



First Year Experience hosted a talent show Wednesday evening to show off Humber's talented students. For full coverage of the show, see page 6.

Motive sought for off-campus murder

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A fatal shooting occurred uncomfortably close to the Humber College North campus last Tuesday.

One man was found injured at Alba Place, a residential street just southwest of Humber College Boulevard and Finch Avenue, and pronounced dead at the scene, according to Toronto Police.

On Thursday morning, authorities disclosed that the victim, Narendra Ramdharry, 26, died of two gun shot wounds to the back. Residents in the area reported they heard four to five gun shots.

Humber's Department of Public Safety learned about the shooting from social media reports, and immediately contacted Toronto Police to ask if there was anything they needed to do, said director of Public Safety and Emergency Services Rob Kilfoyle.

"We're concerned about everything that happens in the neighbourhood. Our primary focus is the protection of students, staff and faculty on the campus. So we had made some initial assurances

that there's no risk or threat to the campus," he said.

"We still are conducting extra patrols and being vigilant, but there was no immediate threat so there was no need to go into lockdown," Kilfoyle said.

The shooting did not involve anyone in the Humber community. Toronto police also said Humber should not take any action.

"Normally we have protocols with Toronto Police. If there is an incident occurring near the campus or school that requires the college to take a specific action, they communicate with us. They send officers to the campus. They didn't do it in this case," said Kilfoyle.

According to an article in the Toronto Sun, the victim was a forklift operator and cited by family members as "on a good path," but the circumstances surrounding his death make his family wonder whether he got mixed with the wrong crowd.

Anyone with information is being asked to contact homicide unit Det. David Dickinson at 416-808-7400, or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-8477.



TAMARA SHADE

Kenny Dawkins, a second-year police foundations student at Lakeshore campus, is a transgender member of Humber's LGBTQ+ community who came out to support Transgender Remembrance Day today. Nov. 20 is an annual celebration and recognition of Rita Hester, a transgender African American woman who was murdered in 1998. Humber's Centre for Human Rights, Equity and Diversity marked the date with an information table and screening of *Pay It No Mind: The Life and Times of Marsha P. Johnson*.

Impaired driving heightens during holidays

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As the holiday season is approaches, RIDE is out there to ensure everyone makes it home safely.

Or catch those who are risking the lives of motorists by drinking and driving.

Impaired driving is an everyday concern for drivers. When someone makes a decision to drive impaired it puts everyone's life in danger. For students it is important that they make sure their friends are safe and avoid impaired driving.

"I make sure I am not in the situation where impaired driving could occur by planning my night out in advance," said Genevieve Kovacs, 20, a third year Early Childhood Education student.

"I usually take public transit, a cab or get a ride from family when I can. I always encourage my friends to do the same or offer rides when I can via my mom or dad," she said.

Impaired driving killed five people in the 55 fatal crashes in Toronto as of Nov. 17, police said. Within the same time period, police charged 1,151 people with impaired driving related offences, police said.

The legal definition of impaired driving is having more than 80 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood and is considered a criminal offence. There is a warn range of between 50 milligrams and 80 milligrams where police can temporarily seize the vehicle or prevent the motorist from driving under provincial legislation.

At Humber a competition ran from Oct. 5 until Nov. 6 with RIDE to make a 60-second video about the impacts of impaired driving. The winner Melissa Andrea Coreas was announced during Thursday's RIDE check event at Humber's North campus, taking home \$2,000 for her video.

The competition and event were meant to education people about how to avoid "impairing your holiday spirit." Impaired driving during the holiday season can mean loved ones not making it home safely which is what Toronto Police were trying to get people to avoid making those mistakes.

Sgt. Kathy Vellend-Taylor, who has worked for Toronto Police for 30 years, believes it has become legally more complicated to get an impaired driving conviction.

"Years ago they (the courts) took our evidence on our description of impairment and then of course they took the breath analyzers numbers on how they blew in the breath analyzing test," she said.

Now the rules of evidence have become more demanding.

"There's more respect for drinking and driving in the criminal law, though it's gotten a lot tougher on police officers," said Sgt. Vellend-Taylor.

"We have to record every time for every conversation, from when we walk to the car, the time when we put them (suspects) in the car, the time we read him his rights, the time when we left. It's super micromanaging or nitpicking," she said.

The holiday season may seem like more impaired driving occurs because of all the holiday parties that usually include alcohol.

"[Impaired driving during the holidays] may be higher due to the fact there's more enforcement during the holiday period," said Const. Dave Taylor of 51 Division. "Impaired driving convictions and their effects on convicted parties are severe. People lose jobs when convicted and the average court costs are \$20,000.

"Conviction can in most cases be life altering," he said.

For information about how to enter a new contest to win free gas for a year, visit <http://www.ridechecks.com>.



TORONTO POLICE SERVICE

Narendra Ramdharry, 26, of Toronto is the city's 47th homicide victim. He was fatally shot Tuesday evening.

Poverty, social factors increase risk of diabetes in large cities, study says

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A new study has found a link between poverty and diabetes in cities.

The international study by University College London was conducted in five cities - Copenhagen, Houston, Mexico City, Shanghai and Tianjin. It was headed by the Cities Changing Diabetes organization, and comes as it kicks off its 2015 Summit in Copenhagen.

Professor David Napier led the research team at UCL and said the study is meant to deepen the layers within diabetes research.

“We are trying to address the absence of quality database and evidence based on these social and cultural risk factors and indeed our focus is specifically on the cultural determinant,” said Napier.

Napier said factors such as economics, psychological disposition, race, ethnicity and gender are determinants in diabetes. Napier said financial determinants influence how people value their position in society and how they take care of themselves.

“We’re concerned not just about the question of poverty which we would say would be a concrete social determinant, but also people’s perceptions of what it is that they feel they can afford,” said Napier.

The study found that social and cultural factors are responsible for putting people at greater risk making them less likely to get diagnosed, seek out treatment and maintain good health. According to Napier the research process needs to be flipped and re-assessed in order to progress.

“We’ve got to take that path in reverse. We’ve got to look at people’s complex problems, and figure out the path that got them there and

find out which of these risk factors are modifiable,” said Napier.

More than 550 face-to-face interviews were done with people who are vulnerable to, or have been diagnosed with diabetes.

Napier said traditional research “eliminates complexity” in an effort to identify the cause and effect relationship, which takes away from the “messiness of daily life.” He said this is not what diabetes is.

“Diabetes is something that creeps up from behind you that suddenly you have and then you look back and say how did I get there.”

Dr. Jan Hux, chief science officer at the Canadian Diabetes Association said the study brings light to the lack of resources in lower income communities, and the effects it can have on the health of an individual.

“There are some lifestyle choices that people can make to reduce the risk, but many people live in circumstances that really constrain their choices around healthy food resources and around accessible physical activity opportunities,” said Hux.

She adds that a development like this will encourage a shift in research.

“Studying the impact of interventions when governments make them, and understanding the impact of the current infrastructure and urban design on risks of diabetes is really important,” Hux said.

Cities Changing Diabetes along with the UCL, and other organizations are trying to open the dialogue on a global scale while learning from participating countries and cities.

Novo Nordisk, a global health-care company in Denmark, announced a plan to invest \$20 million in research funds to the program by 2020.

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David Napier
RESEARCH LEAD, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON



DELIA MCTAGGART

Grace Esquega and Rosalind Wassegijig at Humber College North campus Aboriginal Resource Centre prepare cedar to be used for upcoming events. Elder Advisor Shelly Charles explains cedar is used to cleanse hands and for tea as a means of spiritual cleansing. Charles confirms the commission’s findings are essential.

Truth and Reconciliation Commission findings to be presented at Humber

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The experiences of residential school survivors across Canada are no longer being ignored in the 21st century, as people become increasingly aware of the plight of indigenous Canadians.

Justice Murray Sinclair, a lawyer, judge and current chair member of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission will be providing the Humber community a chance to learn about his findings.

On Nov. 25 the commissioner will speak at the Lakeshore campus auditorium at 2 p.m., confirms Elder Advisor Shelly Charles, who is at the Humber North campus Aboriginal Resource Centre.

“We had the commissioner come in April 2011, and he’s now finished his report,” for the Truth and Recon-

ciliation Commission, said Charles.

Justice Sinclair is helping with a report, which according to the Commission includes “systemic harms, intergenerational consequences and the impact on human dignity and the ongoing legacy of the residential schools [and] support commemoration of former Indian Residential School students and their families.”

The Commission has also identified the names of over 4,000 children who died in residential schools as a result of negligence and abuse. This information was found during research for the commission’s “Missing Children Project.”

The main focus of his speaking engagement will be to illustrate how “justice, health, and education” can be upheld by youth based on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of

Indigenous Peoples, explained Charles.

“It’s to help promote dialogue that can assist those very important recommendations,” Charles said.

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission has collected documents from more than 300 communities since 2008. More than 6,700 stories will be included in a historical archive exploring the impact of Indian Residential schools on Aboriginal Canadians including First Nations, Metis and Inuit communities.

Sinclair grew up on a former reserve north of Selkirk, Man. He was appointed as an associate Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of Manitoba back in 1988. He also was a Co-commissioner of Manitoba’s Justice Inquiry, according to the Aboriginal Justice Implementation Commission website.

Wariness of Syrian refugees follows Paris attacks

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After an initial wave of support, some people are having second thoughts about allowing large numbers of Syrian refugees to enter their countries after last Friday’s attacks in Paris.

The reaction has been nearly immediate. Already, the governors of 26 U.S. states have said they’d refuse any attempt to relocate refugees within their state borders. This comes after an unverified Syrian passport was found near the body of one of the Paris attackers.

Either way, the attacks have caused

some people to change their stance about bringing in Syrian refugees, which Lifeline Syria worker Peter Goodspeed says is the wrong decision.

“You know what, they’re just people like us. They’re exactly like us but they’ve been driven from their homes. They’re innocent civilians caught in a vicious war with a lot of blood and incredible violence. It’s horrendous,” he said, noting that 250,000 people have been killed in Syria over the last four years.

“In the west, we haven’t paid an awful lot of attention to it until you suddenly had these people rushing

the borders and desperately trying to get out. We can’t turn our backs on them just because we’re afraid.”

Goodspeed said that many are still extremely concerned about the plight of Syrian refugees, but they’re looking out for their own safety as well. He notes that the combination of security checks, along with exactly who is emigrating, makes for a less frightening picture.

“Lots of times, there’s people with families, or there may be widows with children, elderly people that have had their homes destroyed. None of those people are security threats,” he said. “Before they’re even selected as a pos-

sible resettlement, they’re screened. Anybody that could possibly have any kind of question would not be included in the initial intake.”

A Citizenship and Immigration Canada representative said the department is committed to bringing 25,000 Syrian refugees to Canada and that “effective security and health screening has always been central to our planning around Syrian refugees.”

Regardless of the screening process, many say that accepting the refugees is something of a duty.

“I believe that we should be taking these people in. It’s just kind of what

humans do for other humans,” said 22-year-old Humber College student Will Checkevis. “It’s not a political thing, we don’t owe them anything. It’s just what humans should do.”

Checkevis said that he doesn’t believe painting the refugees as extremists is remotely fair, and that “[extremists] are the people that [refugees] are running from.”

“The refugees themselves have experienced exactly what the people in France have experienced now,” Goodspeed said. “I think one of the reasons we have a problem now is because we didn’t help soon enough.”

First generation college students not alone: panel

First Year Experience helps students transition into post-secondary life

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Nivedita Lane and the First Year Experience program want to make sure all new students are comfortable in their transition into post-secondary education.

A panel of first generation Humber faculty was brought together by the FYE program so students could ask questions and mingle with people who have gone through similar experiences.

A first generation student is someone who is the first of their lineage to go to college. And that can be challenging, as the panelists explained.

“The reason why we have specific programing for first generation students is because you might not have someone you are close to who can say ‘this is what the process looks like, this is what to expect,’” Lane said.

One of the best ways to overcome these challenges is to get involved, said Mobeen Sheik, founder and former president of the Good Deeds club.

“As a first generation student it is really scary to come to an institution like this,” he said. “I didn’t know who to ask for support or about the resources.

“But I realized that this was going to impede on my education. I chose to start professional development skills, so speaking publically, joining clubs. And that really helped me join the Humber community.”

The panel was comprised of people who had different backgrounds and faced different challenges through

out their post-secondary education.

Sandra Tassone has faced several challenges as a second-career student, taking a full course load at the University of Guelph-Humber, as well as working there part-time. On top of that, she struggles with being the sole provider for her three children and her elderly mother.

“I found myself with three children, unemployed and without really a structure or plan,” she said. “I got a job at the Rexdale Community Hub. In working at the wonderful facility I was able to network.”

It was there that she met Humber staff who urged her to go back to school.

“The best advice I would give to any student is network as best as you can and try to involve yourself in school related [activities]. You never know who you may meet,” Tassone said.

Another topic that was addressed was how easy it can be to get overwhelmed with the stress of achieving goals without financial support. Panelist and Humber alumni Amanda Serino understands that completely.

“So as a student working four jobs and full time school there were a lot of times where I felt really stressed and wanted to quit my jobs and stop school completely because it got to a point where I didn’t have time to myself,” Serino said.

One of the best ways Serino found to help relieve those anxieties was to take advantage of Humber’s counselling services.

“I talked to [a counselor], and she listened to me and told me it was okay that I felt stress. Look into counselling and student wellness and accessibility because once you graduate, counselling isn’t free anymore and it’s really expensive.”

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Mobeen Sheikh

FORMER PRESIDENT, GOOD DEEDS CLUB

NEWS IN BRIEF

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At least 27 people, including a Belgian MP, were reported killed after gunmen entered a luxury hotel in Bamako, Mali, and took 170 hostages. Eyewitnesses said the gunmen released hostages if they could recite verses of the Qur’an. Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb took credit for the attack.

The Black Justice League at Princeton University is urging the school to rename the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, due to what they call his racist history. Wilson, who was the school’s president before becoming POTUS, is on

the record supporting the Ku Klux Klan and its segregationist agenda.

Canadian Finance Minister Bill Morneau said the country is \$3 billion in deficit after last year’s Conservative budget projected a more than \$2-billion surplus. The Liberal party was elected on a pledge to run deficits for three years to invest in infrastructure.

The U.S. House of Representatives has voted to block Obama’s plan to resettle 10,000 refugees over the course of 2016. The president plans on vetoing the legislation, which fell one vote short of the 290 needed to override a veto.

Twenty-six governors said they would not allow refugees.



COREY MARTINEZ

Fourth year kinesiology students at the University of Guelph-Humber held an Obesity Awareness event on Thursday morning, part of showcasing the school’s chapter of the Canadian Obesity Network.

Obesity network chapter at Guelph-Humber

Corey Martinez

NEWS REPORTER

With the overflow of school assignments and classroom drama it’s easy to lose focus on what matters the most - your health.

Fourth year Kinesiology students at the University of Guelph-Humber held an Obesity Awareness event on Thursday morning, part of showcasing the institution’s chapter of Canadian Obesity Network.

The students set up a trivia game in the main atrium where participants tested their health knowledge. There was also a raffle for gym memberships, yoga mats and duffel bags to help kick start a healthier lifestyle.

“When your mental health is low you won’t want to eat as well or get outside as much,” said Rebecca Speare, 21, a kinesiology student.

“It’s a vicious cycle where they add to each other when low,” she said. “Trying to be happy and healthy is beneficial in all aspects.”

Obesity is a chronic condition

that continues to get worse without proper care and it is diagnosed when excessive body fat starts to threaten one’s health.

“Obesity isn’t just a calorie in and calorie out condition,” said Jason Lee, 23, a Kinesiology student at Guelph-Humber. “There are many factors that can affect someone.”

He listed poor mental health, unhealthy eating habits and genetics as factors that may be contributing factors to obesity.

“We’re trying to get people to think about that when they come in today,” Lee said.

A 2014 report from Statistics Canada showed 199,623 Canadians self-reported as being obese. The Canadian Medical Association classified obesity as a disease in October and ruled it is a condition that requires more research, treatment and prevention.

The Canadian Obesity Network is a nationwide network with chapters in schools all across Canada. Its vision is to be the leading voice

for obesity and to help improve the quality of life of Canadians living with the condition.

Kinesiology professor Janet Pritchard had the opportunity to start up a chapter at Guelph-Humber and students were more than willing to get on board.

“It makes me feel proud that they’re willing to spend time and promote the message about obesity,” she said.

“It’s not just a problem of somebody being too lazy to exercise or consuming too many calories. There are a lot of other dimensions that we’re trying to educate everyone on.”

Long commutes, sedentary lifestyles and lack of sleep are sometimes a part of life but even small acts of activity in one’s daily routine may help maintain health.

“For every hour in front of a screen, get up and take a five minute walk or just get up and move around,” said Lee. “It doesn’t even have to be a lot of activity, but just moving around can help.”

E-Waste Collection Week wraps



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A one week campaign to encourage the Humber community to safely recycle electronic waste wraps up on Friday.

The college held E-Waste Collection Week from Nov.16-20 and Amelia Velasco, manager of sustainability, said there were two collection bins, one at the Lakeshore and one at the North campus.

“It’s collected by our supplier-called Like to Recycle. They’re a Ministry of Environment approved e-waste recycler,” said Velasco.

Students have been able to drop off old electronics, such as computers, portable audio & video systems and MP3 players.

In 2013, Statistics Canada conducted a survey showing that ten provinces recycled their old computers and other electronics at e-waste sites.

The agency found that of the 24 per cent of people in Ontario who had old computers, four per cent took them to the garbage, 49 per cent took them to a depot or recycling centre. Another 24 per cent of those people just kept the old computers in their home.

The City of Toronto website offers information on drop-off depots, and options for curbside pick-up.

Facebook's new Safety Check feature sparks question of double standard

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Following last week's terrorist attacks in Paris, Facebook implemented a new feature designed to help people involved in the Paris attacks find loved ones and confirm they're safe.

The 'Safety Check' feature was originally introduced by Facebook in 2014 to help those affected by natural disasters.

Following attacks by the Islamic State, the 'Safety Check' feature was used to help track victims in Paris.

Facebook explained the feature allows users to do three things:

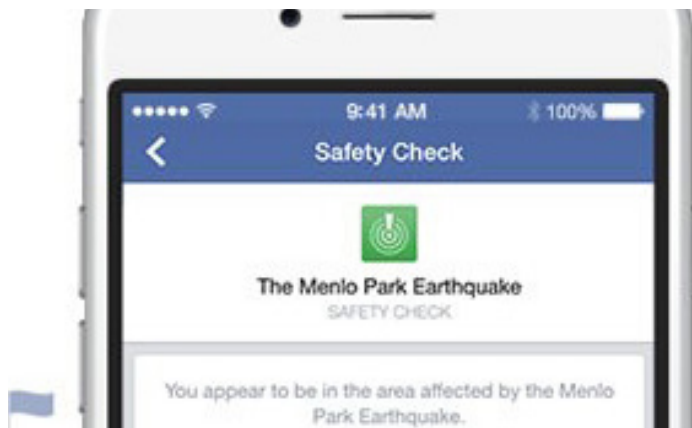
- Check notifications
- Tell people you're safe
- Check on others

"It's a very good thing if it's rolled out in a very universal way," said Heather Lowry, Associate Dean of Media Studies & Information Technology at Humber College North campus. "I like the democratization of people being able to communicate from perhaps a war-torn area that's under attack."

Before the advent of 'Safety Check', the only way Facebook users could know the health status of someone involved in a horrendous event, such as the attacks in Paris or the 7.0 earthquake that struck south-west of Solomon Islands, was to check their posting activity.

"With something like that it's a great idea but hopefully it's not misapplied. What happens with that information?" said Bernie Monette, program coordinator of Web Development at Humber.

"Mark Zuckerberg's said that the purpose of Facebook is to sell adver-



tising," he said.

"The interesting thing for Facebook is this is another method to get you on the site and back to looking at the ads," said Monette. "There are a lot of ways you could not use Facebook and still be involved."

As well, the timing of the 'Safety Check' rollout has been questioned since the feature was not implemented for victims of bombings in Lebanon and Baghdad, which happened one day earlier than the incidents in Paris.

Facebook founder Zuckerberg addressed the criticism from social media users in a comment on his Facebook page.

"Many people have rightfully asked why we turned on 'Safety Check' for Paris but not for bombings in Beirut and other places," said Zuckerberg.

"You are right that there are many other important conflicts in the world," he said. "We care about all people equally, and we will work hard to help people suffering in as many of these situations as we can."

Zuckerberg also said that, going forward, Facebook plans to activate 'Safety Check' for more "human disasters."

"I don't think it was their intention," said Monette. "Paris was something they noticed and they highlighted these features.

"Beirut didn't have the media attention Paris did. I didn't hear about Beirut until I heard about Paris," he said.

Some argue the function wouldn't have been as useful in Beirut as it was in Paris.

"We have to put in mind that in Lebanon, and in case of bombings, rain, explosions, protests, the mobile connectivity goes out, so I think people won't really be able to connect to Facebook to check in," Lebanese journalist Doja Daoud said to media outlet Al Jazeera.

Facebook is also giving users the option to overlay their profile pictures with the colours of the French flag; no overlay option was made available for Lebanon or Iraq.

"It can't seem like it's a white-western democratic country tool only. I think it should be as universally applied as possible," said Lowry. "Facebook tries to be pretty egalitarian with what they do... but when you sit in a position of privilege I think it's hard to see what's going on."

Paying off mortgage fast not realistic

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That Toronto resident Sean Cooper paid off his \$255,000 mortgage in three years may be an extreme case of financial frugality, but one expert says it may be part of a trend.

Cooper, who originally bought the house for \$425,000, told Humber News on Tuesday that getting rid of his mortgage was a goal he set for himself from the beginning.

"Some people are fine with having a mortgage for the next 25-30 years but the way the economy is I definitely want to get that paid down as soon as possible," Cooper said.

"I'm just not comfortable with having six figures of debt to my name."

It took a lot of time, and money. According to Canada's Super Brokers website, the average home loan ranges from \$228,000 to \$272,000 in highly populated cities. Depending on Cooper's annual percentage rate, he managed to make a payment of approximately \$7,500 each month.

Cooper worked three jobs; his full-time position as a senior pension analyst, freelance personal finance writing, and being the landlord of his own home, renting out the upstairs portion while living in the basement.

Cooper said he also worked 70-80 hour weeks, with the busier work weeks hitting upwards of 100 hours.

"Through all those means I was able to net about \$100,000 each year," Cooper said, noting that with-biking to work, cooking at home and discount grocery stores, "I definitely saved a lot of money."

Certified financial planner Ja-

son Heath said that while Cooper's an extreme case, it's something he's hearing more about as of late.

"These hardcore, aggressive savers that are scrimping and saving and going without in order to get ahead financially," he said. "I think it's more extreme when it happens these days when you look at the price of real estate in a lot of big Canadian cities."

As a child, Cooper said he saw his single mother go through the exact opposite situation. After losing her job, Cooper said his mother was merely a few mortgage payments away from losing their house completely.

"I didn't want to be in that situation," Cooper said. "Do you really want to have mortgage payments when you're spending 30 per cent of your income and it's going to take you 25-years to pay it off?"

As a single man living alone, Cooper admits not everyone will be able to pull off this financial feat.

"If you have a family, it's not really realistic," Cooper said. "I can understand where people are coming from but there's definitely lessons you can learn from my story."

Heath agrees that pulling this off with a married couple is challenging.

"It can be really difficult in a marriage to have two people on the same page to be so hardcore about a potential goal," Heath said. "I work with a lot of couples and I'd say often times there are disputes between the two about various financial decisions."

Heath said there are simple ways to save money.

"One of the best things that you can do to save money is to try to find something that you are doing every day that you can cut or change or do without, that can put money back in your pocket," Heath said.

Buying a coffee every morning that "is only a couple of bucks a day, but when you multiply that over 365 days and over a number of years, it really adds up."

Sale of Hydro One: short-term gain, long-term loss critics maintain

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The Ontario government's sale of Hydro One has gone ahead, as planned, despite several warnings from Stephen LeClair, the watchdog hired to monitor the Liberal government's activities since the gas plant scandal which cost taxpayers \$1.1 billion.

"We analyzed the sale and found that the results would have a negative impact on the province [over a long term period]," said LeClair. "It isn't the role of the FAO [Financial Accountability Office] to present the government with alternative options."

Wynne's plan of selling off the Ontario government's 60 per cent stake in Hydro One would net the province somewhere between \$3.3 and \$5 billion dollars after paying the utility's debt. LeClair's report to the Liberals made it clear this was short-term gain over long-term investment, an unwise move in the watchdog's eyes.



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"We [the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario] presented the Liberals with several different outcomes based off of the sale of their stake in Hydro One," said LeClair. "In these scenarios, the value of the government's stake in the company passes the value of the immediate sale in only four years."

The Financial Accountability Office of Ontario (FAO), the firm which LeClair works out of, ran a

number of tests based off of research and the hard data presented to them by the sale. The majority of the hypotheticals told LeClair that the sale of Hydro One would leave the province worse off than before.

"In the three scenarios we presented, there was only one year of a positive income statement resulting from the sale," said LeClair. "[The province's debt] only worsens in the five years after that."

Wynne justified the sale by saying the funds would go towards the province's infrastructure. Ed Clark, former banker and Wynne's advisor on the sale, believes the social rate of return from the sale, resulting in more subway lines and better roads, outweighs the financial hit the government will take.

These are the political moves that have lifelong, Liberal supporting students questioning Wynne's intentions.

"I always vote Liberal, even after everything [gas plant scandal] with Wynne, but this makes me wonder where her head is at," said John Samuel Wach, 24, a Media Foundations student at Humber College. "This seems like she's trying to plan for the next vote rather than the future, and as a student that's the last thing I need to hear."

Though Wynne's intentions aren't clear at this point, some believe she could be receiving pressure from the federal government to clean up the province's \$3.5 billion deficit.

"I think she's just trying to balance the books right now, get the Liberals out of the red before the next election," said Kyle Hatton, 26, an Advertising Copywriting student at Humber College.

For now, the potential \$5 billion the government will be receiving from the sale will most definitely help out the province's deficit, though time will tell if this was a wise move by Wynne.

Rec students raise funds for MS with fair

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Recreation and Leisure students brought a fall fair to reality in Humber North's main concourse.

The fun event on Tuesday had a good cause behind it.

The object was to get donations for different charities such as Jeans for Teens and the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada.

Part of the reason why the MSSC was chosen as a charity is because a student in the Recreation and Leisure program, Matthew Dasilva, suffers from this disease.

"One of our goals in this course was to raise money and find fundraising activities," said Sherri Brannscombe, a Special Event Management professor at Humber. "We have a student in our program who has MS so the students decided they wanted to support his charity."

Teens for Jeans — a program that assists homeless youth who may not be able to afford clothing — is the other charity that received donations.

Bryce Muhlbiere, a second year student and chair of operations and executive member of the Recreation and Leisure program, said it is important to keep students aware of the causes behind all the fun.

"This is an opportunity for students to give back," Muhlbiere said. "Our goal is to promote awareness



ADRIANA DISANTO

Brett Doane (left) and Victoria Bernard pose at photo booth at Humber's Fall Fair, held at North campus Tuesday.

on these issues."

Students attended this event for the games, prizes, and treats offered at different booths.

"A big turnout for this Fall Fair helps for sure because people's donations go a long way," Muhlbiere said. "If people come by and they just want to have fun, that's okay too because they'll be aware of what

we're raising a good cause for.

Some of the games at the fair included a beanbag toss game, a football toss, a selfie booth, and a dunk for donuts activity.

"Besides all the games, we have many treats for sale," Jessica Crudo, another a Special Event Management professor at Humber said. "There's macaroons, cookies gra-

nola bars, and hot chocolate with marshmallows."

There were also many prizes to be won through a raffle. They included "a signed Ryan Goins baseball bat, a signed baseball by David Price, Raptor tickets, Blue Jays tickets, and then a whole bunch of different gift cards and what not," said Crudo.

Fall reading week under discussion but not yet a go

Union concern for part-time faculty an obstacle, yet other schools have it

Danielle Furtado
LIFE REPORTER

The beginning of a school year can be intimidating and stressful, so having a reading week in the first semester of school would be extremely helpful, many Humber College students say.

"I find that all the assignments around midterm time catches up and piles up quickly on a lot of students," said Leah Krajnjan, 20, an Early Childhood Education student. "This can make students really stressed and possibly make them do worse because they don't have that break to catch our breath and organize."

Humber currently has one annual reading week which falls during second semester in February. Toronto schools such as Sheridan College and George Brown College and Ryerson University provide a reading week in both semesters.

"I also think that if a couple of schools have a fall reading week,

all universities and colleges should have one," said Krajnjan.

A main reason why Humber has not yet set out a fall reading week is that part-time teachers will not be paid for the week that is missed.

"A consequence of losing a week will be that part-time teachers will not get paid for the 15 weeks of school," said First Vice President of the Humber Faculty Union Paul Michaud. "Students would also be losing a week of school, which means the weeks will be pushed back."

There are discussions between the college and the union about a reading week during first semester of the school year, said Michaud.

"Students do deserve a reading week and hopefully there will be one added in the future. It would be nice to have a break and be able to catch up on work. It would also be good to just take a week off and relax a bit," said Brittani Cowell, 21, a Humber Students' Federation director.

Cowell added that she knows talk of adding such a week is underway but the outcome is still unsure. "I can't guarantee it."

Procrastination a 'self-handicapping' student behaviour

Kylie Vaillancourt
LIFE REPORTER

Midterms are over and students are likely to slide back into procrastination habits.

Dictionary.com defines procrastination as: "the act or habit of procrastinating, or putting off or delaying, especially something requiring immediate attention."

Honestly I think the main reason I procrastinate so much is because I've gotten away with it for so long.

Elizabeth Elliott
STUDENT

"The root of procrastination can be quite complex — from attention issues, to motivation issues, to fear of failure," said Meg Houghton, director of Student Access, Wellness and Development.

There are many things that can cause people to procrastinate. Kathy Ip, 20, a second-year media studies student at the University

of Guelph-Humber agrees with Houghton but says the main cause would be social media.

Social Media contains a variety of different contents like news, celebrity gossip and music that allows people to become distracted from what they're doing.

"Procrastination affects a student by them not meeting their goals or expectations towards their grades. Their work may not be as good as it could have been if they didn't procrastinate," said Ip.

"Honestly I think the main reason I procrastinate so much is because I've gotten away with it for so long," admits second-year film and television production student, Elizabeth Elliott, 19.

"Throughout my life I've always waited till the last minute to hand things in and it's become such a bad habit, but I don't see myself changing anytime soon."

The 2011 study "Effect of Procrastination on Work-Related Stress" with the European Journal of Economics, Finance and Administrative Sciences says, "Procrastination considers a self-handicapping behavior that leads to wasted time, poor performance, and increased stress."

"No matter the root, speaking with a counsellor early is recommended," said Houghton.

Ip recommends splitting the work up and doing one task at a time, creating an outline of the assignment, organizing a schedule of work due and getting a study buddy.

Body shaming a hurtful source of bullying for men and women alike

Alia Richardson
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Some Humber students say they have been body shamed, bullied and mistreated based on their physical appearance.

Vaulter Dos Santos, a 20-year-old graphic and design student, said he's been a victim of bullying because he doesn't have abs.

He said people don't realize that men go through moments of insecurity with their bodies as well as women.

"It's looked at as a girl's problem because guys usually don't care about that stuff. But it kind of hurt me when I was told that my not-so-toned stomach was unattractive,"

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People would say that I was so small and ask how I could even fit into anything. Then, they'd try to sweeten it up by telling me how cute I was

Natalia Omara
GUELPH-HUMBER FAMILY AND COMMUNITY
SOCIAL SERVICES STUDENT

said Dos Santos.

Nineteen-year-old Natalia Omar, a second-year family and community social services student at University of Guelph-Humber, said she's got a small physique and most would consider her to be petite.

Omar said people often tried to make her feel bad for being so small. She said she experienced people giving her backhanded compliments when they spoke about her body.

"People would say that I was so small and ask how I could even fit into anything. Then, they'd try to sweeten it up by telling me how cute I was," said Omar.

Sierra Lyndsay, a social worker at the North West Scarborough Youth Centre, said it's very common for young people to feel anxiety or depression when others constantly make comments about their physical appearance.

Body shaming is the highest cause of suicide among teenagers, she said: "I come across a lot of young people who were fine with the way they looked until they heard something hurtful from somebody else."

One in three Canadian students can't perform well in school due to lack of confidence, she added. She advised students write down what they are feeling because expression releases tension and loneliness.

Humber's North campus Health and Wellness Centre is located on the fifth floor of the new Learning Resource Commons building. Students dealing with mental issues are encouraged to book an appointment with a social worker, a service offered without cost.

First annual FYE talent show a big hit



ALLYSSA SOUSA-KIRPAUL

Humber students Angelo Angeles (left) and Maurice Rosales perform at the inaugural FYE talent show at North campus Wednesday night.

Allyssa Sousa-Kirpaul

A&E REPORTER

Humber College was abuzz with the live music of students at the inaugural First Year Experience (FYE) talent show Wednesday night.

The premiere of the FYE event was held at the Learning Resource Commons (LRC) on North campus from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Joelle White and Mobeen Sheikh are FYE peer mentors and organizers of the talent show. Their goal was to

welcome first-year students and create a positive atmosphere in the school.

“The event was mainly for first years to come out, either if they’re performing or supporting the people that are performing,” said White. Sheikh agrees.

“It’s to bring a warm yet exhilarating environment to create a warm transition to their experience at Humber,” said Sheikh.

Angelo Angeles, a second-year fitness and health student, was among 13 performers who showed

off their singing, rapping and beat boxing talents.

He sang a mash up of four songs: “With You” by Chris Brown, “Because of You” by Ne-Yo, “I Want It That Way” by the Backstreet Boys and “Mistletoe” by Justin Bieber. His friend Maurice Rosales, also a fitness and health student, played the guitar beside him.

Angeles said he felt good about his performance at an LRC packed with students and parents. He raised the crowd’s energy as they sang

along with him.

“I’m glad that the people were singing along and enjoyed my performance,” he said.

Angeles has been singing for six years and has a Youtube channel dedicated to his music. He said he sings because it’s a hobby he’s passionate about.

“I want to showcase my talent at Humber and make the most of my Humber experience,” said Angeles, who is also planning on performing at the Fitness Olympics halftime show at

the North campus gym on Dec. 1.

The FYE program has organized events in the past, but White wanted to create an event more students would be willing to attend this year.

“We didn’t want to limit it to just spoken word or poetry, we wanted them to display any talent that they had to create a more fun culture at Humber,” she said.

Charlene Cruzat-Whervin, a first-year fitness and health student, sang an a capella version of “I Rather Go Blind” by Etta James. She was the only performer to sing a capella. Her performance caught the crowd in awe with her voice as they cheered her on.

She said she always participated at her high school talent shows, and although she’s in a fitness program, she tries to make time for her passion for singing.

“I try to use my talent anytime I can because most of the time I’m doing sports,” said Cruzat-Whervin.

Joel Ashton-Fogle, a first-year Early Childhood Education student, sang “Empty Chairs at Empty Tables” from the Broadway musical *Les Misérables*.

Ashton-Fogle said he sings because it helps him overcome his stutter when he speaks. He is in the process of writing his own opera piece called “Autism: the Miracle”.

“I love to sing and entertain people,” he said.

There were two raffles during the show as winners received Tim Hortons and Starbucks gift cards. The students voted for their favourite performer by going on FYE’s Instagram and using the hashtag “FYEtalentshow”.

Paris attack looms over Strayhorn tribute

Humber honours jazz legend Billy Strayhorn and former Humber bass instructor Lenny Boyd.

Ken Kellar

A&E REPORTER

Tragedy wasn’t far away when Humber’s musicians hosted a night to remember for jazz aficionados.

Humber Music held a stirring tribute for late Jazz-era composer Billy Strayhorn on Nov. 13 at the Lakeshore campus auditorium. The concert went ahead although reports of attacks in Paris started trickling in before and during the event.

The two-hour concert featured performances from both the Humber Faculty Quintet and the Humber Studio Jazz Ensemble. Gord Sheard, the head of composition at Humber College, started the show by familiarizing the audience with the legacy of Billy Strayhorn, an Ohio-born jazz composer he referred to as “one of the greatest composers of the 20th century.”

“I think he deserves to be up there

with the Duke [Ellington] himself,” said Sheard.

The Humber Faculty Quintet began musical proceedings with a set of Strayhorn’s tunes, led by pianist Nancy Walker. The Quintet is also comprised of tenor saxophonist Pat LaBarbera, trombonist Al Kay, bassist Mike Downes and drummer Ben Ball.



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GORD SHEARD

HEAD OF COMPOSITION, HUMBER COLLEGE

The Faculty Quintet played five of Strayhorn’s jazz compositions over the first hour of the concert. They also spoke about the influence Billy Strayhorn has had on the jazz community, as well as his close professional and personal relationship with jazz legend Ellington.

Near the end of the Humber Faculty Quintet’s set, the band also paid tribute to former Humber bass instructor Lenny Boyd. Boyd was a well-known musician in the local

jazz scene and also worked with titans of the genre like Miles Davis. He died on June 6 after a battle with cancer.

“Lenny helped build a world class music program and bass department, and I am incredibly honoured to continue Lenny’s legacy,” said Downes, who took over Boyd’s position at Humber in 2000.

Sheard introduced the Humber Studio Jazz Ensemble and director Mark Promane, who was standing in for leader Denny Christianson, unable to attend due to last minute complications.

Promane led the Ensemble through nine Strayhorn compositions that featured a number of Humber students in prominent solo roles. Among them was Meagan Luchko, who lent her vocal talents to “Take the A Train”, a Strayhorn song made famous by Ellington, as well as the “Lush Life” finale, which also featured Humber jazz string players.

The music of the night offered an all too brief reprieve from the tragedies of the day, but it was a captivating ride while it lasted. Humber Music’s next concert will be the Vocal Showcase on Dec. 2.



KEN KELLAR

Pat LaBarbera performs with the Humber Faculty Quintet at the Billy Strayhorn tribute on Nov. 13.

Hidden world of illustrators, designers revealed at Humber art exhibit

David Wilson
NEWS REPORTER

Students and visitors to Lakeshore campus got to peek into the world of the designers and illustrators who coloured their childhoods at *Paging Imagination: The Art of Picture Books* last Friday.

The works of illustrators Michael Martchenko (known for his long-standing partnership with author Robert Munsch), Barbara Reid, Oleg Lipchenko, David Anderson and many others were on prominent display in the L Space Gallery, with each piece accompanied by the artist's preliminary sketches.

Illustrator Michele Nidenoff said showing readers her creative process lends a sense of context to the final product.

"Otherwise they think that you just sit down and do that," said Nidenoff, pointing to one of her finished pieces. "I think it's good for people to see your thought process."

Nidenoff talked about the importance of children's books and their accompanying artwork when she

was younger.

"There was one book I had, I don't remember the name of the illustrator, called *Humpty Dumpty and the Princess*," she said. "It was really quite a lovely and fanciful book, and



Over a hundred people have come through the gallery so far. People have been coming from across the city.

HELEN AALTO
CANSCAIP ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

the illustrations were beautiful."

Cartoonist and illustrator David Anderson said picture books were an important part of his development when he was a child.

"The ones that I really enjoyed were the Brother Rabbit stories," said Anderson. "They were almost like American folk tales. They were short and funny, and they were well

illustrated."

All the showcased artists are members of the Canadian Society of Children's Authors, Illustrators and Performers (CANSCAIP), who hosted the event.

Helena Aalto, CANSCAIP administrative director, was excited by the turnout.

"Over a hundred people have come through the gallery so far," Aalto said. "People have been coming from across the city"

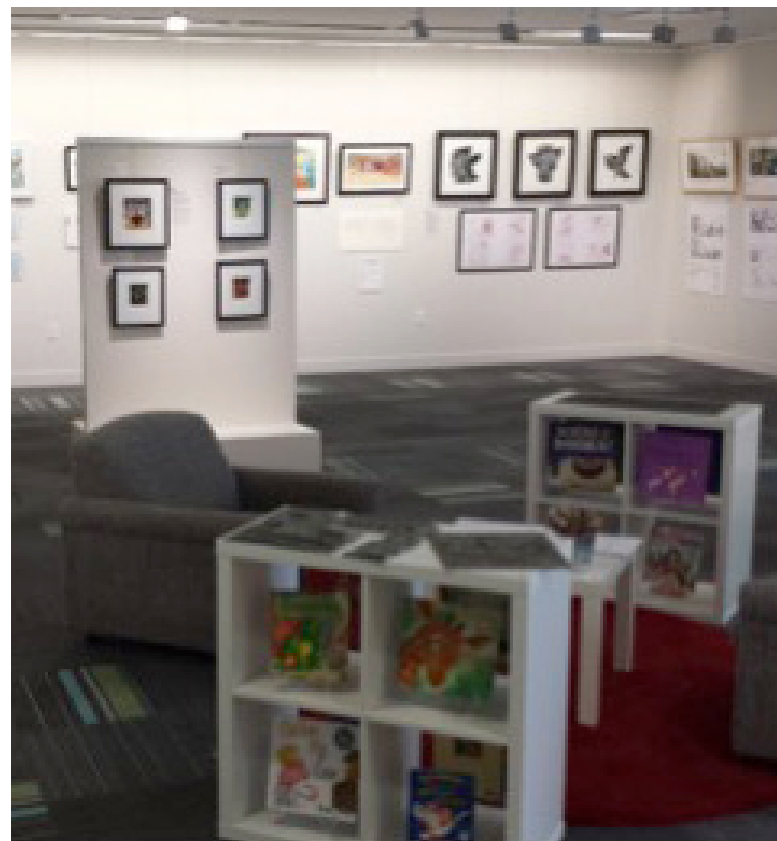
Aalto talked about the many different mediums through which the illustrators craft their works.

"Some of the artists work digitally, others use watercolour, some use acrylics, oil paints," she said.

Aalto said a number of them have honed their craft with less conventional tools.

"Gavy Swan uses plasticine called Sculpey, which can be painted and baked, Sue Todd uses linocut, which is linoleum that you carve out," said Aalto.

The exhibit concludes today at 5 p.m.



DAVID WILSON

Paging Imagination: The Art of Picture Books was held from Nov. 10-19.

#Horror wraps National Bullying Awareness Week

Matthew Pariselli and Sarah Trumbley
SENIOR REPORTERS

While National Bullying Awareness Week sheds light on the prevalence of bullying, the new thriller *#Horror* brings to life the realities of the issue.

National Bullying Awareness Week, which concludes tomorrow, is in its thirteenth year.

Bill Belsey, National Bullying Awareness Week creator, said his desire to address bullying is rooted in its pervasiveness.

"Wherever I am, everyone has their hands up saying bullying has touched their lives in some way," he said.

Belsey is the president of Bullying.org, a group based in Alberta, and said his motive in creating his site stemmed from a concern for young people and the resources they turn to for help.

"I felt that with the younger generation coming up, they are probably more likely to go online looking for help, information and support as opposed to picking up the phone and talking to a stranger," he said.

"The third week of November has been recognized by governments at every level across Canada. We have been fortunate enough to have support from Family Channel, Panago Pizza and TELUS, as well as professional research networks such as PREVNet, MediaSmarts and Kids Help Phone, just to name a few," he said.

"The idea has now spread and been adopted by other countries around the world," said Belsey.

An estimated 200 million children and youth around the globe have been bullied, according to the



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Tara Subkoff's *#Horror* opens in limited release this Friday.

Canadian group PREVNet.

The organization, which is based in Kingston, Ont., provides research and resources for bullying prevention.

Within Canada's borders specifically, the Canadian Institutes of

Health Research (CIHR) indicates one in three adolescent students have reported being bullied.

The same statistics show that, on a scale of 35 countries, Canada has the ninth highest rate of bullying in the 13-years-old category. Girls are

also more likely than boys to report being cyberbullied, a form of bullying Belsey said is on the rise.

Actress and filmmaker Tara Sabkoff takes aim at bullying with her latest film *#Horror*, which opens Friday.

Anne Brodie, a member of the Broadcast Film Critics Association who reviews films for *Monsters and Critics* as well as SiriusXM Radio, discussed the film in an exclusive interview with Humber News.

"*#Horror* is successful as it makes a real effort to be psychologically and socially authentic. Where *Mean Girls* was funny and dark, this is satirical and dark and then morphs into horror," Brodie said.

The film follows a group of 12-year-old girls from wealthy backgrounds in Connecticut as they gather at a home for a party.

One of the girls' mothers (Chloë Sevigny) is disconnected from the children and the girls play on her disengagement.

As a result, a blizzard of bullying erupts and the narrative takes a devastating turn. Brodie interviewed both Sabkoff and Sevigny and said they were passionate in their attempts to address bullying in their film. Brodie said Sabkoff admitted to being a victim of bullying as a child and at the age of 41. Sevigny encountered bullying in both the online and real worlds.

"The themes are, of course, the ugliness and contagious nature of bullying, the effects of bad and absent parents, how bad habits are handed down and the general uncaring nature of people when they're in packs," Brodie said. "The film addresses them and still manages to be entertaining."

A&E Films in Brief

Our recommendations for what's playing at Woodbine Centre's Rainbow Cinema this weekend:

1. The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2

The long-awaited epic finale of the Hunger Games franchise has arrived at last. Expect lots of interest so make sure you show up nice and early.

2. The Night Before

This raunchy festive season comedy stars Seth Rogen and Joseph-Gordon Levitt. It should be a good date movie, as long as your partner doesn't get offended easily.

3. The Good Dinosaur

Pixar is usually a safe bet as far as animated movies go, and who doesn't like dinosaurs?!

4. Bridge of Spies

If you're in the mood for something more serious and thought-provoking, try this Tom Hanks Cold War drama from director Stephen Spielberg.

5. Victor Frankenstein

If you're a Harry Potter fan, don't miss Daniel Radcliffe's turn as Igor in this darkly comedic twist on a gothic horror classic.

Now is when we support not strike back

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More than 14 years after 9/11, the world has united once again with displays of red, white and blue. This time, the colours belong to the flag of France and the support comes in the wake of orchestrated attacks last week in Paris that left at least 129 people dead and more than 350 injured.

Facebook profile photos are being filtered with France's flag. The hashtag #PrayForParis has been trending for days. Graphic designer Jean Jullien's Paris peace image (opposite page, bottom right) was shared by many on Instagram. People have been expressing their shock, disbelief, grief, anger and outrage on every social media platform available. Our hearts are with them – broken by so much unspeakable violence in a city that in some ways, feels like our closest European

neighbor.

ISIS has claimed responsibility for the massacre, which left at least seven attackers among those dead, and which has added politically and racially charged fuel to an already raging fire.

And with the outrage, comes a desperation to vilify and a panicked need to channel the anger that accompanies coping with tragedy. Shamefully, along with desperation and anger have come despicable displays of racism and intolerance in our country.

This is not the Canada we know, not the country that we are fiercely proud to live in, and certainly not in line with the values of tolerance and acceptance for which we stand.

These have seemed like brash, aggressive and impulsive acts based on intense feelings of anger and fear.

From a mosque burned down in Peterborough to a Muslim mother attacked in Brampton and reports of racist graffiti across the country - this is a Canada we do not recognize.

In this country, too many of our neighbors are succumbing to fear mongering and racism, hurling anti-Muslim sentiments and expressing their opposition to accepting refugees. We cannot follow suit in time of worry. We have to stand together as a community and nation.

We do not close our door to our global neighbors in need. We are not the 27th U.S. state now officially opposed to accepting refugees. This is not the Canada we know.

The Canada we know is liberal, welcoming, forgiving, tolerant. These values are at odds with ISIS and are more crucial than ever.

We have faith in our country be-

cause we know the good in people far outweighs the bad, like those Canadians who responded to the mosque attack in Peterborough with a crowdfunding effort that's already surpassed its goal.

The decency of Canadian people is an example that the world needs now more than ever. We must show our trust, faith and love for others now more than ever. We must share these feelings and show people how to come together in a time of such tragedy. We must show why Canada can be looked at for guidance and safety in these awful times.

Violence begets more violence but the same is true of love. It may sound cliché, it may sound naïve, but the world needs more love.

We need to be teaching it, embodying it, preaching it and Canada must lead by example.



REUTERS/CHRIS HELGREN

A crowd gathers for a vigil in memory of victims of the Paris terrorist attacks, outside City Hall in downtown Toronto, Nov. 14.

When it comes to caring, Lebanon is not France



Ali Amad

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Tragedies lost in the shuffle: On November 12, two suicide bombers blew themselves up in the middle of a busy Shiite suburb in southern Beirut, Lebanon. The explosions killed over 40 people and injured hundreds more, many of them civilians. Mutilated corpses of women and children littered the narrow winding streets. Buildings were reduced to rubble. Grieving communities and entire families were ripped apart.

One day later, Lebanon's old colonial master, France, was also attacked.

A series of co-ordinated strikes in Paris took the lives of at least 129 people and injured countless others, leaving the shocked French capital reeling. The Islamic State, or ISIS, took credit for both attacks.

One tragedy provoked an international outcry and dominated proceedings in the G-20 summit held in Turkey soon after. Sports stadiums across Europe and North America honoured the victims with moments of silence. The rally of support extended to social media as well. Hashtags of solidarity trended on Twitter. YouTube altered its logo to display the flag of the attacked country. Facebookers worldwide followed suit with their profile pictures. Toronto mayor John Tory spoke at a vigil attended by 1,000 people at Nathan Phillips Square.

The other tragedy was relegated to a few newspaper headlines, limited news coverage and a smattering of social media attention. Take a guess which one is which.

The answer is easy to guess, of course. We now know every single detail of the Paris attacks. We know

the name of the Bataclan theatre, where most of the victims were taken hostage and killed. We even know the name of the rock band playing at the Bataclan that night.

Ask people for details about the Beirut bombing, and you'll hear close to nothing. Ask about the Burj el-Barajneh neighbourhood where the bombing took place and they'll think you're talking about a Middle Eastern eggplant dish. Ask people about a suicide blast in Baghdad that killed dozens the same day of the Paris attacks and you'll hear even less.

A glimpse at the front page headlines of the major Toronto newspapers the weekend of the attack are perfect displays of the media bias: "An Act of War", "Total Horror!", "France Attacked". France takes obvious precedence over Lebanon. But the perpetrator in both cases is identical. What does that say about our society? What does it reflect?

It says we value certain things above others. It tells us what takes priority and what matters more. It shows us that the deaths of people from one part of the world trump the deaths of people somewhere else.

It reflects what it takes to galvanize people into a genuine reaction, to shake them out of the doldrums. Death in Lebanon, Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, etc. isn't shocking. It's old news. The Middle East is a battleground, where suicide bombings and mass shootings seemingly happen on a daily basis. Covering it is passé.

The type of attack perpetrated in Paris is unprecedented in the last few decades. And it happened to France! To the City of Light! For some reason, that fact makes it so vivid and real, in the same way 9/11 was more real.

As for Lebanon, they've been torn by warfare and sectarian strife for decades. Thousands upon thousands have died as a result. So, who cares? Not the mainstream media, apparently. After all, Lebanon's not France.

It's unsavoury to think that the pain and suffering of people can always be ranked and assorted by prominence in our society. It's not very palatable, but it's the reality. The evidence is all around us. Just look at your friend's Facebook page or switch on your TV screen. It will stare you right in the face. Unavoidable. You be the judge on what that means.

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Yes to Syrian refugees, but we must do it responsibly



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of 60,000 Indochinese refugees between 1979 and 1980.

“These refugees are victims of the same evil visited on our French cousins. We must not lose sight of this fact,” he wrote in the *Globe and Mail*.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau should be applauded for remaining firm in his commitment to resettle 25,000 refugees, despite opposition. But his pledge to do so by year-end, logistics be damned, plays into the hands of those who don’t want any refugees settled here at all.

Trudeau promised to resettle 25,000 refugees over the span of 10 weeks. Voters will forgive him if he breaks this pledge by simply committing to a plan for their resettlement within his initial deadline.

It’s not a matter of security, as right-wingers like Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall make it out to be. As Ishaan Tharoor of the *Washington Post* pointed out, each identified suspect of the Paris terror was an EU national. Similarly, Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, the Parliament Hill shooter of 2014, was a Canadian national.

Even if there are killers lurking in refugee camps across the Middle East, the United Nations High Com-

missioner for Refugees, the main agency responsible for resettling refugees, has an extensive background check protocol to determine suitability.

Short of turning Canada into a police state, there isn’t much anyone can do to prevent immigrants or “old stock Canadians” alike from engaging in senseless violence.



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Chris Friesen

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION SETTLEMENT SERVICES

The real issue with Trudeau’s resettlement plan is one of being able to provide sufficiently for all these refugees.

“It can be done. That’s not the issue. But we’ve got wait-lists for language classes, for example, of six to 10 months in certain cities. We don’t

have trauma support programs in place,” Chris Friesen of Canadian Immigration Settlement Services told the CBC.

“Reconsider the timeframe, keep the number, but do it over to 2016 ... Providing more time for this large resettlement movement will lead to better settlement outcomes,” Friesen said.

Mario Calla of Lifeline Syria, the main organization facilitating the intake of Syrian refugees, is naturally sympathetic to Trudeau’s goal, but agrees with Friesen that the timeframe should be extended.

“It’s still a massive movement. Don’t forget: even the processing takes time. There are security checks, medical and criminal checks,” he said, indicating that a few extra months would make his job much less daunting.

Lifeline Syria’s project manager Alexandra Kotyk said the organization has been overwhelmed by calls of support. Even if many people are wary of Trudeau’s self-imposed deadline, they are still broadly supportive of bringing refugees to Canada.

Compare that with the U.S., where 26 governors have said they will refuse to permit the resettlement of any Syrian refugees in their

state. They’re all Republican.

Meanwhile, the GOP presidential candidates are trying to outdo each other in exploiting the Paris tragedy to whip up the most anti-Muslim hysteria.

Texas Senator Ted Cruz said the U.S. should only allow Christian refugees, because “there is no meaningful risk of Christians committing acts of terror.” Ditto Jeb Bush.

Frontrunner Donald Trump holds similar views on Syrian refugees as he does on illegal Mexican immigrants – send ‘em back to where they came from. He doesn’t appear to be suffering in the polls for either stance.

On the other hand, even the Conservatives in Canada haven’t taken such an extreme view on the subject. They want to slow the process down, or reduce the numbers, but no one denies the significance of the cause.

Canada can and should set an example for the rest of the world on refugee intake, as we did in the past for Vietnamese, Ugandan and Kosovar migrants. But we should do so in a responsible way. One that doesn’t play into the kneejerk xenophobia on prominent display south of the border.

The Paris attacks unleashed a torrent of anti-refugee sentiment that gives ISIS exactly what it wants – keeping Syrians and Iraqis ensnared in their cage.

“The Paris massacre gives us a horrifying taste of the unending and vicious violence that has killed 250,000 Syrians, displaced 10 million more and sent four million fleeing for their lives into Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey,” said Michael Molloy, a political scientist from the University of Ottawa who helped coordinate the resettlement

Media coverage, social media trends dictating news we hear



Jelani Grant
BIZ/TECH EDITOR

er gunman killed a police officer before shooting four French citizens in a Jewish market. The attacks drew fear across first-world countries that had yet to experience such violent acts on their soil. Despite the terror of these attacks, a majority of people concerned with the Islamic State were not equally informed of an even greater terrorist attack by ISIS affiliate, Boko Haram.

During the same week, Nigerian officials reported that Boko Haram had stormed the Nigerian villages, Baga and Doron Baga. An official death toll was never concluded, as Nigerian government officials did not release an official number. The number of deaths was said to be between 150 and 2,000. Still, it took major news agencies, such as BBC, weeks to release a full-coverage report on the attack, though the death of 17 French citizens in January was reported by every major news station just hours after the attacks occurred.

On the final Friday the 13th of 2015, the extremist group ISIS conducted one of their most conspicuous attacks in six separate locations around Paris, France. These attacks shook the world through the weekend and strict security precautions are still being taken in countries such as Germany, the U.K. and the U.S.

However a day before these violent acts of terrorism, 43 people were killed in a suburb in southern Beirut, Lebanon.

Two weeks prior to this a bomb exploded on a Russian aircraft above

Egypt. ISIS claimed responsibility for taking the lives of all 224 people on board.

Not a month before the plane exploded, twin suicide bombers detonated their vests at a peace rally in Ankara, Turkey on Oct. 10. CNN managed to report the same day that at least 95 people died in the explosions. Video of the bombs going off was released as a number of peaceful protesters were attempting to record the rally.

Though all of these attacks did receive coverage, the death toll had little to do with when and how the public received information.

One could argue that violent events in first-world countries gather more attention due to the luxury of social media being more dominant in our everyday lives. However, third-world countries are not completely absent from the online community and even if they were, news agencies have been capable of delivering big news across the globe for decades. So why are we still only hearing major news coverage of attacks in our own countries?

With the continuous rounds of air strike attempts in Syria, the battle ISIS fighters choose to die for will surely continue until there is no land left to occupy. The possible solution to the violence could be all around peace and countries engaged in combat with ISIS may have to find a mutual ground between warring sides. If citizens of these first-world countries were forced to view the all-around death toll rather than their countries’

own losses, governments could be encouraged to seek alternate methods for ending the violence. For now, it is a

certainty that the strength of the reaction to the incident will be established by the amount of viewership.



TWITTER @JEANJULLIEN

This image went viral on social media to show support for Paris victims.

HOROSCOPES



JAN. 20 - FEB. 19
You tend to bend over backwards for that special someone, but are they doing the same for you? Set some limits because going overboard will have the opposite effect.



FEB. 20 - MAR. 20
Your romantic relationship isn't what you've wanted lately. Take charge and arrange an intimate night for two. But enjoy yourself without expectations.



MAR. 21 - APR. 20
This weekend will bring something remarkable to your life. Stay concentrated and open to adventure.



APR. 21 - MAY 20
Put in the hours. We all know that this is definitely something that correlates with success, so get at it and work hard. You are on your way.



MAY 21 - JUN. 20
Second-guessing yourself about a current decision is going to make you go crazy. Your reasons were fair so don't overthink it.



JUN. 21 - JUL. 22
Procrastination is not your friend. Stay on top of things and you will prevail through this stressful time.



JUL. 23 - AUG. 22
It might be time to share your life with that special person you've been casually flirting with. You're independency causes you to do most things on your own but accept that date offer and enjoy it.



AUG. 23 - SEPT. 21
Hit the gym. You have been slacking lately and it shows. Having the discipline to make it every day will make you a stronger person in the end.



SEPT. 22 - OCT. 22
Though you like to be in control, it's best this week to let things pan out the way it should. Don't get too concerned with what you think should happen; everything always works out.



OCT. 23 - NOV. 21
You for sure need to chill. Kick back this weekend and listen to a little Black Keys and relax. Keep keepin' on, my man.



NOV. 22 - DEC. 20
This week, your work load is more than you've ever had to handle. Stay focused and on top of those last-minute assignments. It will pay off in the end.



DEC. 21 - JAN. 19
This semester is coming to an end. Be sure you stay focused on what is important.

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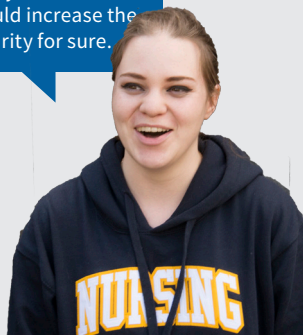
How should Canada respond to the Paris attacks, particularly with Syrian refugees?

We should implement a response that is more interpersonal social work like going to Syria, seeing the core problems in their society and trying to fix those.



Taylor Koz, 21
FITNESS HEALTH, 2ND YEAR

We should increase security but don't stop letting people in. ISIS is not Syria but we should increase the security for sure.



Helen Morozov, 21
PRACTICAL NURSING, 1ST YEAR

I think we should accept refugees, just not as many. Some refugees aren't appreciative of what they're getting. Canada is already overpopulated with immigrants as is.



Monica Gil, 19
INTERIOR DECORATING, 1ST YEAR

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KOLADE OLUWAMOTEMI

23 years old

Second-year Information

Technology Studies

Glasses: Ray Ban
Coat: Talia Nathan
Shirt: American Apparel
Pants: Champs
Bag: Unknown

Style: One word?
Hippy

Humber Hawks men's soccer win Nationals in overtime shootout

Jake Wilson-Hajdu

SPORTS EDITOR

Humber men's soccer team became national champions last Saturday, after a penalty shootout win over the Capilano Blues at Champlain College in Quebec City.

At the 30 minute mark the Humber Hawks lost Dominic Roberts to a yellow card and minutes later also lost player Joshua Paredes-Procter to a red card for violent conduct.

"It was two yellows. The first one was a tackle and then I kind of stuck my foot out to block a cross and he kicked the bottom of my foot and I got a second yellow," said Roberts.

"It kind of felt like we were mistreated in the beginning, they say it was for a violent tackle they say, but I don't think so," he added.

Down nine players to 11, the Hawks were forced to play their game in a defensive position. This left the Hawks a little out of their realm, but they managed to keep their stance and hold off the Blues.

"In practice we stuck to our normal thing which is attacking through Eugenio Garro and what not. But no, we never thought that last final game was going to happen with nine men," Roberts said.

Humber Hawks aren't used to being put in the defensive position as they're a dominant force in the league.



ONTARIO COLLEGES ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

Humber College's men's soccer team pushed through challenges to become national champions last Saturday against the Capilano Blues in overtime.

"With respect to our defense in that particular game, it wasn't something we employ often but it's definitely something we look at with respect to our defensive shape in practice," said Mike Aquino, Hawk's head coach.

The tight game left players uneasy

at the end. No one felt the stress more than goalkeeper Eugenio Garro.

"It was pretty stressful when it all happened and throughout the game you are like okay, we can hold off and hold on. It was just crazy," Garro said.

The tied game had all eyes on

Garro.

"There was obviously a lot of pressure on me and people were depending on me, but I just went out there and did my thing and it all worked out in the end," Garro said.

In the end, all the hard work the Humber Hawks have put in this

year paid off. A team mentality has pushed them to become the national champions that represent Humber College.

"All together the guys have a system and everyone bought into it and in the end we are national champions," Garro said.

Paramedics need fitness to succeed

Erian De Los Reyes

SPORTS REPORTER

First-year paramedic students training for their physically demanding program are already seeing progress in three months of work.

Natalia Bourdages, a first-year paramedic student who recently left her field in biology at University of Guelph, invests hours in the gym to prepare for her fitness exam.

Her fitness exams focus on cardio, by means of a beep test, and some strength training to prepare her for a long run in second year.

Bourdages said her midterm fitness exam, along with her written midterm test, were all very intense.

Lynne Urszenyi, the program coordinator for the paramedics program at Humber, said the program and the profession are very physically demanding, requiring not only personal strength but longevity as well.

"Emphasizing the commitment to lifelong physical fitness, what we're trying to do is encourage the student to stay strong and to be able to have a healthy long career in the field," said Urszenyi.

Bourdages, who recently finished her practical midterm exams said she focuses on cardio and strength training when she's at the gym because "one portion of our exam is a shuttle run—sort of like a suicide back and forth across the gym."

Urszenyi said as a former paramedic she always found time to exercise and go to the gym—sometimes after working a full shift.

"It doesn't matter how smart you are (or) how clever you are as a paramedic, if you can't carry the person, if you can't lift them, you are of no use to the person... we do emphasize that physical component above all else in our program," said Urszenyi.

Bourdages remembers the effort of walking to the fourth storey of a campus building to get to her class disappear after putting three months of intense workout routine.

"I see changes just in my general health," said Bourdages.

Kathleen Bozzo, also a first-year paramedic student, said the program is very helpful when it comes to preparing students for practical work.

It was the idea of caring and helping others that really drew her to the paramedics course, said Bozzo.

Urszenyi emphasized the importance of continuing the training after the program is completed and that committing to becoming strong in a short time is essential to success in the paramedic profession.

Bourdages and Bozzo both agreed it would be hard, considering the physical demands and shift work required for the job, but think it's possible to carry on training after finishing their paramedic program.

Outreach program aids sport careers

Tyler Hehn

SPORTS REPORTER

Humber Athletics has been winning games on the court and hearts off the court.

The third and final phase of a community outreach program led by the college's sports program is a dual-credit class for underrepresented high school kids North of Highway 401 in Toronto.

Matthew Ferreira and Theresa Steger created the outreach program and will be the professors of the dual-credit class. Together they will weave baseball and the importance of sport into valuable life lessons and teachings. The first phase of the program had 130 children learn different career options through sport, with some added skill building drills assisted by Humber Hawks volunteers.

Steger, a Program Development Consultant with Humber, said the first phase in November 2014 was an unprecedented success.

"The participation that we've [seen] has been really overwhelming, quite frankly. We didn't expect 130 kids, we had planned for 40 that day," said Steger.

"We planned this day in a way that was really (about) what kind of educational opportunities are out there if you really love sport, how you can make money via sport and careers," Steger said with a laugh.

Phase Two in June 2015 was day camp where students from across Toronto worked towards a CPR first aid certification and a Level 1 coaching certification with the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP). Due to sponsorship timeframes, children from west Toronto couldn't attend.

Kids who participated were given employment opportunities.

"Some were working at my Junior Hawks summer camp, some were working at Scarborough baseball camps and tournaments, stuff like that," said Ferreira, Humber's Community Engagement Coordinator.

Ferreira said even though only half of the initial plan for Phase Two was carried out, the kids who went through the camps were given great tools for their futures.

"Surely if you just look at the dollars and cents of it, what a student might pay to get their CPR first-aid and NCCP Level 1, it's a couple hundred bucks easily," said Ferreira.

Recreation and Sport Perspectives is the name of phase three, the dual-credit class that is launching for the first time in the winter semester of 2016.

Both Ferreira and Steger are excited about teaching this breakthrough new class.

"The actual community stuff, that's both of our lives outside of [Humber] it'll be great when the weather comes back and we're at the

ball diamond again, that's what we love," said Steger.

"We're trying to open some doors for them through this and make it really interactive and kind of promote the college experience," Ferreira said.

This groundbreaking community engagement project receives support from the Humber College Community Partnership Fund (HCCP). Sabra Desai is a manager of Community Partnership Development, where Ferreira and Steger found the assistance they needed through the initiatives of the HCCP.

"Under Humber's strategic plan there is reference made to strengthening community partnerships and creating pathways to post-secondary education, making post-secondary education more accessible," said Desai.

Only a few years old, the HCCP encourages Humber staff to think about addressing needs in the community. Desai spoke highly about the program and what they have accomplished to date.

"It's an amazing project and the selection committee, that decides the money, and who gets the money, were very impressed with this because it fits very nicely with the criteria of the fund," said Desai.

Steger and Ferreira hope that undertakings of this kind expand across the province in coming years, and even across the country.