By ERIC COLLINS

The Humber Hawks men's rugby team got off to a fantastic start in its first season.

The Hawks started the season with a 2-0 record, going into Wednesday's game against the Mohawk Mountaineers.

Humber captured its second victory on Saturday beating the Fleming Auks 15-5.

The Auks had a different style of play, which hindered Humber. The game was choppy and strayed from Humber's game plan.

"We made the mistake initially of playing their game," head coach Carey French said. "They were much bigger, especially the forwards, but because they were bigger they were slower and they played a robust scrappy kind."

The game style forced the Hawks to adjust, settle down, and get back to their quick-paced style.

"We played that game instead of playing our own game which is to move the ball quickly," French said. "Once we started playing our game, they couldn't live with us. They couldn't keep up with our speed."

Two major offensive contributors for Humber included Ryan

Michaels, a flyhalf, with two tries, and Curtis Yard who pitched in with another try.

"Once [Yard] gets moving it would take a truck to stop him," French said. "He carves right through them like a hot knife through butter."

The turning point came for the Hawks when they came up with a big hit from a player in the front row.

"That was the turning point in the game," captain Robin Lindsay said. "[The Fleming player] got pretty pissed off after that and their frustration started to show."

Yard scored first for Humber during the beginning of the first half. Then Michaels took the ball and made a try of his own.

The Auks came back with a try of their own, but late in the game Michaels scored his second try, sealing the victory for the Hawks.

Humber encountered a big boost with their first ever win at home versus the Georgian Grizzlies last Wednesday. They beat the Grizzlies 13-5.

"This game showed the level that we are able to play at," Hawks assistant coach Alister Mathieson said. "In this game, the guys were playing together as a group."

Of the bright spots for the Hawks in this game, most notable was Chris Palmer with three converts.

"We are a very fundamental team," Palmer said, following the game. "We definitely made a dominating entrance."

Also of note was Paul Crowe who scored a big try, putting the Hawks on top.

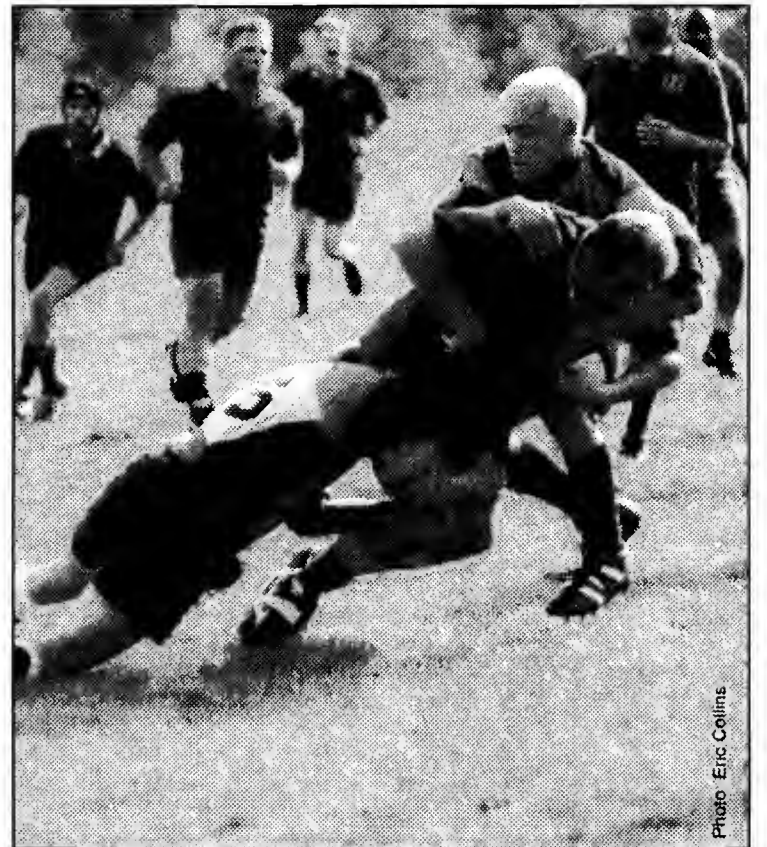
"This is definitely a big boost, a stress relief," Palmer said of Wednesday's game. He and other players were quick to point out the pressure on them to perform because of the comparison to Humber's successful soccer and basketball programs.

However, there was still room for improvement for Humber after the game.

"We ended up losing 20 meters due to penalty losses at the end of the game," French said. "The players get tired at the end and we're going to have to work on that."

When the infractions occurred however, the Hawks were already well in the lead.

The Hawks went into last night's game tied for second place with the Fleming Knights, and just two points behind the league-leading Seneca Sting.



Humber rugby player Chris Palmer tries to shrug off two tackles during last Wednesday's game against Georgia. The Hawks won 13-5.

Photo: Eric Collins

Soccer squad thrashes Redeemer

By JOSEPH MUCIO

With some vital matches on the horizon, the Hawks men's soccer team remains undefeated.

After pulling off their third consecutive draw against Conestoga College on September 23, the Hawks have played with a renewed sense of purpose, culminating with Tuesday's 7-0 thrashing of the Redeemer Royals. The victory pushed Humber's season record to an impressive 5-0-3 mark.

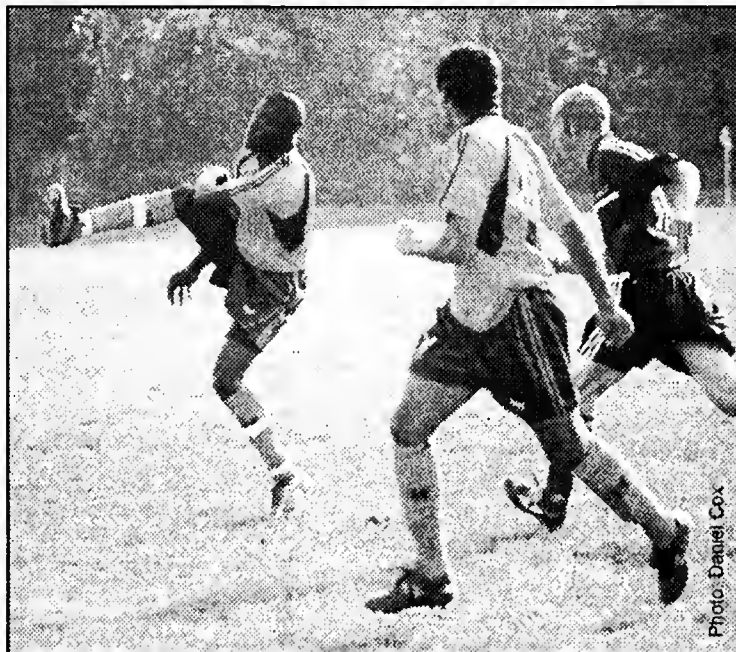
During this three-game homestand, the Hawks have outscored their opponents by a dominating margin of 12-0.

Starting with this past Saturday's game against St. Clair College, the Hawks have really come out on the aggressive, scoring early and not giving their opponents the faintest hope of a comeback.

Against St. Clair, Vito Del Duca opened the scoring in the 39th minute on a beautiful move to the outside, giving himself an open net.

As the Hawks' team leader in goals, Del Duca knows it is his job to execute when he is in front of the net.

"It's all about timing, positioning, and confidence. Confidence is actually a huge part of it. Basically, it's that fire in your eyes that when you see the net, you have that drive to score."



Houdou Dene fires a kick downfield on Tuesday while teammate Shawn Correia looks on. The Hawks beat the Royals 7-0.

Photo: Daniel Cox

Veterans Paul Lombardo and Arturo Alava also added goals for Humber, with Alava's goal coming off a penalty kick.

It was late in the first half against St. Clair when Humber suffered their first real injury scare of the season, after starting goalie Aaron Double dislocated his thumb when the ball took an awkward turn.

Filling in for Double in the second half in his first appearance was

converted defender Fab Castiglione, who made a couple of excellent saves to help preserve the shutout.

Castiglione was ready to handle the pressure.

"I was nervous but I know I had to keep our team in the game because of our reputation," he said. "I knew I couldn't let Aaron down."

Despite the injury, Double was back in net on Sunday with a heavily taped hand and posted a shutout

as the Hawks defeated the Lambton Lions by a score of 2-0 on goals by Vito Del Duca and Matt Palleschi.

After the performance, Double put to rest any questions about his hand.

"It's feeling very sore right now but I'm starting to get more movement. It won't cause me to miss any games," he said.

With back-to-back games against second place Sheridan College next week, that could ultimately decide the division winner in the Central West, head coach Germaine Sanchez decided not to take any chances and started Domenic Politano in goal against Redeemer on Tuesday.

Politano responded by earning Humber's third straight shutout with the aid of an offensive outburst that included a hat trick by first-year forward Zarko Jankovic and singles by Del Duca, Krzysztof Kmiecik, Paul Gruguric and Mehmed Mehmedoglu.

With this three-game winning streak, coach Sanchez feels the team is really starting to come together as a unit.

"We're playing almost up to our potential. We're playing much better as a team because we are playing according to the system. Most of the guys are almost injury free so we are much better now," Sanchez said.

The Hawks play today against George Brown.

Women's intramural hockey a possibility

By REBECCA VIRGIN

Thinking back to last February's Olympics, it is easy to see that Canadian women are passionate about playing hockey.

But that passion for the sport has not spread to Humber College—at least not yet.

"I'm a strong supporter of women's hockey," Humber's assistant athletic director and hockey coordinator Jim Bialek said. "If I get a women's team together I'll put that entire women's team in the intramural hockey league free of charge."

Bialek is willing to put together a package for the team as long as someone is willing to take on a leadership role.

"I will put them in two tournaments," he added. "I'll provide uniforms. I'll provide coaches, water bottles, all the amenities," Bialek said.

Women's hockey is not currently recognized as an official OCAA sport, according to executive director Doug Gellatly.

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Hockey team beats up on competition in first match of the pre-season

By CORY SMITH

The Humber Hawks hockey team started its pre-season off on the right foot Saturday night, thumping the visiting Conestoga Condors.

The Hawks outskated, outshot and outhit the smaller Condors en route to a 7-3 win in front of about 100 fans at Westwood arena.

Hawks coach Joe Washkurak was pleased with his team's overall performance.

"The good things outweighed the bad things," he said. "We had some phenomenal chances. If we add some more desire to the talent and leave the egos at the door, we'll have some success."

The Hawks opened the scoring 1:35 into the game when Kevin Coffey netted a nifty behind-the-net pass from Jamie Chikoski.

After a goal by Chris Pugliese and a second by Coffey, it looked like the Hawks were on their way to a blowout. But they started taking undisciplined penalties, punching players after the whistle or behind the play.

Jason Fortier got 16 minutes in penalties on one play for slashing, roughing, cross-checking and a 10-minute misconduct.

The penalties came back to bite

the Hawks as Conestoga scored three powerplay goals and tied the game at the end of two periods.

"That's a little bit disturbing," Washkurak said. "Everyone wants

a four-goal outburst that put the game out of reach.

"We were patient and, sooner or later, we were going to score some goals," Washkurak said.

Fortier said his teammates showed their composure after their three-goal lead evaporated.

"Nobody was nervous," he explained. "We basically said, 'We're going to come back'."

The diminutive Pugliese, who scored two goals and assisted on another, was the most dangerous Hawk of the night.

His speed allowed him to blow by the Conestoga defencemen, which resulted in a pretty first-period goal when he broke in alone and roofed a shot over the goalie's blocker arm.

The Hawks' player of the game award went to Coffey, who said the team was frustrated by the penalties, but ultimately bounced back.

"We bore down in the third period and got some goals," he said. "All that matters is that we get the [win] in the end."

The Hawks' next game is Saturday at 8 p.m., when they take on Humber alumni hockey players.

They continue pre-season play next Thursday at Sir Sanford Fleming College.



Photo Diane Denby

Corey Kilmartin gets physical with a Condor during the Hawks' first pre-season game last Saturday.

to impress us (the coaches) and, sometimes, that has a trickle-down effect."

Washkurak said the powerplay goals made the game appear closer than it really was.

"[Conestoga] didn't have a sniff five on five," he said. "Take away the penalties and it's a 7-0 game."

In the third period, the Hawks again took control and the chances started going in.

Pugliese, Chikoski, Scott Barnes and Eric Thomson tallied in

Soccer squad remains undefeated despite missed scoring chances

By MATTHEW IABONI

The undefeated streak of Humber's women's soccer team is still intact, on the heels of the team's best effort to date.

The team played their strongest game of the season last Sunday battling the Lambton Lions to a scoreless draw.

The Hawks, who went into the game 4-0-1 and first in the Central West Division, played their toughest opponent so far in the Lions, who were 3-0-2 and first in the West Division.

As in their previous games the Hawks dominated but, this time, couldn't finish their chances.

"In terms of possession and territorial advantage, we were all over them, but we

missed our opportunities," said co-coach Mauro Ongaro. "This was our best game. All the girls picked up their intensity."

Hawks forward Sandra Coelho was named best player of the game as she created numerous chances for herself and her teammates.

"Sandra was all over the place. She worked so hard but she was unlucky not to have scored," Ongaro said.

On Saturday, the Hawks pulled out a win, defeating the shorthanded St. Clair Saints 5-0.

The Saints, with only eight players in their lineup, played in the box all day and did little to

create offence. That enabled the Hawks to control the ball, but they struggled at the start and weren't able to capitalize.

"We were very lethargic, uninterested and we didn't play with a sense of urgency early on," co-coach Vince Pileggi said. "But we still got three points and that's what matters."

The Hawks were finally able to score late in the first half when Joanna Vitale scored her first of three goals at the 37th minute.

Sarah Furlano scored her first goal of the season from the edge of the penalty area three min-

utes later as the Hawks took control just before the end of the half.

Vitale scored off the header in the 45th minute giving the Hawks a commanding lead.

As the second half began, the Hawks added to their total when Vitale scored a nice goal, floating the ball over the keeper's head.

Furlano scored Humber's final goal late in the contest.

"I was at the right spot at the right time," Furlano said about her two goals.

"We played well but we need more communication on the field," she added.

They had it the next day against Lambton but couldn't score a goal.

The Hawks play this Saturday at 2 p.m. against Humber alumni.

B-ball alumnus McNeil reflects on past glory

By DOUGLAS JOHNSON

George "Tony" McNeil still remembers the night of Feb. 3, 1988, when his number 44 was raised to the rafters of the Humber gym.

The former all-Canadian, who played with the Humber basketball team from 1984 to 1988, says he just recently realized how much of an honour it was to have his number retired.

"It took a while to hit me because I didn't realize how big that was," McNeil, who now works in marketing and public affairs with the TTC, said.

"Now that I look back on it, it's a great accomplishment that they bestowed on me. Now I have something I can tell my kids, and my kids can always go to Humber and see Daddy's jersey high up in the rafters."

McNeil especially enjoyed his last year, when the team won the Ontario championship.

"Everyone came together as a team. It wasn't an individual, we didn't have talent like we had in the past," he said. "We had a lot of young first- and second-year players but, for some reason, we just got everything together and clicked at the right time."

As a high-scoring shooting guard, McNeil is Humber's all-time scoring leader, with 1,148 points. The game he broke Henry Fraser's old record is another night he will not forget.

(Humber President) Robert Gordon presented me with a ball," he said. "I still have the picture at home."

McNeil, who took Recreational Leadership, said head coach Mike Katz was a vital part of his development on and off the court.

"He's someone you could go up to outside of practice, outside of basketball, and just sit down, one-on-one and share life sto-



McNeil shows off mementos of his impressive Hawks basketball

ries," he said. "He always gave me good advice."

McNeil, who coaches minor basketball in Oakville, says he uses coaching techniques he learned from Katz.

"Not to toot my own horn, but last year, my evaluation from all the parents and the committee was 4.9 out of 5," he said. "That's because I learned so much from Mike about practice, preparation and development. I was able to bring all that over to the younger kids."

McNeil said he is looking forward to showing players from the current Hawks roster a thing or two in the annual alumni game this Saturday.

"Every year I come back, I use the existing players as a gauge, just to see how well I maintain. When you get older, you get smarter, you learn to cut a few curves," he said. "I can still run with the boys."

McNeil said he will never forget his college days.

"My years at Humber were good. I wouldn't change it if I had to do it again," he said. "Humber was good to me and they still are," he said.

"You learn to appreciate these things when you're finished college," he added. "Later on in your life, you're like, 'Wow, it's an honour. I guess I did something right'."

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Women's hockey

High costs put deep freeze on hopes for OCAA varsity league

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"We do need five colleges to commit to it, for it to become an official OCAA sport. If five colleges found the dollars then certainly any sport could be brought in," Gellatly said.

There are definitely women willing to play at Humber, as Bialek noticed earlier this year.

"This year we probably had six or seven girls come in that are interested in playing," he said. "I'd say we probably have 50 good women hockey players on campus right now."

With the recent success of the Women's National Hockey team, interest in the sport is beginning to soar.

"Girl's hockey hasn't always been as popular," Andrea Vigneault, a first-year Tourism and Travel student said. "But I was more excited that the women's hockey team won gold than the men's team."

"It's not fair that there's only a guy's team. A lot of girls like to play hockey too,"

Janine Anderson, a first-year Tourism and Travel student who plays both hockey and ringette, said.

Bialek is looking for potential players like Anderson to take on the responsibility of starting a team.

"The onus is on the women, if they're interested," Bialek said. "I'll do backflips to try and support it."

The OCAA discussed bringing in a women's hockey program as recently as one-and-a-half years ago.

In the past there was a women's league - Humber's squad won the OCAA Championship in the sport in 1981-82 - but teams began to drop out due to lack of funds.

Doug Gellatly said that money is still the primary issue.

"There are a number of sports that could be brought in, but it comes down to dollars," he said.

"It's great to say, let's bring all these sports in, but you have to have the money to run the programs."

Alumni Weekend Games

This year's Humber varsity squads take on former students this Saturday, October 5 at the North Campus.

Women's soccer - noon Valley Field

Men's soccer - 2 p.m. Valley Field

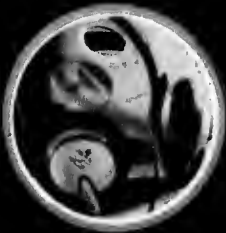
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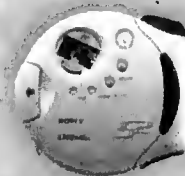
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