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\$5-million budget approved at HSF's semi-annual meeting



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HSF executives showed up in full force for yesterday's meeting at Lakeshore, but students were few in number. The budget was approved without comment.

Emergency response delayed

Evan French
NEWS REPORTER

A former firefighter has criticized campus security for not following first-aid procedures.

"I feel the security company that is contracted to keep us safe failed us today," said Bruce Marshall, who was the first person to help a female student who collapsed outside the newsroom last Friday.

"From what I understand, she had a pre-existing medical condition that caused her to collapse. She was unconscious and experiencing a seizure when I found her," said Marshall, a part-time media studies instructor at the college. He said after finding the girl at 10:05 a.m., he went into the newsroom and told journalism professor Lara King to call security.

At the same time, journalism professor Mike Karapita ran to the health services department to get help.

"They understood it was an

emergency but they made clear they had a protocol," Karapita said. "They said the policy was in place that once a call has gone to security, a procedure will be followed."

After waiting several minutes for help to arrive, Marshall finally used his cellphone to call 911 at 10:15 a.m.

Then three security guards showed up, he said.

"They seemed to be at a loss for what to do. One of them took out his notebook and he started grilling this semi-conscious student as to what her name was, what her student number was. Then he wanted a student card.

"That's when I told him that was not in the best interest of the student and that he should get away from the student. I may not have been that polite, the words 'get away from the student' were the ones he understood," Marshall said. "The most essential thing that security services can do is go meet the emergency services people and

guide them in to the correct location. And I think (in this case) they were all about everything but that."

As a former instructor at the Ontario Fire College, Marshall taught things like incident command.

Director of Public Safety Gary Jaynes refused to comment on exact details but he said he is certain his staff followed the proper protocols. He said it's important to remember that if you make a 911 call you should also alert campus security.

"They need to let us know. I don't have a problem with someone calling 911, but they need to call extension 4000 to advise that they've done that. We need to know where the problem is so we can direct emergency vehicles to the proper location," he said. All arrivals to the school are recorded in a logbook, but Jaynes wouldn't reveal the exact time when the ambulance arrived.

Marshall estimated it took almost

20 minutes for the ambulance to arrive.

Const. Dave Fennell of 23 Division said students need to call 911 first and security services second.

"Once you get the cavalry on the way, the fire trucks and the ambulances, that's when it's time to call campus security – not first," said Fennell.

Erin Gray, a professor in the college's paramedic school, said the key to faster response times is good

communication between EMS and security people.

"There are times when that communication has broken down for whatever reason, a lot of the time the call comes from not from the college but from a cellphone. If they just say 'I'm in Humber college' the security guys aren't even in the loop," she said. "Their first priority is safety, safety of the person who is injured and the safety of the people who are around."



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A former dean from the University of San Francisco was sentenced to more than five years in prison for possessing 5,500 images of child porn. — www.reuters.ca

Enrolment hikes budget

Chris Halliday
NEWS EDITOR

HSF's operating budget for 2007-2008 has been increased by half-a-million dollars in expectation of increased student enrolment at Humber College, Guelph-Humber and the new Orangeville campus.

In the semi-annual general meeting yesterday morning, which took less than half-an-hour, the HSF's \$5-million operating budget for 2007-08 was approved.

At least fifty students showed up at the Lakeshore meeting and the budget was approved unanimously.

"There is a big change with the capital expenses," said current HSF president Cynthia Malagerio. "So those obviously moved around a lot of money."

HSF increased its governance expenses by 85.7 per cent, in preparation for a possible cut from Humber's work-study program.

"We don't have to lose our part-time staff, that's why we are making sure we have it in our budget," he said. "If executive (incomes) are covered, we can still have the part-time staff because they are a huge asset to us."

HSF vice-president of administration at the North Campus Alan Desimpel said HSF wants to make sure it will be able to employ its

part-time staff next year.

"Work study has considered and likely will be putting in a cap, meaning all Humber College departments, including HSF will continue to be able to access that program (work-study) up until a certain point," said HSF executive director Ercole Perrone. "We set aside a full salary. Every student we have — the part-timers as well as executives — this particular year were part of the work-study program."

Next year with changes that they are proposing to make, now all of them would be eligible because at

some point we would reach our cap and then we would take the full responsibility of those salaries."

"We are trying to be fiscally responsible, we try to cover for their full salary (HSF employees) so if work study comes and they (HSF employees) are covered at 20 per cent, we are still okay to have full-time people paid," Malagerio said.

HSF was able to increase its total governance expenses because its total revenues are expected to go up 12.6 per cent next year, which Malagerio said is because of

expected increases in student enrollment next September. Higher student enrollment expectations due to the opening of Orangeville campus and Guelph Humber's expected increase has given HSF the ability to set aside the money, because it will be receiving more fees from students next year.

"That's an increase in students, the Orangeville campus," Malagerio said. "Most of the programs have increased their enrollment, so that increases our (fee) numbers."

With files from Jeff Lewis



photo by jeff lewis

Current president Cynthia Malagerio and Alan Desimpel pass a motion during the meeting.

Car collision close to college



photo by adam trinch

Police say this Chevrolet Lumina was struck broadside after an early morning crash last Tuesday involving three other vehicles. Police Officer Peter Schaffhauser from 23 Division was on scene and said a mini-van ran a red light at Finch Avenue and Humber College Boulevard, hitting a car and setting off a domino effect. He added one vehicle crashed into a traffic pole that left the intersection without power until the afternoon. Ambulance and fire workers were on scene and no one was hurt.

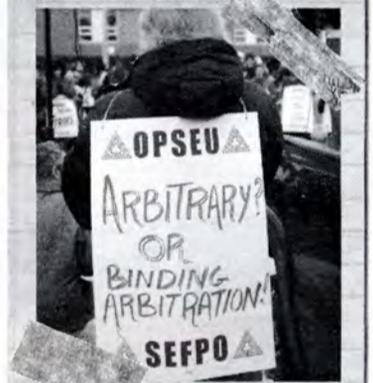


● An Ottawa woman said she became sick after eating a recalled brand of dog food. She said she noticed her dog wasn't eating it and tried to entice her pet to do so by sampling some herself. The woman said she and her dog became sick with symptoms including loss of appetite, vomiting and foaming at the mouth.

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● One year ago, 24 Ontario colleges were closed for 18 days due to a faculty strike. In total, 150,000 students were affected, of those 12 per cent were Humber students. Classes resumed on March 27 as management agreed to resolve issues through voluntary binding arbitration.

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● The first Liberal minority government since 1878 was elected in Quebec this week. The Liberals, led by Jean Charest, took 33 per cent of votes, a close margin against Mario Dumont's ADQ, which received 31 per cent of votes. The PQ received 28 per cent which is the fewest votes received since 1973.

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Corrections

On page 5 and 8 of the March 22 issue, the correct date and time for the HSF meeting is March 28, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at Lakeshore Campus.



An Austin man who stole a Virgin Mary statue from a Texas cemetery and painted it like a clown, pleaded guilty to gross misdemeanor theft. — www.cbc.ca



photo by ryan vella

Paul Calero has been operating his jewelry shop at both Humber campuses for the past eight years and fears new HSF decisions could compromise his shop.

Vendor gets the cold shoulder

Ryan Vella
NEWS REPORTER

A long-time Student Centre vendor said he's concerned the Humber Students' Federation (HSF) is trying to force him out.

Former student Paul Calero, who makes a living operating Silver Dreams jewelry, said HSF informed him that starting in the fall, "starting next year, the vendor program would be terminated or (his) days would be cut down to one or two days a week."

Calero has worked at the college for eight years. He has worked five days a week for the past four years, but now he's only permitted to set-up shop on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

He attributes this to a new HSF administration that is unfamiliar with him and wants to change how things are run.

"All the administration I knew or dealt with on a daily basis were either let go or they left on their own this year," he said. "I always had a good reputation with them. People I got along with opened the door for me and I established myself here."

HSF executive director Ercole Perrone said while HSF is considering changes to its policy, he doesn't see vendors being banned from the Student Centre completely.

"It is not entirely the case that we don't want to have vendors around," he said. "But the existing vendor program, is in need of a lit-

tle bit of an overhaul."

While Calero waits for the HSF to update its vendor policy, he hopes past ties with the college will help his case.

After one week of circulating a petition around the Humber community, he has 500 signatures from students, faculty and even a few HSF employees.

Vendors looking to rent space in the Student Centre from September until April must complete an application and sign policy and indemnity statements, said HSF services and facilities manager Temi Guoti.

However, she said Calero is the lone vendor without a written agreement with HSF.

"He has a verbal agreement. I

consider the fact that he's been here a long time," said Guoti. "The students respect him and I have to respect that." But she said that come September, "everyone will have a contract."

Guoti also acknowledged vendors are not required to have a licence or GST number to operate on campus. But she said the vendor program needs to be revised for next year.

While Perrone said the HSF is going to, "sit down in the spring and go over the vendor policies," he can't offer Calero any guarantees.

"He's been here so long that we feel perhaps he should give other younger entrepreneurs, who are offering different services, an

opportunity," he said.

Calero disagrees, "what other people?" he said. "There's no other people. You've got to be here to understand that."

But Perrone said the HSF will have to determine if vendors like Calero, "are actually providing a service that students want."

"I think that the thing with Paul, he's been here so long he's ingrained himself in the Humber community."

Despite the history, Calero fears that a change in HSF policy next year could threaten his business.

"It hurts me a lot. . . after everything I've worked for in the past ten years," he said. "In one year, all the doors are just shut. It feels like I'm being kicked out."

Grads getting an edge over job competition

Kate Wilson
NEWS REPORTER

College students graduating this spring will have a cut above the pack according to the speakers at 2007 Top Employers Summit.

Held over March 22 and 23 at the Four Seasons hotel in Yorkville, the summit included appearances from former U.S. Vice-President Al Gore, former Prime Minister Joe Clark, Liberal leader Stephane Dion and Toronto Mayor David Miller.

Humber sent a group of nine

delegates to the event.

The participants included representatives from human resources, the registrar's office and some of the college's academic schools; seats for the conference were \$1,995 a piece.

The event was hosted by Mediagroup Canada Inc. which puts out a list of the country's top 100 employers each year.

"It's not just because we have good benefits — everyone has that," Deb McCarthy, director of human resources said.

She cited professional develop-

ment and tuition assistance for employees as just some of the things that set Humber apart.

Gerd Rehding, associate director of human resources, also attended the conference and said he was impressed with the experience.

"Humber is already doing good things," Rehding said, but the conference is a good opportunity to network and hear what other companies are doing.

He said the application is a "mixed bag" of things including statistical information, the physical layout of the buildings and a

collection of human interest stories.

Humber is seeing the results of being named a top employer. Rehding said the college has received calls from other colleges and universities, as well as from private sector companies to talk about what they are doing right.

The designation has also helped with recruitment.

When people are aware of the college's reputation they are "more interested and more likely to apply," Rehding said.

"One of the conversations we

often have is how are we going to fill our ranks as the baby boomers leave," said Richard Yerema, one of the speakers at the conference and author of the Top 100 Employers project. "So college graduates are a very good generation, coming out at a time when employers are trying to figure out how we restock our ranks, how we're going to grow."

"Of course, once you're there," Yerema said, who is also an editor with Mediagroup Canada Inc., "the trick for (employers) is to have to answer to your needs."

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Tales of an embedded journalist

Andrew Stewart
SENIOR REPORTER

Humber journalism students listened quietly yesterday as CBC videographer Alan Lawrence talked about his recent assignment in Afghanistan.

"My experience overall, I can't say it was a pleasant one, but it very mentally challenging, physically challenging," Lawrence said. "It was a great experience when you take into consideration that it was a hostile environment and I hadn't had any experience in a hostile environment, outside of the odd riot here in North America."

To prepare for the trek, Lawrence had five days of boot camp training for embedded journalists in Atlanta, Georgia. The first two days he watched video and listened to audio of ways journalists could be injured or killed in hos-

tile zones. The following three days consisted of medical training exercises, as well as learning how to deal with hostage taking, kidnapping, dealing with undisciplined soldiers and fake military checkpoints.

After his training, Lawrence spent 42 days in Afghanistan. A typical day was between 12 and 17 hours of work, wearing 120 pounds of equipment and protective gear while shooting video, then editing and finally uploading the finished product back to Canada via broadband. Going into cities was often a rushed event, as Taliban interference was a constant risk for armed forces and reporters accompanying them.

Lawrence explained that many of the stories he filmed were of military interest, giving viewers in Canada a glimpse of soldier's lives and experiences. Initially, the network had wanted military-based

stories, giving a view of the political situation in the region, but viewer interest was not as high for that aspect as it was for the soldier's lives.

"We weren't in any... real bad situations," Lawrence said. "The tape of some of the aftermath from IED's (improvised explosive devices) that were shot by our (guide), many times there were some graphic shots, but I would delete them."

There were high points as well, such as "flying on a Blackhawk gunship. For a boy, that was a pretty big deal," Lawrence said. "I became one of (the soldiers) after a while... that was the accomplishment of the mission."

Lawrence said since coming back to Canada he has found himself wishing to go back "in a twisted way" despite the dangers.

He also feels he's become a more conscious person, more aware of

what is going on around him.

Lawrence began his career as a camera assistant in Winnipeg and then in 1995 moved to Toronto to work on the CBC's *The National* and *Venture*.

"To have someone who is literally on the frontline, who is in front of the soldiers to get their photos as they go into action, and bring that person into the newsroom for the students to meet is invaluable,"

said journalism professor Judy Charles.

"I thought it was good," said Doug Gilchrist, a final-year journalism student. "Wearing his flak jacket was heavy."

"It was one of the more interesting speakers," said Leigh Blenkhorn, final-year journalism student. "Because he has real-life experience that some of us may not get to have ourselves."



photo by dennis chung

Alan Lawrence had to carry 60 kilograms of equipment on a regular basis as a cameraman stationed in Afghanistan.

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Lecture Series

An Invitation to Students, Faculty and Staff
Humber College and University of Guelph-Humber

Cameron Bailey

"YouTube Apocalypse: Watching Death on Demand"

Wednesday, April 4, 2007

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

North Campus, Seventh Semester



Modern technology allows us to "see" events around the world at almost the moment they first occur. While the moving pictures that allow us to observe world events can deepen our understanding of conflict, they may also serve to inflame such conflict. In this lecture, Cameron Bailey will explore what it means to live in an era when moving pictures have moved from witnessing conflict to furthering it.

Cameron Bailey is a writer, broadcaster and film programmer based in Toronto. He reviews film for Toronto's *NOW* magazine and CBC Radio One. He founded the Toronto International Film Festival's *Planet Africa* section and headed its *Perspective Canada* series. He currently programs films from Africa, South Asia, the Philippines, the U.S. and Europe. He has presented international cinema nightly on Showcase Television's *The Showcase Revue* and also produced and hosted the interview show *Filmmaker* on the Independent Film Channel Canada. In the U.S., he has hosted the Sundance Channel's *Festival Dailies*. Bailey has contributed articles on subjects including cinema, Black culture and new technology to *The Globe and Mail*, *Take One*, *The Village Voice*, *Screen*, *Vertigo*, *CineAction!* and *Borderlines*, as well as to the anthologies *Immersed in Technology and Territories of Difference*. In 2004, he completed a video essay shot in Brazil, *Hotel Saudade*, that won the Best Canadian Film prize at Montreal's *Vues D'Afrique* festival and made its U.S. premiere at New York's Museum of Modern Art.

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City announces new budget plan

David Hamilton
NEWS REPORTERS

The 3.8 per cent property tax hike proposed in the city budget is a result of irresponsible spending, according to a program co-ordinator from the School of Business.

"Taxing and spending are not aligned," said Pierre-Pascal Gendron, co-ordinator of the business administration and business management. "The city is living beyond its means."

He said that the tax hike has to do with programs that used to be provincially funded, and have now been downloaded onto the city.

"The city follows a 'beggar thy neighbour' policy," Gendron said. "It asks for handouts from the provincial and federal government, but it doesn't change the fact that the house is not in order."

A property tax increase could affect many students because they could pay higher rent rates.

"Most students are renters," said Gendron. "Landlords pass on that tax onto tenants."

Apartment renters pay about three times more than homeowners pay in property taxes, said Vince Barshaw, president of the Federation of Rental Housing providers of Ontario.

International student Nick Jain, a business marketing student who already pays more tuition than domestic students, said that the tax hike will be hard on students who are just scraping by.

"I have to work full-time," Jain said. "A lot of students have to work more. It's hard to study and be working at the same time."

"While we have done significant work to control costs," said councillor Shelley Carroll, chair of the city's budget committee in a press release. "The impact of provincial programs on the City's budget continues to require significant property taxpayer dollars - this fiscal issue needs to be finally resolved."

"Given the tax base," Gendron, "the city spends too much."

He said the city needs to get its spending in order to make sure social programs do not capsize.



The UN endorsed male circumcision as a way to prevent HIV infections in heterosexual men and said it should be more available in Africa. – www.reuters.ca

Top cop hits campus beat

Evan French
NEWS REPORTER

Sitting in a classroom in Guelph-Humber is a chief of police, and genuine hero in the eyes of the province of Ontario.

Orangeville Police Chief Rod Freeman is enrolled in Humber's Justice Studies program to keep his skills honed. He said it's important for aspiring young police officers to remember life is a never-ending lesson.

"I'm in a lifelong learning process that has lasted 25 years," he said. "I've found the Humber course very helpful and a truly rewarding experience – especially the critical thinking aspect. I've learned that just because someone says something doesn't mean that's the way it is."

Freeman was included in the book *Canadian Police Heroes*, written by author Dorothy Pedersen. The Freeman chapter recounted an incident when Freeman, as

chief in Fergus, Ont., dove into the frigid waters of the Grand River to save the life of a pre-teen girl who was drowning. Freeman was the only chief to be included in the book.

"Heroes come in all different shapes and sizes. I am flattered and honoured to have been included in the book but I think any guy would have done the same thing," said Freeman, who received the Ontario Police Medal for Bravery for his quick thinking at the river in May 1996.

"I remember when I received that medal, I wasn't the only one," Freeman said. "Several of us received the award at once and I remember some of the other stories were more heroic and tragic than mine."

Freeman said he remembers the moment when he decided police work was for him.

"My dad asked me what I wanted to do when I was older," he said. "I remember seeing one of the old

yellow Toronto police cars rolling past and it just kind of grew from there."

The 29-year veteran has served in four different communities to date and has been in Orangeville for the past eight years.

Freeman said his favourite show as a kid was *Adam 12*, an old police drama made by the creators of *Dragnet*.

Freeman said he encourages young would-be police officers to keep themselves open to change.

"My electives have taken me out of my comfort level," he said. "If your intention is to succeed, you have got to work hard to ensure your mind and skills are sharp. You have to be like a sponge."

Freeman said he feels his continued education sends a good message to his children who are six and seven.

"We have discussions around the dinner table and I think it's good for them to see that dad has homework to do."



photo by evan french

Orangeville Police Chief Rod Freeman doffs his cap for the classroom in GH. He said it keeps his mind and skills sharp.

Culture captures a crowd at GH

Erica Timmerman
NEWS REPORTER

Close to 100 people listened to Hindi and R&B, and sampled samosas and doubles at last week's Culture Shock event held at Guelph-Humber.

"Culture Shock presents the talents of students throughout the school and we have performances in Hindi, Brazilian, hip hop," said Nasreene Corpuz, event hostess and fourth-year family and community social services student.

Sabrina Ramsamujh, a second-

year business student, who sang Hindi to the audience said performing at GH isn't scary because its diverse audience is pretty accepting of ethnicity.

"It is nice to perform in front of my peers and teach them about my culture," Ramsamujh said.

Matisse, a Toronto R&B artist, was also a guest singer.

"I try to get the audience involved, like clapping their hands, and dancing with me; no singer wants to see people just sit and stare," Matisse said.

Devi Ramroop, president of the

West Indian Student Association and a second-year business student, was in charge of bringing food to the event.

"We are showing people that foods in different parts of the world are similar in popularity as pizza is to western culture."



photo by anastasia jogal

The Bollywood Medley of Ronald Doobay, Sabrina Ramsamujh and Aakash Balgobin perform at Guelph-Humber in front of a packed crowd last week.

The White House said yesterday it is not planning on escalating tensions with Iran, though it supports Britain as it seeks the release of 15 sailors. — www.reuters.ca

Learning to find and rescue victims

Patrick Soltysiak
NEWS REPORTER

Over a dozen Humber students are certified to help Toronto Police search for people lost in the urban jungle or remote areas such as the city's ravines and river valleys.

During two 10-hour days of training last weekend, 15 police foundations students from Lakeshore Campus learned how to find children or elderly Alzheimer's patients who have wandered into life-threatening situations.

"What the search and rescue training does for the public at large is it gives those people who'll become police officers . . . the knowledge to realize when an emergency is occurring," said Staff Sgt. Scott Roberts. "Search is an emergency and we want the community to respond in that respect. The sooner we can get in and start managing the search and looking for the person who's missing, the sooner we can come to a successful conclusion."

The training included compass use, map reading, survival tactics, search techniques and dealing with people lost in harsh conditions.

Starting at 10 a.m., the students trekked through mud and bush, sometimes in the rain, while estimating the distance travelled. Their goal was to return to the spot where they started.

Then they did it again in the dark until 8 p.m., this time using a compass and flashlight.

The Humber participants were members of the rovers program, a partnership with Scouts Canada and Toronto Police.

It was created five years ago to encourage student involvement in the community.

"It's not everyday someone from college gets a chance to work with the Toronto Police."

— Zack Melerowicz
first-year member of the rover crew

"I came equipped with the proper gear. I didn't find it too harsh," said Zack Melerowicz, a first-year member of the rover crew.

This was the second time in recent years that police foundations students have been invited to take the course, which is a condensed version of the two-week

program given to police officers.

"It was just a natural extension to bring them into the program," Sgt. Roberts said.

Richard Di Biase, a police foundations student and chairman of the rovers, said the police encourage the training.

"This is all Toronto Police putting it on for us because we're volunteers, part of the Toronto Police Service," he said.

The rovers usually work with members of 22 Division in Etobicoke, though this weekend's exercise was held at the Public Safety Unit's headquarters on Finch Avenue East and the Greenwood Conservation Area in Ajax.

The unit was established in the late '80s to deal with the most serious — Level 3 — search and rescue operations.

In the end, the students were given written and field exams, which everyone passed.

"They (the police) were willing to take the time to make sure everyone was comfortable out there. I had a great time," Melerowicz said. "It's not everyday someone from college gets a chance to work with the Toronto Police."



photo by patrick soltysiak

Police foundations rover crew learn to rescue with a compass.

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Printing green may cost extra

Jeff Lewis
NEWS REPORTER

Although the college's course calendars are printed on recycled newsprint, the costs — rather than environmental considerations — often determine what gets printed and by whom.

"Whatever printer sends back the best price and can meet the deliveries it gets (the order)," said Carlene Inglis, co-ordinator for Humber's corporate publications.

Rather than basing prices on green alternatives, stocks of paper are typically quoted to customers on price alone, said Brian Anderson, the sales representative who manages Humber's account at Grenville.

"Nobody's really questioning, 'is that recycled stock or not?'" Anderson said. "It tends to be an extra bonus."

Grenville printed 80,000 copies of Humber's course calendars in 2005 on paper comprised of 15 per cent sawdust and woodchips and 50 per cent post-consumer waste.

But the distinction between the two waste products rarely affects what goes to press, said Gord

Wight, vice-president of operations at Grenville.

"Printing is a tough business and these days, unfortunately, a lot of work is awarded on price only," he said. "The interest has to come from the client."

It's a perspective shared by Leslie Weller, vice-president of Weller Publishing in Toronto — where the *Et Cetera* is printed.

Weller said it depends on what the client wants, in terms of recycled content. "Unfortunately, at this point it's going to be a question of money."

The more the paper is recycled, the shorter its fibres become, increasing the frequency of web breaks — when a ream of paper actually tears on the press — it delays production and raises costs.

"At this point it's still a trade-off between quality and environmental friendliness," Weller said. "You don't get the same mileage, you have web breaks—it costs more money to make recycled than regular paper."

Weller said all its newsprint is 35 per cent recycled. The paper comes from Quebec, where it is produced from the timber off-cuts in mills.



Cuban leader Fidel Castro, who has yet to appear in public since undergoing stomach surgery eight months ago, is in good shape. — www.reuters.ca

Lectures look to raise status

Anupa Mistry
NEWS REPORTER

As more high-profile guests are invited to speak at Humber's President's Lecture Series, Melanie Chaparian hopes student turnout to the free events will increase.

Chaparian, chair of the President's Lecture Series committee and humanities program coordinator, said the committee is trying to figure out why student presence varies so much. She adds "it would be wrong to blame the students" for the low turnouts.

Humber president Robert Gordon said busy schedules can contribute to low attendance, and lecture topics are usually outside of the college's practical curriculum.

"It's a stronger series than when we first started," Gordon said. "It's not that we've had nobody go."

"Often when you take a class to a lecturer, it can be the case that they get bored (but) they all really liked it."

— Aileen Cowan
liberal arts and science professor

The Series, established in 2003, has recently brought prominent Canadians to the Seventh Semester where the lectures take place. Former UN ambassador Stephen Lewis had the largest turnout. Chaparian said close to 150 people showed, 100 of them were students. Last week, author and activist Maude Barlow spoke to around 70 people, including a 'War and Terrorism' class, about the downside to economic globalization.

Another way to increase the student presence at these events is for instructors to encourage students to check them out, or to attend with their classes. Chaparian said faculty members are welcome to

bring classes especially if the topic is relevant to the curriculum.

After Barlow's talk, Chaparian received an e-mail from Aileen Cowan, a liberal arts instructor, who had brought her entire class to the lecture and said students had launched into a debate of the speaker's themes without being prompted.

"I didn't even really have to say anything to get my class going," Cowan said of her War and Terrorism students. Cowan has previously taken other classes to see speakers and said that she does so to expand the curriculum beyond the walls of the classroom. "Not one (student) resented going to that talk — they all wanted

to stay and talk longer," she said. "Often when you take a class to a lecturer, it can be the case that they get bored (but) they all really liked it."

Both Chaparian and Gordon agreed students in all programs should take advantage of the lecture series in order to broaden their perspective.

"Break down this divide between the real world and school," Cowan said. "It's not just 'You get a piece of paper and you go to a job and forget everything.'"

Cameron Bailey, a film critic for NOW magazine and founder of the Toronto International Film Festival's Planet Africa section will speak on April 4.

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Liberal arts professor Aileen Cowan likes bringing her class to the lecture series.

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Islamic practices face problems

Survey shows uphill battle for Muslim students on Canadian campuses

Amberly McAteer
NEWS REPORTER

Some Muslim students agree with a report from a national student group outlining the daily obstacles they can face in Ontario colleges and universities.

Muslim students said performing ablution – washing before prayer – in the public washrooms and accruing interest on student loans are cause for concern among Islamic students on campus.

The Canadian Federation of

Students released a 29-page report last week summarizing hearings by a task force on Muslim students' needs.

Over the last seven months the group consulted more than 1,000 students at campuses across the province and found that many Muslim students face Islamophobia – from faculty, administrative policies and peers.

Sarah Ziaidi, a first-year general arts and science student, said she would like a space to wash her hands and feet before prayer as

part of the Islamic practice of ablution.

"I go to the public bathrooms before I pray and sometimes I feel uncomfortable doing that – people look at me funny," she said.

"It's not that I think 'well, I'm Muslim, I want my own space' but ablution is about cleansing yourself, your spirit. It's private."

Judy Harvey, dean of student services, said adding a sink in the prayer room isn't possible because of lack of space and money.

"Other than going to a public

washroom, that's all the privacy we can really afford to give," she said. "Really, I don't have a solution."

Ziaidi who wears a hijab, a religious head covering, said she felt a lot of racism and intolerance in high schools, but her college experience has improved.

"There's so many different cultures in every class I'm in," she said.

Second-year accounting student Sara Javaid, said paying interest on her OSAP loans conflicts with Islamic Law – a concern echoed by many students in the task force's report last week.

She said she didn't know interest would start accumulating immediately after graduation this April.

"It's kind of immoral," Javaid

said. "If I lend you \$100 and ask for \$200 back, what work have I done to deserve that extra money?"

Harvey said while the financial aid office is "probably not aware" of the Muslim opposition to interest-bearing loans, alternative systems wouldn't be possible.

"We couldn't make a financial deal with them," she said. "That just doesn't pass the reasonability test."

Javaid said while she sometimes feels alienated on campus, her religious values are strong and uncompromising.

"It's about believing in yourself and having confidence in who you are," she said.



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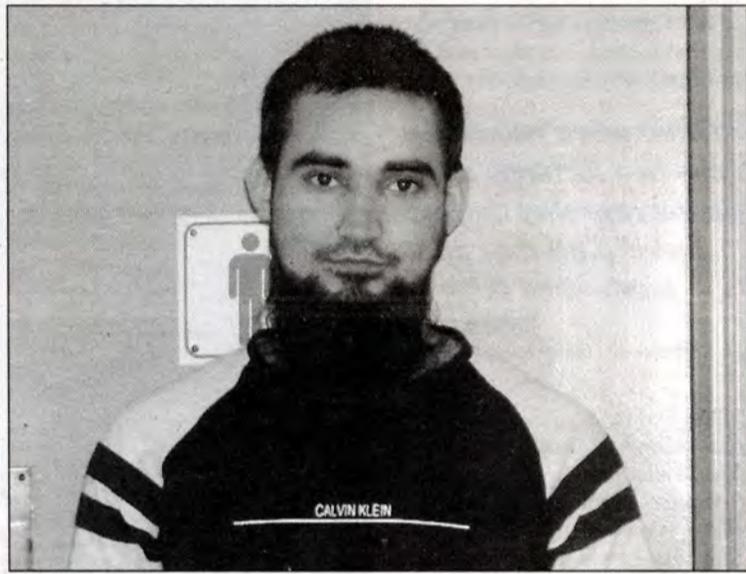


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Muslim student Imran Qemar uses Humber's washroom to cleanse himself before praying as part of his religious practice.

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A map outlining the TTC expansion plans expected by 2021.

Toronto plans to expand rail transit access

Eric Humber
NEWS REPORTER

Future students to North Campus may have an easier commute with a proposed expansion of the TTC running along Finch Avenue from the Yonge subway line to Hwy. 27.

"It would be absolutely fantastic for the students of Humber College," said Chris Gataveckas, vice-president of business development. "If they dedicate lanes to only these rapid streetcars, obviously the congestion will be eliminated and everything will be connected. It makes everything easier."

A TTC commissioned report calls for the 18-kilometre long light-rail line to be completed on Finch by 2021.

"With our plan going forward, it is our belief that no Torontonian should be disadvantaged because they don't own a car," said TTC chairman Adam Giambrone. "You should be able to get anywhere in the city, not just downtown."

Ward 1 councillor Suzan Hall, said she preferred a corridor reaching the Bloor-Danforth subway, but is still thrilled with the announcement.

"With fewer stops, the streetcars are just as fast as subways," she

said. "Students at Humber should be happy with this announcement."

Hall said the Etobicoke – Finch and Scarborough – Malvern corridors are the highest priority to be built.

The \$835-million proposal still has to be approved by the municipal, provincial and federal governments.

"Without the support of all orders of government, transit in Toronto cannot work," Hall said.

Giambrone told a news conference "we have to start somewhere on a plan and the plan that starts today will do that."

"It's about time something is done, I take the bus here and we get stuck in traffic all the time."

— Faryal Sajjad
second-year business administration

A report by StatsCan said ridership of public transit was up 8.4 per cent across the country in 2006.

TTC spokesperson, Marilyn Bolton said the TTC had four million more passenger trips during that same time.

Though current students will not benefit, Faryal Sajjad, a second-year business administration student, said she was happy to hear the news.

"Sounds like a good idea, definitely more convenient," she said. "It's about time something is done I take the bus here and we get stuck in traffic all the time."

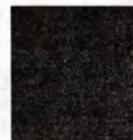


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EDITORIAL

"The will of the people is the only legitimate foundation of any government, and to protect its free expression should be our first object." – Thomas Jefferson

Policy slows response

The purpose of campus security is to keep students, faculty and staff safe.

Campus security is a private company of trained professionals contracted to work for the college. They are not college students who are training or currently completing co-op hours on campus. They are professionals hired to help us and keep us safe.

Last Friday, a student collapsed outside of the newsroom and Bruce Marshall, a media studies instructor found her unconscious and having a seizure. Marshall ran into L225 and told journalism professor Lara King to call security. While King was on the phone explaining the situation to security, fellow professor Mike Karapita ran to the Health Centre to ask for medical assistance. The Health Centre told Karapita that although it was an emergency, college protocol had to be followed – security needed to be called.

After waiting for nearly 10 minutes, Marshall called 911. While on the phone with a dispatcher, three security guards arrived on the scene. Marshall said the guards looked like they weren't sure of what to do next – one even started taking notes while trying to ask the semi-conscious woman for her student identification number.

Marshall, a former Ontario Fire College instructor, said in regards to the medical emergency with the student, campus security failed to do their job. Director of Public Safety Gary Jeynes said security followed college protocol but refused to elaborate much further.

Marshall believes security services in general should escort all emergency personnel around campus to the exact location of an incident.

Dealing with campus emergencies in a quick and efficient manner should be part of securi-

ty training. If they are trained in such protocol then they should conduct themselves in such a way.

Of course, identification can and should be checked by campus security when they come across students staying late or when students are loitering. Asking for identification is par for the course when getting into a bar but not when a semi-unconscious girl requires medical attention.

How does asking for a student number help campus security ensure an efficient and thorough medical response? Even if our school has a medical record/file on its students, is it really appropriate to ask for a student number when immediate medical attention is required? We think not.

If protocol was followed like Jeynes said it was then there is a problem with a protocol that creates a 20-minute time delay when a student requires emergency medical attention. Protocols and policies must be reconsidered.

Student safety should be the top priority of all security protocol and the protocol exercised last Friday – didn't cut it. Why bother calling campus security, first when calling 911 gets a quicker response?

Campus security should send as many people to help in a medical emergency and cover all the bases, rather than wait around until Toronto Emergency Medical Services show up. Security cannot provide students with medical attention so why call them first? Call 911 first, take their advice and then call security.

The incident that occurred, illustrates a multi-faceted problem of communication.

Security should have responded quicker and with more efficiency rather than asking for identification.



Show students the money

If Dalton McGuinty lists post-secondary education as an important part of the provincial government's agenda, it didn't bear through in this year's budget.

The Ontario Liberal government pumped some serious money into families and children for 2007. While this is very important, and education can't be the focus of every budget, Ontario college students can't help but look around the country in envy.

In their budget, the Saskatchewan government decided to hand out an additional \$10,000 annually in tax relief to new working grads on top of its already generous relief policy. Ontario – if not all of Canada – would be wise to follow Saskatchewan's lead and embrace its recent graduates by allowing them the financial freedom to start a career comfortably in their home province.

Of the \$800 million that was handed out by the federal government for post-secondary education, only \$140 million will go to Ontario colleges – all set aside for renovating or expanding existing services and infrastructure. While this money is needed and wisely spent, it is doing little more than keeping the status quo.

If the province won't increase financial security for its tax paying students, it should at least give them something to root for in the budget by better funding schools.

Of course, there is unfortunately little impetus for the Ontario Liberals to increase funding to appease such a low voting demographic. Any who feel they aren't being helped out by the '07 Ontario budget should perhaps bear this in mind when the polls open for a provincial election this fall.

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the question:
How do you feel about vendors on campus?

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"The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires." – William A. Ward, American writer

Job market should not stop potential teachers



Dennis Chung
Work and Play Editor

Faculties of education across the province are turning away applicants as jobs for teachers grow scarce.

"Teacher shortage turns into glut" read the headline of the March 12 *Toronto Star*. It was front page news.

But it wasn't news to me.

I earned a Bachelor of Education from York University in 2003 and did not find a teaching job.

Like many who graduated from high school in the late nineties, I chose to go into education after hearing about a shortage of teachers in Ontario.

Years of labour conflict with the Mike Harris government plus the lowering of requirements for earning a full pension provided the incentive for many teachers to retire earlier, creating opportunities for new graduates to find jobs

in education.

But the job market dried up as the retirement rate slowed after 2002.

Opportunities decreased even further as the province eliminated the Ontario Academic Credit, reducing the high school curriculum from five years to four. Schools that had enough teachers for five years worth of classes found themselves overstaffed.

If a shortage can turn into a glut in a matter of years, the reverse is entirely possible.

At the same time, new teachers were graduating at record rates. In 2005, universities produced 20 per cent more teachers than in 2001, according to a report released by the Ontario College of Teachers (OCT).

Even though the prospects seem dire for new teachers, people considering entering the profession should not be deterred from doing so if they feel passionate about it.

Teaching remains a rewarding

occupation. According to a separate study from the OCT, 94 per cent of teachers feel that their jobs are meaningful and four out of five would recommend teaching as a career.

Some specializations are still in high demand.

French-language teachers and those with a background in science and technology can still find many opportunities for full-time teaching jobs.

Schools are also facing a shortage of coaches for athletic teams. A background in sports will draw the attention of employers who want to provide more extra-curricular activities for their students.

Job prospects are also cyclical. If a shortage can turn into a glut in a matter of years, the reverse is entirely possible.

With a provincial election coming this fall, the potential of a return to power by the Progressive Conservatives may spur more older teachers to consider hanging up their marking pens. You never know what could happen in a few years. Don't let a headline stop you from following a career you really want.

Canadian schools outdone by NCAA



Alister MacLusky
Work and Play Editor

March Madness. Every year since 1939, the NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Championship has rolled around with the spring.

With it comes billions of dollars in gambling, advertising and lost productivity, in addition to around the clock television coverage.

A literal madness grips the entire United States, as every detail, tidbit and morsel of analysis both pre and post-game is gobbled up voraciously by the public.

Every Tom, Dick and Harriet pores endlessly over his or her pools as if their lives depended on the results.

Maybe this mania, this madness is understandable in the U.S.

The NCAA is a phenomenon

in a country that obsesses over their college sports, even glorifies them, and deifies their best players as if they were pro.

Much less explicable is the fact the craze extends north of the border as well.

Major Canadian networks cover the games, and many Canadians, myself included, get almost as deep into their playoff trees as Americans do.

Meanwhile, Canadian university and college sports go largely unnoticed.

Why is this? There are just as many compelling storylines, underdog triumphs and storied dynasties in Canadian sport.

Is it a case of following the money?

Simply because the NCAA has all the money, just because it's on TV, do we have to watch it?

Canadian

fans should raise their voices and demand more coverage of our own sports, of our outstanding young players and our unheralded schools.

Now there is something we should really get mad about.



'Convenience' fees not convenient

All the extra charges make tickets far too expensive



Sarah Lanni
Copy Editor

If you've ever purchased tickets through Ticketmaster, you know that the original amount a ticket is being sold for isn't the amount you end up paying.

I recently bought tickets through *ticketmaster.ca* for "The Most Races Show on Earth" comedy show which were advertised as \$25.

But after the 'convenience charge', facility charge, order processing fee and ticket delivery charge were added on, my ticket ended up costing \$34.25.

I understand the venue needs to be paid, as well as the performer and Ticketmaster, but all these additional charges are ridiculous and they should be included in the advertised price.

Ticketmaster's entire purpose is to sell tickets. But an extra \$10 in fees on top of a ticket price isn't affordable for students.

Ticketmaster's website attributes the 'convenience charge' to cover the cost of Ticketmaster providing the tickets, and explained the charge varies by event. I don't know who this charge is convenient for, but I can guarantee it's not me.

It seems like there is no way of avoiding all the fees, no matter how tickets are purchased.

The site also says "there is typically no convenience charge when you drive to a box office to purchase tickets," but that's not convenient for customers, which is one reason Internet purchasing is so popular.

The facility charge goes directly to the venue and can vary, depending on the facility. Buying tickets directly from the venue and avoiding Ticketmaster altogether should eliminate this charge, but sometimes that isn't possible.

According to the Ticketmaster website, the order processing fee

covers the cost to fulfill your ticket request when you purchase the tickets online or by phone. However, even if you purchase tickets in person, you still have to pay this.

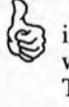
Finally, there is the delivery charge. Customers have the option of having tickets e-mailed or couriered to them, or they can pick them up at the venue. The delivery charge varies depending on the event and the kind of delivery. Although picking up tickets at the event is supposed to be free, the website states, "there will still be an order processing fee, and occasionally, delivery prices may in fact still be charged."

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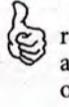
Personally, I think it's just Ticketmaster's way of sucking the fun out of going to events.

If people added up the amount of additional charges they have had to pay for every event they have gone to, the amount of money spent on fees would come close to being the same as the amount spent on events.

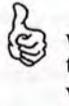
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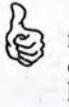
 To 'vanity sizing' for making women feel their real size isn't small enough.

 To Ryan Oliver for releasing his own jazz album mainly consisting of original music.

 To the City of Toronto for proposing new taxes on fun stuff like movies and sports tickets.

 To the men's and women's indoor soccer team for each winning silver in the provincials.

 To Canada for having one of the highest rates of child obesity in the world, according to a new study.

 To the Mikey Network for donating a \$400,000 in defibrillators to Toronto high schools, enough for each school to have one.

 To the Ontario Lottery Corporation for doing nothing while clerks pocketed customers' winning tickets, according to Ontario ombudsman Andre Marin.

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IN FOCUS GRADUATE JOB MARKET

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Employment for final year college students

Elaine Mitropoulos
IN FOCUS REPORTER

At this time of year, if the stress of pending exams hasn't got you down, finding employment in your field certainly might. *In Focus* explored some of the schools with the highest and lowest employment rates.

Humber's 2006 key performance indicators detailing the percentage of graduates working in their field, will be available mid-April, said Carlo Mandarino, a research associate in the school's planning and development department.

Until then, students can access last year's report online to see which programs had the highest and lowest employment rates.

Creative writing, urban arboriculture and accounting information technology rate among the

highest, all boasting a hundred per cent graduate job placement. Among the lowest are Internet management, at 60 per cent, 3D for production games entertainment, at 57.14 per cent and chemical lab technician, with only 33.3 per cent.

"You can take most of this very accurately because the interviewers have spoken directly with the students," said career center manager Karen Fast.

The survey asks graduates about the companies they work for including salary and skills used on the job, said Fast.

Graduates decide whether they are working in their field, Fast said and added there are other variables that influence a program's employment rates.

"It could be that the economic and social climate is good for a

particular program that year," she said.

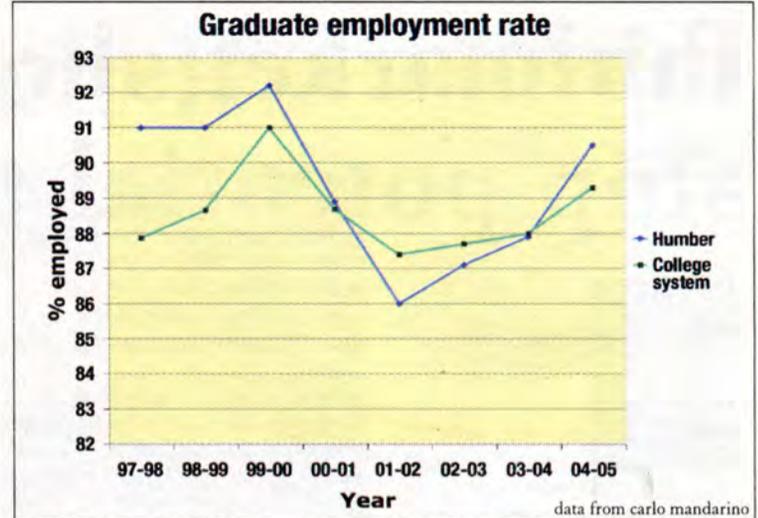
Graduates working internationally and those doing contract work may also taint the statistics, Fast said.

"Some of our programs don't have high employment because they lend themselves to further education," she added.

Dean of Planning and Development Rick Embree said graduates from the creative and performing arts program tend to have the lowest job placement rates.

"We know those jobs have lower job placement rates but students are not wanting the program just to get a job," Embree said. They pursue careers in the arts because it's a passion, he added.

Media studies students may also have a tough time finding full-time employment.



Humber's graduate employment rate is on a steady incline since 2001-02 compared to the Metro college system average.

"In media studies, approximately 12 per cent of the students are (freelancers) — continually going out and looking for work because they take on a project, develop it and sell it to the customer," he said.

Health care, technology and hospitality programs are all strong fields for graduate employment, said Embree. Computer programming is on the rise again as well.

"At one time we were placing a hundred per cent of our (comput-

er) grads. Then they went through the dot com crash where all these companies went out of business."

Students can use the graduate report to research the number of program graduates, how many have gone on to higher education and how many aren't seeking employment at all.

For students graduating this year, Fast said to expect a call from Forum sometime in early November.



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PN students gain crucial medical skills to use post-graduation.

Medics in demand Practical nurses needed in Ontario

Daria Locke
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Practical nursing grads have been in high demand since Ontario has been experiencing a shortage in health professionals.

Jason Powell, program co-ordinator for the practical nursing program, said government support is the key factor in students finding employment.

"Anyone with a health professional degree is in demand so our grads are taking advantage of these opportunities," Powell said.

According to the KPI (Key Performance Indicators) survey for graduation employment at Humber, 88.5 per cent of practical nursing students are being hired out of school.

"We prepare our final-year students tremendously for their careers," Powell said.

"We provide (our students) with job fairs ... and we have someone come in from the College of Nurses of Ontario to talk to them about getting temporary licenses

so they can start working right away."

A Humber diploma places students a step above Powell said.

Students gain practical and hands-on experience so they can work with patients right after graduation said Powell.

"A 495-hour practicum must be completed after graduation and this is their ticket to finding a job," said Powell.

"Participating in the practicum is another essential building block to such an effective program," said Diane Vieira, a graduate of the practical nursing program. "It exposes students to the nursing workforce and everyday realities of the profession."

Powell said the program has been modified to meet consumer needs and the changing industry.

"The majority of the courses are interrelated and focus on specific topics, strengthening and reinforcing student learning," Vieira said. "Completing associated courses simultaneously helps put the pieces of the puzzle together."

Skills to uphold the law

Toronto Police show their support for Humber program

Andrea Bennington
IN FOCUS REPORTER

An indication of the success of Humber's Police Foundations program is a new \$5 million contract with Toronto Police making them responsible for supervisor training over the next five years, said program co-ordinator Henri Berube.

"We have courses where the Toronto Police are coming to Humber as part of their upgrading training," said Berube.

The success of the program lies in providing graduates with essential critical thinking and leadership skills, Berube said.

Police Foundation graduates employability was estimated at 88 per cent for 2005, according to the career centre.

Berube said the police hiring process can take several months as a result of extensive background checks and screening. Graduates must write provincial exams and pass a physical before beginning a six-month window to seek employment, said Berube.

The Police Foundations program is not required to become a police officer in Ontario. The basic requirement is a Grade 12 education. Peel Regional Police Recruiting Officer, Staff Sgt. Doug Grozier said "(It) is not necessary ... but Police Foundations is an asset, but not required to get a



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Police Foundation students stay active in community support to prepare for their work with the public later in their careers.

job."

Police recruiters said they are looking for self-motivated, adaptable and quick decision-making individuals which Police Foundations provides its students.

"We're focusing on critical thinking skills (and) ethical decision making."

- Henri Berube
Police Foundations co-ordinator

"The RCMP and the OPP are rumoured to be having a big demand and other police agencies are hiring as well," Berube said, adding the forces are having difficulty meeting current hiring quotas.

Many of the officers hired in a province-wide hiring boom in the 80s are reaching retirement age. Now the job prospects in policing have never been better.

Humber grads must still continue to train in the Ontario Police College (OPC). They may be exempt if they are an RCMP offi-

cer from another province and may only have to go through a three week provincial update, Berube said.

He stressed that Humber's Police Foundations program is taking different routes in educating students. "Many colleges have opted for what I would describe as a police training model."

Unlike the practical application of the law that the OPC focuses on, Humber's program focuses on learning skills.

"We are not a police training program we are an academic institution and our program is academic," Berube said. "We're focusing on critical thinking skills, ethical decision making and building maturity and complex thought processes towards leadership abilities," Berube said.

Police Foundations, currently at Lakeshore Campus, will also be offered at the new Orangeville campus when it opens.



GRADUATE JOB MARKET IN FOCUS

In 2006, Ontario's labour force was made up of about seven million people, and was about 40 per cent of Canada's work force. - www.2ontario.com

Performing for a price

Sean Fitzgerald
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Music graduates will be working in *Twistin' to the 60s* this summer at Paramount Canada's Wonderland.

"They mostly hire musicians from Humber," said Anthony Carone, 21, a recent graduate from the Lakeshore music program.

Music graduates are finding the job market challenging.

In the 2005 Humber Graduate Report, 66 per cent of music alumni were employed after graduation.

"If you're not good enough, not versatile enough, you're not going to find work," Carone said. He plans to perform solo and as a member of the ska-punk band, *The Knockouts*, before his performance in the Wonderland show begins.

Carone said the program has incorporated a new element. Students must work for 14 weeks in the music industry before they graduate.

"But there's nowhere to play right now," he added. "Jazz clubs in Toronto are closing down left and right."

Music business courses are offered to help students network, said Denny Christianson, director of the school of creative and performing arts.

"For anybody in the arts, work is always gained through word-of-mouth," he said.

Graduates fall into different areas in the industry, Christianson said, including teaching in music schools, performing on cruise ships or working with major music labels.

"One of our responsibilities is to

create diverse pathways for a successful career," he said.

Ryan Boisselle, 23, will graduate from the program in April. He said only a handful of his classmates will generate full-time income in music right after graduation.

Boisselle said all serious music students should think of music as a business.

"The only way you're going to make money is if you market yourself as a product," he said.

He said the business class he is taking is an elective and nearly half of the 35 students have dropped the course.

"(Our instructor) threw a statistic at us," Boisselle said. "He said '10 per cent of you will be pursuing a career in music, but the other 90 per cent will eventually fizzle out.' He wanted us to prove him wrong."



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Ryan Boisselle plans to teach guitar lessons after graduation.



photo by moya dillon

The student-staffed Humber Room gives industry experience.

Cooking up grad success

Moya Dillon
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Practical experience gives Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism (HRT) students one of the highest employment rates after graduation, said Rudi Fischbacher, co-ordinator of the culinary programs.

"Fifty per cent of our course curriculum is ... hands-on training," Fischbacher said.

He named the executive chefs of Toronto's Hilton Hotel and the Old Mill as examples of the success culinary arts graduates enjoy.

Tourism is another HRT program with a high rate of employment, which co-ordinator Anna Kulinski also attributes to hands-on experience.

"Our students do two four-week field placements and also have plenty of travel experience,"

Kulinski said.

Tourism graduates often get hired at tour organizations, travel agencies and call centres.

Culinary students gain industry experience by putting in hours at the Humber Room restaurant.

"They cook the menu from scratch," Fischbacher said.

The high employment rate does not come with financial guarantees. Fischbacher said starting salaries in culinary are "anywhere from 12 to 20 dollars an hour." But

when asked about tourism, Kulinski warned "like any service industry, salaries are a little lower... (But) a lot of jobs offer commission on top of salary."

High employment rates are also a reflection of the state of the industry.

"We can't produce enough grads, they're getting scooped up right out of the door," Fischbacher said. "I have Park Hyatt asking when the next group of grads will be available."

IT programming a great job

Abby Blinch
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Almost three-quarters of computer programmer (CP) graduates are employed according to the 2006 Key Performance Indicator (KPI) report.

This report is based on graduates in the summer and fall of 2003, or winter of 2004.

"An employer will give you an opportunity if you have the right skills," said CP co-ordinator Muthana Zouri.

Zouri keeps track of the changing computer industry so his program reflects the current market.

However, the employment rate for the CP program is still 17 per cent below the average for all of Humber which is 90 per cent.

Set to graduate in April, Shazia Pathan credits the CP program for

giving her the, "latest technology education."

She is currently working part-time as a web developer and has a background in computer sciences from outside Canada.

"An employer will give you an opportunity if you have the right skills"

- Muthana Zouri
Computer Programming co-ordinator

The CP program not only enhanced her skills, it taught her about the Canadian "culture and work environment."

Instead of entering the workforce in May, Pathan hopes to continue her education at Ryerson.

The KPI report does not account for students who decide to further their education after graduation.

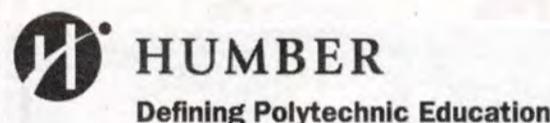
"Most organizations have IT (information technology) infrastructure in the background, and they need somebody to manage it," Zouri said, listing banks, hospitals, the government and retail as possible employers of CP grads.

But Zouri does not want students to come to the CP program because of the good employment rate, or because the field can be lucrative.

"IT has a wide salary range," Zouri said. "It depends on your job title and the organization."

He remembers a time when newspaper ads promised six figure salaries for jobs in the field and as a result people rushed to get a computer related education.

"Skills translate to better paying jobs," he said. But you still need to move from "junior to intermediate to senior," which takes time.



Humber's Greatest High School Teachers

Beth Robertson is department head of Canadian and World Studies at St. Thomas Aquinas CSS in Oakville. She has held many teaching positions from private schools in Mississauga to the Dufferin-Peel Catholic School Board since her career began in 1985. Beth attended the University of Windsor and achieved her Bachelor of Human Kinetics honours degree, and completed her Bachelor of Education at Queen's University. She also holds her Principal's Qualifications from the Catholic Principals' Council of Ontario. In her spare time, Beth is actively involved in her community, serving as a Eucharistic minister at St. Dominic's Parish in Oakville, sitting on the executive association for the federal Liberal riding of Oakville, actively fundraising for the ALS Society of Ontario, and coaching and playing soccer. Beth currently lives in Oakville with her husband and three children.



Joe Tersigni is the department head of Canadian and World Studies at Our Lady of Lourdes CHS in Guelph. During his 28 years in the Wellington Catholic District School Board he has won a number of teaching awards and has sat on the provincial executive of the Ontario History and Social Science Teachers' Association for the past 20 years. Joe achieved his honours degree in History from McMaster University in Hamilton, and his Bachelor of Education from the University of Toronto. He also possesses a Communications Arts diploma in Broadcast Journalism from Mohawk College. Joe was born and raised in Guelph and still resides there with his wife and five children.

In honour of the 2007 recipients of Humber's Greatest High School Teacher Contest Humber will award one-year's tuition to one Humber student from each of the teacher's respective schools as chosen by the teacher for the fall 2007 school year.
Congratulations Beth and Joe!
Thank you for your contributions to the teaching profession.

"The biggest seller is cookbooks and the second is diet books – how not to eat what you've just learned how to cook." – *Andy Rooney, American TV writer.*

Fad diets just a quick fix

Justine Lewkowicz
LIFE REPORTER

While many people struggle with various diets, eating healthy by following Canada's Food Guide should be enough for the average person to shed pounds, said Humber's fitness co-ordinator.

"If someone is trying to lose weight, then I recommend following the lower end of the ranges," said Leanne Henwood-Adam, who is also a nutrition and wellness specialist. "But there are definitely some people who will always need a structured diet."

There are many diet programs – from the low-carbohydrate Atkins diet to the high-carbohydrate Ornish diet.

Jennifer Bell, athletic therapist at Humber, said diet plans can help people lose weight through the encouragement and motivation they provide.

"Some people initially need them to get kick-started," Bell said. "And some of these diets, like Weight Watchers, provide a form of group support that does help."

Stephanie Villalobos, 25, who graduated from the law clerk program at Humber, joined Weight Watchers a few years ago.

She said that the support meetings have helped her stick to her objective.

"You come out of there charged to keep going on for the next week," Villalobos said.

She said she is satisfied with the program, even though the results are gradual, because it gives a lot of freedom and allows people to treat themselves once in a while.



photo by justine lewkowicz

Some people need structured diet plans for discipline and motivation in order to lose weight.

Henwood-Adam said that makes it more realistic for the average person.

"If you totally deny yourself from ever having any kind of a treat, that's when you're more apt to fail – because you feel like you're being deprived."

Villalobos has recently taken a break from Weight Watchers to try the South Beach diet. She said the latter has made her feel cleansed, but she still prefers the former as a long-term plan.

"You see fast results with the South Beach," she said. "But there are too many restrictions if you aren't prepared for it."

Villalobos added that the South Beach diet is difficult to follow because carbohydrates are cut out in the first two weeks.

Bell said the Atkins diet also lowers carbohydrate intake, but keeping all of the food groups in your meals is important.

"Your body needs carbs to function. You may initially lose weight, but as soon as you go back to normal eating, you'll put it all back on," she said. "I don't feel that dieting is very efficient. If people eat properly, and watched their portion sizes, then they would lose the weight."

First-year marketing student Evely Escobar, 23, has tried the South Beach and Atkins diets and is currently following portion control, which is similar to Weight Watchers. She said she did not like the first two.

"South Beach works but as soon as you eat a potato, you gain it all back," Escobar said. "Atkins works

for a quick fix but you're not even allowed to eat natural fruits. I didn't like that one. Eventually by three weeks you're craving an orange."

Escobar said that she will not try South Beach and Atkins again, unless she needs to lose weight quickly and temporarily.

"But for lifelong, it's the portion control that works best," she said.

Bell said there has been a slow evolution from diets that focus on weight loss to those that promote healthy eating and living.

The Ornish diet has a weight-loss plan, but it focuses on cardiovascular health.

Bell said that it keeps your blood sugar levels constant.

"You're not getting spikes and drops," she said. "And then that keeps you from overeating."

Villalobos said she decided to join diet programs because she does not have the discipline to follow her own routine.

"These programs, not that they guarantee results, but you know that you'll see results if you follow them."



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Various products claim to make it easier to shed the pounds.

Bring your own and save

Carrie Trownson
LIFE REPORTER

Going green isn't always easy, but the Ackee Tree Jamaican Cuisine restaurant on campus is making it easier and affordable for students.

Chris George, the owner of the Ackee Tree, is promoting a greener campus by offering students 10 per cent off of their takeout meals purchased at the Ackee Tree if they bring their own Tupperware.

"I put the sign up two weeks ago and so far only one person has brought their Tupperware. It's shocking," he said. "Every single

person is carrying a bag with them. Carry some Tupperware."

George said he would make the Ackee Tree totally organic if he could, but at a restaurant level that can be difficult because people would have to pay a bit more.

"It blows my mind of what people think is food these days," he said.

George decided on the Tupperware idea while he was brainstorming with a friend on ways he could reduce waste within his business.

"I noticed at the end of the night, how many sleeves of Styrofoam

takeout containers we go through."

Carlos Pinder manages the Ackee Tree. He said it is a good idea and will help the environment, plus it helps cut back on the amount they spend on take away containers.

Second-year heating and air conditioning student Bruno Nesci agrees.

"It's a good idea. It saves us money and it helps the environment."

Nesci said he usually just comes for a beef patty and if he had Tupperware handy he would definitely bring it.



photo by carrie trownson

Save 10 per cent off your meals by bringing your own dishes.

"A fruit is a vegetable with looks and money. Plus, if you let fruit rot, it turns into wine, something Brussels sprouts never do." – P.J. O'Rourke, American satirist.

Teaming up for diabetes funds

Krista Cyr
LIFE REPORTER

Two Guelph-Humber students have started a club to raise student awareness and money that will pay for them to participate in a marathon in Rio de Janeiro.

"I want to pledge money for a disease that is in my family," said Farris Green, 21, a third-year media studies student and president of the Team Diabetes Club. "My goal is to complete the 42-kilometre run and it will be challenging because I am not a big runner."

Green and fellow team member Krista Hastings need to raise a minimum of \$6,200 each to go to Rio de Janeiro for the marathon on June 23.

This will include accommodations and round trip airfare, with the remaining pledges going to charity.

To help raise the money, the club will host a pub night at CAPS on April 3.

Hastings, 19, a second-year jus-

tice studies student, said the CAPS event will have "a Brazilian theme, a martial arts aerial show, (some stunt members are from the movie 300), break dancers, a bikini contest and prizes."

Hastings said HSF has agreed to match the amount raised at the event.

Green and Hastings are not alone in their efforts to raise money for diabetes.

Christin Gardiner, Team Diabetes development co-ordinator, said the number one reason people contact her is because they want to fundraise.

"Participants know they are making a difference in someone's life," Gardiner said. "They either have diabetes or have a family member or friend with the disease."

Team Diabetes is a fund-raising campaign which gives participants the opportunity to travel around the world, with the choice of ten different destinations which they otherwise could not afford, Gardiner said.

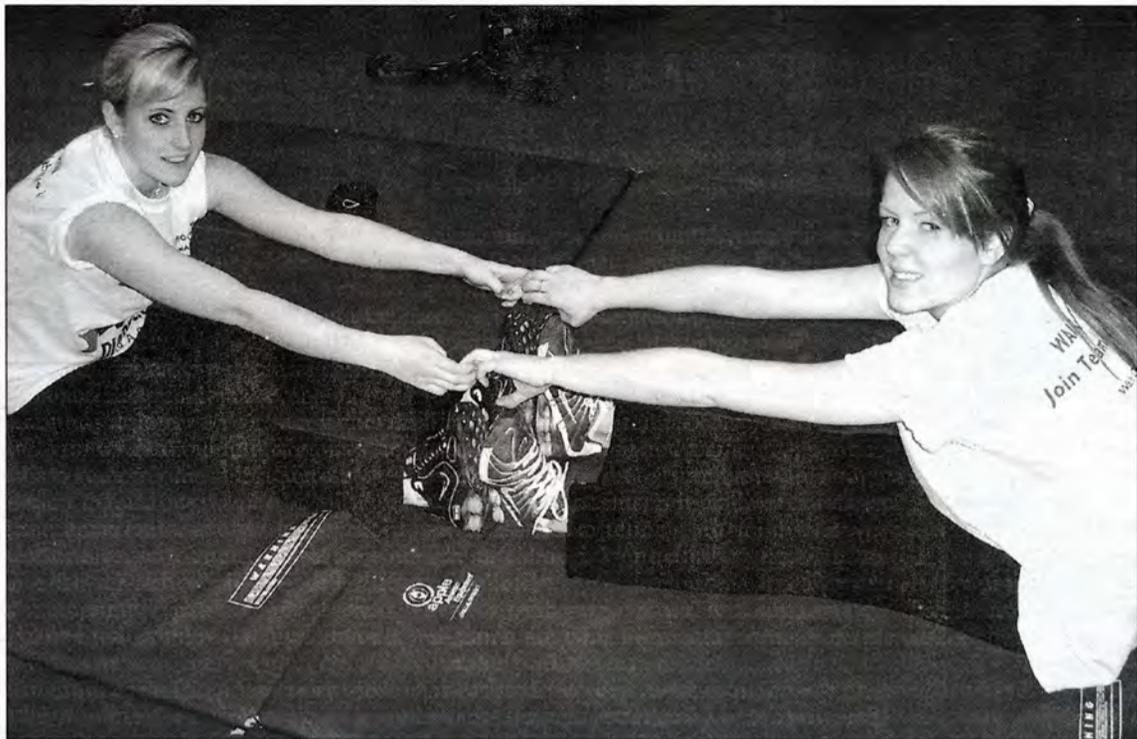


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Krista Hastings (l) and Farris Green (r) will head to Rio de Janeiro for a marathon on June 23.

Members of Team Diabetes have the choice to walk or run in the marathon and training is available at the Running Room athletic store.

"Diabetes is something that I am always concerned about but I am not informed about and I thought

that this would gain more awareness," Hastings said. "It would be great to have more people to help us fundraise."

Green's mother went to Rome two years ago for a marathon and this encouraged the two young women to get involved.

Last year, Green's 18-year-old brother also joined Team Diabetes and went to Iceland.

"I guess I am following in my family's footsteps," Green said.

For information on how to join Team Diabetes or make a donation visit www.diabetes.ca.

Student Bodies

Look good, feel good

Suzan Park
LIFE REPORTER

These Student Bodies are hoping their recent weight loss will give their confidence a boost and help recharge their love lives.

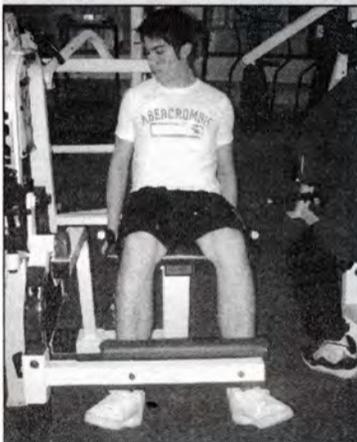


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Balancing health with Res life.

Michael Michell
Weight: Start – 148 lbs
Now – 152 lbs

"Living in Residence has caused me to live a fairly unhealthy lifestyle. The food hasn't been too healthy and my party habits haven't helped either. Therefore, I need to do everything that I can to stay healthy and this is one way for sure. I also want to look good and have a strong core. With SB (Student Bodies) I know I can be one step closer.

"Even if I stayed healthy and kept up with the gym. If I do reach my goals, I think I would feel better . . . and had a hotter bod. Impressing the ladies would be easier."



photo by suzan park

Self confidence on the rise.

Priscilla Daviau
Weight: Start – 310 lbs
Now – 298 lbs

"This is important to me because I hate being fat. I want to be normal in size and know that people associate with me not because they feel sorry for me, but because they like the real me. Similarly, I have been single for some time and find that men can't get beyond how I look to see who I am as a person.

"I think that if I reach my goals it would make it easier to find a man, but it would also give me the confidence to be more outgoing and more willing to approach and flirt with men."

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Four is the new six

Jordana Stier
LIFE REPORTER

Nicknamed vanity sizing, a new fashion trend makes consumers think they're thinner by re-working garments size system, Humber fashion teachers said.

Manufacturers are tailoring to the obsession of being thin by providing new scales of sizes that go down to double zero and extra-small.

It makes a woman who's normally a size six fit into a size four or two, said Rose Rutherford, a fashion business teacher at Humber.

She said the trend is a "reflection of our time, and not so much the fashion industry. It negatively reflects our time in what we see as right."

According to Rutherford, the modern woman is expanding, and sizes that seem smaller are designed to make women feel better.

"I've talked a lot about it in my classes and this (trend) came up, and I think (students) understand that it is somewhat of a marketing tool, but they're not going to get affected by it," she said. "I think that they're rational. They're smart enough to figure it out."

Some fashion business students don't see vanity sizing as a form of exploitation by the fashion indus-

try, they view it as a trend that ties into people trying to look a certain way, Rutherford said.

She also said young people are fed up, and understand that, "there's more to life than just this."

Carla Rice, a women's studies professor at Trent University, said retailers are contributing, "to a culture in which no size is small and no body shape is thin enough."

She said vanity sizing targets women's insecurities and anxieties about their size and shape.

"To buy a garment where the size is double zero, in a context where smaller is better, clearly will help to alleviate a woman's anxieties about her shape," she said.

Rice urged students to think about the trend in terms of its impact on them personally and relate it to women on a broader level.

"Twenty to 25 years ago, a small size was considered to be about a size eight or a size six," she said.

The vanity sizing trend is most popular among the more upscale clothing lines.

"The fact that not only more affluent, wealthy and expensive stores, but also the less expensive stores are doing the same practice, really suggests to me that there's an economic incentive as it is advantageous to them, and that is help-

ing them make sales," Rice said.

Kristi Kennedy, a Humber fashion business teacher, said Banana Republic instigated this marketing tool.

"(It) just gives consumers something that's going to fit them a bit better."

She said your size is still your true size according to the store, and manufacturers are just making garments that stretch more.

"I think that the girls at Humber want to wear things that are tighter, so they're going down a size," she said. "It's just that students are wearing tighter stuff... It just gives you more options."



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Vanity Sizing aims to help people feel thinner than they are.

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Nurse heads to Peru

Katarina Ilic
LIFE REPORTER

The practical nursing program is sending one of its second-year students to Peru at the end of March.

"I really have a passion for nursing and I also have a passion for travelling," said Courtney Miller, who will stay with a host family in Urumba, Peru.

She hopes her trip will give her a new perspective on nursing.

"I really just wanted to get that international perspective. I don't like the fact that my nursing knowledge is limited to westernized methods," Miller said.

She also hopes that this trip will make her a global citizen.

"To be a global citizen to me is to be aware of the fact that there are cultural differences in beliefs and in practices and in values and in stuff like that," Miller said. "In order to provide holistic nursing or taking care of the client in every sort of way not just the physical, the emotional, the spiritual, all of those aspects that make up health you need to understand what's important culturally to people."

While there, Miller plans to run workshops for Peruvians that will cover everything from oral hygiene to general hand washing.

She hopes to learn about the culture of Peru and impart a little bit of wisdom about Canadian culture.

Jason Powell, the practical nursing program co-ordinator, said this is the second such trip that Humber has sponsored.

"This is a wonderful opportunity that we've been very fortunate enough to be able to sponsor and support," Powell said. "Courtney

will be our second student that we've supported through the Humber college practical nursing program to have been afforded to go ahead and do international nursing in hopes of giving back to the broader sense of the global community."

The first trip was in 2005 and took a Humber student to Uganda.

Powell said the program is going to try to sponsor some sort of international learning experience every year.

Amanda Perrotta, a second-year practical nursing student and a classmate of Miller's, is excited and happy for her. "I was so happy with her because she's the type of person that's really driven and motivated."

Upon her return, Miller will hold several presentations at nursing conferences and Humber about her experiences.

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"I hope that people will finally come to realize that there is only one 'race' – the human race – and that we are all members of it." – *Margaret Atwood, author*

Cultural changes

HSF's plans to bring in Human Race Machine intrigues staff and students

Krista Cyr
LIFE REPORTER

HSF has ordered a machine that will be available for everyone curious to see what they would look like as a different ethnicity.

"It would be interesting to see what they might choose," said Nitin Deckha, teacher of sociology of cultural difference. "Looking at different films in class, predominant people were changing their features with surgery to look lighter, fairer, with straighter noses and it is the mainstream media images that push that kind of fashion and film, where people look Europeanized."

HSF programming director Aaron Miller said it's a way to celebrate diversity.

"For example, you get to see what you would look like as Asian or black," he said.

The contraption, called The Human Race Machine, will be available April 2-3 at North Campus.

After your picture is taken inside the large machine, a program adjusts your image by changing it to any race you select.

"It is more than being nice, we should stop and think to see the world from different perspectives."

– Melanie Chaparian
Liberal Arts and Science
Co-ordinator

Parminder Lachhar, a first-year business administration student, said he thinks it would be fun especially with a group of friends.

"I wonder what I would look like as a white guy," he said.

Satwinder Jhaggi, a first-year business administration student, said "[he] would do it because it would be interesting to see what [he] would look like as a different race."

Jaspreet Bhangu, a first-year gen-

eral arts and science student said "sometimes people take their look for granted because they want to be lighter or darker and this would show you if it would look good or not. A lot of girls go to a certain extent because they want to fit in."

Deckha said there really isn't much of a difference between races.

"We are all one species and if we tour around the world there are merging features with faces changes gradually, it is all a blur," Deckha said. "How would we decide what an Asian nose looks like? It would be a stereotype of eyes, lips, hair and we would reduce people to these."

Melanie Chaparian, co-ordinator of liberal arts and sciences, said people see the world differently based on identity and can be influenced by ethnicity.

"It is more than being nice," she said. "We should stop and think to see the world from different perspectives."



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Students can see what they would look like as a different race.

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Place the pan in an oven at 200 degrees F.
Remove the pan when fish is cooked (approx 20 minutes).

Election for the Student Representative to the Board of Governors

Humber College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning

Following the close of the nominations period for the position of Student Governor, the Chief Returning Officer has confirmed that there were no valid applications. Therefore, this election process will be rerun in September/October 2007. More details will follow in early September.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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WORK & PLAY

"At Microsoft there are lots of brilliant ideas but the image is that they all come from the top – I'm afraid that's not quite right." – Bill Gates

Ontario lays out new budget

Angela Scappatura
BUSINESS REPORTER

The new provincial budget does not do enough to distinguish and support college education, said HSF president Cynthia Malagerio.

"Colleges are drastically under funded," Malagerio said. "The government has started to recognize the value colleges provide but more needs to be done."

Finance Minister Greg Sorbara's budget last week included a plan to invest a total of \$6.2 billion into post-secondary education by 2009 or 2010.

Malagerio said while the government has allocated \$390 million to post-secondary institutions this year, the number sounds a lot larger than it is.

"It won't seem like so much when it is distributed between all of us," she said.

The HSF president said the province needs to distinguish colleges from universities instead of placing both under a post-secondary banner.

"The government has to recog-

nize the value of colleges," she said. "As someone who has been to both university and college, we need that distinction. A university degree is almost not enough and many students come to college for the great work experience."

"All this budget guarantees for students is that they will be suffering under higher fees and higher debt loads in the future."

– Jesse Greener
CFS chair

Tyler Charlebois, director of advocacy for the College Student Alliance, of which HSF is a member, said he is glad to see the government has increased their investment in post-secondary education but would like to see a more college-focused approach.

"It's great that colleges are being recognized for their private research and innovation," Charlebois said. "I would have liked to see even more funding and we would like more value being

placed on colleges."

Charlebois said the provincial government has provided assistance to one of two primary areas of concern for his group.

"I was pleased to see the government has given more money to fund and enhance programs and equipment so that students who enter the workforce have been trained on industry equipment," he said. "We hope next year to get more grants for student assistance."

Jesse Greener, chairperson of the Canadian Federation of Students, said he is disappointed that more hasn't been done to fix the financial barriers potential students encounter.

"We did a recent poll and discovered that 82 per cent of voters are concerned universities and colleges are becoming inaccessible," Greener said. "Unfortunately, all this budget guarantees for students is that they will be suffering under higher fees and higher debt loads in the future."

In addition to funding to post-secondary education, the Minister

Provincial budget highlights

What does the 2007 budget mean for students? Here are some of the key points:

– The Ontario government has invested a cumulative \$6.2 billion into the post-secondary sector by 2009-10.

– Minimum wage will be increased to \$10.25 an hour from \$8 an hour by 2010.

– \$390 million to post-secondary institutions for more classroom space, higher enrollments and more training.

– More than \$580 million will be invested in student financial aid through the Ontario Student Assistance Program in 2007-08.

– The province will establish a college of Early Childhood Educators.

of Finance announced an increase in minimum wage to \$10.25 from \$8.00 over three years.

"A raise in minimum wage has to happen and it has to happen immediately as far as students are

concerned," Greener said. "If you look at the high fees compared to the minimum wage students are earning, the kind of money people make really amounts to a drop in the bucket."

Office options online

Free software competes with Microsoft products

Will Cottingham
BUSINESS REPORTER

Downloadable programs are proving a reasonable alternative to Microsoft Office for cost-conscious students.

Google docs and spreadsheets and OpenOffice.org are free software suites for students, said Mark Naylor, chief information officer of information and technology

services at Humber.

"If you have a new (computer) and you want an office program, and you don't want to buy Microsoft or take it illegally, then OpenOffice is a good product," Naylor said.

But there are some potential problems in the long run.

"There will be some compatibility issues,"

Naylor said. "When we considered these products for the school, we found compatibility issues with moving formulas back and forth in spreadsheet.

"But, what I'm really concerned with is the employability factor," Naylor said. "Students pay for being equipped for work and for a lot of students that means they need to be trained on Microsoft products."

Naylor said he has no problem with having OpenOffice.org software in school computer

labs, but maintains that, for now, it would be a mistake to exclude Microsoft Office.

"What I'm really concerned about is the employability factor."

Mark Naylor
CIO of Information and Technological services

"If the world switched to OpenOffice, there would be no reluctance on our part to change with it," Naylor said.

"In fact, some large organizations in the U.S. and Europe have required that the office software products they use have an open format, so documents can be used freely with other tools."

In September 2005, the state of Massachusetts began phasing out documents with closed formats, which are documents that can only be read by certain programs, and effectively banned the use of Microsoft products in state offices.

Albert McWilliams, a first year business administration student, said he is aware of the free alternatives that exist, but also said Microsoft is worth the \$179.99 retail price.

"I think I'd make the purchase to avoid compatibility issues," McWilliams said. "Even though there are many free programs to suit different kinds of writers, I think Microsoft will change with people's needs."



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Despite the cost, some users prefer Microsoft Office because of issues with compatibility.



CS3 launches
Adobe Systems Inc. released the Adobe Creative Suite 3 product line on March 27. CS3 comes in six configurations and includes the latest versions of programs such as Photoshop, InDesign and Dreamweaver.
– www.adobe.com

Bluetooth 2.1
The Bluetooth Special Interest Group announced a new specification that will make it easier for users to link their wireless devices. Bluetooth core specification 2.1 + Enhanced Data Rate streamlines the process for connecting cell phones and PDAs.
– www.bluetooth.com

YouTube killer?
NBC and News Corp. are working together to develop a video-streaming website that will compete with YouTube for advertising revenue. The new site will launch in the third quarter.
– www.pcworld.ca

PS3 a hit in UK
While sales of Sony's Playstation 3 were lacklustre in North America, the console shattered day-one sales records in the UK with 165,000 units sold on March 23. In comparison, the Xbox 360 sold 70,000 while Nintendo's Wii sold 105,000 on their respective launch days.
– www.lup.com

Grand Theft Auto gangster sentenced
Gregory Colbert, 27, has been sentenced to 75 years in prison after forming a gang and committing felonies based on the video game Grand Theft Auto (GTA). The Oakland-based gang would play GTA, get high, and then commit real-world crimes based on the actions they were doing in-game.
– www.lup.com

"... just as we call 'money' not only that which is legal, but also any counterfeit that will pass." – Michel de Montaigne (1533–1592), French essayist



Gourmet Express employee Shikta Gomes tests a \$20 bill on a counterfeit detection machine. photo by stephanie sherr

Counter fits Funny money no laughing matter

Stephanie Sherr
BUSINESS REPORTER

Humber's North Campus bookstore will no longer accept traveller's cheques, after cashing \$300 in counterfeits.

"We just got verification from the bank that we received counterfeit traveller's cheques," said bookstore manager Debby Martin.

Martin said that the primary reason behind the decision is the difficulty in detecting this type of forged currency. Without easily recognizable security features or special markings that can be detected by the store's ultraviolet light scanner, staff cannot distinguish fake cheques from real ones.

"We did check," said bookstore employee Kiran Aslam. "But sometimes if there was a line up, it was hard to figure out."

"At least with the bills," Martin said, "we've got the information from the police on what you're supposed to look for to detect counterfeiting. But a traveller's

cheque looks like a traveller's cheque. It's just got Visa or American Express on it."

According to police documents provided to the bookstore, one can detect an authentic \$20, \$50 or \$100 bill by looking for particular security features. These include a gold-green colour change patch on the top left-hand corner of the currency which cannot be peeled off, small green dots called watermarks that appear randomly on both sides of the note and can be removed if scratched, thicker raised ink used on numerals, portraits, parliament buildings and the coat of arms, and portrait details such as concentric circles within the eyes and fine lines in the hair and face.

Although most of the food locales on campus are equipped with counterfeit currency detectors, Humber's food services manager Don Henriques said staff is trained to detect fake bills without them.

"We've come across occasional counterfeit bills and they're very good," Henriques said. "But for the most part, we catch them before they go through, more so from the training of our staff as opposed to the use of the machine."

"What happens with the glow machine," he said, "is it just focuses on putting the money under and looking to see if there are watermarks showing. But, the counterfeit bills that have the chemical on there that glows will get through and our staff wouldn't even think about it. But, if they're trained for the feel and the look (of the bills) then it's easier for them to pick up."

"For us it's not a huge problem. Over the course of a year we may have maybe, sixty dollars in counterfeit money get by our staff," Henriques said.

Too many teachers, too few jobs

Judy McNeil
BUSINESS REPORTER

Ontario teachers' colleges face a glut of applicants who will graduate into an already over-saturated job market for educators.

Elementary school teachers fare better in getting full-time jobs if they have the added skill of French, science, technology or mathematics. Others are forced to

resort to part-time employment. "The Ontario College of Teachers does a survey each year on the employment of graduates from all of the programs across the province," said Kathy Broad, elementary program director of teacher education at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE). "Their tracking ... has indicated that over the last couple of years in particular, there's less full-time employment for graduates from the program."

She added, "we are also finding out that many of our teachers are getting long term occasional positions rather than full contract positions to begin their careers."

"...they are saying that there's a lot more teachers out there."

Neha Choudary
First-year ECE student

Broad added that OISE is not turning potential students away.

At Guelph-Humber, students considering going into teaching are encouraged to be prepared. Early childhood education (ECE) program adviser Mona Frial said "we've just told our students to prepare themselves and what they have to do is make sure that they

maintain their average and go above and beyond the average they already have. And also pick up the courses that they have recommended to take in order to get into the program."

First-year ECE student Neha Choudary said "there's already a lot of confusion about whether I should enter teachers' college or not. And now it's kind of more confusing since they are saying that there's a lot more teachers out there – it gives us a harder chance of getting in as well as more competition."

Choudary plans to study at York or Ryerson and then go on to teachers' college.

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SHARP DRESSED MAN

Jeremy Dickson
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

Music student and tenor saxophone player Ryan Oliver's debut jazz CD, *Convergence*, will be released for worldwide distribution next month.

"We are currently preparing the artwork and the CD will come out in April," said Oliver, 29, who received a grant from the Ontario Arts

Council last year to help fund the project. Art of Life Records, a North Carolina-based company, will release the CD.

"It was something I had wanted to do for a while, because I had some tunes written. When I got the grant, I already had an idea of the band I wanted to record with."

Convergence was recorded at

Puck's Farm Studio in Schomberg, Ont., over a two-day period in December 2005. "We recorded the old fashioned way: live off the floor for about six hours each day," Oliver said. "Then we mixed it to tape, which created a warmer sound than a digital recording."

Oliver recruited some of his favourite musicians in Toronto to play with him on the recording, including pianist Bernie Senensky, bassist Duncan Hopkins, trumpeter Jake Wilkinson and drummer Bob McLaren.

McLaren, a part-time drum instructor at Humber, said Oliver understands the roots of jazz. "A lot of musicians go for new things, like odd time signatures or whatever's hip, but Ryan's coming up through traditional jazz," McLaren said. "But I wouldn't call him conservative."

The young musician, who grew up in Williams Lake, B.C., started playing tenor saxo-

phone at 15 and took to the instrument immediately.

"I had an English teacher that, by chance, gave me a tape of John Coltrane and I had no idea who he was, but I was fascinated by the music. As soon as I started playing the saxophone I knew it was for me."

"We recorded the old fashioned way: live off the floor for about six hours each day."

– Ryan Oliver

Oliver went on to study music at Malaspina University-College in Nanaimo, and the Amsterdam Conservatory of Music before arriving in Toronto seven years ago.

He has performed live at numerous popular jazz venues including the Rex in Toronto, The Montreal Bistro and the famed Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland.

"My love is straight-ahead swing music. I make it a point to learn a lot of the American standards, but my CD is mostly original work."

Despite a rising career, Oliver said finding full-time work strictly as a performer is difficult and frustrating. "A lot of the musicians that were playing professionally 15 years ago are now

teaching music in schools. People just don't go out to clubs like they used to."

One city where jazz still thrives is New York, and Oliver plans to take a master's degree at Rutgers University, in nearby New Jersey in the fall. He hopes to add "professional music teacher" to his list of accomplishments.

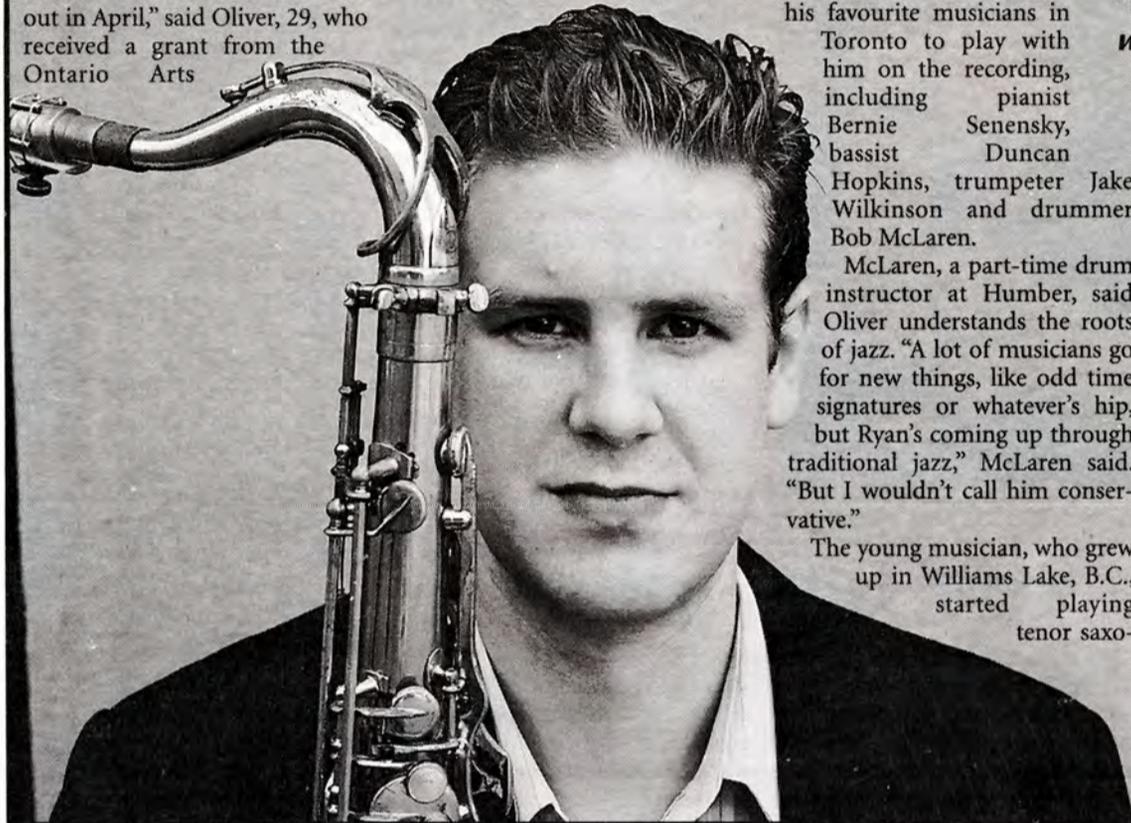
"It's important to have a plan when you start because the reality is there aren't a ton of jobs," Oliver said. "It's not good enough to say 'oh I'm just going to be a musician.' You really have to have a serious idea of what that means."

Pat LaBarbera, a Humber music instructor who juggles teaching and a successful performing career has known Oliver for three years and said his future is bright.

"I've always found him to be a very serious young artist," LaBarbera said. "He's always gone above and beyond what I've given him in private lessons and class."

LaBarbera should know something about talent as he has performed around the world with legends such as Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Dizzy Gillespie, Ella Fitzgerald and Chick Corea.

He said Oliver always performs with maximum effort. "He's going to be a saxophonist to watch in the future."



Not just a pretty face

Alex Green
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

Fashion art students will present a show, *Transition*, next Tuesday in Toronto to help raise money for Sketch, an organization that provides shelter for homeless youth and young adults.

The show held at the Capital Event Theatre will feature Toronto designers of business casual wear transitioning into punk rock.

Krystyna Maciejewski,

25, a second-year fashion arts student, who is marketing and promotions executive of *Transition*, said putting on such an event is a great way to market clothing, but realizes it takes a lot of hard work.

"It takes a lot of organization and a lot of meetings and communication," Maciejewski said. "Students have numerous ideas and concepts that they would like to throw into their one and only fashion show, but it's difficult to collaborate everyone's ideas into this one theme."

The students could take some pointers on running such charity events from the Heart Couture show that drew about 150 people and a full row of media to Revival Bar in downtown Toronto

last Thursday, bringing awareness to the importance of women's shelters.

"We want people to be aware of women in abusive relationships and hopefully to propagate power in women," said Kimberley Stafford, 23, a recent graduate from special event planning and destination travel at George Brown, who managed the project. "We support the women in those relationships because you get stuck, but we just want women to believe in themselves."

The money raised went to Dr. Roz's Healing Place / Emily Stowe Shelter for Women.

It was hosted by Liana K from *Ed the Sock* and musical talent featuring chart-topping R & B singer Lori Nuic.

Kyle Karmazyn, second-year fashion arts student at Humber and director of Humber's show, said the industry can play a big part in helping people in need.

"Everyone is somehow connected to fashion and everyone can relate to it on some level," Karmazyn said.



photo by alex green

The Heart Couture fashion show helps to bring awareness to abusive relationships and support shelters.

It's world play day

Tyler Kekewich
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

The idea to kick off World Theatre Day by staging sample readings of plays in the rooms of the Gladstone Hotel was born at Humber College.

Robin Sokoloski, a graduate of Humber's theatre administration program is the Community Relations Coordinator at the Playwrights Guild of Canada, and suggested the Gladstone as a venue after helping stage a similar production at the hotel in her final year of college.

"I got the idea when I volunteered for Diana Belshaw back in 2004, she used one of the Gladstone's rooms," Sokoloski said. "I threw it out there and we discussed it as a group."

Diana Belshaw is the co-ordinator of the theatre performance program at Lakeshore.

The Monday night event was a pre-celebration for World Theatre Day, which was on March 27 and was organized by the Goethe-Institute Toronto, Playwrights Guild of Canada, and the Consulate General of France.

The Goethe-Institute presented an excerpt from Falk Richter's play

– *Electronic City*, in one of the Gladstone's second-floor rooms.

About 30 people crowded into the tiny room to watch Ashlie Corcoran direct Graeme Somerville and Holly Lewis through the shortened performance.

"What I wanted to do today, was present a little of what we do, outside of a conventional theatre," Corcoran said after the performance.

World Theatre Day started in 1961 and celebrates the social and creative significance of the performing arts.



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DJ Medicineman spins soulful dub tunes at the after party.



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Adrienne Huen
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

While former media mogul Conrad Black is facing charges of fraud, racketeering and money laundering in a Chicago courtroom, his fame in the popular culture is steadily rising all thanks to a black T-shirt.

"I'm not pro-Conrad or anything," said Wendy Tancock, Toronto graphic designer and "Free Conrad" T-shirt creator. "I'm a designer and I did this for fun. He's a smart man and apparently he must have a good sense of humour," Tancock explained, of

Conrad's apathy toward his face being slapped onto the T-shirts.

Tancock, who decided last year as a joke to create the black T-shirt with a profile picture of Black on the front with the words "Conrad Will Win" underneath, said she never thought the shirt would gain international interest.

However, that all changed last fall when Tancock was contacted by Black's personal assistant and asked to commission roughly 150 of her shirts for Black's family, friends and personal supporters to wear during his trial.

"I wouldn't wear it unless it reflected my views," said Jenna Neath, general arts and science student. "It's an expression of how someone feels, so really I don't have any problem with the shirts, they are actually kind of fun."

Although Black is not financially profiting from the sale of the T-shirts in any way, the man who renounced his Canadian citizenship in 2001 to receive the British title Lord Black of Crossharbour, is the newest addition to jump onto the

celebrity T-shirt bandwagon that has trendy fashion circles buzzing with excitement.

While these T-shirts illustrate the criminal charges of celebrities, such as "Free Winona" or "Martha is Innocent" and have become a fashion fad, the majority of Humber students questioned have said they would be more inclined to buy the shirts for the slogan rather than for fashion, while others reject celebrity T-shirts completely.

"I would never wear those kind of T-shirts, I think they're stupid," said Jessica Defrancesca, first-year marketing student. "Celebrities use them to make money for themselves and it's just not right."

While Tancock said she designed the T-shirts to promote a gentle sense of humour and irony, she said she has no ill will to Black and will never design a "Jail Conrad" shirt because she does not want "to be mean-spirited."

Although only a few hundred of the T-shirts produced are currently in circulation, shoppers will have to wait to get them as they are not yet sold in stores or online.

a hipster's guide to the weekend

This Weekend:

Bewilder people with April Fool's Day jokes.

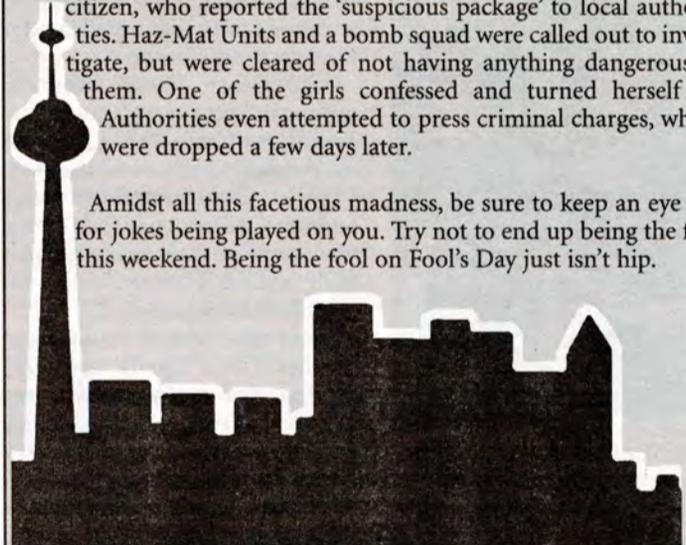
The beloved pseudo holiday which has been fooling people and causing more than a fair share of red faces is upon us again. Why not spend the weekend fiendishly plotting an April Fool's Day joke on someone, preferably close to you? There's nothing like fabricating a ridiculous event or shocking people with an absurdly twisted story. In honour of such an opportune day, we have provided some of the best past Fool's Day jokes as inspiration:

In 1998, Burger King published a full-page advertisement in newspapers announcing the introduction of a new item to their menu: a 'Left-Handed Whopper' specially designed for the 32 million left-handed Americans. According to the advertisement, the new whopper included the same ingredients as the original Whopper, but all the condiments were rotated 180 degrees for the benefit of their left-handed customers.

In 2002, the British supermarket chain Tesco published an advertisement in *The Sun* announcing the successful development of a genetically modified 'whistling carrot.' The ad explained that the carrots had been specially engineered to grow with tapered air holes in their side. When fully cooked, these air holes caused the vegetable to whistle.

In 2006, five teenage girls from Ohio created 17 question mark boxes from Super Mario Brothers and placed them in public places around their town as a joke. One box was noticed by a concerned citizen, who reported the 'suspicious package' to local authorities. Haz-Mat Units and a bomb squad were called out to investigate, but were cleared of not having anything dangerous in them. One of the girls confessed and turned herself in. Authorities even attempted to press criminal charges, which were dropped a few days later.

Amidst all this facetious madness, be sure to keep an eye out for jokes being played on you. Try not to end up being the fool this weekend. Being the fool on Fool's Day just isn't hip.



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"Sometimes I get pictures in the mail, women in their underwear and phone numbers. I throw them out." – Maple Leafs captain Mats Sundin on being single

Buzzer sounds on season for men's hockey team

Hawks conclude year with semi-final loss to Sheridan

Simon Yau
SPORTS REPORTER

The men's extramural hockey team finished third in its final tournament of the season after being upset 4-3 by the Sheridan Bruins in the semi-final.

The Hawks routed Sheridan 7-2 last Friday at the single-day tournament, but by mid-afternoon the team seemed fatigued, allowing the two goal to lead slip away after four unanswered goals.

"We panicked a little bit and everybody tries to do it themselves, and you lose," said head coach Joe Washkurak.

The semi-final immediately fol-

lowed a heartbreaking shootout loss to McMaster University that determined which team would get a bye into the final.

"It's for fun and that's all that really matters."

-Joe Washkurak
head coach

Up 2-1 with a minute and thirty seconds remaining Hawks forward Brent McCully turned the puck over in his own zone, allowing a breakaway for the Marauders that saw the tying goal trickle through the pads of Humber goalie Andrew Jackson.

As a result, the deflated Hawks

went into a dramatic extra-rounds shootout – the tournament did not feature overtime – which ended when McCully failed to score in the sixth round.

"I was just thinking I got to score," McCully said. "I was going to do a spin move, which I can do, but the guys wouldn't let me."

The tough loss was clearly still on the minds of the players as they struggled to regain their composure against a weak Sheridan team.

"Playing back-to-back is hard after getting beat by a team we haven't beaten this whole year," Washkurak said, adding, "it's for fun and that's all that really matters."



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The Hawks got off to a good start with a win but as the one-day tournament wore on, the team showed signs of fatigue.

Men's basketball season over, recruiting begins

James Sturgeon
SPORTS REPORTER

Despite a respectable third-place finish at this year's provincial championships a few weeks ago, men's basketball team is looking to add some critical components for the upcoming season.

Head Coach Darrell Glenn is optimistic that through some successful recruiting this off-season the coaching staff can fill the gaps. "We certainly have those pieces on paper," Glenn said while taking in a game at this year's OFSAA high school championships in Hamilton on Saturday.

Glenn was joined by assistant coaches Chris Cheng and Ajay Sharma over the weekend to see potential Hawks Ricky Dunkley and six-foot-four guard Henry Carr in Etobicoke.

"We like his size, we like his ath-

leticism and we think he's going to be a great addition to the program," Glenn said.

"I live in the community around (Humber) and I heard it was a very good program," Dunkley said.

The coaching staff's focus is getting potential players like Dunkley registered at Humber, or at least verbally committed to coming to the school, something problematic at the college level.

"You're never really relaxed about your recruits," Glenn said. "We're competing with Division I, Division II, Division III (NCAA), prep schools (in the U.S.) and the CIS (Canadian Interuniversity Sports). That's the order."

"Once all that's exhausted then a player will listen to us," he said.

Dunkley said he wants to take his game further and "maybe go down to the States or something."

According to Glenn, the chal-

lenge isn't only pressure from other leagues and institutions, it's ensuring recruits are able to succeed academically as well.

"If we focus too much on just the athlete who doesn't take school seriously, he's not going to be any use to us because he's going to be ineligible to play," Glenn said.

Humber's rule is players must maintain a 60 per cent average or better to participate in varsity athletics.

"If you come to Humber, you can't just be an athlete," assistant coach Chris Cheng added. "We try to identify those student athletes and get them into the program, and make sure they're successful on and off the court."

The two obstacles of losing recruits to universities or opportunities in the United States as well as poor marks means a list of about 50 prospects in the fall

(when the recruiting process begins) is reduced to only a handful of players when registration starts in the spring.

"You have your tier one guys or your wish list and on that list you may only really have a chance at one or two of them," Glenn said. "As far as I'm concerned they're not really committed until they've paid their fees. Then we become pretty confident they're coming. We're still not 100 per cent confident until we see a player in classes in September though."

Despite the challenges, Glenn said the staff remains diligent to put the best team together with the tools they have.

"We've got four coaches that are all committed to doing all we can do to try and get (good players) to come – to show that it would be a great experience coming to Humber."



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Assistant coach Chris Cheng looks over game notes with prospect Ricky Dunkley.

Three Hawks declared ineligible due to academics

Michael Clegg
SPORTS REPORTER

Three athletes have been deemed ineligible to participate by the athletic department due to poor academic standing – one from the men's volleyball team and two from the men's basketball team.

"We normally lose five or six athletes and it's really not a predictable thing as to which sport," said Doug Fox, Humber's athletic director. "It's one of the reasons we didn't win this year. We work hard at keeping them academically eligible because you can't win if you lose players due to academics."

When a player is deemed academically ineligible he or she is allowed to continue to practice but is banned from playing in games.

"In the case of the basketball

players we chose not to have them practice," Fox said. "We would rather them concentrate on their school so we removed them from the team."

Humber athletes are held to standards set by the OCAA regarding academic eligibility.

All athletes must pass a minimum of 18 credits in their first year at Humber and follow it up with nine credits in each semester after that.

"It's not a high standard by any means," Fox said. "The intent is that you are progressing towards graduation, but we certainly ask the players to achieve more than that. We try and keep up with it, our one basketball player was doing fine at midterms and he was doing fine headed into exams, then he just bombed all his exams

and there you go."

Ineligible players must uphold the OCAA standard in academics for one full semester before being reinstated.

"We work really hard at keeping them academically eligible because you can't win if you lose players due to academics."

-Doug Fox
Humber athletic director

In light of the low academic standards set for athletes by the OCAA the athletic department plans to unveil a new directive called "Building Champions," a program focusing on developing students as athletes and scholars.

"We really felt we needed to update our mission and our vision longterm of being the best," Fox said. "That's going to be our theme, building champions, because that is what we want to do with our athletes. We want to make sure they are really productive citizens when they leave here and have success here while they are playing."

Academic success is going to be a focal point for the athletic department in the recruitment process for next year.

"At some schools, a pass is a 50, whereas at Humber a pass is a 60," said facilities manager and assistant women's volleyball coach Dean Wylie.

"So if you want to be dumb in the classroom, you can go to another school. If they're smart in

the classroom, they're smart on the court – it's a very transferable skill."

While the program will not change the academic standards set for the athletes, it will formally establish academic success as the directive for all goals of the athletic department.

"Athletics should be secondary and for many it's the reason they continue," Fox said. "We are a motivational factor for a lot them to pass. A lot of people may never have continued after high school if they didn't have this opportunity to play sports and combine academics."

Check next week's *Et Cetera* for Michael Clegg's follow-up on the 'Building Champions' program



"I'm embarrassed for anybody who's ever gone to a Bruins game or has a Bruins jersey at home." – Bruins coach Dave Lewis after a 7-0 loss to the Rangers

Raptors NBA success an international recipe

Josh Gold-Smith
SPORTS REPORTER

The resurgent Toronto Raptors have struck a chord with members of Humber's basketball teams.

Hawks forward Sebastien Hunziker said the explosion of international players in the NBA, particularly in Toronto, has contributed to the success of Canada's lone franchise. "It shows that European players have the skills to play at a high level," the Swiss-born fitness and health student said. "Basketball is basketball, no matter where you play."

Hunziker, who played in Switzerland before coming to Toronto two years ago, said international scouting has come a long way in recent years.

"Scouts are going to Europe more to find more players and basketball is worldwide now. Good players are everywhere."

Former Phoenix Suns general manager Bryan Colangelo was hired last summer to resurrect the Raptors and Humber guard Meghan McPeak said he deserves

credit for overhauling the roster and bringing in talent from overseas. "Having him come in, being so successful with the team he had been with, that has helped the team in their success this year," she said.

Colangelo garnered mixed reviews when he selected Italian Andrea Bargnani first overall in last summer's draft and acquired Spanish veteran Jorge Garbajosa, but the two have adapted quickly to the North American game.

"With Bargnani playing so many years in Italy and Garbajosa playing for Spain in the world championships, I think that helped them adapt to the NBA very easily," McPeak said.

Toronto is known for being one of the most multicultural cities in the world and Hunziker said the current Raptors team is a reflection of the city itself.

"By bringing in different cultures, they know people here are going to want to come see them play," he said.

The rise in attendance is also because the club is on pace for its

best season since three straight playoff berths from 2000 to 2002.

As the playoff race heats up, Toronto has a chance to surpass its club record of 47 wins, reached in 2000-01 when it advanced to the Eastern Conference semi-finals.

The team will have to do it without Garbajosa, who shattered his ankle last Monday against Boston, and Bargnani, out indefinitely after emergency appendix surgery on March 21.

McPeak said the club's depth could help overcome the loss of their young stars. "They've been able to come together as a team really well," she said. "When somebody goes down, they know somebody else has to step up."



photo by josh gold-smith

An exciting brand of Raptors basketball has drawn an average attendance of 18,016 at home, up from 17,054 last season.

No matter what happens this year, Hunziker is optimistic about the Raptors' future. "They have a franchise player in Chris Bosh and now they have players to support him," he said. "This is the first year that Colangelo has been here and they're above .500."

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Men drop the ball, pick up silver

Jesse Kinos-Goodin
SPORTS REPORTER

After winning the past six provincial championships, Humber men's indoor soccer team had to settle for silver this year.

"Everybody's got to lose sometimes," said head coach Germaine Sanchez during the medal ceremony at the OSA Soccer Centre in Vaughan. The championships, which were hosted by Conestoga College, saw the two top seeds from each division vie for the provincial championship last Thursday and Friday.

George Brown defeated the Hawks 2-1 on a shorthanded goal in the championship game. With a five-on-four advantage in the final minutes of overtime, the Hawks turned over the ball. This allowed a fast break by the Huskies, leaving Hawks goalkeeper David Ragno, who otherwise played an impressive game, unable to stop the shot.

"They caught us off guard, beating the goalie on an impossible shot to save," said Humber mid-fielder Rob Navarez.

"It's very tough to lose on a power play," Sanchez said. "George Brown deserves to win. We were not very strong this winter so nobody expected us to be here, so overall I think we did very well."

Humber began the eight-team, two-day tournament with a 0-0 tie with St. Lawrence. The Hawks won their second game of the round robin 2-1 over Niagara and beat George Brown 2-1 in the third.

In the semi-final the Hawks easily handled Conestoga 3-0, but they underestimated the George Brown squad in the final.

"I think we thought we had it set," Navarez said. "Since we beat George Brown in the previous round it's disappointing."

Scoring for the Hawks were Rob Narvaez, Ilya Orlov and Anton Christophe with two apiece. Francesco Catalano and Mikhail Whittaker each contributed one goal.

Mike Marchese and Catalano were named to the championship all-star team.

POOL a	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts.
Conestoga	2	1	0	3	1	6
Sheridan	2	1	0	3	3	6
Seneca	1	1	1	5	5	4
Trent	0	2	1	4	6	1

POOL B	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts.
Humber	2	0	1	4	2	7
George Brown	1	1	1	5	4	4
St. Lawrence [K]	1	1	1	3	4	4
Niagara	0	2	1	3	5	1

SEMI FINALS

Humber vs. Conestoga 3 - 0
George Brown vs. Sheridan 2 - 1

BRONZE MEDAL MATCH

Sheridan vs. Conestoga 2 - 0

FINALS

Humber vs. George Brown 1 - 2 [OT]



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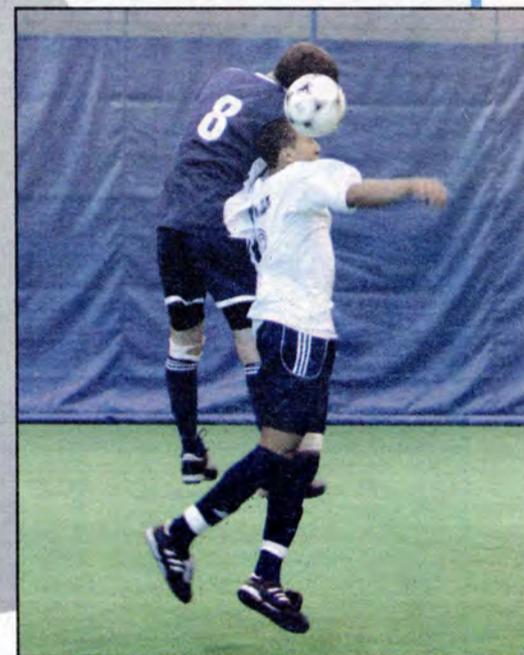


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POOL a	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts.
Seneca	2	0	1	4	1	7
Niagara	1	0	2	3	1	5
Sheridan	1	1	1	4	3	4
St. Lawrence [K]	0	3	0	0	6	0

POOL B	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts.
Humber	3	0	0	7	2	9
Durham	2	1	0	4	1	6
Fleming [P]	1	2	0	3	6	3
Conestoga	0	3	0	2	7	0

SEMI FINALS

Humber vs. Seneca 2 - 1 [OT]
Durham vs. Niagara 4 - 1

BRONZE MEDAL MATCH

Seneca vs. Niagara 1 - 0 [PK]

FINALS

Humber vs. Durham 0 - 4

Women fight their way to second

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While it wasn't the gold they were hoping for, the women's indoor soccer team came home with a well deserved silver medal from the provincial championship last week.

Outmatched by size and strength, the Hawks lost gold to the powerful Durham Lords 4-0.

"Damn Durham and their six-foot giant," said goaltender Emily Curcuruto from the sidelines, referring to the Lords goaltender, Ashley Visser, who blocked everything the Hawks sent her way.

"We've seen them play better," Visser said of Humber. "They had a rough game."

"They're obviously a very good team," said Humber's coach Mauro Ongaro. "The first half we came out flat and very nervous. You can't afford to make any mistakes against them because they'll capitalize on it."

But the women played a strong tournament overall. They won their first two preliminary games by the score of 3-1 against both Fleming and Conestoga before losing to Durham 1-0. The Hawks went on to defeat Seneca 2-1 in overtime in the semi-finals.

Forwards Melissa Migliazza and Holly Goddard were top

scorers for the Hawks and were named as tournament all-stars.

"We're very proud of our girls," said Ongaro. "The whole tournament went very well. A silver is well deserved."

The size of the Durham team wasn't Humber's only problem. Plagued by injuries this season, the Hawks were missing Curcuruto, still out with a concussion, and forward Lynn Barry with a sprained ankle. Lori Hennebury joined them on the bench after twisting her knee in a preliminary game while many of the women played through the pain of various injuries. By the time they played Durham in the gold medal game, the Hawks were exhausted.

"I think we were really tired," said captain Jessica Cordiero. "But we lost to a good team."

While the Hawks floundered in the first half of the final against Durham, they came back strong in the second, putting pressure on the Lords.

"We didn't give up and we ended hard," said forward Joanna Alexopulos. "But I wanted gold. You can't settle for anything less than gold."

"You have to keep things in perspective," said coach Vince Pileggi. "No one wants to lose, but being a silver medalist at a championship is an accomplishment. It just means we have to work a little harder next year."