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Bankruptcy plan slammed

Snobelen's student repayment plan under fire from students, NDP

by Liam Lahey
News Editor

The Ontario government's plan to implement a new student loan repayment system has the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) in a furor.

Wayne Poirier, Ontario chairperson for the CFS, said the Income Contingent Repayment Plan (ICRP) that John Snobelen, education minister of Ontario, plans to implement will cost low-income students more in the long run.

"The provincial and federal governments are working together on this, and they see this as a way out for them," Poirier said. "What it means is students will be paying off their loans over a longer period of time. Hence, they'll pay more interest."

Bud Wildman, NDP education

critic, echoed Poirier's comments, but insisted that an ICRP is a positive solution to student debt.

"We would like to see an income contingent plan in place, but one that better reflects the needs of Ontario's students," Wildman said. "Mr. Snobelen's plan simply increases the length of time a graduate has to pay back his or her loan. This isn't a solution, this will only drive more and more students into bankruptcy."

Snobelen and the Tory government are aiming to control student bankruptcy through the ICRP. But there are fears that flaws in the plan will increase student bankruptcy rather than curb it.

"We've already seen the CIBC pull out of a similar plan implemented in Nova Scotia," Wildman said. "What we need is a 15-year repayment plan based on an individual's income which can be assessed in the first few years after graduation."

Poirier said that the major banks in Canada are also encouraging the government to implement the new scheme.

"The government wants to get

out of loaning students money altogether. They're in favor of giving it all up to the banks," he said.

"This gives schools the opportunity

If a graduating student masses a \$31,000 debt, but can only afford minimal payments over a 25 year period, that student will end up paying \$82,000 with interest.

to increase tuition even further, as more and more major banks are turning up on various schools' Boards of Governors."

Poirier said similar schemes were introduced in Australia in 1989 and in New Zealand in 1993. A 584 per cent tuition increase for Australian students coincided with the plan's introduction.

New Zealand saw a 10 per cent drop in enrolment between 1996 and 1997.

Helmut Zisser, the director of student support at the Ministry of Education and Training, said that a variety of similar schemes are called "ICRP," and cannot be used as a comparison to the Ontario government's plan.

"All of these schemes are different and unique to the jurisdiction in which they operate," Zisser said. "We're working on a plan for Ontario students; a plan that will work comfortably here. You can't look at another model and compare it to ours."

Zisser added that the major banks are being consulted with regards to the ICRP.

"We are consulting with the major lenders in Ontario. It should be noted that these major lenders already control how student loans are administered, repaid, and collected...they've already assumed this fundamental role," he said.

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Et Cetera News

Possible college strike looms

by **TERRY BAAK**
News Reporter

College students across Ontario are in class, but for how long?

The faculty union has been without a contract since August 1996, and unless a deal comes soon, there is the possibility that colleges across the province could face a strike.

When asked about the possibility of a strike, Humber College faculty union president, Maureen Wall, said "not to say that there isn't a possibility, but there is nothing imminent."

Negotiating teams for both the union and the colleges have been meeting for more than a year- and-a-half with no agreement in sight.

"There has not been much movement towards a settlement," Wall said.

Apart from wage increases, the negotiations surround the issues of the number of hours that the teachers must be in class, and the role of the teacher while in the classroom.

The union is seeking a five per cent increase across the board which will cost the colleges in excess of \$18 million.

"Management's proposal is to remove the limits on the number of hours and weeks of teaching time. They would leave it up to the supervisor's discretion," Wall said.

The union wants to keep the limits in place because, with all the marking and preparation the teachers must do, they would be unable to provide the same quality of education if they had to teach more classes.

The union does not want the colleges to be able to reclassify teaching positions as instructor's positions.

Wall compares it to a wall that is being broken down. "Little parts of the job would be chipped away, and it would erode the teacher's position," she said.

John Tibbits, president of Conestoga College, and co-chair of the management bargaining committee, said nothing major is on the horizon. The two sides will meet again September 23 and 24.

College support staff to ratify new contract

by **CHERYL WAUGH**
News Editor

A tentative agreement has been reached in negotiations with the support staff union at Humber College.

The union (part of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union) and management the Council of Regents (the Ontario government's negotiating body), met for several days of intense bargaining during the Labor Day long weekend. It culminated in an agreement between the two parties around 2 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 1. The deal must now be voted on by the union membership, who represent 5,600 support staff at Ontario's 25 community colleges.

Ian McArdle, manager of Human Resources, Council of Regents, said the deal, if ratified, would give the colleges, "three years of stability in the support staff arrangement. Colleges will be able to plan appropriately over that period of time. I think, generally, both parties at the table were happy with the results."

Helen Hrynkiw, president of the support staff union at Humber,



Helen Hrynkiw

said that the negotiating team has recommended to the union that they should accept the new contract.

The tentative contract would end on Aug. 31, 2000. There are some wage improvements, including a lump sum payment of \$300 on Sept. 1, 1998 as well as a 1.5 per cent increase to the wage rates on the same date in 1999. There are also some job security enhancements and provisions for future flexibility in scheduling hours.

Compared to the faculty negotiations, the support staff talks have gone quickly. Negotiations only began in April and the final push was made towards settlement on August 27. The two sides bargained steadily, with only short breaks, to get the deal done.

The ratification date has been set for Monday, Sept. 15, 1997.

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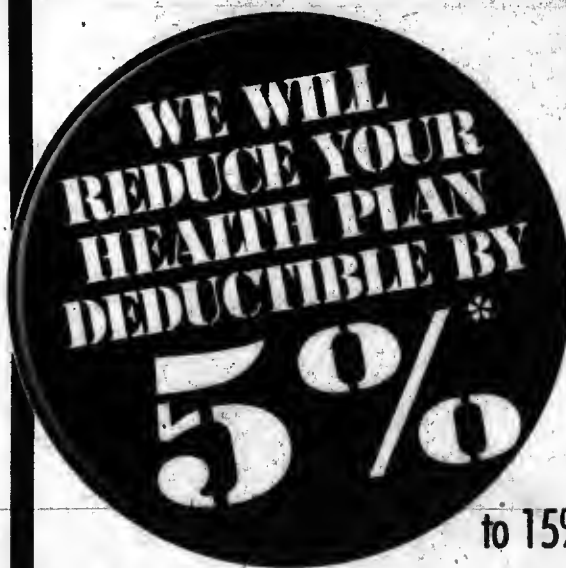


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Antsy students find residence life a real drag

Younger students complain of high living costs; nothing to do

by **TREVOR HICKEY**
News Reporter

Ten to 15 per cent of students who live in Humber's Residence are under 19 and say there is not enough going on to keep them busy.

The primary reason for this is that they are not old enough to get into most bars, so they are often left with empty halls and closed doors.

Leslie Weeks, 18, a first-year Paramedic student is infuriated because all of her friends go to Caps and she feels left out.

"I'm pissed off," said Weeks. "We can't even go into Caps after 1 p.m., so I sit around and wait for everyone to get back from the bar so we can party."

Weeks, who won't be 19 until April, said that there is just nowhere to go unless you're of legal drinking age.

"I don't understand why Caps can't give people who are not 19 a wristband so we can at least go out with our friends but we don't have to drink."

The residence had numerous trips and activities planned for frosh week, and they received a good turnout. Some of the events were a trip to Canada's Wonderland, then to the SkyDome to see the Blue Jays, a bowling night was arranged and finally a trip to the CNE to cap-off the event packed week. However, students are now wondering if it's all going to stop there.

Luke Schraa, 18, a first-year Electromechanical Engineering student has nothing but good things to say about the frosh week activities, but said he feels that students aren't aware of what there is to do around rez.

"Orientation week was good

but during school I don't know of any activities. I pretty much resort to my homework or hobbies such as building models and reading," said Schraa.

Despite not being 19, Schraa is optimistic about the new adjustment to rez. "I don't really drink but when I'm 19 I will go to Caps just for the fun of it. It will be a good year when it all gets rolling," added Schraa.

The majority of students who live in residence for their first year decide not to return because they don't think there is enough to do and say it's too expensive to live there.

Chris Grace, 21, a third-year Public Relations student, said that he would never even think about moving back into residence and he feels for those who are not 19.

"I'd go nuts if I lived in rez again," said Grace. "I would hate it even more if I were not 19. You miss out on the few fun things in rez such as bus trips to bars if you're not of drinking age. I mean the food is low quality and it's overpriced, and for what they provide it's too expensive."

Humber College more than 10,000 students and only 720 of them live in residence. This makes for a small rez community in comparison to most other residences. For example, Guelph University, which has over 14,000 students, has more than 6,000 living in rez.

John Conrad, the Residence Life Co-ordinator, said that this is because Humber is a commuter school. A lot of students are locals and can drive back and forth daily. Conrad's position is a new one created to plan events that everyone in residence can take part in, no matter what the age.

Events that Conrad is working on to improve rez life include intramural sports and mature student meetings. He is also working



Luke Schraa relieves the monotony of residence life by building models.

on a coffee house that will have students hanging out, drinking coffee and playing their guitars. Conrad said nothing has really started yet but he and his colleagues are tossing up numerous ideas to keep people occupied.

"A lot of people like to drink but it's not my job to promote alcoholic events," said Conrad, "the students can take care of that."

Conrad understands there is not a lot to do around the immediate area but, said he feels that the residence and the school should have more of a partnership in getting people involved.

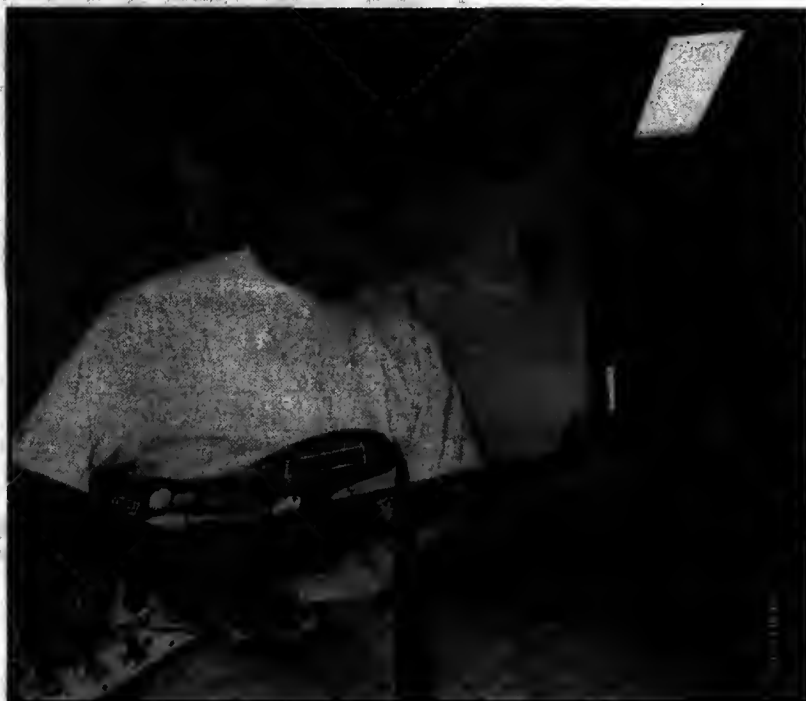
"Rez has been off on its own in past years, I want to try to get rez students involved in some of the activities that the school has to

offer," he said.

Conrad doesn't think Humber's rez is in a bad location but realized that some students come from a long way and feel uneasy about going downtown.

"There's lots to do downtown, but some students are intimidated to go down there by themselves and I don't blame them," added Conrad.

Conrad has been involved with college and university residences for 10 years and said that his job is not to be a disciplinarian, but to work with the students to make sure they're comfortable and have enough to do.



An amateur musician rehearses for the coffee house gig.

Lakeshore campus sporting new program expansion

by **ANTHONY HEATH**
News Reporter

Humber's Lakeshore campus is starting off the year with an active campaign to let students know there's more to school than academics.

Sonya Herrfort, Lakeshore's athletic co-ordinator, is heading a program that lets students get involved in various sports and activities.

Originally consisting of volleyball, the program has diversified over the years due to good student response to include basketball, baseball/softball, soccer, hockey and badminton.

According to Herrfort, the spirit of the game is what it's all about.

"I want the rapport, the team spirit and the college name out there," she said.

This competitive spirit includes free NHL and NFL sport pools, where students try to predict the outcome of sporting events for prizes.

Herrfort's duties include not only administration but part-time coaching and refereeing.

With the program entering its fifth year, equipment has also been added and the gymnasium has undergone a facelift.

The programs also come with special events each year that donate proceeds to various charities, such as the United Way. An aerobics event previously raised more than \$1,000 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Herrfort tries to schedule the events around the timetable of the individual student, and is committed to the student's role both on the team and for their own enjoyment.

"I want them to have some fun in a greater, competitive field," she added.

Lakeshore shares this sense of competition and cooperation with other schools in order to pass suggestions on and help each other out.

The programs offered by the school are not only diverse but also non-profit. The only fee being charged is for hockey ice rental. This allows the extramural activities to be open to everyone.

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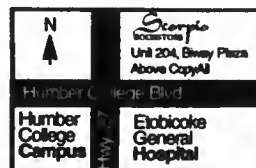
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Three people were injured in a traffic accident that closed Humberline Drive for several hours Wednesday, Sept. 3. A car carrying two women and a young child collided with two TTC buses. The driver of the car was seriously injured in the crash and was taken to hospital. The driver wasn't wearing her seatbelt.

Toilets win in ad board battle

by STEVEN ALEGRAS

SAC Reporter

Humber washrooms will be getting a face-lift thanks to the new illuminated display boards located around the school.

The money will be coming from New Ad, a Toronto based advertising agency that will be paying for the space and the right to place ads in the new boards.

John Mason, director of ancillary services and customer relations, said the monthly payments will go directly to the college. "The payments are actually put towards

renovation and maintenance specifically related to the washrooms, and to help offset some of the costs," said Mason.

Mason added that New Ad was chosen over the Montreal based Zoom Media, which had originally proposed the display board idea, because New Ad's overall offer was more attractive.

New Ad has also made a commitment to donate a sizeable amount of money to the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund. Mason said he couldn't release any number due to "business confidentiality."

Student Council also benefits from the New Ad deal as they will have access to some ad space in the washrooms, however, the large illuminated display boards are for New Ad.

"If there are three boards in the washroom, the third board is available for the student government to utilize," Mason said.

Ad content will be decided upon by a proposed committee yet to be announced. It will consist of one SAC member, two representatives from the faculty and two representatives from school administration.

CFS slams student bankruptcy program

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The ICRP allows low income students to pay off their loans at a rate affordable to them, relieving the stress of high, monthly bank payments. However, Poirier warns that extending payments could be costly.

For example, if a graduating student amasses a \$31,000 debt but can only afford minimal payments over a 25 year period, that student will end up paying \$82,000 with interest.

"There are other provinces in this country that have refused to adopt this plan. It is a bad plan, and we can not allow the government to implement it," said Poirier.

Humber's Students' Association Council (SAC) President Shirley Forde, said the present model put forth by Snobelen and the provincial government is not a positive solution for students.

"As it stands, the current model is not a worthwhile one to get involved with," Forde said. "We do believe that an ICRP is a good solution to OSAP, however, amendments need be made in

order for it to benefit students."

Forde said SAC is working with other members of the Ontario Community College Student Parliamentary Association (OCC-SPA), and plans to table a report to the provincial government with recommendations on how the ICRP could be improved.

The CFS plans to meet with Snobelen to try to persuade him to reconsider these actions.

Poirier said the CFS will pressure the provincial and federal governments to find an alternative.

"We will continue our advocacy work to the Ministry of Education, and we'll keep pushing for the government to go back to giving student grants where it's warranted," he said. "If this does not deter them, or capture their attention, then we will carry out a national day of action, in which we will encourage students to go on strike."

The provincial government announced that the ICRP will take effect September 1, 1998.

Can Copy deal means students can copy

Instead of buying a book you'll rarely use ... photocopy

by DONNA SMITH

News Reporter

Thanks to the Can Copy Agreement students are now able to buy a section of a text book instead of buying the whole book.

The Students' Association Council (SAC) bought this service for Humber two years ago, at a cost of two dollars per student, taken from our activity fee.

"The reason this agreement was put in place is because it was illegal to photocopy the pages of a book, although handwriting the words from it was okay," said Shirley Forde, SAC president.

Through the Can Copy Agreement, students or faculty are legally allowed to photocopy 15 per cent of any book, anywhere in the school, protected by an insurance policy that came with the agreement.

"This is definitely a great service. Two dollars so I won't get sued for something," said Forde.

When the agreement was made two years ago, few staff knew about it. In the past year, SAC ensured that all staff members were informed.

Since then there has been a large increase in the number of staff using the service. The shelves at Humber's bookstore are becoming filled with these "custom packaged" photo copies.

Of the 950 titles at the bookstore last year, 67 were "counter packs." The number has doubled this year and continues to grow.

"This is a great opportunity to lower the cost for the student who was buying the whole book to only use three chapters. Now students get only what they need," said Kim Seifried, manager of the Humber College Bookstore.

Seifried said that because of the Can Copy Agreement, students will get the benefits of many resources in one tidy package.

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Affordable daycare comes to Humber

by NESREEN SARRAS

Features Reporter

Humber parents will be glad to find child care more affordable this year at the campus Children's Activity Centre.

The Children's Activity Centre is one of three child care centres located here on campus. It is also the only part-time centre.

This year, the centre will be charging a flat rate for full days instead of an hourly rate like previous years. This will hopefully help student-parents out by reducing the price of daycare which tends to get costly.

"We establish programs like these to meet student needs," said Bridget Woodcock, Humber's acting director of child care centres. "We hope that now more students will be able to use these facilities."

Bridget Woodcock

The Children's Activity Centre is convenient. A student-parent can phone the centre if, for example, their babysitter cancels and they require services for only a few hours. But parents should call ahead if they need emergency use of the centre.

The centre will be charging \$5.50 per hour for up to six hours. More than six hours is considered a full day at \$35 a day for toddlers and \$30 for preschoolers.

Antoinette Azar, a second-year Early Childhood Education student, is working at a daycare and knows how expensive child care can be.

"Child care can get very costly," Azar said, "I've spoken to parents with two or three children in daycare who are struggling to make ends meet. This program sounds like a great idea."

The price set-up is ideal for student-parents who only need a babysitter for a few hours a day, while they're in class.

"This system is convenient for a parent if, for example, one of their classes gets cancelled," said Woodcock. "That way they're only paying for the time that the child stayed."

Woodcock extended thanks to Humber's Student's Association Council (SAC), for recognizing the daycare as a student facility. A few years ago, SAC granted Humber daycare \$10,000 to renovate the Activity Centre.

Parents can expect their children to be well cared for by three qualified ECE graduates at the centre. The centre holds a maximum of 21 children between the ages of 18 months and five years.

Tuition going up, up...

Tuition increase expected for next year, another five to 10 per cent

by DARCEY FERGUS

News Reporter

Students who were shocked by this year's 10 per cent increase in tuition fees, could be in for another surprise next year.

School officials may be approving plans to go ahead with yet another increase for the 1998-99 school year.

Robert Gordon, president of Humber College, said the Board of Governors is still undecided on how much tuition costs may increase next year.

"We had the choice of doing 20

per cent, but for many reasons, decided not to," said Gordon. "I would guess maybe another five to 10 per cent."

The Ontario government sets tuition guidelines for colleges. The college then makes the decision of how much to raise fees, if they raise them at all. One factor in the decision is keeping costs down, allowing for better student access.

"The balance sits between cutting the overall costs and young people being able to afford to get the skills they need to get a job," said Richard Hook, vice-president of academics.

All programs were affected by the anticipated 10 per cent increase, although the outcome for students could have been worse. The Board of Governors had the choice to increase some

programs by as much as 20 per cent.

Hook said, "The college needs to get its money from somewhere, and the students provide that."

The majority of money is dispersed into new course equipment and start-up fees for new courses.

"The increase has not been good for students," said Gordon. "Students are up in arms over this all across the country and fighting it all the way."

"The college needs to get its money from somewhere, and the students provide that."

-Richard Hook, VP of academics

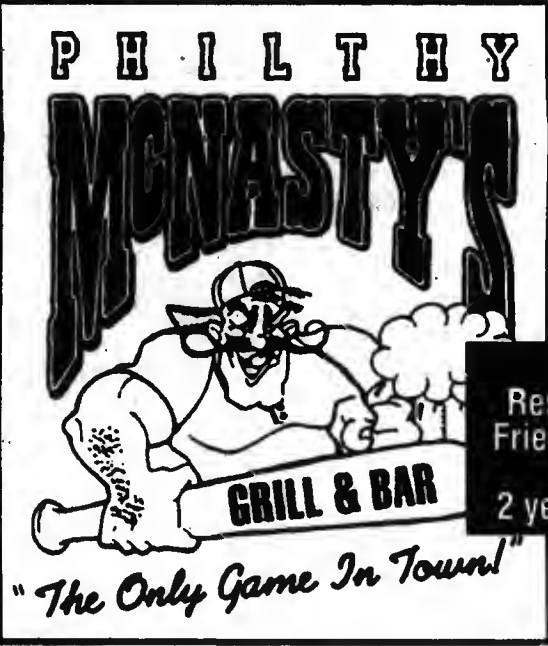
In the past, OSAP loans have helped to offset the increase in tuition fees, but OSAP loans have been cut this year.

Christina Spiliotopoulos, a second-year public relations student who receives OSAP, is upset with the tuition increase.

"I wasn't very happy with it. I don't think we should be charged such a large amount to attend school, it should be a freedom in this country," said Spiliotopoulos. "Eventually, it's going to become that only the higher class have the benefits of an education. There are many people who have the grades, but not the money to attend."

President Gordon said he believes it is better for students to pay more and to still have the opportunity to attend school, than to not attend at all.

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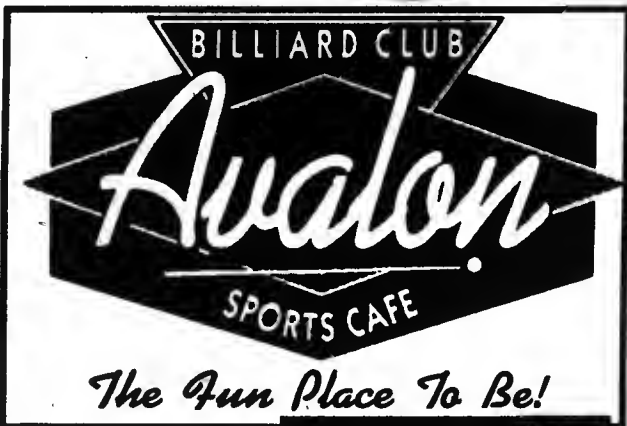


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Gordon boldly goes forth

School must evolve to meet demands of changing student demographic

by ANDREW MCKAY
News Reporter

Client-oriented education and business partnerships will guide Humber College into the 21st century, Humber President Robert Gordon said.

Speaking at the annual President's Breakfast on August 29, Gordon told staff and faculty that dramatic changes are necessary to ensure Humber's continued success.

"What is required is nothing less than a transformation of a culture that has always been reliant on government grants," Gordon said.

From classrooms to departments to marketing, these changes will affect every facet of the school, President Gordon said the changes are necessary to meet the needs of an increasingly diverse and demanding student body.

"The so-called 'Generation X' brings more demanding consumers, whether individuals or employers," he said. "The current demand for recycling and retraining means we must consider our students lifelong clients, rather than as one-shot full-time learners."

To that end, Gordon announced a number of initiatives aimed at improving Humber's performance and market share.

The Horizons Project, a four-year plan, is intended to increase students' satisfaction with the school; upgrade teachers' equipment and encourage professional development; expand Humber's professional partnerships and enhance the school's reputation;

and increase Humber's revenue base.

Less than half of Humber's budget comes from government funding, said Gordon; a few years ago, that portion was 75 per cent.

Gordon thinks Humber's future lies with corporate support and strategic marketing. Gordon announced a partnership between Humber, Central Michigan University and Chrysler Motors that will see a comprehensive, Chrysler-funded, one-year retraining program at Humber for Chrysler's workers. As well, an announcement will be made soon regarding a "strategic alliance" with IBM, involving their change management group and Networks. Humber will also be involved with IBM's Global Campus, which when completed, will link over 30 colleges and universities across North America.

These initiatives, said Gordon, will keep Humber at the forefront of training centres. The Humber College of the future will be a "one-stop shopping" outlet for companies looking to upgrade their education and training, he said.

"There is intense competition from other trainers, including universities and the private sector," he said. Humber will succeed by providing "customized, individualized, tailor-made learning for each student."

While President Gordon admits being a little out of touch with the culture of today's youth ("I saw 'Men in Black', but I didn't get it," he says he does understand the needs of students entering Humber.

"Things that used to be called books are now CD's. The young are so full of Nintendo they're software-driven. They require a kind of edu-tainment," he said.

Gordon said Humber College must be prepared to meet those

needs. The school is prepared to increase resources available to instructors, but the teachers must also be prepared to change their thinking, he said.

"I can't rely on enthusiastic teachers who depend on a fixed teaching method," he said.

Humber College seems financially prepared to meet these challenges. Enrolment is expected to increase 3 per cent, said Gordon, and the school is looking at a better-than-balanced budget.

In fact, Gordon said a recent 15 per cent funding cut has spurred advancement in other areas.

"We will have more focus on self-sustaining and service-focused profit centres, including our academic schools and even our administrative units," he said.

While Gordon was enthusiastic about Humber's progress in financial and technological areas, he cautioned that the strength of the school will always lie with its staff and faculty.

"We must remember that everyone will have technology, so it is those who use it most cre-

atively through their curriculum and delivery that will prove to be the most enduring organizations."



President Robert Gordon addresses the Humber College community at the annual President's Breakfast on August 29.

PM hangs help wanted sign

by GREG MACDONALD
Assignment Editor

Advocates applauded Prime Minister Chretien's move to allocate \$90-million to help unemployed youth.

Chretien announced, on Tuesday, a three-year plan to hire 3,000 young people as federal civil service interns. The program, to be called the Federal Public Sector Youth Internship Program, will see 1,000 people, 15 to 30, hired for federal government jobs across the country. Participants will be paid \$15,000 a year.

"Internships that I've heard students participate in are excellent. They are program-related. They are excellent entry-level positions.

I think the fact that money is going towards that is terrific," said Karen Fast, employment advisor at Humber College.

"Prospective employers keep saying 'You don't have experience'. How do you get out of the Catch-22 of no experience, no job?"

- David McGowan

Canadian Youth Foundation

President David McGowan agreed. "Prospective employers keep saying 'You don't have experience. How do you get out of the Catch-22 of no experience, no job?'"

McGowan said internships are a solution. "An internship is one of the ways recent graduates can take their educational experience, and put that in a work environment, and gain work experience," he said.

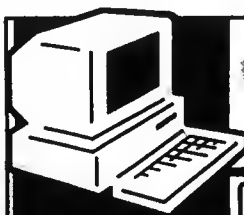
But not everyone is impressed. "The program offers poverty level wages. After monthly student loan payments, there will be not enough money to put food on the table," said Jennifer Story of the Canadian Federation of Students.

She said the average student debt load for those who graduated in 1997 is \$22,000 and tuition fees have increased, on average, by nine per cent this year.

"After waiting eight months for this announcement, young Canadians feel betrayed. The youth unemployment crisis will not be solved by offering short-term, low-paying internships. If the federal government was truly committed to this issue it would allocate the resources necessary to bring down youth unemployment in this country," Story said.



Prime Minister Jean Chretien



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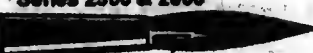




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Et Cetera Editorial

We snooze, we lose

Orientation week has come and gone at Humber College with barely a murmur.

First-year students are given a SAC handbook and are expected to learn about the school and what it has to offer.

While Humber prides itself on giving students practical job training and a strong academic background, it is doing in-coming students a disservice by not having an orientation week to emphasize Humber's social community. Dark hallways, long line-ups and confusing arrows do not provide the warmest of receptions.

In recent years the tradition of "Frosh Week" at post secondary institutions across the country has come under scrutiny. Frosh Week has been portrayed as nothing more than an excuse to drink to excess, and the only benefit is increased sales at campus pubs.

When people forget is that Frosh Week goes beyond drinking. It is the lasting impression of a school that new students get. If students feel that Humber has a lot to offer in all aspects of life, they will enter the school year with a more positive attitude.

Humber is primarily a commuter school and students live across a wide area. Unless students are given a strong sense of community, the majority will not make an effort to participate. How can we expect support for our teams or school events if students do not feel they are a part of the school? The poor voter turnout for SAC elections demonstrates how little students care about what occurs on campus.

Frosh Week creates a common ground for the multi-cultural student body. Students from a variety of schools, backgrounds, cities and towns all come together. Orientation Week is the opportunity to meet new people, make friends, and appreciate the excitement of the first week of school. Meeting people and exploring school experiences should be a part of Humber. After all, aren't people skills part of job training?

If we take advantage of the opportunity, Orientation Week is the perfect time to give students the jolt of caffeine that could wake up the apathetic student body of "Slumber" College.

Uncle Jean wants you!

In politics, it's more important to be seen to be doing something than to actually do something.

Jean Chretien's announcement this week that he is going to inject \$90-million into the newly formed Federal Public Sector Youth Internship Program shows Canadians he's learned this lesson well.

Under the new program, 1,000 young people will be hired for one-year federal government intern positions across the country in each of the next three years. Participants will be paid \$15,000 a year.

Unfortunately, the PM's plan sounds like a drop in the bucket. According to a recent report in the *Toronto Star*, 16.7 per cent of Canada's youth aged 16 to 29 were unemployed last month, compared to the overall national rate of nine per cent. This figure translates into 663,000 unemployed young Canadians.

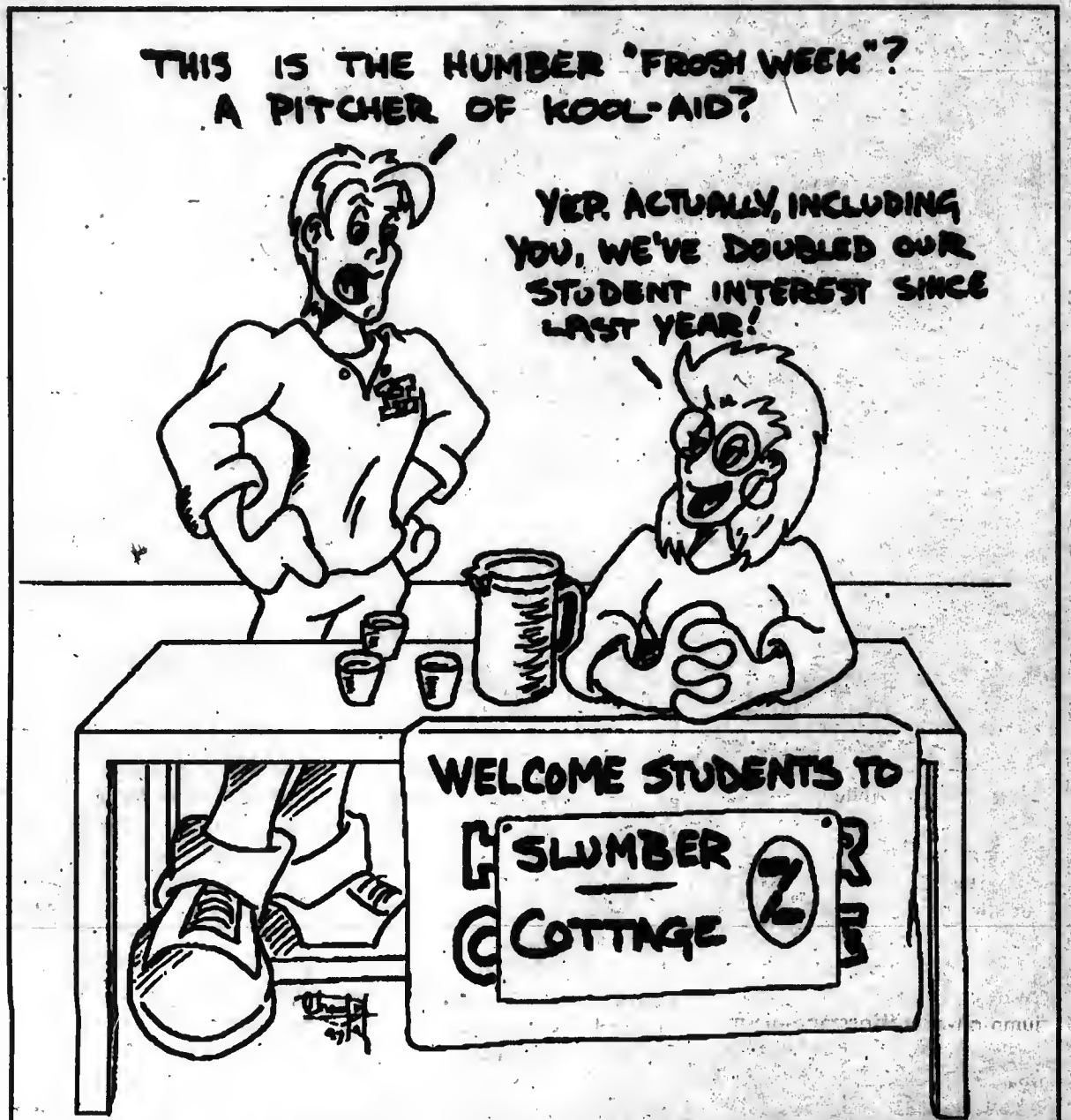
The new plan will help a paltry 3,000 over the next three years.

There are other problems. The average student debt load for those who graduated in 1997 is \$22,000, according to the Canadian Federation of Students. The annual \$15,000 will barely be enough to cover rent and monthly loan payments.

Interns will be provided with public-sector (read government) work experience. But governments aren't on anyone's list of employment growth areas. And it will be a frosty day in Hades when private-sector employers clamor for applicants with government experience.

"Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!"

Shame. Shame. Shame.



From the Editor

"If all of mankind minus one, were of one opinion, and only one person were of the contrary opinion, mankind would be no more justified in silencing that one person, than he, if he had the power, would be justified in silencing mankind".

- John Stuart Mill

Many ideas can be found within the walls of Humber. These ideas best illustrate the pulse of our community and are written by members of the community. And, a newspaper is only as good as the contributions it receives from the readers. This spot is for you - a chance to exchange dialogue. There is no other place on campus where

students, staff and faculty can engage as openly in a difference of opinion as in these pages. As members of educated community you have as much to share with each other as you do to learn from each other. The staff of the *Et Cetera* simply provides the medium for debate. It is up to you to formulate the opinion. A healthy dialogue between members of the Humber community is necessary to continue a high level of learning. Sharing your thoughts and learning the ideas of others can enhance your education, but it can only occur if you pick up a pen and become a writer.

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Opinion

A Stern boost to Canadian radio

by GREG DI CRESCIE

Howard Stern is the best thing that could have happened to stodgy Canadian radio. No longer are we limited to imitation Sterns or the prudish CBC. Toronto morning radio, thanks to Q107, has finally been jolted into the 90s.

Stern brings a new kind of American personality to Canadian radio. His in-your-face, obscene, obnoxious, outrageous, irreverent, and fatuous "bits" are also daring, exciting, fearless, fun and wild. Saddle-up Canada here comes outlaw radio.

Howard brings an American distaste and distrust for government, as his battles with the FCC attest. He daringly pushes the bounds of free expression. And he darkly embodies a comic version of the American dream.

Stern's appearance on the Canadian airwaves belies an ugly truth about "Canadian Culture"; it's

just "wanna be American."

Sure, Stern adds a new personality to Canadian radio, but what's really impressive is his genius for the medium.

Stern masterfully exploits the "physical-less-ness" of radio. Radio is a disembodied voice. This absence opens up a vast imaginary space which the listener fills. All Stern does is play in this space. An obvious example of this is his use of voyeurism. Sadism and masochism, mass boredom, morbid curiosity and so on are all useful toys for Stern to play with. The real hook, however, to Howard's game, is that by giving the listeners a kind of gratification that promises more he can keep them tuned in. Oh yes, you gotta love those ratings.

The healthiest Stern listeners hear a fascinating black comedy, and the unhealthiest hear the anti-Christ. So hold on Canada, the man knows the medium.



Gen X political revolution

by PAUL VANHOODYDONK

Recently, while sitting at a friend's house, engaged in one of our free-flowing conversations, my friend uncharacteristically began to talk about politics.

Alternating swigs of beer with swats at his exuberant "I-have-to-jump-on-all-visitors-and-dig-my-nails-into-their-legs" springer spaniel pup, my friend said, "You know the '60s were the greatest decade of social change and it will never happen again. People weren't scared to stand up and tell the government they were full of shit."

Hmmmmmm.

Certainly the '60s were a time of huge political upheaval and social rumblings. Dr. Martin Luther King was marching. Racial riots were erupting in Watts, Los Angeles. Women were uniting and Vietnam was destroying a generation.

But what about us so-called Generation X'ers (or those of us who remember wearing cloth diapers and all people born afterwards, but who are not young

enough to listen to the Backstreet Boys) have we not lent our energy and savvy to bettering the world by slapping the faces of a few bureaucrats? I know our generation does not deserve its other unflattering label, that of slackers.

Gen X activists joined seasoned rabble rousers in creating the political pressure necessary to demand the release of Nelson Mandela from South African prisons and we are presently key voices in the effort to save wrongfully jailed death-row inmate Mumia Abu-Jamal.

The political agenda of Gen X activists far surpasses the classic 60s model of civil rights and racial equality. We support gay and lesbian liberation which is evident by the throngs of support shown every year for Toronto's annual pride parade by people both gay and straight.

We support the women's, not the government's decision on abortion. American president Bill Clinton's pro women's choice on abortion was a determining factor in his electoral win.

Pioneering Gen X activists like

Chris Clay are re-shaping the way society considers marijuana, not as drug but rather for its industrial and medicinal values. Among Clay's conclusions, delivered in his London trial, as cited in the *London Free Press* "... marijuana is relatively harmless; there is no hard evidence of irreversible mental damage; it does not cause criminal behavior or violence; it probably does not lead to hard drug use; consumption does not increase where marijuana is decriminalized."

It was Gen X activists who turned the world's attention to the arms race in the mid 80s and its potentially world-ending escalation. We battle corporate polluters, blockade old-growth forest loggers in Temagami and other areas while keeping a youthful eye on the next catalyst that might spark global concern.

Through increasing technological advancements Gen X activists have the ability and media savvy to reach more people than activists in the past and we do. I shake my head when I hear the label "slack-ers" to define our generation.

campus wire

University of New Brunswick
from *The Brunswickian*
UNB spends approximately \$8,000 each year on condoms. The condoms used to be handed out during Alcohol Awareness weeks, but now the university wants to make them available to students at all times. Reasons for the school's change of heart were safe sex issues, access to condoms and people's embarrassment about buying condoms. For some numbers on Humber's condom situation, check out the Et Cetera's Health section.

Queen's University
from *The Queen's Journal*
Queen's students will no longer have to hike five blocks to the A&P. The local Loblaws is providing students with a free shuttle to their store. Students in London and Ottawa already enjoy similar shuttles, but only Queen's students will have a shuttle and free public transit passes.

University of Western Ontario
from *The Gazette*
Two hundred students are living in downtown London, at the King's Inn. Western sent out guaranteed residence offers to 3,800 students. Unfortunately, there were only 3,141 beds available. Most students don't mind living at the Inn. The free bus pass, refund, and larger room help. Another solution to this numbers problem was triple occupancy in the rooms at one residence.

Good Canadian



Mark Messier

The Moose is loose in B.C.! After a rewarding stint playing for the New York Rangers, Messier balked at signing a new deal with the team. While several U.S. based hockey clubs attempted to sign the free agent to

more lucrative deals, it was the Vancouver Canucks that Messier settled on. Although he was offered more money by The Washington Capitals, Messier chose to end his career where it began, in Western Canada.

Bad Canadian



David Anderson

Brian Tobin he ain't! Our Federal Fisheries Minister; for caving in to the U.S. over the recent Pacific Coast Salmon dispute. Former Fisheries Minister Brian Tobin took military action against Spain for over-fishing in waters off

the coast of Newfoundland. Anderson, on the other hand, chose to hide behind words like diplomacy. The sad fact is Anderson is too busy kissing up to the Yanks and lambasting B.C. Premier Glen Clark, to assist and protect Canadian fishermen on the west coast and the depleting salmon stocks.

Good Canadian, Bad Canadian is brought to you by LIAM LAHEY

Biz/Tech

Et Cetera

Computers and the coffee culture

by NATHAN GORMLEY

Tech Reporter

Cybercafes, like Toronto's Electric Beanoff, are the next step in caffeine and coffeshop interaction.

The term "cybercafe" describes a place where you can sit with your friends and a warm cup of java while surfing the internet or playing computer games. Their popularity has increased with the widespread appeal of the internet and computers as everyday tools.

The Electric Bean, located at 10 Eglinton Ave., offers everything from internet access, email accounts, virtual reality machines, Sega, Nintendo, and Sony games, magazines, and, of course, home-brewed coffee and pastries. Also offered, at different times of the year are classes on the internet, and other computer-related topics.

"We expected a majority of males, ages 18-35," said Electric Bean employee Seven Rogers, "but we have customers of all ages and genders. We offer birthday parties, so even small children have access to our facilities."

Eighteen-year-old Pamela Quinn, a frequent customer of the Electric Bean, is hooked. She admits to frequenting the

Electric Bean with her girlfriends. They try out the net because they don't have a computer.

"Feel free to surf the net anywhere you like, but remember, Electric Bean is a family place," said Rogers. "We don't censor anyone, but this is a family place with no smoking or drinking. So we ask people to respect that."

The prices vary, depending on how long you play. A one hour pass is \$11.95, or 22 cents a minute, while a fifty hour pass is \$99.95, or \$1.99 an hour. Prices may seem a bit steep, but compared to the

price of owning your own computer with internet access, it's not a bad deal.

The computers and video games are all top of the line. All internet computers have one of the fastest connections, the T1. The connection makes surfing the net as quick as changing television channels. The video games available are the hottest around, from every platform available. Computer games like Quake, Command & Conquer, Duke Nukem 3D, and Warcraft 2 are networked, allowing up to eight players to compete against each other. For one or two-player

action, platform games such as Tomb Raider, Mario 64, NHL 97, and Triple Play Baseball 97 are hooked and ready for playing.

Sixteen-year-old Jonathan Mackie goes to cybercafes only for the games. "This is the only place I can play PC games with a bunch of my friends, networked together. It rocks," he said.

Indeed. When you step into the Electric Bean, you're assaulted by screams and howls of computer-generated characters battling to the death, while their human counterparts cheer in victory. Mackie was quite eager to jump into the action.

So, how is the food here? "I don't know," says Mackie. "I've never eaten here before."

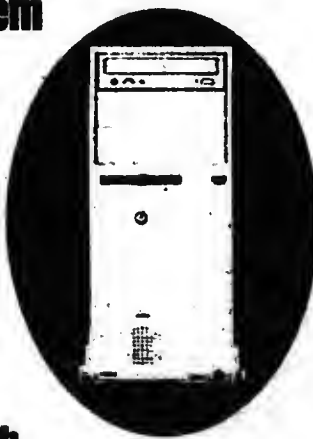


The flashy, computer-filled interior of Eglinton East's Electric Bean Cafe.

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CitySearch offers Toronto to Torontonians

by DAVID ACETO

Tech Reporter

You can now surf Toronto on the new CitySearch Website and see what it has to offer for everyone new and old to the city.

CitySearch Toronto is a new site launched September 1, by *The Toronto Star*. The site is full of information about the city, and can be used by the whole community.

"I've lived here my whole life, and there are still places and things that I don't know Toronto has to offer," said Luca Mirani, a first-year Electronics Engineering student.

With many different links on this site, there is bound to be something to interest you. The index includes a total of 159,471 locations, 1,398 events, and 710 groups of services and activities to see and do.

"A newspaper is limited in the amount of information it can provide because of the cost of newsprint. In cyberspace, space is virtually free. CitySearch is an opportunity to provide more information than ever," said Bruce Annan, publisher of Toronto CitySearch.

The site contains an unlimited amount of information. There are a variety of different links to choose from such as business and financial services, health care, law, real estate and travel. For those just looking for some fun and entertainment, CitySearch has links to movies, live music, nightclubs and bars, restaurants, shopping areas, sports, and all-round entertainment.

After only one week, the website has already experienced great success. "The site has had a quarter of a million accesses, nearly 500 e-mails from both users and customers," Annan said.

The site has a CityTalk section where you can express your opinions and read those of others about topics of local interest. Contact the site at www.starcitysearch.com and experience Toronto.

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Wicked Websites is compiled by David Aceto

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New trend borrows Old World style

by **CHRISTINE BOSKOVSKI**

Lifestyles reporter

Excitement builds as you feel it harden, and your hand begins to tingle as the cold paste seeps into your skin.

And it doesn't hurt as much as getting a tattoo.

Even the up to 12-hour wait is worthwhile when the intricate design is finally revealed.

Tattoo artists are facing some competition as people are choosing a less permanent form of body art called Mendhi.

Mendhi is the traditional Indian art form of body painting where designs are applied to women's hands or feet using a dye made from ground henna leaves.

The henna leaves are made into a thick paste and applied to a person's skin in various designs.

Depending on the color desired, Mendhi's application is painless, temporary and gaining an all new popularity.

application, the dry paste is removed to reveal a design varying from light orange to deep brown.

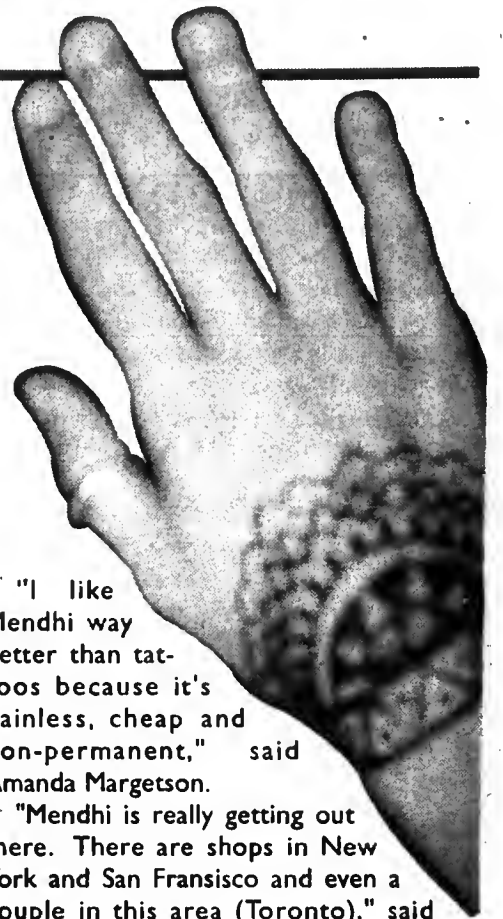
"In our culture, we'd do Mendhi for weddings and special occasions, but now it's

becoming more mainstream," said Satvinder Singh, a Mendhi artist who works at Tatarama, a tattoo shop on Bloor Street West, near Kipling Avenue.

Mendhi's popularity started growing when super-models and celebrities began sporting the new trend.

"The first time I saw Mendhi was on Demi Moore and Prince in some magazine. I thought it looked really cool and I think I'm going to do some experimenting with it," said Jennifer Johnson, a second-year Humber student.

Mendhi designs slowly fade from the skin in one to three weeks depending on how long the paste is left on the skin and how often the skin is washed. Mendhi artists can decorate an average hand or foot in about an hour, and charge around \$25 per design.



"I like Mendhi way better than tattoos because it's painless, cheap and non-permanent," said Amanda Margetson. "Mendhi is really getting out there. There are shops in New York and San Francisco and even a couple in this area (Toronto)," said Singh.

Students to cook up murder

Mystery and good food is a killer combination for student fundraising

by **BROOKE FONTYN**

Lifestyles reporter

It was a dark and stormy night, the flickering lights suddenly died as a blood curdling scream pierced the air.

No, you're not watching Wes Craven's latest flick; you are participating in the culinary students' "Murder in the Humber Room."

Culinary students will be hosting two murder mystery dinners to raise money for their International Exchange Program.

The money raised will be used in the Hospitality Recreation and Tourism's Culinary International

Exchange Program. Students will have an option to travel to Scotland as part of their program.

"We started a relationship with a college in Motherwell, Scotland to allow our students do part of their program in Scotland and the students from Scotland to do part of their program here," Michael McFadden, professor of Culinary Arts, said.

Last year 15 students, representing different schools within Hospitality and Tourism, went to Scotland on this program. In return, students from Scotland came here to experience culinary training in Canada.

"The larger expense is when the students come over here," McFadden said.

The money raised by the murder mystery dinners, bakesales and

T-shirt sales will be used on both ends of the exchange program.

Culinary co-ordinators and professors hope to expand this program to enable students to do their full traineeship overseas.

"The signing for this program will take place in the fall, which means students in January 1999 will do their final year in Scotland," McFadden said.

Future traineeships in Europe and Asia are being looked at to provide a broader culinary perspective.

"The traineeships done here in Toronto are done in the best hotels and restaurants. Toronto is a very cosmopolitan city but the international program gives students more options for their future," Anthony Bevan, co-ordinator of Culinary Programs, said.

Three-hundred possible invitations have been sent out to people within the industry. Guests will be given the opportunity to donate money to the program by silent auction, bidding on gifts or buying a table which will insure publicity for their company that night.

A professional company has been contracted to ensure a successful evening of murder and fundraising.

The two Murder Mystery Dinners will take place on Friday, October 3, and Friday, November 14.

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased through Michael McFadden at Humber College Ext. 4479 or by e-mail at hrt@admin.humberc.on.ca



Culinary students are sharpening their knivesbut can we be sure we know why?

Tattoos on the body a taboo on the job

Noticeable pierces and tattoos may influence your job prospects

by **ANDIE WADSWORTH**

Lifestyles reporter

An informal survey has shown that eight out of 10 students have encountered some form of job discrimination.

While the majority of the students dealt with problems related to their ethnicity and gender, three of the 25 students surveyed said they have been discriminated against at work because of their tattoos or facial piercings.

"I was hired on the basis that I was to wear shirts with long sleeves so that they covered up my tattoos on my inner arms," said Jacqueline Perry, a 21-year-old student in the aesthetics program at Sheridan College. She works part time at Party Supercentre, a Mississauga party supply store.

"Years ago, when I first got my tattoos, it was a problem finding work. I didn't see a reason why I shouldn't be allowed to show off my tattoos. Now, I'm used to wearing long sleeves, it's become a part of my daily routine," Perry said.

Owners argue that they are not discriminating against people, they are merely expressing their right to hire whom they see fit.

"If my clientele had facial piercing, tattoos, or a different way of

dress, then I wouldn't mind if my staff did they same. When you own a business you must see that you look after your customers 100 per cent. Otherwise you can't survive," said Les McDonald, owner of The Party Supercentre.

As well as selling party supplies, the store is involved with decorating for weddings and special events, and the clientele includes families. Since his staff works directly with clients, McDonald says his customers must feel as comfortable as possible.

"Whatever my staff does or how they look when they're not working is their own thing. However, when they come to work, they dress in a manner that appeals to the customers. I won't allow visible tattoos and facial piercing just like I won't allow midriff tops or skirts and shorts above the knee," McDonald said.

Sera Hatton, an 18-year-old Business Administration student at Humber, was suspended from her job for not removing her earrings.

"Our new dress code said that we were allowed only one earring per ear, no other pierces." Hatton did not want to reveal the name of her employer because she felt it might jeopardize her job.

"I have three small earrings in each ear, and felt no reason to remove them, but since that time, I have agreed to follow their guidelines and I'm back on the job," Hatton said.

Native powwow wows Toronto audience

Native Canadians hold traditional ceremony in honor of war veterans

by DAVY PALUMBO

Lifestyles reporter

Natives from across Canada gathered to celebrate their culture and honor aboriginal war veterans at Anishnawbe Health Toronto's third annual traditional powwow.

The veterans being honored for their bravery and courage in World War II and the Vietnam and Koren wars were joined in celebration by drum bands, dancers, aboriginal groups and curious spectators.

The Powwow, which took place at the Moss Park Armoury on August 30 and 31, allowed natives to celebrate their culture with traditional songs, chants, costumes, dances, food and ceremonies.

"This is also an event that is used for spiritual healing," said powwow co-ordinator Tina Kastris. "Dancing and singing are very powerful things for us and they have been lost."

In order to help bring the native culture to a wider audience, native dancers demonstrated different rituals during the two-day event.

In particular, dancers demonstrated smudging, where natives immerse themselves in the smoke of burning sage, one of the four sacred medicines. Tobacco, sweet grass and cedar are the other three.

"We smudge ourselves before any traditional event, and that's for cleansing of the soul," Kastris explained. "You wash yourself

with the smoke, just like people wash themselves with water. The smoke carries hopes and dreams to a great spirit."

Kastris said the idea of the Powwow is to have other cultures learn what aboriginal spirituality is about in hopes of putting a stop to racism and stereotyping.



The beat of the drum is one of the main attractions with this year's Powwow

"It can be a very healing thing for non-natives too," said Kastris, who was a volunteer at last year's powwow. "You can come and feel the music and feel the heartbeat of the drum, and listen to the singing, and it goes right through you."

Interest in the annual event has grown over the past two years and is likely to continue to grow as aboriginal awareness increases. Only four drum bands attended last year's celebration, while nine participat-

ed this year.

"We had to turn drummers down this year because we just don't have the room," said Kastris. "To see that response and the number of dancers that are here is showing that it's working."

Darrell Bernard, the drummer for The

warriors dancing in a circular motion. The head dancers, one male and one female, led out the veterans, as well as young natives for their first dance, as is customary in their culture.

The dances have special traditional meanings and are performed in accordance with the song or chant being played.

"We dance for people we've lost in battles," said Les Harper the head male dancer for the event. "A lot of times, we mimic battles or hunting, and we show how we kept our families." Harper is a well-known active participant in the community.

Dancers wear colorful items such as eagle feathers that are symbolic of their customs.

"Different colors have special meaning to the individuals themselves," said Harper. "A lot of dancers wear colors that were given to them in a ceremony."

Last year's powwow honored Leonard Whitebird, who had the idea of holding an annual Powwow three years ago. He died two-and-a-half years ago, but his dream for natives to have a place to go for healing experiences lives on.

This year's powwow honored veterans who fought for not only their people, but their country. It is ultimately a cultural celebration for aboriginal Canadians who want to keep their heritage alive.

For those who may be interested in participating in a traditional powwow, or merely want to learn more about native culture, an international powwow is scheduled for November 29 and 30, at the SkyDome.

Son's of Membertou, a drum band that played at the powwow explained the meaning behind their songs.

"A lot of our songs are really old traditional songs like flag songs, veterans' songs or honor songs. They're meant to honor the elders, and honor the flags and the veterans, who are held in very high esteem in our culture," said Bernard.

The powwow dancers, dressed in traditional costumes, seemed to emulate native

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Meet the driving force behind SAC, Shirley Forde

Solicitors beware of SAC V.P. Nikki Dhaliwal

High-tech wizardry catches on at north campus library

What's SAC spending your money on?

Forde a driving force

by MONICA DOGRA
Special Section Reporter

When first meeting Shirley Forde, president of the Students' Association Council, her calm demeanor seems to reflect her lifestyle, but appearances are deceiving.

The 35 to 40 hours she spends in the SAC office are the easy part of her week.

"I have a good understanding of what most students go through..."

- Shirley Forde

The 22-year-old president is also a full-time student in the business administration program. On weekends she works Saturdays and volunteers at her church youth group.

"I love to be busy or I don't think I am doing anything. Plus it's good time-management skills" said Forde.

She ran for student office because she likes to get involved.

"I like to help people. I have been a part of the SAC, and I have a lot of knowledge with dealing with these types of issues."

Forde was vice president last year, and prior to that, vice president of finance.

Her 17-hour-a-week class schedule does not stop her from participating in a variety of committees aside from her duties as SAC president.

"If a student has a problem, I'll listen. I have a good understanding of

what most students go through because I'm a student myself. I'm familiar with different religions and cultures."

Forde is a woman who stands up for what she believes in and does not back down.

"If I think I'm right, and I have proof that I'm right to back me up, I'll trust my instincts and go with what I believe in. I don't believe in changing my opinions to suit other people. So I won't."

Forde has an axe to grind with the faculty.

"Faculty just don't listen to what we have to say. They treat us like we

are kids. The average age of the student population is 27. They think we're here for fun and games. I want them to understand that our concerns are valid too."

Forde is hoping for a lot of input from students once they become more aware of SAC and the role they can play.

"By encouraging communication we'll improve awareness because people don't know we're here. We want to get a newsletter to let Humber students know what is going on with the SAC. I just want people to feel free to come and visit us."



SAC President Shirley Forde kicks back in her office.

How your money is spent

Student Fees

SAC	\$27.10
Athletics	\$21.98
Student development fund	\$6.57
CSA Administration	\$6.35
Total	\$62.00

Expenses

Services	\$231,188.08
Administration	\$278,610.26
Programming	\$130,173.92
Total	\$639,972.26

Revenue

Services	\$111,500.00
Administration	\$514,472.26
Programming	\$14,000.00
Incidental Fees	\$509,972.26
Misc.	\$1,000.00
Total	\$639,972.26

source: SAC

V.P. plans for death of salesmen

by CINDY GOMBOS
Special Section Reporter

Getting rid of those pesky salesmen is one thing SAC Vice President Nikki Dhaliwal wants to do this year on council.

If you are a second or third year student, you might remember being asked to buy perfume, Glamour Shots, or to be an extra in a movie.

Dhaliwal wants this to stop so she's trying to implement the Students Against Solicitors program.

"I'm currently working with security to arrange something with that. Many students complained they were being harassed by people to buy things," she said.

Dhaliwal has completed the Paralegal program and is in the second semester of the Business Management program.

The 20-year-old, who lives in Malton, was last year's Business rep and Special Events director of SAC.

"She's very energetic, easy to talk to, and understanding," commented SAC president Shirley Forde.

Dhaliwal said, "I ran for vice president because I think there are changes that are necessary and the things I wanted to do fell into the description of the vice president."

One of the things that she felt need-

ed to be changed was the student handbook.

"I wasn't quite satisfied with the handbook. I was using three different tools to get everything done because they didn't provide enough space or information (in last year's handbook)."

The handbook is smaller than last year, but has an added teachers directory, a place to record marks, and more space to write in.

Another thing Dhaliwal wants to

"Open up and talk to people around you. If you're standing in line, strike up a conversation. Take advantage of what SAC has to offer because you pay for it."

do is to use student groups to direct the changing needs of students and to have a mandatory bulletin of all SAC divisional representatives and all division offices.

"We are still in the process of doing that because we have by-elections coming up, so I want to do it all at

once," she said.

Dhaliwal said she wants to improve student clubs, and to increase interaction with students through more SAC awareness.

"I want to see a lot more involvement from the students. I'm going to be attending the clubs' meetings and events," she said.

Her advice to first-year students trying to cope with life at Humber is to get out and meet people.

"Open up and talk to people around you. If you're standing in line, strike up a conversation. Take advantage of what SAC has to offer because you pay for it. We are trying to make that transition easier for students or at least a little easier," said Dhaliwal. "We're here for you. Come and say, 'Hi.' We'd like to meet all of you. We have an open door policy."

She suggests students take full advantage of what SAC has to offer along with the other programs in the school, like athletics, peer-tutoring, and counselling.

On Thursday, September 11, comedian Rick Bronson will be back by popular demand in Caps. The show starts at 2 p.m. On Friday, Big Sugar will be performing at Caps. The show starts at 8 and the tickets are \$10.



SAC Vice President Nikki Dhaliwal



Humber College's north campus library is now offering a new on-line database.

High-tech additions changing library's role

by CARRIE BRADLEY
Special Section Reporter

Humber's North campus library is keeping up with the latest technology with a new on-line database that will make researching a lot easier for student.

The database, known as EBSCO Host, is available on three (soon to be four) computers and contains information from over 1,000 full text journals.

"We only had it installed last Friday, but it is working well. The number of journals available is extensive and it is a valuable resource for the students," said Lynne Bentley, the Reference/Systems librarian.

The database allows students to search by source or subject and you have the option of printing the information or saving it to disk.

EBSCO Host is replacing an older system called Proquest which Bentley says was expensive to maintain and forced students to print all the information.

The library will soon be able to place its listings against the new database so information not found directly on the system

can be located within the library.

Bentley said she hopes in the future the library will be able to offer services to EBSCO Host through Humber College On-line (HCOL).

"Students who have registered through HCOL and have a modem can dial in from home and have access to the database," she said.

The annual subscription cost is funded by the college's Technology Fund which also provided the library with six new Dell computers.

This year's advancements are in addition to the On-line Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) installed last year.

The OPAC allows students to access not only resources in Humber's library but those at the University of Toronto, the National Library of Canada, the Library of Congress and a few others. Future plans include adding more computers with Internet access to the current six which operate on a first-come, first-served basis.

"There is quite a demand and I wish we had more. We are inadequate in the number of

machines," said Bentley.

She added that a library web site may be viable one or two years down the road.

In the meantime, information on the library and its services can be found on the library home page (<http://www.humber.on.ca/~library>).

CD-ROM is yet another resource the library offers and a variety of different databases are available on the local network.

Popular databases include Canadian News Disc, Computer Select and Canadian Business Current Affairs which contains information from 550 newspapers and magazines.

Students can also take advantage of the audiovisual/presentation equipment such as camcorders, multimedia computers and slide projectors available in the media centre.

Although there is study space available on all five floors of the library, it's no longer just a quiet place to read.

It has become a well-equipped, high-tech outlet that helps students learn.

Intercultural Centre provides support system

by ERIKA FORD
Special Section Reporter

Tucked away in a corner, Humber's Intercultural Centre is easy to miss.

The centre may not initially seem to promise much with a blue and white sticker on a plain white door.

Don't be fooled by appearances.

Inside, the centre is vibrantly decorated with posters and artifacts from many countries, and staff members are friendly and eager to make you feel at home.

"Students know the bookstore, the games room, Caps, and maybe the library, but they don't know the Intercultural Centre," said Dalcyce Newby, Intercultural Center co-ordinator and international student advisor.

The Intercultural Centre provides a support system for international students who are separated from family, country and culture while studying at Humber.

It offers a unique program called "Humber Friends of International Students."

The program pairs up senior students with international students to help them adjust to

campus life and offer them advice and information about Humber and the Toronto area. The centre also provides the students with health insurance and information regarding immigration inquiries and employment regulations.

During the school year, the centre works with SAC and various clubs to put on cultural events to raise awareness around the college.

Bulletin boards at the centre provide information about various cultures and countries of the world.

The centre's services are not aimed solely at international students.

"Some people think they're excluded because they're not international," Newby said. "That's not true, everyone is welcome."

Non-international students can use the Intercultural Centre for information on studying or working abroad, cultural resources for projects, and referrals to cultural clubs and associations on campus and off.

The Intercultural Centre is located at the North campus in room A101. It is open Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



You are Humber

"In the first week, I would've expected more social activities going on. I don't know much about SAC but obviously they're very active, which is good."

- Amy Whittingham
1st. Year Radio
Broadcasting

"I think Humber's great already. There are plenty of facilities."

-Maria Niro
2nd. Year Travel and
Tourism

"It's my first week! I'll take it day by day. I chose Humber because it offers a good program."

-Joe Schpiani
1st. Year Business



Et Cetera Health

Protection goes both ways

Researchers test a new kind of birth control for men

by TAMMY SEDORE

Health Reporter

Condoms are the only form of birth control, except for vasectomies, available to men — for now anyway.

There is a new injection type of birth control for men that has been tested on a group of volunteers, but doctors are unsure when this new form of contraceptive will be available for distribution.

Dr. Jerald Bain, a reproductive endocrinologist at Mount Sinai Hospital, explained why it is taking so long to be perfected.

"A chemical contraceptive is different for men because sperm is produced constantly. Birth control for women is easier to conceive of because it inhibits ovulation once every month," Bain said.

The injection form of male birth control was introduced in 1996 but has not been perfected. It does, in most cases, stop sperm from being produced, but the long term effects are unknown. Researchers keep testing the products to make sure they won't produce long term

infertility, or reduce the male sex drive.

A pill form of male birth control has also been introduced and tested, but has not been released because of the uncertainty of long term effects.

"To invent a contraceptive for males, you need to consider one of two things — a chemical that will stop the production of sperm, or that will interfere with their ability to fertilize eggs," Bain said.

This is why a weekly injection was developed. The contraceptive, released into a muscle, consists of the male hormone, testosterone. When injected, the body produces a hormone overload, signalling the testicles to shut down testosterone production. The result — no sperm.

It takes about two to three months before the sperm count is low enough to be considered infertile. If a couple is considering children after that time, the man stops having the weekly injection, and his sperm count will slowly become normal again.

The injection has been tested and proven effective, but has a few side effects. Men should not be discouraged. The pill for women has side effects too, ranging from weight gain to nausea.

The worst side effect reported

for men was acne.

But Bain has discovered a huge drawback with the injection.

"Some men, despite continuous use, have an upsurge of sperm production," he said.

But some women are pleased with the prospect of sharing the responsibility.

"I think it's great. It's about time men started taking responsibility," said Crystal Hearty, a recent Early Childhood Education graduate of Humber College.

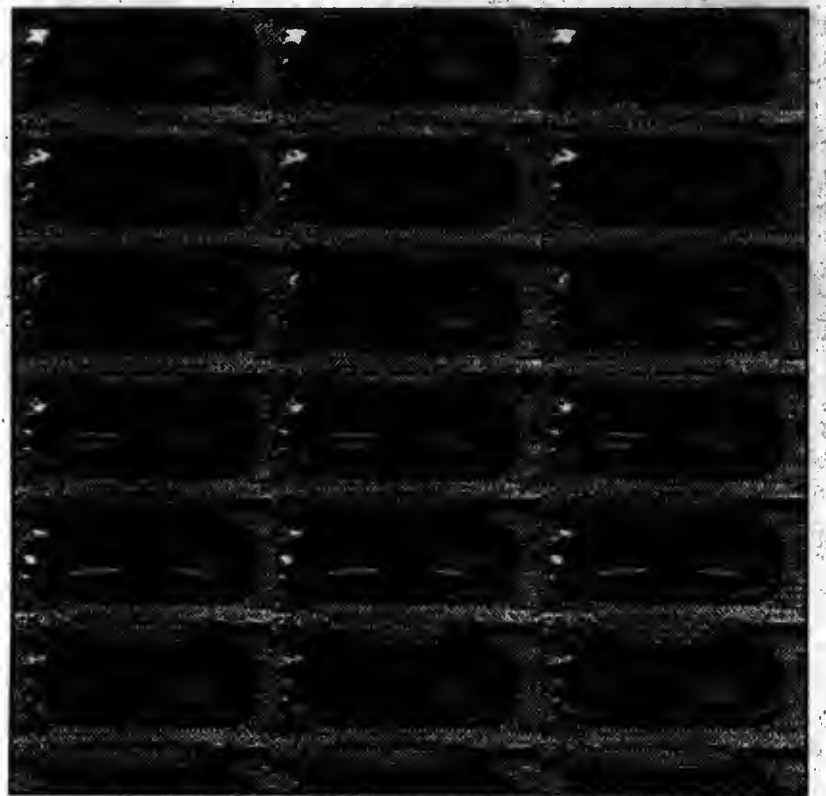
Leslie Campbell, a first-year hotel and restaurant management student, disagreed.

"I wouldn't suggest them. You don't know about the side effects. Maybe if they were out for a few years, then I'd trust them," she said.

What do men think about this new contraceptive?

"I don't think they will ever be as popular as the pill for women, because guys won't want to go through the hassle," said Todd Dallimore, a third-year computer programming student.

Bain also works as a professor of medicine at the University of Toronto, and as a medical director for the Health Institute for Men at the Kings Health Centre. He spends most of his time studying this new form of birth control,



Humber Health Fact

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something he has been developing since 1978.

But Bain said these new forms of protection will not be available

just yet.

"We just really haven't found the ideal substance that is effective and acceptable," he said.

No cure for obsessions

by LAURA SCRIVER

Health Reporter

Imagine thinking you were so dirty you washed your hands until they were cracked, red and raw.

This is just one manifestation of a disease called Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. Once thought to be a rare disease, recent studies by the National Institute of Mental Health have shown as many as two per cent of the population may be affected. OCD is more common than schizophrenia and other severe mental illnesses.

Both males and females are equally affected by this disease, and it can strike at anytime. The most common symptoms begin during the teenage years or young adulthood.

This is what happened to 25-year-old Joel Dickinson.

"I don't know exactly how it started, but it was shortly after I got in a car accident when I was 19 or 20. I hit my head on the steering wheel, and from that point on I started going over things," he said.

Dickinson remembered the day it happened. He was at work helping his boss carry a shipment out. "I just started going over what I was doing again and again, retracing my steps and talking to myself."

His mother, Carol, recalled her son's

behavior pattern. "He had this routine where he couldn't walk downstairs in the morning unless he stood at the top of the stairs and retraced the steps of everything he had done since he woke up. When he got to the bottom of the stairs he would do it over again, always looking over his shoulder, retracing steps," she said.

He believed everything he touched was dirty and compulsively washed his hands hundreds of times a day, his mother said.

"He lost weight — almost to the point of being anorexic and was constantly hyper and

"I lost my life because of this. You can think about tomorrow, but I can't. I can only think about what's happening today."

- Joel Dickinson

agitated. He also started talking to himself," she said.

OCD includes many disorders such as anorexia nervosa, Tourette Syndrome and a number of phobias, said psychiatrist Dr. Frank Lewis.

"Some people may have to drive to work via a particular route, or they won't go.

Some won't get out of bed in the morning when their alarm goes off at 6 a.m. unless they count to six first. Some people compulsively pull their hair out until they are bald. Others are into self-mutilation, and some have sexual compulsions," he said.

Sufferers are often able to keep their disease a secret and do not seek help. For others, the compulsions become so bad the person can no longer leave their house, Lewis said.

"I lost my life because of this," said Dickinson. "You can think about tomorrow, but I can't. I can only think about what's happening today, which is what I'm constantly doing. I've also lost my memory because of it."

Many different medications, mainly anti-depressants, are used to relieve symptoms. The three most common are called clomipramine, fluvoxamine and fluoxetine. Dickinson said he takes clomipramine, fluoxetine, and prozac every day to control his disorder.

The behavior therapy many OCD patients receive from psychiatrists is covered by OHIP. Behavior therapy involves deliberately exposing the patient to the feared object or idea, then discouraging or preventing the usual compulsive response. For example, a compulsive hand washer may

be urged to touch something "dirty," then denied the opportunity to wash for several hours.

"This therapy has really helped Joel improve," said Dickinson's mother. "He is now able to touch things without washing his hands and is able to go out without going

"He believed everything he touched was dirty and compulsively washed his hands hundreds of times a day."

- Carol Dickinson

over every detail of the day's events. They really gave him positive reinforcement and taught him how to relieve his stress."

There is no cure for OCD but, according to Lewis, there are options.

"With the help of medication and therapy, persons with this illness can learn to control their impulses and thus become functional in society," he said.

If you would like more information or believe you may be suffering from OCD, seek the help of a mental health professional or call the Anxiety Disorders & Phobias Counselling Services at (416)208-7000.

Birth control accessible at Humber's Health Centres

Staff counsel students about sex and provide protection against STD's

by **DANA JAMES**

Health Reporter
Humber's Health and Service Centres help students protect themselves from STD's and unwanted pregnancies.

At both the North and the Lakeshore Campuses, the Health Centre offers condoms, birth control and the emergency contraceptive pill. The staff counsels students to make them aware of their options if they do become pregnant.

Marg Anne Jones, co-ordinator of the North Campus Health Centre said, "The staff is really non-judgmental. We try not to be directive and try to make people come to their own decisions."

The Health Centre sells birth control pills for \$7. Any student wanting to purchase them at the

Health Centre needs to bring in a doctor's prescription. A receipt from the drugstore won't do. Documentation of the most recent PAP smear and physical is also required. If a student is not on the pill, the Centre will arrange for an appointment with the school physician.

If obtaining the proper documentation from a family doctor is difficult, there are "release of information" forms to sign in the Health Centre and the information can be easily obtained. A "pill screening sheet" should also be filled out and an appointment made with a nurse to review information about the pill.

The Health Centre provides the emergency contraceptive pill to women who have had unprotected sex or have had a condom break.

The Health Centre provides the emergency contraceptive pill to women who have had unprotected sex.

This pill can be taken up to 72 hours after intercourse but taking it as soon as possible increases the chances of its success.

"This pill can be used as an opportunity to help women and to give them a second chance," Jones said.

Confidential pregnancy tests are also available for \$7. The staff at the Health Centre offer emotional support and counselling. They explain in detail the options that are available to students if they decide keep the baby, put it up for adoption, or have an abortion.

The Health Centre provides counselling on sexuality and relationships, and teaches students to protect themselves from sexually transmitted diseases.

The Centres are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. At the North Campus the centre is located in room K137 and Dr. Parmila Sehgal is available on Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays 1:30-3:30 p.m. Dr. Jerry Brail is available Thursdays 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The Lakeshore Campus Health Centre is located in room A110 and Dr. Anita Singh is available on Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.



In need of medical attention or just want some advice? North Campus Health Centre provides students with birth control pills and counselling.

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Representatives Required

School of Liberal Arts & Sciences	1
School of Business	0
School of Horticulture, Fashion & Design	1
School of Architecture & Construction	2
School of Health Sciences	3
School of Media Studies	1
School of Manufacturing	3
School of Information, Technology, Accounting & Electronics	3
School of Hospitality, Recreation & Tourism	1

Lakeshore Campus

(Nominations Close Thursday September 25th @ 4:00pm)

Representatives Required

School of Liberal Arts & Sciences	1
School of Business	2
School of Performing Arts	3
School of Social & Community Services	3

Nomination Packages Available in the SAC Offices

September 18th @ 9:00 until September 25th @ noon for Lakeshore & 4:00pm for North

Entertainment

Seven Years In Tibet hit of festival

Toronto festival considered best in the world

by RYAN SIMPER
Entertainment Reporter

Grab your popcorn and get a good seat. The 22nd annual Toronto International Film Festival has arrived.

The festival, formerly known as the Festival of Festivals, has undergone countless changes through the years. It started out as a speck in the International Film Festival circuit in 1976. According to the *Los Angeles Times*, it is now the number one film festival in the world.

This year's festival features 281 films from 58 countries, many of them making their world premiere.

Among the films is Canadian director Atom Egoyan's *The Sweet Hereafter*. It was the opening night gala attraction at Roy Thompson Hall.

In a statement, Egoyan said, "In the face of tragedy, we are tested for our fortitude and faith." This statement formed the premise of *The Sweet Hereafter*. Ironically the story is about the aftermath of an accident that killed a bus load of

children, and Princess Diana died in a car accident one week before the film's debut.

"We are all at the point right now, this week especially, where we had to come to terms with something that just happened. There was a need to assign blame. There was this immediate need to rationalize and understand. It's a way to respond," Egoyan said at a press conference.

One of the most awaited films at the festival is the world premiere of Jean-Jacques Annaud's *Seven Years In Tibet*, starring Brad Pitt and David Thewlis.

Pitt plays Heinrich Harrer, a self-obsessed adventurer, who with his team led by Peter Aufschnaiter (Thewlis), attempts to climb Nanga Parbat, one of the highest peaks in the Himalayas. The self-centered Harrer seeks only the recognition that comes with glory, but he eventually finds far more when he meets and tutors the young Dalai Lama.

Seven Years In Tibet will close the festival, and might be the biggest film of the event.

"A star like Brad Pitt brings people to the theatre," festival director Piers Handling said. "This year's closing night gala should be one of the biggest ever."

The gala program is the biggest attraction at the festival, but many smaller films are making their debuts in programs like Special Presentations, The Masters, Perspective Canada, Contemporary World Cinema, Discovery, Planet Africa, Reel to Real, Dialogues, Balkan Cinema and the Director's Spotlight.

The Masters is a new program being featured at the festival. Handling developed the program to honor the top filmmakers in the world.

"These filmmakers have proven themselves to be the acknowledged masters of the cinema. They have had illustrious careers, won numerous international awards with their films, and we are proud to bring them together in a program that acknowledges their contributions," Handling said.

Among the directors being honored in the Masters program is China's Zhang Yimou.

Yimou's latest film, *Keep Cool*, an urban romantic comedy, will premiere Friday. The film, about a young man who becomes entangled in the relationship between a stylish woman and a book clerk lover, marks a different direction for one of China's most versatile, and celebrated, filmmakers.

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What's On

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Thursday

Singing out: The Lesbian and Gay Chorus of Toronto, Bloor St. United Church
Rick Bronson, comedian, Caps: 2 p.m.

Friday

Morrissey, Massey Hall
Big Sugar, Caps: 10 p.m.
Ninja Tune UK, Opera House

Saturday

Scrappy Bitch Tour, The Rivoli
A Clockwork Orange, Paradise Cinema

Sunday

Harbourfront Reading Series, Harbourfront Centre
Wild Bodies New paintings by Martin Lamb at Evicta 3042 Dundas W until Sept 20
CFL Football Toronto vs. Hamilton, Skydome, 2 p.m.

Monday

Pizzicato, Lee's Palace

Tuesday

Blur, Smash Mouth, King Cobb
Steelie, Varsity
Luna with Snow Pony, Opera House

Wednesday

Premiere Party Of Five, Fox and Global

Author tells Canada to fix own problems

by DUSTIN DINOFF
Entertainment Reporter

Michael Moore commented on politics, justice and anything else he could think of at a recent book signing in Toronto.

Humorist and filmmaker Moore signed copies of his book *Downsize This* at Chapters, on Bloor Street, immediately after attending a screening of his new documentary *The Big One*, on Saturday.

The Big One premiered as part of the Toronto International Film Festival, and is Moore's first full-length documentary since *Roger & Me*.

"We really love Toronto and the people here, and their sense of social justice and their understanding of irony and satire.

Something we hope to bring to the American public some time in the next century," Moore said.

If you are sick of how things are being run in this country, you can join Mike's militia.

Moore's book, *Downsize This*, is a no-holds-barred review of his comedic rantings, but it isn't all meant to be funny. While giving his views on why he believes former presidential candidate Steve Forbes is an alien, he also discusses the seriousness of downsizing and corporate welfare.

"I don't know what the statistics are in this country," he said. "But in America we hand out three times as much for corporate welfare as we do for social welfare, yet it never gets discussed in the welfare debate. I really believe that a society can be judged on how it treats the least among them. The last thing I need to see is for you (Canadians) to become like us (Americans)," Moore said.

Moore also encouraged Canada to look at itself. "You worry so much about the Americanization of Canada in terms of culture, Hollywood and whatever. I would certainly be concerned with this Reagan-era imitation that you continue to have in process here in this country," he said.

Ezra Goldstein, a theatre student at George Brown college said. "I think he's definitely a maverick." He admires Moore for taking up the "causes and grievances" of

the common laborer. "He says the things that main stream media won't or are ignorant of ... things that need to be said," Goldstein said.

Moore took the time at the book signing to mention that the BBC will be funding a new season of his series *TV Nation*. Moore hopes it will return to television in the spring or summer of 1998.

However, the network it will be aired on is not yet known.

Moore believes that the Republicans and Democrats in the U.S. cater to one group of people -- the rich, and the common American has no one to speak for them. Moore said that he is firmly behind three new American political parties: the Labour Party, the Green Party and the New Party.

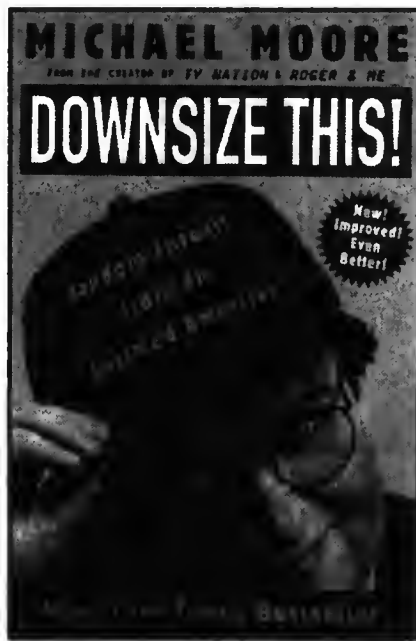
"I try and be supportive of all of those parties in hopes that one will become popular among the non-voters, who now make up the largest block in the country."

It was suggested to Moore that if he thinks he knows what is wrong with America, that he should run for office with one of these new parties and fix it.

"I did run for office when I was 18 and retired at 22," he said. "Now I'm counting on you to do it."

Moore added if you are sick of how things are being run in this country, you can join Mike's militia.

"It's the militia for all the people who don't carry guns," he said. "You (can) join by getting on to our website at www.michaelmoore.com, and you will get your orders on how to turn Canada around in the near future."



Jr. Brown falls out of orbit

by GREG MACDONALD

Entertainment Reporter

Planet of Junior Brown is an engaging but unsatisfying film.

Conventional films have a catchy beginning, a middle that develops characters and builds conflict, and an ending that resolves the story. Not necessarily a happy ending, but one that answers more questions than it raises.

Director Clement Virgo's follow-up to Rud, is an adaptation of a 1971 young-adult novel by Virginia Hamilton. The central character, Junior Brown, is an obese, Chopin-playing piano prodigy who retreats into a fantasy world to escape his severe, overprotective mother, the rejection of his absent father, and his abusive music teacher.

The film chronicles Junior's increasing dependence on Buddy Clark, an orphaned street child, to save his sanity.

Both Martin Villafana, who plays Junior, and Rainbow Sun Francks, who portrays Buddy, turn in very solid performances.

Some powerful scenes are effectively contrasted. Soon after an intense depiction of brutal gang violence, we see Junior's awkward, self-conscious exchange with a girl that leads to his first kiss.

This movie is a collage of scenes strung together rather than a story that progresses logically. The odd, optimistic ending is typical of the entire film. We don't know how it happened or what happens next.



Humber jazz student slamming the skins for marks at Lakeshore.

Jazz program full blast

by ANDERSON KHAN

Entertainment Reporter

Humber's Jazz studies program is the place to be for serious musicians.

Established in 1972, the music program at Humber's Lakeshore Campus continues to make a name for itself, both nationally and internationally. With a faculty, consisting of active musicians and master teachers, students receive the best in jazz education.

According to Humber's Director of Music Eddie Sossin, the program hasn't required many changes since its inception.

"We've always concentrated on performance. The program has improved in the sense that students have a wider range of core subjects to choose from than they did five years ago. Our enrolment also gets stronger every year both in numbers and talent. In general, the program has always been successful. There's no use changing something that works," he said.

Sossin says that recent government cutbacks have made things a bit more difficult but the program will continue to flourish.

"We hope to keep the numbers up as usual. Some elective courses have been eliminated because of cutbacks, but the core is still fully intact. We will continue to make sure that students receive the best training possible," he said.

Joel Joseph, a saxophone student, says Humber's music program is one of the best.

"The program is excellent. The faculty is extremely supportive of its students. I'm very confident in my abilities and the teachers are always willing to help. The school also allows independent bands from Humber to rehearse when rooms aren't being used," Joseph said.

Humber's ensembles play in one showcase per semester. Joseph is so confident in the program's talents that he believes there should be at least two or three showcases per semester.

"The students of the music program need more interaction with other Humber College students. The bands should be playing at games and other functions at both campuses," Joseph said.

The music program is more than just conventional jazz studies. There are many ensembles that play different variations of the genre such as acid jazz, rhythm and blues, and classical jazz. There are also ensembles like The Bluejackets that play commercial music from The Artist to Stevie Wonder.

The music faculty at Humber College have a CD entitled, *The Elders are Listening* with remakes of songs such as Bella Rosa, Groove Merchant and Embraceable You. For more information about the CD or the music department, contact Eddie Sossin, Director of Music at (416) 675-6622 x3428.

Sorry, we're closed

by KATE MANGNALL

Entertainment Reporter

The sun has set on Toronto drive-ins.

The Hwy 27 and 7, and the 400 drive-ins both closed for the last time on Labor Day weekend.

Because of lower costs and more freedom, drive-ins have been a refuge for college students, young families with children, and smokers.

Many Humber students remember being put into their pyjamas by their parents, and taken to a drive-in.

With the current recession, many young couples still found it convenient, and it gave them the opportunity for a night out, but didn't kill their budgets.

Jesse Rudy, a drafting student, went with his girlfriend almost every other weekend to the 400 drive-in. But they made the special effort to go to the Hwy 27 and 7 before it closed.

"Where else can you go and see two movies for the price of

one?" Rudy said.

The 400 site will be made into a 350 seat multi-centre similar to the Coliseum in Mississauga. It will have 18 screens with stadium-type seating. Famous Players has no plans for the 27 and 7 site yet.

Dennis Kucherawy, a spokesperson for Famous Players said, "Drive-ins are on the demise. What is coming is better. The attraction to the multi-centres are beyond our beliefs."

Heidi Small, an international marketing student, was surprised with the closures. "I didn't know about it 'til my roommate told me," Small said.

Kucherawy said the public was informed through all forms of media. "The announcement of the closures was on the front page of *The Star*, and on all major radio stations," she said.

Kucherawy said the final weekend was sold out at both theatres. Drive-ins in Toronto now belong to a by-gone era.

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The World According to Fox

17 years later
Doug Fox is still
going strong

by HIMANI EDIRIWEERA

Sports Reporter

In each sport, only one team can be champions every year, but Humber's Athletic Director, Doug Fox wants to see that all his athletes leave Humber College feeling victorious.

Seventeen years ago, Fox began coaching men's basketball at Humber College.

"I enjoyed the practices and the social part of it, and I enjoyed the relationships with the players," he said.

After 10 years of coaching, he was offered the position as Humber's Athletic Director. However, his success goes far beyond his career.

He found coaching increasingly stressful and it left little time for other commitments.

"With all the travelling that's

involved (at this level), it was too much time, and I had a young family," said Fox.

While completing his degree in Physical Education, Fox played for the University of Toronto's basketball team for five years. With credits to his name like MVP, and league All Star, Fox was recognized for his talents.

Fox feels that his recognition comes from the continual support he gives the athletes at Humber. The awards that he has received are meaningful to him because it shows him on a personal level that he is working hard. He said awards are important to the person who gets them because they give some recognition of the things you have accomplished.

"But more so-I try to make sure that the athletes here enjoy the experience with the sport. Then the self-esteem will be built. There's only one winner every year, so it's impossible for everyone to be a champion," Fox said.

It is more important to Fox that the athletes feel a sense of accomplishment, and get all the

support they need while they are playing.

"You really try to help them so they walk out thinking, 'What a great experience'."

Fox has not patterned himself after any one individual. He has many role models, but spoke specifically about NBA coach Pat Riley because Riley is a coach that has respect for his players, who in turn, work exceptionally hard for him.

"When I'm doing my job, I look after students, athletes, and all those other people. That itself makes the job rewarding. I don't need praise from the people above. So, I think that's the type of person I see in Riley. He's a player's coach."

Fox shares his successes and his defeats with the athletes. His greatest success? The men's basketball team winning their first national championship.

His greatest defeat is missing the provincial championships with the men's volleyball team.

"I think we've had the talent to



Humber athletic director Doug Fox respects his athletes and staff, and they respect him in return.

win the provincial championship in the past couple of years, but we haven't," said Fox. "I'm also realizing that it takes a lot of patience and perseverance, and they will

win eventually."

Through the years, Fox has remained positive about all the "what ifs" and the "could have beens" instead of the negatives.

On par 'fore' success

Entering its
second year, Humber's
golf team prepares to
defend its title

by JOHN CHICK

Sports Reporter

When Doug Fox came up with the idea of a Humber College golf team last year, he wasn't expecting the kind of turnout he got.

Now, in year two, he wasn't surprised when 70 people showed up for last Monday's tryout at the Hunter's Glen Golf Club.

"It's definitely been a success," said Fox, the Humber athletic director, whose team won the provincial championship last year.

"It was started up to see if there was interest, and now that we've sparked the interest, we have a lot of people trying out," said Fox.

Monday's tryout paired down the 70 hopefuls to 25, who will compete for the three available spots on the team in a one-day tryout September 11.

"Last year, in the first year, we didn't know what to expect," said Fox, who had 25 people try out last year.

success in terms of gold medals in our first year."

Humber Golf Management student Patrick Treude, who won the provincial individual gold medal last year, is the only player assured of a spot on this year's team.

Two of last year's team members, John Kerr and Ian Carraway, have found themselves in competition for spots this year. The many talented players discovered in tryouts have surpassed the expectations of Fox.

That is a problem coach Grant Fraser can afford. He has plenty of choices in the pool of talent available to him.

Fox said he doesn't see the connection between the growing interest in golf at Humber and the increase of successful young professionals, like Tiger Woods. He points out that potential team members have been involved with golf for longer than stars like Woods have been famous.

The team's relatively low budget of \$2,000 may soon increase, if Fox and athletic directors of other schools successfully initiate a championship on the national level, expanding from the current provincial varsity program.

Once the four-man team is chosen, its first test comes September 20 when they compete in a tournament at the University Ottawa.



Awarding excellence and participation

by CINDY STEINMAN

Sports Reporter

The Humber athletic department plans to reward athletes for participation as well as excellence.

The Varsity Alumni Association is working on an awards package that acknowledges student athletes for taking part in school athletics.

"We are hoping to implement this by the end of this year for our awards banquet," said Doug Fox, Humber's athletic director.

The awards package being discussed spans a three-year period. If a student takes part in Humber athletics for one year, he or she will receive a certificate. Two years merits a plaque bearing a bronze "H," and three years entitles the student to a Humber watch.

"You don't win without everybody," Fox said.

He said he believes the new awards program will help the students and athletes understand that no matter how well they play, they deserve recognition.

The awards package gives the athletic department a chance to honor all student athletes.

Photographs are hung in the hall outside of the gym as a "makeshift" Hall of Fame started by Fox years ago.

"There was no formal beginning to our Hall of Fame," said Fox. "It was a way to give recognition to athletes."

Fox is trying to find an alternative way to recognize athletes who have had exceptional careers, but do not meet the criteria for having their numbers retired.

"Players like [past basketball stars] Steve McGregor and Jason Daley are an example of that," Fox said. "The criteria has to be formalized, it is too tough. People have to be All-Canadian before they have their number retired."

There is no formal criteria in deciding which pictures go up. Team pictures are posted every year, along with any awards winners. Athletics staff, as well as the athletes, help decide who will win the award for that given year.

"One new award is created every year to acknowledge behavior and expertise," said Fox.

The criteria that must be met, in order for a student athlete to be recognized by the new awards program, are participation and graduation. The primary goal of the program is to encourage all athletes to strive harder.

"Participation before excellence," said Fox. "That's what we want to stress."

Jays looking to their future flock

by **JOE SILVA**

Sports Reporter

The 1997 Toronto Blue Jays have disappointed their fans.

This year's squad was tabbed as being a contender but quickly became a rebuilding project for next season.

The question facing Jays fans now is: Where does the team go from here?

"They have to add at least one, maybe two more big bats, and depending on how Erik Hanson and Juan Guzman come back from their injuries, maybe another starting pitcher," said Scott Ferguson, host of *Baseball Today* for the Telemidia Sports Network/Fan 590. Ferguson said he thinks that the Jays are not that far away from being contenders for next season.

Ferguson was not the only one to suggest that the Jays were in need of more pop at the plate. Etobicoke resident, Lee Brucculeri, 39, has followed the Jays since their inception into the league. "They need a new power hitter.

They need someone to complement Delgado. They need to produce more runs to take the pressure off the defense and their



Carlos Delgado, the loudest bat in the Jays' lineup this year.

pitching," he said.

The hitting, rather than the

pitching, has been more of a problem with fans than anything else. The Jays sported an anemic offense, but managed one of the league's best team Earned Run Averages(ERA) thanks, in large part, to "The Rocket" Roger Clemens and last year's American League Cy Young award winner, Pat Hentgen. Some fans think Cito Gaston is at the core of all that went wrong.

Cito-bashers were out in full force this season again. Outfielder Jose Cruz Jr., obtained from the Seattle Mariners at the trading deadline, has fans forgetting the pre-season moves for second baseman Carlos Garcia, and catcher Benito Santiago. Neither produced their expected numbers. Cruz seems to be the one Jay whom fans are really excited about. He is expected to excel next season.

Brucculeri went as far as comparing the young outfielder to for-



Jose Cruz Jr., a future star for years to come in the Toronto Blue Jay outfield.

mer Blue Jay Roberto Alomar, based on their similar natural instincts for the game. From all indications, Cruz along with Shawn Green and Shannon Stewart are expected to be the starting outfielders for the 1998 campaign.

For fans, there is plenty to wonder about for next season. There is some uncertainty with a few players like Joe Carter and Charlie O'Brien.

Will they leave via free agency or remain with the Jays?

Will Ed Sprague ever repeat the season he had in 1996? Who's going to play second base since Garcia and Mariano Duncan don't seem to fit in the picture next season?

Will Alex Gonzalez finally break out to become the shortstop that the Jays hoped he would be?

Is Kelvim Escobar going to start, or become the team's new closer?

Going into the final game of a four game series against the Texas Rangers on September 7, the Jays were 22 games behind the American League East Division leading Baltimore Orioles. General Manager Gord Ash has a lot of work to do during the off-season to bring back the fans who jumped off the Blue Jay bandwagon.

The Blue Jays Ride the Rocket

by **MARK SUBRYAN**

Sports Reporter

Five, four, three, two, one- the Rocket has taken off.

'Rocket' Roger Clemens; that is.

Clemens, the Blue Jays' ace pitcher, is on the verge of breaking the Blue Jays' record of 21 wins in a season set by Jack Morris in 1992.



Roger Clemens is blasting his way to another Cy Young Award in his first year as a Jay.

dominant pitchers with a 1.85 earned run average and 258 strikeouts so far this year.

He has about four starts remaining and needs one more win to break the club record. His surprising success this season has made him the leading contender for the Cy Young Award.

If Clemens wins the Cy Young this year, it will be the second consecutive season that a Blue Jay pitcher will have won the award.

Hentgen won the coveted award last year when he edged out New York Yankees starter Andy Pettite.

"This has been a tremendous year for Roger," said Howard Starkman, head of public relations for the Blue Jays. "He's 35 years old and probably having the best season of his career."

There have been only three Blue Jay pitchers in the team's 20-year history to win 20-plus games, Clemens, Morris, and last year's Cy Young winner, Pat Hentgen.

Clemens came to the Jays in mid-December last year, in a precedent setting deal that paid him \$8 million per season - a new high for major league pitchers.

He left the Boston Red Sox, the team with which he had spent his career, because of a contract dispute.

Clemens is considered to be one of today's most

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Canada wins gold at Humber

by AILA Y. ALI

Sports Reporter

Humber College hosted the first International Junior Men's Wheelchair Basketball Championship this past summer.

Opening ceremonies included the theme song to St. Elmo's Fire, commemorating the tenth anniversary of Rick Hanson's Man in Motion World Tour.

Participants came from Australia, Poland, Germany and the United States to compete in this first-of-its-kind competition for this age group. Players ages ranged from 18 to 22. For many this would also be their debut appearance at an international level.

But first-time jitters were quickly replaced by a fierce desire to capture the gold. The tournament featured Australia's Troy Sachs and Canada's own Joey Johnson, who both participated in the Paralympic Games in Atlanta.

"We have seen the difference between the top four teams and the bottom three, but this is what junior competition is all about," said Philip Craven, president of the International World Basketball Federation, during a game that saw Australia pound France 78-35

"Everybody here is going to learn a tremendous amount

from each other and you could say it was the Troy Sachs Show, but he had super support from his teammates," said Craven.

At the end of round-robin play, there was a three-way tie for second place. Germany, the United States and Australia were all vying for the position. Similarly, the fifth spot was up for grabs between Great Britain, Poland and France.

Maureen Orchard, president of the Canadian Wheelchair Basketball Association said, "These results are indicative of the tremendous competition and to have six teams so close is a tribute to the development of the game in this new age category."

Canada earned a spot in the finals by defeating Australia by an impressive 61-35.

In the other semi-final, the United States defeated Germany 74-55.

The gold medal game on Saturday was a 'deja vu' of sorts. Canada met its arch rival, the United States, in a battle for both North American and world supremacy.

Eventually, continental bragging rights and the gold went to Canada along as they defeated the US by a final score of 68-47. This was the second time in the tournament that Canada beat the United States, the first outing resulted in 56-34 win.

The bronze medal headed down under, as Australia came out victorious over Germany by a close 63 to 60 final score.

Sachs described the euphoria of winning the game as "equivalent to that of winning the gold in the Paralympics."

He also took the dubious double honors of the highest scorer, racking up 253 points, and the leading rebounder with 153.

Lionel Dixneuf of France led the tournament in steals with 30, and the most assists, 50, went to Ulrich Suss from Germany's team.



Patrick Anderson reaching high at the Junior Wheelchair Basketball Championships.



"We are the champions," Team Canada captures the gold in August.

With Canada's victory still too early to be savored, many of the older players were already looking ahead with stars in their eyes.

"Now that I am done with the Juniors, I hope to go back with the senior team and take the Gold Cup in 1998 and the Gold at the Paralympics," said Canadian teammate Patrick Anderson.

Both the Paralympics and the International Senior Men's Wheelchair Basketball Competition will take place in Sydney, Australia.

Judging by the response from this tournament, many believe junior men's wheelchair basketball will soon become an ideal breeding ground for more competitive levels of basketball. Canada's senior men's assistant coach Jerry Tonello was among those excited about what he saw on the court.

"I am encouraged to see this much great talent," said Tonello. "Which will be coming into our team awfully soon."

Coming up in Varsity Sports

September 15:

Men's Volleyball Tryouts in Gym A @ 6p.m.
Women's Basketball Tryouts in Gym B @ 6p.m.

September 16:

Women's Volleyball Tryouts in Gym A @ 6p.m.
Men's Basketball Tryouts in Gym B @ 6p.m.

September 18:

Men's Soccer Season Opener @ George Brown 7p.m.

September 19:

Women's Soccer Home Opener vs. George Brown 4p.m.

Numbers to know

5 - The number of wins Argos coach Don Matthews needs to tie Frank Clair's CFL record of 147 career wins

12 - Homeruns needed for Ken Griffey Jr. to break Roger Maris' single-season homerun record of 61

17 - Days until the 25th anniversary of Paul Henderson's game winning goal against the U.S.S.R

20 - Number of games that the Blue Jays are out of first place

30 - Percentage of Blue Jay wins that Roger Clemens is responsible for

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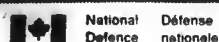
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Man tries to hold up bank with finger

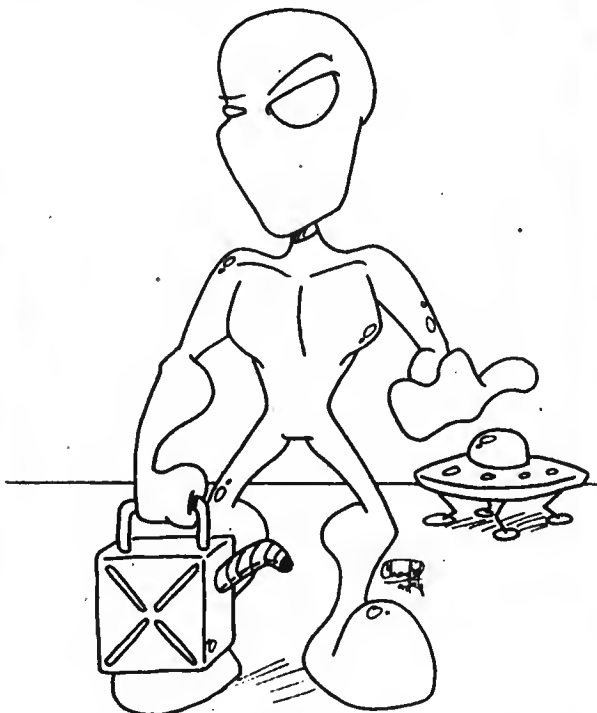
MERCED, Calif. (AP) -- You've heard of a would-be bandit pretending the hand in his pocket was a gun? Someone forgot to tell Steven King II to cover up.

Police say King tried to rob a bank by brandishing his uncovered finger and thumb at a teller and demanding money.

The Bank of America teller told King to wait, then walked away, Sgt. Gary Austin said. King got tired of waiting and went across the street to another bank.

Police say he switched tactics there, jumping over the counter and trying to get the key to a cash drawer. An employee grabbed the key and told him to "get out of there," Austin said.

Police arrested King, who was found sitting in the shrubs nearby.



Horrorscopes in the sky

Virgo (August 23-September 22)

This is your month. Alien abductions usually occur during one's astrological period. Watch for the typical signs: bright lights, earth shaking, little green creatures and an unhealthy obsession with *Baywatch*.

Libra (September 23-October 22)

You're busy mismatching your wardrobe -- you eccentric you -- when a bright flash of light takes you to a grand ballroom where three three-headed musicians are playing alien jazz. You put your tap shoes on and start dancing like Gregory Hines.

Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21)

Your last alien abduction affected you more than you are aware of. You're angry at the fact that the probe was bigger than you expected. This has infuriated you, but your compassionate nature allows you to forgive your alien abductors.

Sagittarius (November 22- December 20)

You're busy organizing your room for the 15th time of the day, when *BANG!* you're transported to an alien vessel thousands of miles above your home. You immediately start organizing the ship before they zap you with a stun-gun. Be less anally retentive this week.

Capricorn (December 21-January 19)

You will wake up on the operating table and see your abductors. You promptly take control of the ship and send it careening into Earth, but before you send you and your captors to your deaths you discover that the aliens came from a planet of Pisces. The irony.

Aquarius (January 20- February 18)

Aquarians are the only people that desperately need to be abducted. With your obsessive, compulsive nature and rampant mood swings tucked neatly under your arm, you're the perfect example of Earthlings.

Pisces (February 19 - March 19)

Your ship has just been taken over by controlling Capricorns. No matter how many times you try to entice them, they proceed to take over. You start crying; your emotions are too much for you.

Aries (March 20-April 19)

After a day of screaming at bad drivers you sit back and enjoy a beverage. The phone rings, your best friend tells you a story your stubborn nature refuses to believe. Suddenly his ranting comes true. There's a knock on the door and standing right in front of you, you see the most gruesome of creatures - David Hasselhoff.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

The food was delicious, the entertainment was great and those little green men and women waited on you hand and foot. Basically, you don't really care who abducted you.

Gemini (May 21-June 30)

One of your personalities thinks you've been abducted while the other one thinks everything is hunky dory. So, with that in mind you create a few amnesic barriers and forget about the whole thing, until...

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Your abduction is a bit stranger than most. You actually enjoyed it. You immediately made friends and proceeded to tell them your life story. You began cooking them a big dinner before they strapped you down and proceeded with their scientific experiments, experiments you thought were necessary for the aliens to be happy.

Leo (July 23-August 22)

You sport your X-Files T-shirt with pride, but since you're at an X-Files convention everyone looks like you. This event sends you into a temper tantrum. You run into the nearest dance club where you are the only one with Mulder and Scully on your chest and feel like a fool.

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General Information

Students and staff are encouraged to use the facilities at the Humber College Athletic Centre. There is no fee required but a valid Humber College Identification Card must be presented in order to have access to the facility.

Facilities Available

- Triple Gymnasium
- Two International Squash Courts
- Weight Training Centre
- Cardio Training Centre
- Sports Injuries Clinic
- Locker Rooms with Showers and Saunas
- Outdoor Playing Fields
- Humber Community Pool

Athletic Centre Hours

Monday - Thursday 6:30am - 9:00pm
 Friday 6:30am - 8:00pm
 Saturday/Sunday 10:00am - 4:00 pm
 Gym Control Centre Phone (416) 675-5099

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
 Office Phone (416) 675-5097

Varsity Tryouts

Men's Basketball	Tues. Sept. 16	6:00 Gym B
Women's Basketball	Mon. Sept. 15	6:00 Gym B
Men's Volleyball	Mon. Sept. 15	6:00 Gym B
Women's Volleyball	Tues. Sept. 16	6:00 Gym A
Badminton	Mon. Oct. 20	8:00 Gym A

Please drop into Athletics and complete a registration form. If you have any questions, feel free to stop in and visit, or call 675-5097.

Humber College Campus Recreation Fall Program '97

Leagues

	Entries Open	Close/Organizational Meeting
Floor Hockey	Tues. Sept. 2	Tues. Sept. 16 3:00pm Rm A136
Co-ed Volleyball	Tues. Sept. 2	Tues. Sept. 16 3:30pm Rm A136
Indoor Soccer	Tues. Sept. 2	Tues. Sept. 16 4:00pm Rm A136
Basketball	Tues. Sept. 2	Tues. Sept. 16 4:30pm Rm A136
Ice Hockey	Tues. Sept. 2	Tues. Sept. 16 5:00pm Rm A136

A \$30.00 performance bond (partially refundable on attendance and conduct) must be posted for each team entering a league activity and must be paid in full at the organizational meeting. Ice Hockey has a non-refundable player fee of \$50.00 per player, to a maximum of \$500.00 per team, therefore 10 players @ \$50.00 per player, more than 10 players, less per player to play.

Tournaments

	Entries Open	Close/Organizational Meeting
3 Pitch Softball	Mon. Sept. 8	Tues. Sept. 23 3:00pm Rm A136
Outdoor Soccer	Mon. Sept. 29	Tues. Oct. 14 3:00pm Rm A136
Squash	Mon. Oct. 20	Tues. Nov. 4 3:00pm Rm A136

Day Tournaments

	Entries Open	Entries Close	Event Date
Singles Badminton	Mon. Oct. 6	Tues. Oct. 14	Wed. Oct. 15 2:00pm
2 on 2 Volleyball	Mon. Oct. 27	Tues. Nov. 4	Wed. Nov. 5 2:00pm
Floor Hockey Shootout	Mon. Nov. 17	Tues. Nov. 25	Wed. Nov. 26 2:00pm

Instructional Clinics

Participants must register in the Campus Rec Office prior to clinic date

Volleyball	Wed. Sept. 10	12:00pm	Gym A
Volleyball (Staff)	Wed. Sept. 10	1:00pm	Gym A
Badminton	Wed. Oct. 8	12:00 & 1:00pm	Gym A
Squash	Wed. Oct. 22	12:10 & 12:50pm	Squash Courts

Sports Pools (All Free!)

N.F.L. Pool Begins with games on Sun. Aug. 30. Selection sheets available weekly.
N.H.L. Player Draft Team Roster sheets available Mon. Sept. 15. Select your best team!
World Series Pool New format! Lots of games! For all the play-off! Who will win?
Grey Cup Pool Pick the winning team and the games total points!

Extramurals

Co-ed Slo Pitch	Friday, Oct. 3	@ Sheridan College
Co-ed Volleyball	Friday, Oct. 24	@ Humber Lakeshore
Co-ed Volleyball	Sunday, Nov. 9	@ Sheridan College
5 on 5 Basketball	Saturday, Nov. 15	@ George Brown
Men's Non Contact Ice Hockey	Friday, Nov. 21	@ Sheridan College
Co-ed Indoor Soccer	Saturday, Dec. 6	@ Humber Lakeshore
"Staff" Hockey	Friday & Saturday Dec. 12 & 13	@ Seneca College

ENTRIES NOW OPEN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 16 FOR THESE SPORTS

COED VOLLEYBALL



HOCKEY



INDOOR SOCCER



FLOOR HOCKEY



BASKETBALL



3 PITCH SOFTBALL



Humber College Fitness Schedule • Fall/Winter '97/'98

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
12:10 - 12:45	Step & Tone	1. Mixed (Hi/Lo) 2. Walking Club	Step Aerobics	1. Mixed (Hi/Lo) 2. Walking Club	Stretch & Tone
1:00 - 2:00	Aquafit	Step Aerobics	Aquafit	Mixed (Hi/Lo)	Aquafit
4:30 - 5:15	Weight Training Women	Mixed (Hi/Lo) 4:40 - 5:15	Weight Training Women	Stretch & Tone 4:40 - 5:15	

