

# Humber to host world competition

by George Guidoni

Some of the best women's volleyball teams in the world will be showcasing their talents at Humber on March 9, as part of the Canada Cup international tournament.

The tournament, featuring national teams from Canada, China, Cuba and the United States, will debut at Humber. From Humber the tournament will move on to Hamilton the next night, then on to Kingston the following evening. The tournament will wrap up with the championship matches at the Varsity Arena in Toronto.

The Sunday night doubleheader at Humber will have China playing the U.S. and Canada taking on Cuba.

Phil Brown, the assistant co-ordinator for the event, said the choice of Humber as one of the hosting venues was unanimous.

"Humber hosted the men's Canada Cup last year and we were very happy with it," he said. "The college was recognized as a top site for this kind of an event."

Humber faced competition from Seneca and Sheridan colleges as well as York University for the right to host the tournament.

"York couldn't stage it last year for the men's Canada Cup, so we gave it to Humber and they did such an amazing job as hosts, that there really was no question of giving it to Humber again," Brown said.

Diane Wood of the Ontario Volleyball Association said out of the 1,800 tickets printed for the Humber matches, 900 are available directly through the college. They are priced at \$8 for an adult ticket and at \$6 for students.

The tickets can be purchased through the Student Life Centre and if last year's sellout is any indication, the fans

should be advised to pick up their tickets well in advance.

The tournament organizers had a few last-minute problems to work out concerning the participation of the Chinese team, but according to Wood, "everything has been solved."

While each team is going through the usual post-Olympics restructuring, the tournament will feature a number of top world-class players with experience in Olympics and World Cup competition.

The participation of the Cuban team is of particular interest because Cuba had boycotted the 1988 Olympic games in Seoul.

"Nevertheless, they are a very strong team and along with the Chinese, they are the heavy favorites to win the championship," Brown said.

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### SAC Elections 1989

#### Mills wins North

by Morgan Ian Adams

Tania Mills has won the North SAC presidential election in an upset victory over rival and current SAC vice-president, Dave Knott.

Mills won in every division with a total of 270 votes to Knott's 188. Four hundred and fifty-eight students voted, or about six per cent of the North campus population.

"I was disappointed with the turnout ... disappointed with the forum," Mills said. "People just bitch and then not vote."

"Other than that, I feel great," Mills said, adding "I don't think I could have won without the professionalism and support of my campaign manager, Bill Schickler."

Knott was gracious in defeat,

despite the fact "my political career is over."

Joe Mason defeated Wayne Godwin by a margin of 50 votes in the race for vice-president.

"I wanted to give the students a choice, instead of having someone acclaimed," Mason said. "I feel they made a good choice and I will do my best for the students of Humber College, 100 per cent."

Mason received 248 votes to Godwin's 198. Godwin was a bit disappointed.

Godwin said he may seek election as a divisional rep for business.

Voter turnout was down eight per cent from last year. Twelve ballots were spoiled including votes for Bill the Cat and Lemmy from the Illiteratt.

#### Lake prez acclaimed

by Andrew Joseph

Lakeshore SAC President Shelia McLaughlin has retained her position by acclamation despite a week-long extension of the election nomination deadline.

The deadline had been extended to Feb. 24 at 4 p.m. This week was supposed to be the campaign period with the election to be held the week following spring break.

McLaughlin will begin her second term this May. She became this year's Lakeshore SAC president after John Fortin resigned from the position.

McLaughlin's campaign

proposals include improving Lakeshore's relationship with the North campus, gaining more Coven coverage, reinstating a resume typing service, providing free local telephone calls and increasing student events.

Mary Salema, who was a candidate for the vice-presidency, was forced to withdraw after she learned that her school program was being transferred to the North campus. Because of this, Chris Danton, current Lakeshore director of the games room and the only other vice-presidential candidate, will also win by acclamation.



PHOTO BY MORGAN IAN ADAMS

**Taking a bow** — Outgoing North SAC President Shawn Reed and newly elected president Tania Mills ham it up following Mills election victory on Tuesday.

#### Decal Frauds

Some students have been taken for a ride in buying illegal parking decals from thieves.

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#### Sign Language

Lakeshore instructor Michael Vorontsov is an interpreter for people who have a hearing impairment.

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#### Presenting...

Seven Theatre Arts students are performing as a group called Decadence in a dance presentation.

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#### Comeback Victory

Three shorthanded goals sparked the hockey Hawks to a 6-2 win over Sheridan in Game 1 of the OCAA final.

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# Pipe declares war on roach problem

by Karin Winzer

Food Services has taken steps to eliminate the cockroach problem in The Pipe.

Dave Griffin, manager of Food Services, said the problem got out of control because the college was changing pest control companies. He said the college began a major extermination project on Jan. 27 and 28 and it will be done on a regular basis.

Griffin added spraying is being done every Friday for the month following the major extermination and will continue every two to three weeks afterwards.

The Pipe employees have been monitoring the problem since spraying and Griffin said he hasn't seen any roaches in the last week.

"It's a problem not likely to occur again," Griffin said. However, he added if the col-

lege didn't spray for a while the problem would return.

Griffin said if the college had no cockroaches and didn't spray, "in a week we'd have them."

He said pests are a problem all food service areas have to deal with.

Griffin added that kitchens are breeding grounds for bugs because they are warm, moist areas and food is inevitably dropped and this feeds them. He also said construction and the vibrations it causes may have caused the roaches to become more noticeable.

Vibrations during construction cause roaches to move to a more quiet area and that's why they had become more visible, Griffin said.

He said Food Services went to a lot of trouble to exterminate the bugs.



PHOTO BY MORGAN IAN ADAMS

Hard at work — Horticultural students are building a landscape display in the concourse

# Spring comes to concourse

by Peter Camp

Humber College Horticultural students are busy building their annual display in the concourse to coincide with the college's 15th annual Ontario Parks Association Educational Seminar.

The seminar will be held during the second week of March at Humber College. The display's primary purpose is to show off the student's talents to the 350 park representatives from across Ontario attending the seminar.

Tony Digiovanni, Landscape Technology program coordinator, said this year's display is "very involved and will include a cedar deck and indoor waterfall and an assortment of plants."

It is being designed and built by students from the various departments of the Horticulture Prog-

ram. The display will be completed this week.

Part of the upcoming Humber display was pulled from another originally set up by Humber students at the Sheraton Centre in downtown Toronto across from City Hall.

According to Digiovanni, Humber's Horticultural program is the top in Ontario with many of its applicants going on to middle management positions in the parks system of Ontario.

"There are four job postings for every student in the program and at the moment there are 110 students," Digiovanni said. "They are crying for people."

The department's works can be seen around Humber College including a full greenhouse in G building and the demonstration

gardens at the corner of Highway 27 and Humber College Boulevard.

The department is always active sprucing up existing gardens and building new ones, Digiovanni said.

Recently a garden was designed and built in the concourse in front of the wall next to the Lecture Theatre to stop students from posting leaflets on top of the art, Digiovanni said.

Humber's program is successful because of the Humber Arboretum — a site of over 120 acres with trails that lead through the demonstration gardens and plant collections.

"This is our advantage over Ryerson and other schools offering Horticultural programs," Digiovanni said.

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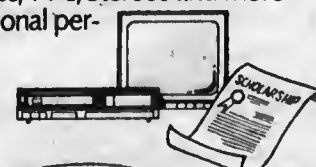


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# Illegal parking decals being sold

by Tina Gaudino

Faculty and students are being duped into buying illegally obtained parking decals.

"We know students use the line, 'I'm leaving school, how would you like to buy a parking decal for \$20?'" said Rick Bendera, director of student life.

This has been a problem for the last two years, he said.

However, Human Studies teacher, Adrian Adamson, a recent victim of a parking sticker theft has discovered a method in identifying a stolen parking decal.

Adamson who was forced to buy a second parking decal after his first went missing earlier this year, had the new one taken three weeks ago. But after searching the green parking lot for all of three minutes he found his decal.

"I shaved off the bottom (of the ticket) at an angle. This way it was easily identifiable," Adamson said. "I took down the car's licence plate number and verified the number on the decal was mine."

Adamson then went to security and was told it was a police matter because the person with the parking decal was in possession of stolen property.

"It's theft," Adamson said. The student handed over the decal after being informed of the situation by Bendera.

He cautions students and teachers to lock their car doors to reduce the chance of theft.

"Students are often unsuspecting and don't realize they can be charged with possession of stolen property," Bendera said.



PHOTO BY MORGAN IAN ADAMS

**Decals the issue!**— Ensure your car doors are locked so that your parking decal like this one is not stolen.

# College disputes proposed OSAP changes

by Maria Mendez

Financial Aid Supervisor, Pat Scrase, disagrees with a Toronto Star article calling for an overhaul of the Ontario Student Assistance Program.

The article's author, Douglas McCready, an economic professor at Wilfrid Laurier University wrote that students are able to abuse the OSAP plan as is.

McCready expressed concerns that some students who did not

need money received OSAP money while others were forced to live with a very limited amount of money because OSAP had turned them down.

Scrase, unlike McCready, said this problem couldn't be corrected by a revision to OSAP.

She said the problem is students do not pay enough attention when filling out the application forms.

"The students and their families may not take the applications seriously," Scrase said.

During the 1986-87 academic year there was a big problem with students receiving notices of overpayment in the mail, Scrase said.

She said students were asked to pay back the extra money, of which most did not have, within 90 days.

This problem, said Scrase, may have arisen because students sometimes neglect to include their parents' personal income on the application.

Scrase said the plan is a good

one and that with careful budgeting and advice the students should not have any financial problems during their academic years.

The only change Scrase would like in the financial assistance program is that it incorporate the yearly increases in the cost of living. Scrase said that Humber, as a member of the Financial Aid Association of Ontario, has asked the ministry to look at the idea.

The federal government is cur-

rently considering increasing the maximum OSAP loan. It has already increased the maximum grant.

To alleviate any problems that might surface with the OSAP forms next year, Scrase said the Financial Aid office will be setting up a booth in April. She said this will encourage students to fill them out early and the Financial Aid employees will then be able to go over the forms with them.

## College 'loses shirt'

# Lack of snow costs college more than expected

by John C. Stuart

Humber College will spend more than \$90,000 this year on snow removal whether it snows or not.

This is the first winter that Humber has contracted out its snow removal needs.

"There was a couple of winters where we lost our shirt. This is a good example," said John Hooiveld, superintendent of Outside Services.

### big money

Jedan Excavating is on contract to remove snow and ice as well as sand and salt on roadways from Dec. 1 to March 31. But the contract stipulates that Jedan will be paid \$91,300 even if it never snows.

"Some people get upset when they realize that we're still paying this company when he's plowed maybe two times," Hooiveld said.

This winter has been the driest in six years. Only 44 centimetres of snow have fallen on Toronto so far this winter, according to Environment Canada. That's almost 20 per cent less than last year.

The mild conditions has been a bonanza for the contractors and those institutions that work on standby fees.

In a standby system, the contractor charges a flat fee for positioning his equipment at the college and a hourly fee for clearing snow and ice.

"It's been a very good year," said Eric Onisiforou of the City of Toronto Public Works Department. The city, which uses a standby system, has saved \$100,000 this winter in salt alone.

Metro Toronto, which operates its own snow removal system, has saved \$500,000, said spokesman Carl Woodman.

Metro has over 100 workers on 24-hour standby in seven snow camps around Toronto. Their only

job is snow removal and Woodman admits many of them are bored.

"No, they haven't been very busy," he said reluctantly. "It's been a very weird winter."

"We looked into the possibility of a standby situation," Hooiveld said. "It didn't appear to be a very attractive option for us."

### standby fees

The college's standby fees in years past were around \$70,000 just to have a half-dozen trucks and plows sitting on campus ready for use. The contractor would charge another \$8,000 to clear from one to three inches. Hooiveld said it would only take four snowfalls to make standby fees the more expensive option.

Contracting, however, can be more of a roller coaster ride.

"It's a gamble on the contractors part," Hooiveld said. "It's a gamble on our part. But there have

been winters when we've been laughing all the way to the bank."

He added over the long term, the contracting system will be cheaper and more efficient. Snow falls in cycles, some years less, some years more.

Hooiveld said the college came out the winner in 1981 when 245 centimetres of snow fell on Toronto. There were over 30 snowfalls that winter. Snow fell about once every four days. Hooiveld said that created its own problems.

"When we got through the end of December the contractor was broke," he said.

Humber even attempted to use its own staff and vehicles for snow removal 12 years ago. The result was a disaster. Adding to the problems was a support-staff strike halfway through the winter.

"The contractor really cleaned up that year," Hooiveld said.

"The one winter we did it ourselves every time it snowed, I'd go out into the street with my

ruler to see if we were up to an inch yet. I drove my wife and kids crazy."

Today, Humber has only three staff members assigned to snow removal to supplement the contractor. There has been a brighter side to the mild winter. Construction at the North campus has been able to continue right through the winter. The administration was worried that it wouldn't have time to complete the new Day Care Centre. Workers were able to put up the fencing just before the ground froze in late November.

### relief

However, there may be some relief from all this good weather in the near future.

"The winter isn't over until the third of March," said Pat Wong of Environment Canada. "Traditionally, we have some of our biggest snowfalls near the end of winter."

# Students worried about safety

by Scott Bujeya

Recent disturbances in correctional and psychiatric institutes have many placement students concerned about their safety.

This month's murder of Krista Sepp, a recent graduate of social work from Sault College, has increased student worries. Sepp was brutally slain the night of Feb. 4 while working alone in a Midland halfway house for troubled youths.

Included in this list are Ontario correctional services, customs facilities and Ontario police forces.

"I don't think it is fair that if we work in group homes and with young offenders we don't have information on what kind of people we're dealing with," said Patty Irwin, a second-year Lakeshore Law and Security student.

In many cases placement students are not permitted access to

confidential information. Currently, Humber has about 100 second-year Law and Security students on work placements.

Students attribute many problems in this field to low pay and high rates of employee turnover. They believe this places many individuals in constantly new situations.

"We do lack a course in non-violent crisis intervention," said Lakeshore instructor and co-

ordinator Di Di Radcliffe. "So there is definitely an effort to do some co-active awareness for students."

Radcliffe said the fields of social work, rehabilitation and law are changing.

"Ten years ago you didn't run the risk of dying because somebody bit you," Radcliffe said.

A workshop for the Ontario Institute of Occupational Health and Safety is currently being

examining the growing concerns in this area.

Lakeshore Law and Security program co-ordinator Bill Anderson believes most students in the program react rationally to tragedies like that of Sepp.

"They tend to think of these (incidents) in terms of the legal and criminal implications," he said.

Students asked said they had no intention of changing careers just because of this.

# College gets top marks again for placing graduates

When it comes to placing graduates in the workforce, Humber College is at the top with a job record placing more than 100 percent of last year's 2,122 graduates in employment, according to the 1988-89 Canadian Placement Report published by the Placement Office at Humber College.

Overall, 91 per cent of the students got jobs after graduation. This figure includes full and part-time jobs in their chosen field and in related fields. Of students employed in a specific career, 43 per cent of the graduates got full-time employment. Two per cent of Humber graduates managed to obtain part-time jobs in their chosen field.

For the past five years Humber has maintained a traditionally high record of graduate placement. In 1983-84 the college's overall graduate placement was 92 per cent; 96 per cent in 1984-85; 97 per cent in 1985-86, and 98 per cent in 1986-87, including part-time jobs.

"This track record shows that the education we provide is effective at Humber gives them entry into a career," said Judy Humphries, a placement officer at Humber.

Humphries said Humber's figures have undoubtedly been among the highest for colleges, annually maintaining a position in the top three among community colleges with Seneca and Sheridan.

These statistics are compiled by the college's Placement Office through a mailed survey and phone calls.

"We get a 20 per cent return on the first survey, so we mail out a second survey and get a 10 per cent return," Humphries said. "Then we get on the phone. We phone 60 to 70 per cent of the students."

For statistics on specific courses, a flyer is available in the placement office.

# Seminar relieves pain

by Michelle Noble

If you have ever suffered the torment of a migraine attack you will understand the need for the seminar Living With Migraines. Executive vice-president of the Migraine Foundation, Rosemary Dudley, said one in five Canadians endure the "exquisite pain" of migraine attacks.

To help people cope with migraines, Humber College in association with the Migraine Foundation is offering the one day seminar.

The seminar is being held at the Woodbine Centre campus on Saturday, March 11 and the cost of attending is \$42. Dudley, a migraine sufferer herself, will conduct it.

Topics to be discussed will include: what causes the attacks,

how to avoid them, ways in which family and friends can help a sufferer, and new developments in research.

Dudley will also talk about the new drug GR43175, which is being tested in 15 hospitals worldwide, one being Toronto's Sunnybrook. She said it will be about three to four years before GR43175 is available to the general public.

According to Dudley, the drug was first tested in England a few years ago with an 80 per cent success rate. Dudley said GR43175 has given her hope for the first time in 15 years.

The drug is not a preventative device, but is taken at the beginning of an attack.

Many people mistakenly think that a migraine attack is a

headache, when in reality the headache is only one symptom of the attack, Dudley said. She added, you can suffer pain from "your big toe to the top of your head."

Dudley defines a migraine as "an inherited bio-chemical imbalance." The chemical imbalance causes blood vessels to enlarge and then they press against nerves causing extreme pain.

One thing that can initiate an attack or make it worse is a change in weather conditions. Dudley said the swinging of the barometer can mean agony for migraine sufferers.

A person can suffer from a few attacks in a lifetime or they can suffer several attacks a week, she said. Attacks can last for a couple of minutes or for many weeks.

## Price of sexual equality

# Insurance rates affect women

by Pat Kalloo

In a few months, young female drivers will be paying the high price of sexual equality, through new auto insurance rate hikes.

The Ontario Automobile Insurance Board announced the increases last week. Young male drivers will be paying less.

"For the most part, male drivers will get off easily," said Duncan Ivison, campaign manager of the Ontario Federation of Students.

According to the OAI, the rate of a 17-year-old male, who pays an annual average of \$3,933 in auto insurance, will be reduced to \$2,436. That's a 42 per cent decrease.

Young female drivers, however, will be among the hardest hit by these rates. They will see a 10 per cent increase in their average annual payments to \$2,436 from \$2,000.

Those figures could undergo a dramatic change since the OAI is now allowing car insurers to charge another nine per cent more, or 20 per cent less, in addition to the starting increase rate of 7.6 per cent. That translates to 26 per cent more in insurance rates for female motorists and 33 per cent decrease for male motorists.

The total split in insurance is the result of an anti-discrimination ban which was included in the new rating system. The purpose of this ban is to redistribute the burden of auto insurance, which usually fell on male motorists, more evenly among all motorists.

Under the ban, insurance companies are prohibited from setting rates based on age, sex and marital status which in the past was used by insurers to ensure those high-risk male drivers under 25 paid higher insurance premiums.

With the new system, it doesn't matter whether a driver falls in the high or low risk category — he/she will still pay the same price ideally, said Nigel Dunn, manager of Public Affairs for the Ontario Insurance Bureau of Canada.

"It will still be the same number of people dipping into the insurance claims bucket," Dunn said. "If some people pay less, some people will end up paying more. It's not an insurance decision or an economic decision, but a social decision and it's socially wrong to discriminate against male drivers."

Pat Scrase, Financial Aid supervisor, agrees with the anti-discriminatory policy.

"I think everybody should be

treated equally, whether male or female, young or old," Scrase said. "I didn't think it was a fair system, when some paid higher than others."

Ivison disagreed with the new rate hikes and was worried about the impact it would have on young women.

"When student aid is as low as it is, and tuition is as high as it is, the situation starts getting . . . unfortunate."

Ivison added since women make less money in summer and part-time jobs, their situation is even worse.

Dale Shipley, manager of a local chapter of the Ontario Federation of Students, was split between the issue of equality and higher rates.

She believes that since women are among the low-risk group of drivers, they shouldn't have to pay as much as high-risk male motorists.

Since women are paying less to begin with, she thinks the new rates do make sense.

"If we don't want to be discriminatory, maybe we should have to pay as much," she said. "If we want to be on the same par as males, we should have to reach that goal as well."

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# Culinary students taste sweet victory

by Rob Michaud


Humber's Culinary students came close to sweeping the awards, at the Chocolate Fantasy Patisserie Competition held at Sherway Gardens on Feb. 6.

Humber took five medals out of a possible six in the open invitational competition.

The gold medal was awarded to Lily Leung for her design of a chocolate scale. Peter Phillips and T.J. Dussomme won silver medals. Phillips won for his version of a Circus Factory and Dussomme grabbed a medal for his creation of a chocolate tea set.



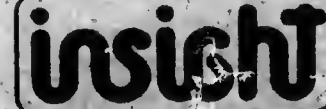
There were also bronze medals given to Pamela Rutter for her artistic Chef's hat and Catherine Connaughton won for her chocolate carousel. Farrell Antecol entered his chocolate tight-rope walker, but didn't win any medals.

The competition was sponsored by Art Etobicoke to raise funds for the art community in Etobicoke.



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# Copyright laws violated

by Wilson Matidze

Students who photocopy volumes of copies from books and magazines in the library are causing long lineups and running the risk of violating Canada's copyright regulation, says Humber's library technician.

Douglas Willford said the students must seek permission from the authors to reproduce their work unless it says the work can be reproduced for studies or seminars. He said students reproduce materials at their own risk.

Vihari Hivale, assistant librarian, said students are allowed to photocopy an article from a magazine or a book, but teachers are required to seek permission to make copies which exceeded more than 40 copies of the same article for distribution in the classroom.

He said students are not allowed to make multiple copies or copy the whole book.

To minimize long lineups at the library's photocopier machine Vihari advises students, "not to

monopolize the machine but be considerate of each other."

Willford said: "There is a photocopier in the Learning Resource Centre and two in the SAC office."

"Those students who have volumes to photocopy are encouraged to use the printing shop which will be willing to assist them."

"We hope to alleviate long lineups in the new library scheduled to be opened on July 3 by installing copiers on each floor," Willford said.

# Rent regulations too complicated

by Peter Camp

The revised Residential Rent Regulation Act is the most complicated document after income tax forms, says a lawyer with Rexdale Community Information Services.

"There are no rent controls in Ontario, only regulations," said Bill Zock. "It can be compared to traffic lights in a city. These regulate traffic they do not control it. Regulations don't really work."

Speaking to a small group on Feb. 15 at Humber College, Zock spoke of the services the information centre has to offer. Something new is the Dial-A-Law information line where tenants can phone in, ask for a specific case number and find out their rights. Two of the most popular case numbers are Tenants Rights and Duties and Reasons for Eviction.

The funding for the organization comes from Ontario Legal Aid and it is increasing because the centre is growing.

"There is a growing demand for our services because we are in a housing crisis and no solutions are forthcoming," Zock said. "The crunch started in the early seventies and has been growing since."

The informal meeting discussed the Tenant Act and those who are or are not covered. Zock said the No. 1 problem is shared accommodation.

"Those occupants required to share either a bathroom or a kitchen with the owner are not covered by the act," he said. "In order to be covered by the act you have to be a full tenant or a landlord and the building has to be considered residential premises, which means

used or intended for use as residential premises."

In order to be considered a tenant by law a person must fall into the category of having the right to exclude the landlord and have exclusive right to the apartment. This right enters a grey area when living in shared accommodations.

"It is these loopholes in the Act that few people are aware of," Zock said.

Another grey area for many students is the eviction procedure. Zock said only the sheriff can evict anyone from an apartment and this is only after a long procedure. The procedure begins with the landlord giving notice of termination of lease then notice of application for eviction to the tenant. After this a hearing is held in front of a district court judge where a Writ of Possession is handed down. It is only at this point that the landlord is able to legally evict the tenant. If necessary the sheriff can be helped by the police. At any point in this procedure the decision can be reversed.

# A rabid fox was found dead near college Aboretum

by Tina Gaudino

A rabid fox was found dead near the west branch of Humber's Aboretum two weeks ago.

It is the second time this year a rabid animal has been found dead on the college's property.

Doris Tallon, executive assistant to the president, said there is concern over these incidences.

"They have been printed up in the college communique to warn staff and students to be careful," Tallon said.

King Wong, a senior health inspector for Etobicoke, spoke to the college administration, cautioning the school to avoid and report any wild animals which are behaving abnormally.

"Wild animals usually fear man and if a wild animal shows no fear, it's unusual behavior," Wong said. "It's uncommon for them to approach people."

Gary Jeynes, manager of safety and security, said the police and the Etobicoke animal control were immediately

alerted once the fox had been sighted.

"The staff and day care staff have been advised not to touch any wild animals that may be acting peculiar," Jeynes said.

Posters and pamphlets have been distributed throughout the college. As well, notification has been sent out to the surrounding area warning students and residents to avoid contact with any wild animals.

Stewart Barclay, director of animal control for Etobicoke, cautions people against handling dead animals.

"All spottings of dead animals, as well as household pets, should be reported to the Etobicoke Animal Control," Barclay said. "Any sort of contact with a dead animal should be avoided in case it is infected with rabies."

If contact has been made between a would-be rabid animal, resulting in a bite or scratch to the person, the wound should be flushed with soap and water and receive immediate medical attention.

# Alcohol awareness week is coming

by Pat Kallou

Humber will be actively involved in an alcohol awareness campaign during mid-March.

North campus will host the campaign from March 13-17 and Lakeshore campus will follow suit the following week.

"The purpose of this is to make students aware and not to scare them off," said Michele Beckstead, Lakeshore's director of student affairs.

Responsibility and alcohol will be the two main issues covered by this year's program, said Elizabeth Ganong, the North's director of student affairs.

"Everywhere you look, you see advertising encouraging you to be more responsible when drinking," Ganong said. "That's the idea we're trying to promote."

This year's campaign will combine the efforts of SAC, Student Affairs, Health Services and possibly Counselling Services.

Lectures, demonstrations, and speakers are scheduled during the

two-week event. One of the more popular draws, the Speakeasy, will be making a return appearance at both campuses.

Ganong said the Speakeasy, a self-testing computer program, tells users whether they're at an adequate drinking level.

In one day, Ganong said 72 people made use of the Speakeasy machine, which she said is "excellent use of the machine, because it takes 5 to 10 minutes to go through the program."

While this year's campaign is still in its planning stages, Ganong is hoping this year's will serve to increase student awareness.

"Students in this day and age are realizing it's a criminal offence to drink and drive," she said. "They are realizing it's the responsibility of people who care for others to think and act responsibly."

"What we try to do is provide opportunities for the students. But it's up to the students to get actively involved."

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## Election apathy

Approximately six per cent of the North campus student population turned out to elect Tania Mills next year's SAC president.

It would appear the small amount of people that did bother to vote, were not preoccupied with popularity.

It's questionable whether graduating students should be allowed to vote, considering they won't be a part of the student population in the upcoming year. Should they have a say in who governs a student body they won't be a part of?

Nonetheless, the turnout for this year's election was atrocious. Last year's loser for SAC president (Jim Purdie) received more votes in his losing bid, than the total number of people that voted this year. He got 474 votes compared to Shawn Reed's 490. Only 458 votes (excluding spoiled ballots) were tallied this year.

One would hope if more votes were considered in the total, the margin would remain more or less the same.

However, the reasons for such a low turnout should be looked into. Was the election well publicized? Were students given enough free time to vote? These and other questions should be answered, if not by this year's SAC, then by the new council.

Lack of school spirit at North campus has become consistent and expected for this large commuter college. It's scary to think this lack of caring applies to electing a student government.

Another consistency at North campus is the fact that people will complain about what SAC does. Next year, Mill's council, for one thing or another, will inevitably come under fire. Let's hope the people who point the accusing finger next year are among the 458 who bothered to give a damn this year at election time, when it mattered.

## March Break madness

If you're like most people here working on Coven, March Break can't come soon enough. For those of you who are ill informed, *Reading Week* begins Monday March 6, though for most, it will probably start at the end of classes tomorrow evening. Everyone should be back, tanned, relaxed, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed the morning of March 13.

There'll be no Coven, Thursday, March 9, but we'll be out again March 16.

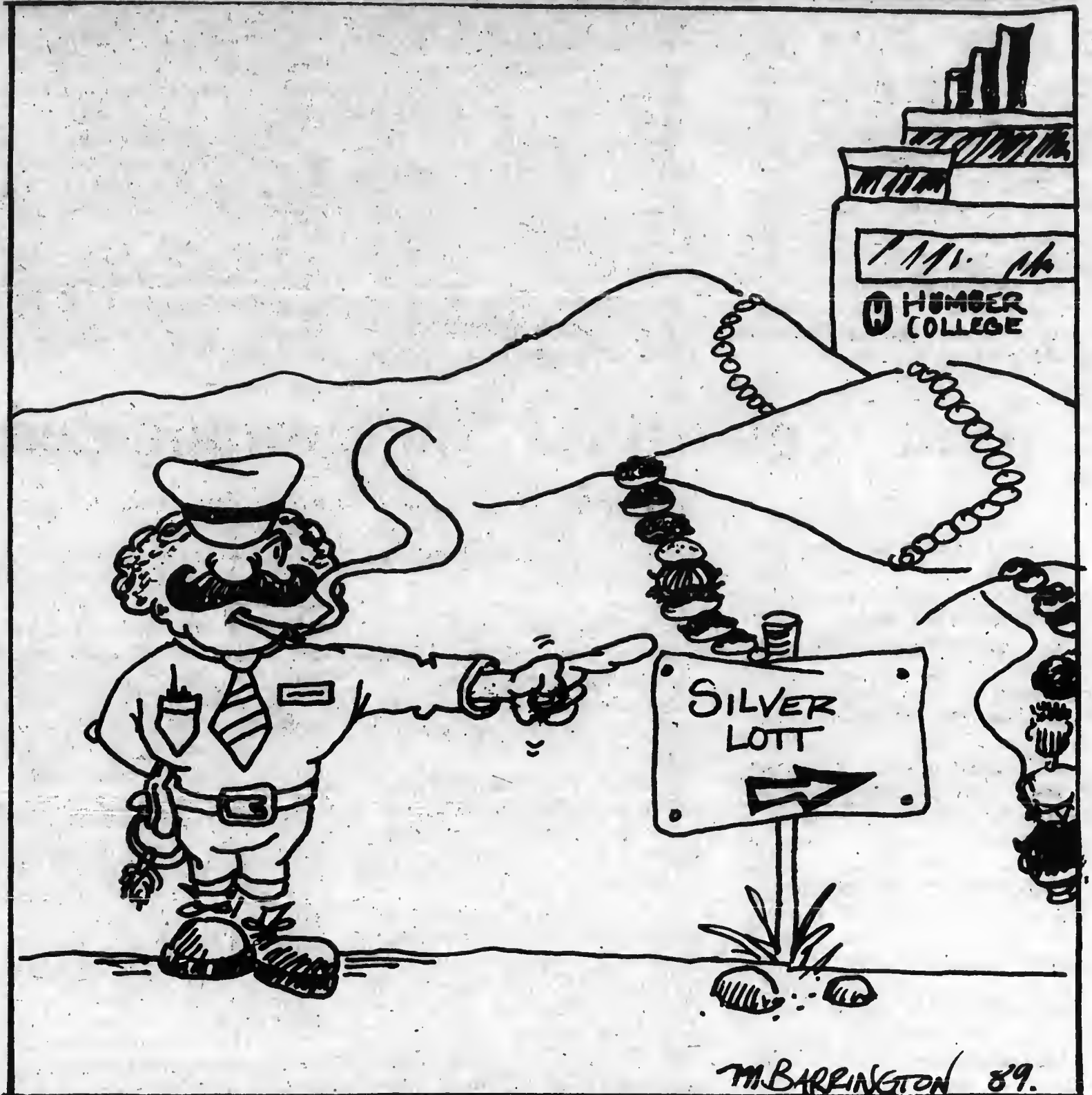
However, there are more important things to consider on the eve of the beginning of March Break madness. For example, why does the college insist on calling the week off, *Reading Week*, when they know no student in their right mind will be reading. Recreation, rest and relaxation is the order of the week.

When we all get back there'll be about six more weeks of hitting the books (or the computers) till the warm weather and the summer job opportunities come calling.

Another question is why are most important class assignments due just before the break? Don't instructors realize the closer a week of holidays come, the lazier most students get.

Of course, not everyone is like this, but that relaxed attitude is usually hiding, maybe deep down, in the most conservative and hard working people.

Questions and observations aside, March Break is almost upon us, and no one can deny they're looking forward to it. Have a happy, fun filled, but safe week of R and R, and recreation.



### Nays...

...To the unprofessional way Humber administration requested students exchange silver parking permits, so construction could begin in the parking lot. A warning about the impending construction at the beginning of the semester might have been the answer.

...To all the Humber students who didn't attend either the basketball game or the hockey game Tuesday night. That's about 7,700 of you.

...To the North Campus students who didn't vote in Tuesday's election. Only 458 people voted in this year's election, and in a college with 8,000 full-time students, that is a sad turnout. But then apathy has always been one of Humber's strong points.

To Lakeshore campus. Lakeshore wants greater Coven coverage, yet they can't even field enough candidates for an election. Good luck Sheila, and answer your phone in the future (we at Coven hate machines).

### Yeas...

...To the Humber Varsity Hockey and Basketball teams. Both teams won their respective playoff games Tuesday. The Hockey Hawks beat a pesky Sheridan team 6-2, while the Hardcourt Hawks crushed the Centennial Colts 96-77. Both teams are defending OCAA champs.

...To Humber president Robert Gordon, who was spotted at both the hockey and basketball games, Tuesday. Rumor has it he actually enjoyed himself... great school spirit Squee.

## Common sense solutions

Financial Aid disagrees with a Toronto Star article that says the Ontario Student Assistance Program needs to be overhauled. Though Financial Aid Supervisor Pat Scrase admits there are problems, she disagrees with the article's author, Douglas McCready, an economics professor at Wilfred Laurier University.

He said students are able to abuse the system. While Scrase agrees there are problems, she thinks an overhaul of the system is not the answer. Scrase deserves brownie points for not automatically adopting the radical view on this issue, but instead suggesting better informing students on how to fill out applications, and suggesting OSAP include yearly cost of living increases.

It's good to see an informed common sense reaction to problems that too easily warrant radical solutions.

# Rushton's theory supports apartheid practice

by Wilson Matidze

Dr. Rushton's research on racial intelligence is a sad and sorry affair. The work is supportive of the type of racism practised in South Africa.

Ironically, some Orientals, whom he regards as more intelligent than others, are looked down on in South Africa. The Japanese are classified as honorary whites, while the Chinese fall under the Asiatics or Other category.

Dr. Hendrik Verwoerd, father of Apartheid, decreed that black students shouldn't be taught mathematics, as they are inferior. Black parents are referred to as boy and girl. This is because South African blacks are treated as inferior. Their thinking is done for them. Laws must be formulated for them by Afrikaners, that don't go beyond certain limits.

## enforces apartheid

In South Africa, the supposed superiority in intelligence of whites has brought about draconian legislation in which people are separated according to ethnic groups. There are different washrooms, hospitals, res-



taurants, living areas, swimming areas, holiday resorts, and wages for the same work done. Every aspect of life is segregated. There is no stone which has been left unturned as far as the enforcement of racism is concerned in South Africa.

The South African racists should be smiling and feeling proud of Rushdie. He has broken the isolation they have been experiencing.

For something like this to be done by a Canadian, gives those who enforce apartheid in South Africa a sense they are not alone, and justifies their theory and practice of racial discrimination.

Dr. Rushton has not told us how less intelligent black people are compared to whites and orientals.

**"It hurts to the bone. It kills, it divides and it stinks."**

His study has no substance or foundation with anything to do with scholastic freedom. Such a study can only be done by people who believe in racial discrimination. Is there another reason for doing the study if it wasn't to promote racism.

Rushton's theory supports the apartheid system of divide and rule. In South Africa schools and education boards are segregated. There is a separate education system for blacks called Bantu Education, geared towards supposed slow thinkers without the brain capability to grasp mathematics or natural science subjects.

I am one of those people born under apartheid. I know apartheid is systematic and legalized racism. It hurts to the bone. It kills, it divides and it stinks.

However, black prodigies, like children under seven who may have constructed and set in motion a toy helicopter from the idea of a flying a kite, are taken away and never seen again.

There is also coloured education tailored towards South Africans of mixed race. This education gives the coloreds better job opportunities and better status and pay compared to Africans. Similarly, Indian Education is different in content and treatment by the South African government. They are also given better opportunities.

## justifies practice of racial discrimination

White South Africans get the best education, in terms of amenities and facilities. They receive a government subsidy, and there are no failures.

While whites are educated to take on the role of boss over other races, blacks are regarded as good for nothing trouble makers. How would you like to be told you're inferior, in the country of your birth?

Because you're regarded as inferior, those who regard themselves as superior must abuse you physically. They must be given the legal right to suppress and oppress you. You clean their dirty linen, polish their shoes, and die in their mines while digging diamonds and gold you never get a share of.

White South Africans, who are mentally handicapped, are still regarded as mentally superior to blacks. Their white skin, not their brain capacity is the yardstick for their superiority.

## genocide

Now here's Dr. Rushton, who thinks he has the right to measure people's intellectual capabilities and capacity according to race. The fierce struggle against apartheid in South Africa is a result of this same type of measuring intelligence according to race. There is genocide in South Africa. Does Rushton support this?

What prompts people to bother with superiority is their hatred of other races. Hatred breeds death, non-cooperation, misunderstanding and disrespect. It doesn't create a peaceful coexistence. It creates conflict.

Rushton's research has been unacademic and racist. He could have done better had he spent his energies on improving race relations in Canada and the rest of the world.

# Courts should decide

by Jennifer Ellis



The thought of hiding from execution would not only drive me insane, it would eliminate any future goals.

According to newspapers, TV reports and other media, the Ayatollah Khomeini demands Salman Rushdie, author of *Satanic Verses* be executed for writing blasphemous material about the Islamic religion. This demand stands despite Rushdie's official apology.

I believe Mr. Khomeini is going a little overboard. Legal action should be taken by Khomeini or any individual who sees the book as hate literature.

As stated by The Canadian Criminal Law of Defamation, "Blasphemous Libel is the publication of inflammatory or outrageous statements about a religion...The case law says a blasphemous libel is an attack on deity or expressions

grossly repugnant to religious sentiments, exceeding the limits of decent controversy and having as their sole object the outraging of the feelings of every believer in that religion."

It is a question of fact. In other cases, a judge and jury decide whether statements published are blasphemous. In Canada, the offence carries a maximum sentence of two years in prison.

In Rushdie's case, I disagree with Otto Jelinek, who is minister of revenue. He and his committee decided the book is not hate literature, and as a result it was not banned in Canada.

I think a judge and jury should decide. They are supposedly more knowledgeable in criminal law.

## sacrilege

Executing Rushdie for his comments would increase tension in society. Man should not take the life of another, in any circumstance. There are other ways to punish or prohibit an individual like Rushdie, and prevent future alleged sacrilege.

Currently, Rushdie is hiding from society, living in a real nightmare. Everywhere he turns, the thought of a revolver being put to his head must rotate through his mind.

Although I haven't read *Satanic Verses*, I wish there were experienced individuals who could classify the book and accordingly, take fair appropriate measures.

# Rushdie's novel exposes rift between nations



by John Hobel

The tension created by Salman Rushdie's novel *Satanic Verses* has created a fervor that is threatening to destroy relations between Moslem nations and the western world: Canada's Foreign Affairs Minister Joe Clark is searching for a compromise that will reduce the current tension. However noble Clark's intentions may be, they are misguided, because they ignore the reality of Islamic fundamentalism.

Iranian Vice-President Mostafa Mirsalim clearly identified the problem when he stated that the western world doesn't fully understand his country's sentiments.

This is the heart of the issue. Neither society understands the depth of the other's commitment to its values, nor are they likely to.

Mirsalim said Rushdie's work is a blasphemy to the entire Islamic world and the problem is not one of freedom of expression. Mirsalim is obviously unable to understand the importance both western Europe and North America attaches to freedom.

The West can't compromise. Freedom is the very pillar upon which western society is built. Historically, North America has stood for individual freedom and religious tolerance. In defense of these values the nations of western Europe have recalled their ambassadors from Iran, in an attempt to display their abhorrence of the death sentence Ayatollah Khomeini has pronounced on Rushdie. The rule of law and its protection of individual freedoms is not negotiable.

It's also impossible for Islamic fundamentalists to compromise. The very nature of religious fanaticism excludes any chance of a

moderate approach to the Rushdie controversy.

It is not likely the chants of "Death to Rushdie" will be replaced by logic. Fundamentalism is not based on logic. Instead it asks its supporters for blind faith. These fanatics do not even think to question a religion that calls for murder. For them, terrorism, kidnapping and violence against the innocent, replace the sanctity of human life.

Centuries ago Christianity was rocked by the same type of religious hypocrisy. Protestants and Catholics slaughtered each other across the battlefields of Europe. During the Spanish inquisition, people were killed for their limited understanding of God's will. Somehow democracy and religious toleration emerged from this disgraceful period. Hopefully the Islamic world will be able to do the same.

Unfortunately, the only answer to the division between Islam and the West, is time itself. Western civilization has advanced to the point where murder in the name of God no longer exists. Islam has not yet reached this point.

# Interpreting the language of silence

by Michelle Baptie

When sign language was finally recognized as an official language, the state began to contract interpreters for translation. Lakeshore instructor Michael Vorontsov is one such person who conveys messages to people caught in a world of silence. He is also a consultant on hearing impairment with the Special Needs office at Humber and a teacher with the Human Services Division at Lakeshore.

In his spare time, Vorontsov works off-campus for the Federal

Government as an interpreter for the Secretary of State.

He also provides lectures on hearing impairment at the college that emphasize the psychological, emotional, and medical aspects of deafness.

He is responsible for discerning the needs of hearing impaired students and conveying information to the college administration, such as accommodation of a hearing impaired student in the classroom.

In some cases, Vorontsov says, a teacher must change the way he or she teaches.

"An instructor must face a deaf student instead of turning away," he says.

Vorontsov began using sign language as a child, as both his parents are deaf.

"Signing is my first language," Vorontsov declares.

In his university days, he got involved with the Canadian Hearing Society. He led a number of workshops during his career with the society.

Today, Vorontsov's involvement with the society is limited.

"They may refer deaf students to us," he says.

Vorontsov cites stress as the main reason he opted for a career in teaching. He used to put in 14 hour days, but he burned out from hard work. Low pay was also a problem.

"It was time to get away from the entry-level positions," he says.

Currently, he is trying to make theatre accessible to the hearing impaired. An interpreter was used for *Cats* at the Elgin Theatre, for example.

Vorontsov says he was striving for separate performances for the

deaf, but instead opted for an integrated audience.

He adds it was not a distraction to the hearing.

"We got a lot of (positive) feedback when we did *Cats*," he says. "A lot of the hearing audience said the interpreter actually enhanced the performance."

When Peter Mansbridge spoke to a large group of staff and students last semester, Vorontsov interpreted.

Today, as a father of a deaf son and defender of the unhearing, Vorontsov continues his fight for equality.



PHOTO BY VICKI L. WIRKKUNEN

**In the stars** — June Teckert, Humber Business instructor, performs an astrological reading at the Psychic, Mystics & Seers Fair held Feb. 17 — 19 at Exhibition Place. For more on Teckert, see next issue of Coven.

## Screenplay blooms in May

by Michelle Baptie

*Winter Tulips* sometimes bloom in May, at least when they are in the form of a screenplay.

Joe Kertes, a Lakeshore Communications instructor, will have his first screenplay released in May.

Adapted from Kertes' novel *Winter Tulips*, which was published October '88, the screenplay is a fictional comedy about a Jewish teenager who leaves his home in Montreal to study music in Toronto. He falls in love with his landlord's Greek daughter and the two cultures clash, Kertes says.

He says he began working on the screenplay shortly after being contacted by some film companies.

Kertes hopes to complete the screenplay by May. However, he is pessimistic about his chance of seeing it on the big screen, as writing a screenplay does not necessarily guarantee it will be made into a movie.

"It takes 12 or 15 million bucks to make a movie," he says. "You might see the screenplay but you might never see the film," Kertes says.

He wrote the first paragraph of his book when he was 23, but did not begin writing seriously until two years ago, at 35.

"The book didn't take long to write in terms of the number of hours and I could have easily written this book when I was 23 or 24," he explains. "It just took me all this time to apply myself."

Before it was published, Kertes was a finalist in the Seal/Bantam First Novel competition.

"I didn't win the \$50,000 prize but it encouraged me to revise the book," he says.

Kertes is currently working on a series of short stories and a sequel to *Winter Tulips* called *Above the Blue Sky*, which he expects to complete by next year.

## Going for gold at the Olympics of food

by Rob Michaud

Turn on those salivary glands, Humber students are going for gold in the Olympics of food.

On Tuesday, April 26, Humber will be competing in the second World Competition for student and apprentice cooks - Taste of Canada 1989.

The Taste of Canada competition is comparable to the olympics of cooking. Students from around the world will be coming to Toronto's George Brown Hospitality campus to compete for bronze, silver and the ultimate; the gold medal, in such categories as hot food, special occasion cakes, French pastry, and hors d'oeuvres.

Krista Blaser and Clive Barnes are two second-year Humber Culinary students among the 17 from Humber who will be competing in separate categories at the Taste of Canada Competition.

Barnes describes the competition as "a great opportunity for students to perform and show their

ability. It will enable me to perform under stress and know what is required of me."

The hot food individual plate competition, which Barnes is entering in, combines three different hot food items cooked then presented cold for observation.

This is Blaser's first cooking competition and she says she is "scared." She will enter the hors d'oeuvre category and says "I want to bring home a gold, but I'll be happy with a bronze."

"I feel it's going to put my future into perspective. It's a big challenge a definitely something I'll remember," said Blaser.

According to Barnes, Humber has taught him skills in fine cuisine that enhance his confidence to perform well in this competition.

### skills

"From various creative instructors I have learned a variety of skills which I believe will enable me to come away from this competition a winner," says Barnes.

But glory and fame are not the only aspects of this competition. Hard work and long hours are two negative factors that have to be taken into consideration. But Barnes and Blaser do not seem to mind.

"We are definitely going to have three days with no sleep near the end of the competition. Two days of actual preparation which will go through the night and on the third day we bring it out for the presentation," said Blaser.

"You have to have a lot of dedication and be able to handle hard work and long hours to endure it. I think I can do it," she adds.

Barnes is willing to put in the long hours because "I know it will benefit me in the long run."

The students may enter as individuals and/or as a team. Each competitor may enter a maximum of two entries in the competition, but the students are not judged on all of their work as a whole. Each piece is judged separately, giving students an extra chance to win a

medal if they enter more than one piece.

Teams are made up of six members and a coach or instructor.

Judges will be appointed by the World Association of Cook's Society, the Canadian Federation of Chefs de Cuisine, the Escoffier Society, the Ontario Pastry Chef's Guild, and the Bakery Production Club of Ontario, and will also in-

clude a member of the coaches of each official team. The evaluation of each piece will be judged on Difficulty, Competent Preparations — Workmanship, Composition, Presentation and General Impression.

If a student gets 36-40 points they will be awarded a gold medal, 30-35 gets a silver and 24-29 is a bronze medal.

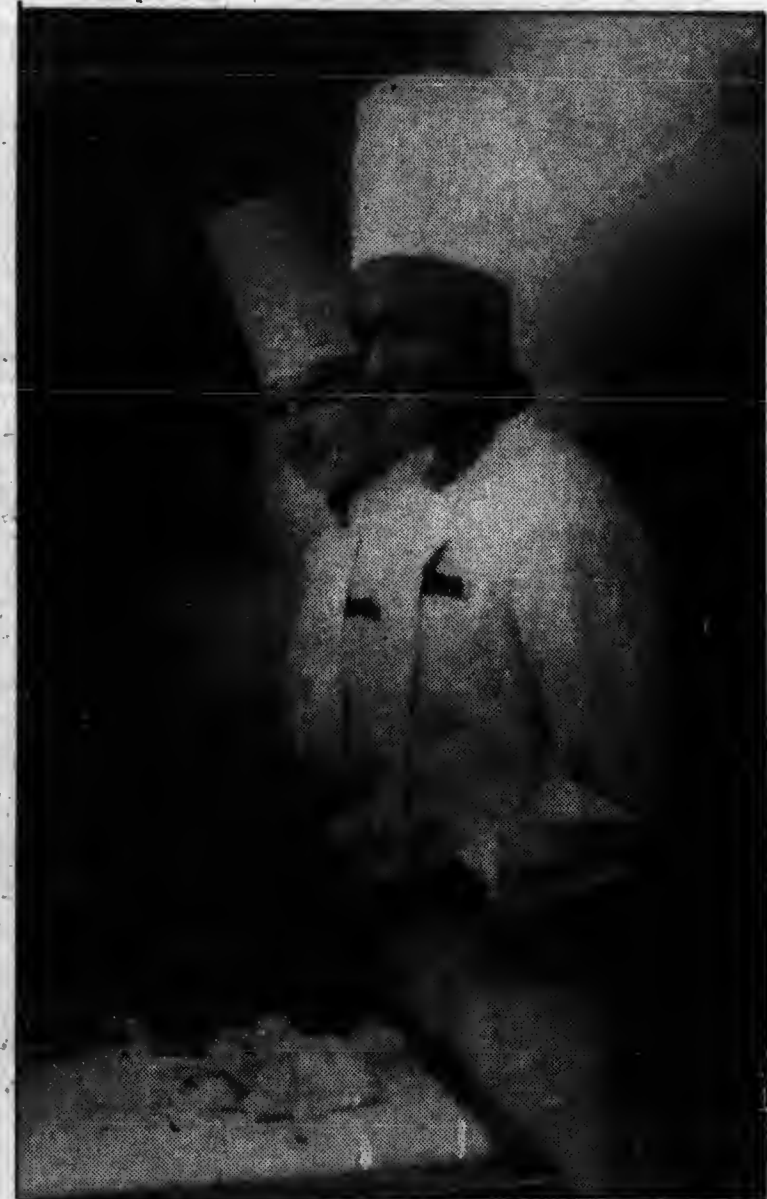


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**Cooking for medals** — Second-year Culinary students Krista Blaser (left) and Clive Barnes will be competing in The Taste of Canada 1989. Blaser is planning to enter the hors d'oeuvre category, and Barnes will enter the hot food individual plate competition.



# Staff bids farewell to awards officer

by Pat Kalloo

The President's boardroom played host to a standing-room only crowd last Tuesday as faculty and staff alike payed tribute to now-retired awards officer Dorothy Strongitharm.

"I think the turnout today is an obvious example of how people care for Dorothy," said President Robert Gordon.

"There's probably few people in this college as well known as Dorothy," he added. "In fact, she's the only one I can think of who gets three standing ovations a year, from people outside and inside the college, at the annual awards night ceremony."

## dedication

"I think the dedication she's shown Humber is something we are proud of — certainly I am."

Strongitharm was impressed with the entire reception.

"I was proud to think that so many people would take that time to see me," she said.

In her role as awards officer, Strongitharm said she never got to say anything at anytime. But last Tuesday's reception provided just that opportunity for her to "acknowledge her appreciation in speech."

For the past 10 years Betty Campbell, administrative assistant to the vice-president of instruction, has worked with Strongitharm "in one way or the other."

"It's hard to believe she's going to be retirement age," Campbell said. "We're going to miss her, but I think it's a happy

time . . . not a sad time; because she's looking forward to retiring and I know she has a lot of things she would like to do."

Vinnie Mitchell, co-ordinator of the Special Needs Assistance Program, first met Strongitharm when she was the Secretary for the Dean of Student Services, eight years ago.

"I found her extremely warm and very serious about her work," Mitchell added. "At the same time her competence was there, her warmth never disappeared. I just feel really comfortable with her. I'm going to miss her."

Registrar Martha Casson said her feelings for Strongitharm go beyond her warmth and "all of the nice things about working with somebody like Dorothy."

"There are students here at Humber today and others who have graduated from Humber, strictly because of Dorothy Strongitharm . . . and the way that she handled both the awards and bursary programs," Casson said.

## uncanny

Casson was impressed by Strongitharm's "almost uncanny ability to draw students to her and then having the ways and means to be able to affect funds assistance for them."

"She broke some ground and set some precedence, setting up activities just to make sure students who needed financial assistance got it. I think there are a lot of students who owe her a great deal of gratitude, in addition to all of us."

Judy Humphries, director of placement in Financial Aid, cre-

ates Strongitharm with making the awards program grow and transforming it into the professional, high profile program it is today.

"In many ways she nursed it through its early years and went a

long way to making it the program it is. She's organized it so well and taught all the rest of us (who will still be here) how to do what she has done."

Dean of Applied and Creative

Arts, Carl Eriksen, was "sorry to see her go. She's been such a wonderful person," he said.

"She's worked very hard on behalf of all the students . . . she'll be sadly missed when she leaves."

Between writing personal letters to awards donors and completing time sheets for pay week, to finalizing all the details of last year's awards ceremony, no one would have guessed Dorothy Strongitharm was spending her final days as awards officer.

She said she was keeping such a hectic pace because of the upcoming retirement reception held last Wednesday in her honor.

"I guess I'm trying not to think about it, so I won't be scared," Strongitharm said before the ceremony.

For her first six years Strongitharm worked as secretary and assistant to a variety of divisions within the school.

She later worked for Vice-President Roy Giroux in his first year at Humber. As V.P. secretary, she also spent time handling awards. After a while, she was given a choice between being assistant to Giroux and working with the awards.

"I loved the awards program and working with the students. That's my role."

In the program's eight-year existence, Strongitharm said

the number of awards from business and industry have more than doubled from 110 to 280. And she is very proud of that success.

"It's a heartwarming job. Not just the awards part of it, but the other elements of it."

The work study program, is an example of that other element, she said, because it gives



Dorothy Strongitharm

her the opportunity to help students seeking jobs.

Since the awards office is part of Financial Aid, Strongitharm has been affiliated with the emergency loan. That has enabled her to see "the other side," she said. "It's been a real circle . . . a complete circle."

After over 11 years at Hum-

ber, Strongitharm's talents and dedication were recognized during last week's ceremony. And that made her realize that breaking away will not be easy.

"Over the years, I've made so many new friends. One of the things I'm really going to miss is talking with the young people . . . the students; and trying to help them whenever I could. I've been here this long and seen a lot of people come and go," she said.

"This (awards program) has been my pride and joy. And I hate to give it up. It's been the routine for 11 and a half years. I'm 65 and I've no choice in the matter. But I am looking forward to it," said Strongitharm.

Although her life will not be as active as before, Strongitharm plans to keep busy. She said she will be "getting back into my volunteer groups."

In her final days as awards officer, she said her goodbyes — the hardest part of leaving.

"It's going to be a void," Strongitharm said. "When you get to my age, you don't want to lose any friends. But I'll be closing that one chapter and starting another."

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# Dance shines on young talent

by Vicki L. Wirkkunen

The exuberance and inner emotions of youth are channelled out through dance movement in Decadance's presentation of *Notions of Motions*.

The performance is an expression of talent by seven Humber Theatre Arts students who comprise the Decadance ensemble under the tutelage of Viv Moore.

Moore, who teaches dance and movement to Theatre Arts and Music students at Humber, initiated the Decadance company in 1985. She began working with 10 Theatre Arts students, teaching them to dance with the premise movement comes from the inside rather than via simple muscular functions.

Decadance is strictly an extra-curricular program for theatre students. As far as the college grading system goes, the students involved in Decadance receive no credit. However, the educational value of the program surpasses the cost of free-time forfeited by the students.

The Decadance performers were chosen through auditions held at the beginning of the school

year. This is the first year students were required to audition for the program.

"I really wanted commitment and a group of people that could work well together," Moore says. "That's what I got."

*Notions of Motions* is a collaboration by Moore and the seven members of Decadance — Tanya Allan, Vicky Goring, Jeff Harrison, Larissa Mair, Diane Martin, Deborah Shaw, and Phillip Ventzek.

The show features six pieces, each centred around a theme.

"Don't expect ballet and jazz, it's quite different," Moore warns. Indeed, for one naive to the art of modern dance, the style may appear rather confusing.

The Decadance company has opened the mind and body to reach out and grasp at the concept of dance theatre, allowing it to transform ideas from a mental state into movement. What commands

emotion transcends to movement.

Decadance is able to bring out a sensation of fright in the number entitled *Teddy Bears Picnic*. Inspired by the chanting marches of the militia, this piece is a portrayal of a young child's grim realization of the existence of war and violence. Taking the place of bayonets or machine guns for the Decadance soldiers are teddy bears, held in readiness as they recite their nursery rhyme tales of death.

The audience is taken past the moment of death, and on a trip through the underworld, in the presentation of *Atum-Ra*. Ra is the sun god worshipped by ancient Egyptians. The belief was when Ra left the sky. He journeyed through the underworld until the Egyptians saw him again at daybreak. Decadance travels with Ra, with precise body movements and configurations.

Much of the style of *Atum-Ra* requires an understanding and unspoken communication between the members of Decadance. This skill and feeling is gained through working in improvisation, an additional offering of the *Notions of Motion* presentation.

"Improvisation is really listening to each other," Moore stresses. If the participants do not listen to each other's bodies the dance does not work. Improvisation allows for no rehearsal. It is done on the spot, turning individual ideas into a group performance, without the benefit of verbal communication. When Decadance gets on the stage at the time of their improvisation piece all they are aware of is the perimeter within which they must contain their dance.

Dance theatre seems an incongruity in *The Assassination of Marat*. This is one piece where the understanding of the story may yield to confusion during the dance. The dance depicts the inmates of a psychiatric institution performing a play about an assassination during the French Revolution. Four extra dancers join Decadance for this number, making the stage a place of organized bedlam. The precision directed toward space and movement is apparently understood by the performers, but this understanding may not flow to the audience.

Easier for one's mind and concentration is a solo performed by Shaw. The conception and choreography of the piece, depicting the witch hunts and trials of a bygone era, are the product of Shaw's mind alone. Moore's only role in this piece was in an advisory capacity. Shaw's performance legitimizes the primary premise of Decadance — individual feelings and ideas create movement.

This concept is reinforced in a duet performed by Allan and Mair. Nightmares become on-stage reality in a Butoh dance. Butoh is a Japanese dance form which, in concept, is very stark. Allan and Mair bring haunting dreams to life, but the end product results in an image of beauty, due largely to realism of facial expression and grace of motion.

*Notions of Motions'* final performance at Humber takes place tonight in the Lecture Theatre at 8 p.m. In March they take their show on the road, performing at McMaster University in Hamilton (mid-month) and at the University of Toronto's 'Evening of Dance' at the end of the month.

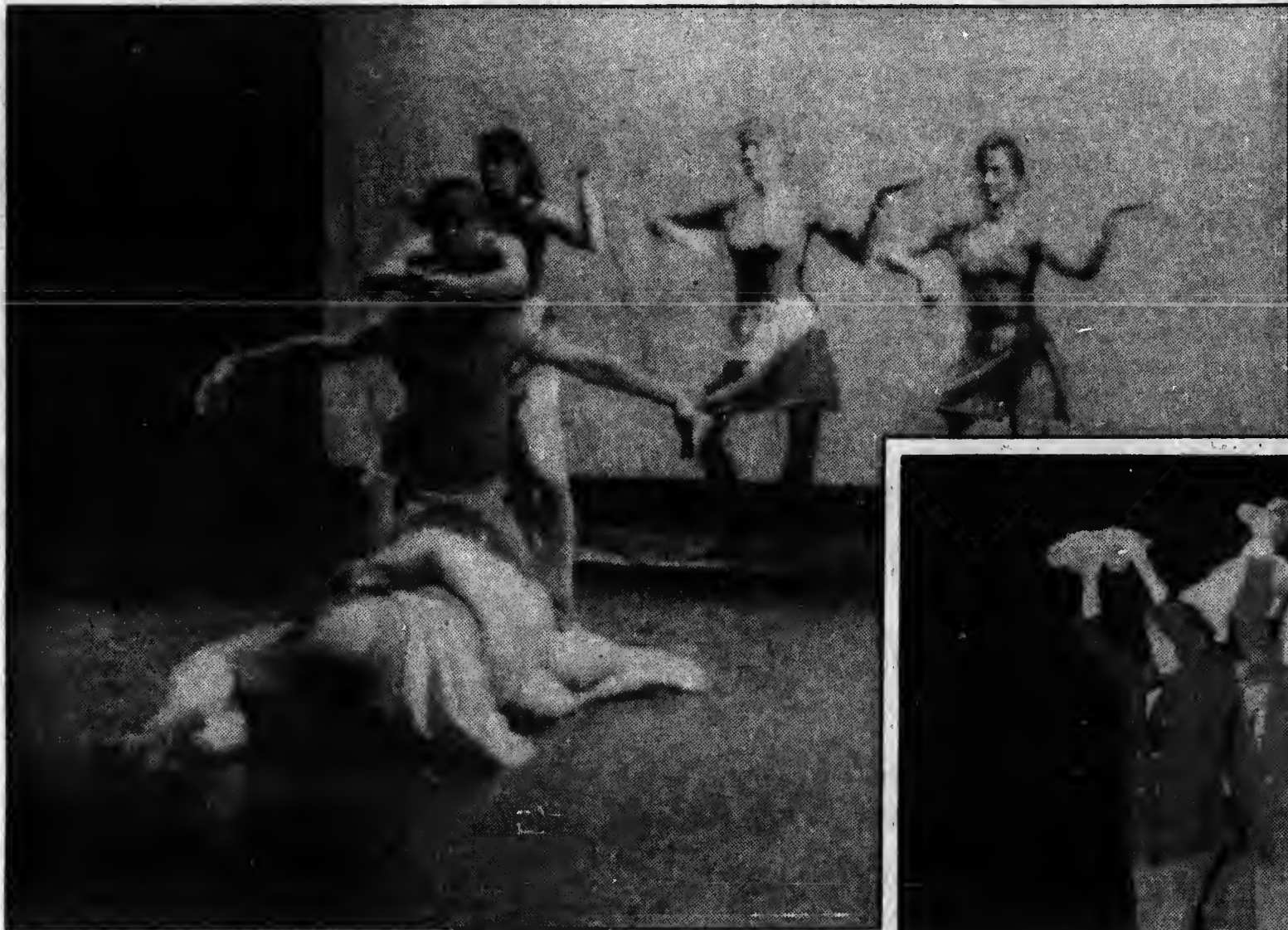


PHOTO BY VICKI WIRKKUNEN

**Dancers concentrate** — Members of Decadance practised one last time, Tuesday, to put the final touches on their *Notions of Motions* tour, a dance and movement presentation. The young, talented group is looking forward to performing at Humber (last show tonight), McMaster University in Hamilton, and University of Toronto.



## 1964, performs as twin Beatle

Jeff Harris

Pub-goers experiencing nostalgia were treated to some '60s music by Beatles tribute band 1964.

The congested dance floor continued to vibrate for the entire evening as 1964 provided what seemed like an endless supply of old favorites. The band gave a unique convincing Beatle performance.

The group has been together for five years and plays about 200 shows a year.

The band was recently voted the No. 1 college act in the United States by the National Association for College Activities.

"Every show is the same for us, but the audiences are always different and that's what makes it fun," said Greg Grines, who plays Paul McCartney.

Other members of 1964 include: Mark Venson as John Lennon, Greg George as Ringo, and Bob Miller, former member of Beatlemania, performing as George.

The band members (excluding Miller) grew up as Beatle fans in Ohio.

"I would not be doing this if John Lennon were still alive . . .

now that nobody will ever see them perform again, I hope that we are giving kids a glimpse of what they were like," said Grines.

"I'm a right-handed guitar player and had to switch over to perform like 'Paul'. We also had to turn Greg around because Ringo is a left-handed drummer . . . we studied films and tapes to get the accents

down," said Grines.

After performing together for five years, they continue to work on their show, with even more commitment and determination. In addition, they are almost ready to start performing songs from later Beatle albums such as *Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*.

One of the places they might debut their new material is the

Ontario Place Forum this summer. A deal is in the works to play with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra.

"My favorite songs to play right now are 'Yesterday', 'She Loves You', and 'Paper Back Writer', but I can't wait to get into the later stuff off the *Sergeant Pepper* album," said Grines.



PHOTO BY JEFF HARRIS

**"Yesterday"** — 1964, a Beatle's tribute band, played many memorable songs in Caps, Thursday.

# Hockey Hawks win first game of OCAA finals

by Michael Kirkey

It was everything it was supposed to be. Playoff hockey at its best.

The Humber Hawks came from behind to defeat the Sheridan Bruins 6-2, last Tuesday at Westwood Arena to take a 1-0 lead in the best-of-five Ontario Colleges final.

The teams played a hard-hitting defensive type of game which was close up until the 12:20 mark of the third period when Steve Ewing scored a shorthanded goal (one of three on the night for the team) to give Humber a 5-2 lead.

The Bruins opened the scoring at 13:36 in the first when Mike Smith found himself in front of the net with no one around him. Smith deked twice and put it by Hawk goalie Mike Noonan.

Sheridan added one more goal, this one in the second period, before Humber took over the scoresheet.

Hawk captain Ed Ljubicic never thought the Hawks would lose even after being down two goals.

"We were all confident because we had the play in their zone the whole time," Ljubicic said. "We just didn't get any bounces."

Humber scored twice within 18 seconds in the final two minutes of the second to tie up the game.

The first goal came at 18:58 with the Hawks on a power play. Ed Ljubicic circled the Braves net

and put a sharp angled shot through goalie Steve Frangos and the net too. Hawk defenceman Ron Lonsdale followed that soon after when he drilled the puck from the top of the faceoff circle between Frangos's legs.

Ljubicic got the game-winning goal with two minutes gone in the third. It was followed by three pretty shorthanded goals to give the Hawks the game.

Centre Gino Lostracco picked up the first shorthanded goal at 6:04 when he stole the puck at the Sheridan blue line, skated in untouched and deked Frangos to the ice.

Ewing got the second shorthanded goal with a breakaway from his own blue line and beat Frangos high to the stick side.

Shawn Vaudry finished off the scoring at 18:00 with another shorthanded goal.

The Hawks were pleased with their effort, especially the defence, which went with five regulars the whole game.

"The defence as a whole played well today," said Hawk defenceman Paul Stafford. "They (Sheridan) didn't have too many chances and the goals they did score were Humber mistakes."

**Hawk Notes:** Hawk winger Bill Fordy and all-star Sheridan forward Scott Anderson will miss the next game due to the fact they dropped their gloves in this game with less than 10 minutes remaining.



PHOTO BY KEVIN PATERSON

**He Shoots . . .** — Hawk Steve Ewing missed on this shot, but scored shorthanded later on in the game putting the game out of reach of Sheridan. The Hawks won the first of the best-of-five OCAA final 6-2.

# B-Ball Hawks finish Centennial's season

by Kevin Paterson

Humber's men's basketball team earned a berth into the OCAA semi finals Tuesday, with a 96-77 win over the Centennial Colts.

With the win, Humber will face George Brown in one matchup, while Sheridan takes on Seneca in the other. Both games will be played at Sheridan College in Oakville on Friday, with the overall champion going on to Edmonton for the national finals.

The Hawks were sparked by a strong offensive performance by forward Doug Lawrie, who bagged 26 points, including four three-point shots.

The game also marked the final home appearance for forwards Heath Thomlinson, Cohayne Sutherland and guard Earl Moncrieffe, who have completed their basketball eligibility. In college or university sports, players are only allowed to compete for four years.

Centennial surprised Humber early in the first half, as they took a 10-5 lead at the five minute mark.

Two timely jump shots from Moncrieffe and Thomlinson, gave the Hawks the lead 12-11. But the determined Colts showed some spirit by taking the lead 20-18 halfway through the first.

The rest of the half belonged to Lawrie, as he hit his four three-pointers to give Humber a 43-38 advantage at halftime.

Hawk head coach Mike Katz was ecstatic with the victory.

"Fundamentally, we were outstanding all night," he said. "We executed well in the offensive and defensive zones. Everybody played great."

The Colts showed some heart by closing the gap to 50-46, early in the second half.

But Humber's strong rebounding and offensive motion finally got to the Colts, as they turned the ball over several times.

Lawrie was pleased with his own performance as well as the team's.

"I felt it was important for someone on the team to take the initiative during the game," he

said. "This team (Humber) is tough to beat when we play strong defence."

He also said the Hawks should be sky-high for their clash against George Brown.

"I didn't play the last time we faced them and we only lost by four points. Hopefully on Friday, I can make the difference in the game."

The Hawks increased their lead to 12 points, thanks to two three point shots by Sutherland. It was lights-out for the Colts after that,

as they were unable to cope with the trapping defence which Humber put up.

Katz had high praise for his veteran players.

"All of our senior guys came through in the clutch," he said. "They set the tempo for their teammates."

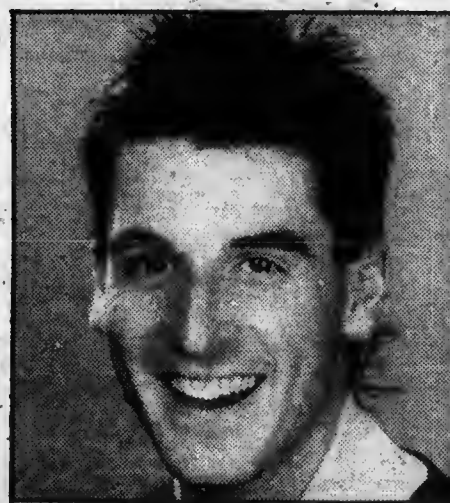
He continued by saying that he's optimistic about the game on Friday night.

"I think we have good chance," he said. "It's going to be tough, but we'll be ready."



PHOTO BY ALAN MACKIE

**Going Up Strong** — Humber forward Doug Lawrie takes the ball hard to the hoop as Centennial Colt forward Wilton Grant (22) looks on hoping there will be a rebound. Humber won the game 96-77.



**Heath Thomlinson's**



**'In the locker room'**

I've always been a firm believer of the notion that luck comes to those that have worked hard enough to earn it.

I'm not suggesting that we were lucky to come out of our quarter-final match against Centennial with a win, but I do believe our rigorous defensive drills in practice were the direct result of our victory. That, along with the fact that we finally showed signs of some consistency from the foul line.

Defeating the Colts 96-77 on Tuesday night, marked the first time in three games that we kept our opposition under eighty points. Two of those previous games ended up in the loss column.

Coach Tom Elwood has been stressing the fact that in order to win in the playoffs, we'll have to stop teams with our defense. "The offense will come," he says, "it always does."

When I was a basketball sibling, all those years ago, I had an opportunity to see the notorious George Ravelling speak. At the time he was the head basketball coach at Washington State University, today he heads the program at the University of Southern California. One thing that he said has stayed with me throughout the years and seems appropriate to mention at this time.

He said, "If it is to be, it's up to me!"

If each member of our team harbours this, or a similar motto, I believe we'll successfully capture the OCAA title this weekend at Sheridan.

The championship is there for the taking. The team that wants it the most, will come out on top.

Here's hoping I have something good to write about next week!

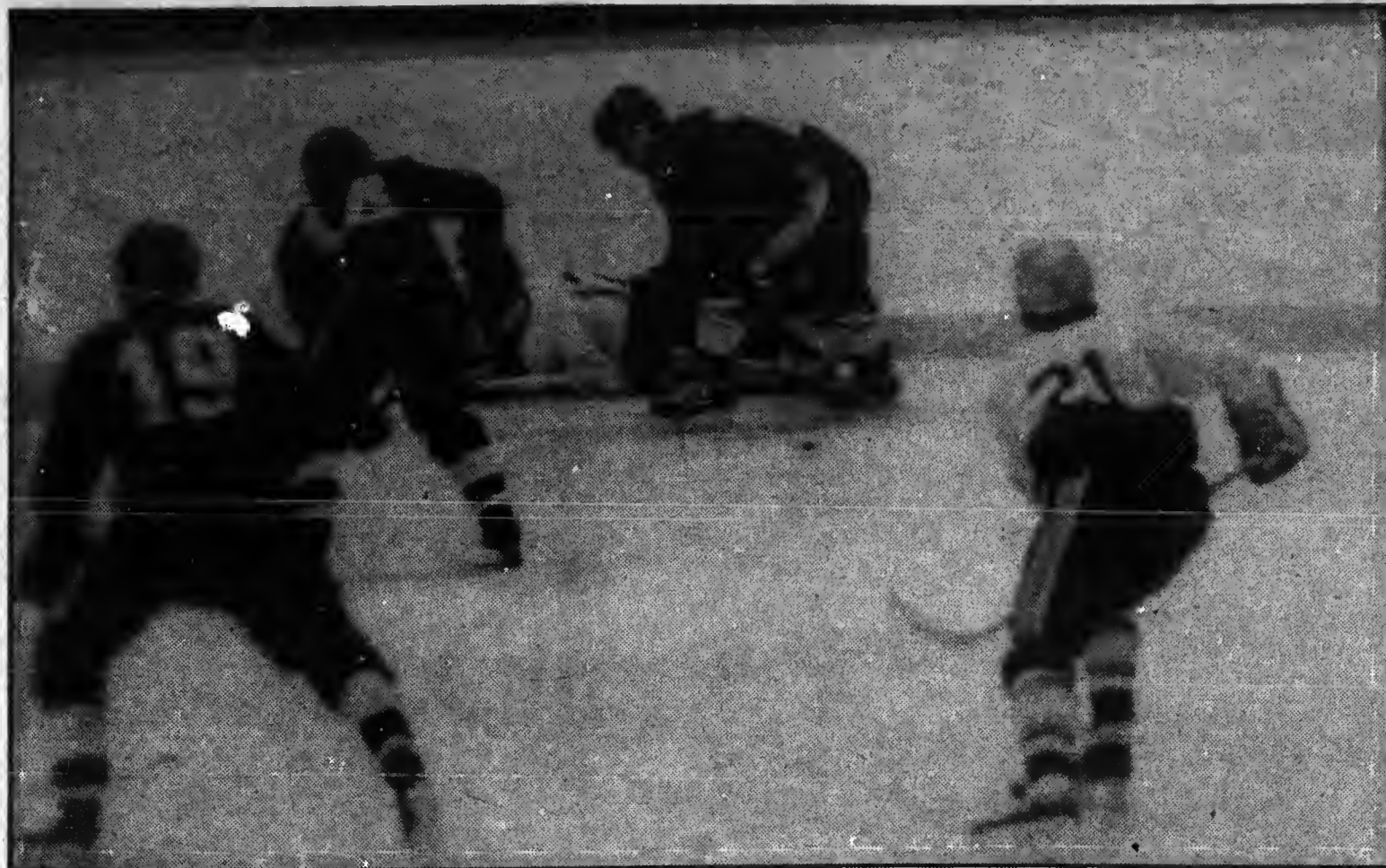


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**Take That**—Hawk Shawn Vaudry (21) comes to the rescue of grounded centre Gino Lostracco (12) during Tuesday's game against Sheridan. If the Hawks win the OCAA finals, they will soon head to Edmonton for the Canadian finals.

# Hawks sweep past Braves

by Michael Kirkey

The Humber hockey Hawks have jumped one hurdle on its way to the National Championships, with a 4-1 win at Seneca last Thursday.

With the win, the Hawks took the best-of-three game OCAA semifinal in two games straight.

Humber also set a record for the longest official unbeaten streak in the OCAA with 26 straight games. The Hawks now face Sheridan in a best-of-five final series.

The game had all the appearances of a playoff matchup, as strong forechecking and a lot of work along the boards resulted in entertaining hockey.

Seneca shut down the Humber offence which averaged 10.9 goals a game during the regular season, with strong defensive play and a hot goaltender, Glen Chiasson.

It was a rough and tumble affair with Humber picking up nine penalties, while Seneca got caught breaking the law four times. The Hawk penalty killers excelled in this game, as the Seneca Braves only scored one goal on the power play.

The Hawks opened the scoring at 4:51 of the first period when defenceman Chip Crandall intercepted a clearing pass at the Seneca blueline and skated around two Brave players before beating Chiasson on the stick side with a wrist shot.

There was no other scoring in the first because the Hawks were in the penalty box most of the time. Humber was handed six

straight penalties in the first period and was down two men twice.

Humber stretched its lead to 2-0 on a shorthanded goal, when forward Shawn Vaudry finished off a tic-tac-toe play in front of the Seneca net with just 18 seconds gone in the second period. Crisp passes from his linemates Steve Ewing and Gino Lostracco set up the goal.

Seneca got their lone goal on a two-on-one break 24 seconds later when Roger Gwilliams fired a shot past Humber goalie Dave Sharpe. Sharpe had trouble controlling an earlier shot by Paul Butterworth.

At 10:18 Humber put the game out of reach when forward Mike Kelly tipped in a pass from Ed Ljubicic at the lip of the crease for a 3-1 lead.

It was an uneventful third period until Seneca coach George Burnett pulled his goalie for an extra attacker with over a minute and a half remaining. Hawk defenceman Paul Stafford put an end to the Braves season when he scored an empty-net goal with 1:30 left to play.

Humber head coach Dana Shutt thought the Braves kept his team pinned down.

Shutt also said that if he was in Burnett's shoes he would have used the same strategy.

Shutt is looking forward to the Sheridan series and expects the Bruins to try and go head-to-head with the Hawks instead of playing pure defensive hockey like Seneca.



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