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Lakeshore named first fair-trade campus in Ontario

Ross Lopes
LIFE REPORTER

Humber Lakeshore is the very first college in Ontario to receive fair-trade designation on campus and the 29th fair-trade designated campus in Canada. Humber Lakeshore campus celebrated on Jan. 10 with guest speakers talking about the effort and dedication put in to achieving this goal.

The idea behind bringing the fair-trade products to campus was to create fair labour practices for farmers. It would help them earn a fair living through their process and production capabilities, according to sustainability manager Roma Malik.

“Through engagement, we’ve been able to educate everyone about what fair-trade means, what it means in terms of impasse for students, in terms of farmers [earning] a fair wage so that they can better lies with their own families and their communities as they produce the food we consume,” she said. Fair-trade is a movement that works to ensure that agricultural producers in developing countries receive an equitable share of the profits from the sale of their goods in industrialized countries, president of Humber College Chris Whitaker said.

“A fair-trade designated campus is an educational institution that has committed itself to supporting the goals of fair-trade movement,” he said.

It’s important to realize that though Humber has checked the basic minimum requirements in the designation process, it’s not an all or nothing movement, Malik said.

“We are essentially formalizing our commitment to fair-trade as a campus, that our work will continue to evolve over time and continue to increase the percentage of sustainable food that is procured, most importantly fair-trade products that procured for our campus,” she said.

Humber will continue to strive to maintain its leadership in sustainability and engagement and programming through the 2014-2019 sustainability plan, Whitaker said.

“With this designation, Humber has committed itself to supporting the goals of the fair-trade movement and providing education and outreach to promote fair-trade movement and the consumption of fair-trade certified products,” he said.

Through-out the many years of the sustainability plan, there have been quite a few significant achievements that Humber has accomplished, senior vice-president of planning and corporate services Rani Dhaliwal said.

“The number of achievements we have achieved over the last number of years is a testament to the leadership, the strength of the student’s involvement, the faculty and staff, and the commitment to the value of sustainability,” she said.

Sustainability is one of Humber’s six core values, and with the designation of fair-trade on campus, it shows Humber is building sustainability into all that it does, Whitaker said.

“At Humber, we have certain values as an institution, and when we establish those values, it can’t just be with words. We have to walk the talk, we have to bring those values to



TWITTER HUMBER COLLEGE

President of Humber college Chris Whitaker and Member of Parliament for Etobicoke - Lakeshore James Maloney

life. We know that it’s a continuous process and our work is never done, as we peruse our values and particularly continuous improvement of sustainability initiatives,” he said.

The office of sustainability has been leading this initiative and achieved its goal of fair-trade designation on campus, Dhaliwal said.

“We need to recognized the hard work and dedication of all those, the students who have started some of the fair-trade conversation and got it to where it is, and the committee and the memberships,” she said.

Over the next several years, Humber will be working to advocate that all of its institutions, all of

its campuses will continue to have fair-trade certified products wherever they sell products on campus, Malik said.

“Achieving this designation marks an important point in our progress as a sustainable institution and we are just starting our journey in fair-trade,” she said.

Life-saving Naloxone kits will be available on Humber campuses soon

Joe Amodio
HUMBER NEWS

Humber College students can soon expect Naloxone kits to be available on campus to prevent opioid overdoses from becoming fatal.

The opioid crisis is becoming a growing concern throughout Canada. Fentanyl deaths have increased by 285 per cent in the last 25 years.

According to statistics from various provincial agencies, 2,500 people have died in opioid-related deaths in 2016.

With the exponential growth in deaths, Naloxone kits have been introduced to a number of Canadian institutions like high schools, fire stations, bars, colleges, universities, and pharmacies.

Humber College, however, is not one of them but there is a plan to change that very soon.

Jacqueline Anderson, Humber’s Associate Director of Wellness and Development, said the college has been working this year to have Naloxone kits available.

“It takes a very small amount [of fentanyl] to do a lot of harm,” Anderson said.

“Right now, we are working with

our community partners to have our opioid response policy that would include having kits on campus,” she said.

Susan Carr, a British Columbia school trustee, told Humber News



What a lot of people confuse this with is giving drugs to addicts, it’s not standard drugs it’s actually saving a life.”

Corey Scott

EQUITY AND CAMPAIGN ORGANIZER, RYERSON

in October 2017 she has been advocating for the lifesaving tool known as Naloxone to be introduced in schools across the country.

“This isn’t getting better this is getting worse,” Carr said about a fentanyl crisis that has plagued the nation.

The school trustee said there’s minimal negative side effects even if you give Naloxone to someone who hasn’t overdosed.

Ryerson University is one of the

many institutions that have made Naloxone available over the last 12 months. The kits are accessible to students who work for Ryerson’s Equity Service Centres.

Corey Scott, Ryerson’s equity and campaign organizer, said Naloxone injections have fewer side effects than even the most basic lifesaving practices.

“What a lot of people confuse this with is giving drugs to addicts, it’s not standard drugs it’s actually saving a life,” he said. “Within our training they cover what the harm is, which is nausea and a headache.

“If you compare this to CPR, where you could break people’s ribcage, it’s on a whole different scale,” Scott said.

He said the kits weren’t implemented to encourage students to be heroes and the training received is knowledge students can use to react to an overdose with more confidence.

It’s still not clear if Humber will adopt similar strategies as Ryerson but an answer can be expected soon.

“As soon as we have our plan in place we will be reporting that out to the community,” Anderson said.



MARLEE GREIG

Fentanyl awareness posters have appeared at Humber’s North campus. Opioid overdose deaths in Ontario have skyrocketed.

Grad seeks justice for brother who died in Ontario jail

Daniel Caudle
MANAGING EDITOR

Soleiman Faqiri sat alone in a prison cell, isolated from the rest of the prison population at Lindsay's Central East Correction Facility.

The 30-year-old schizophrenic man was being held in solitary confinement at the "super jail" in December 2016 awaiting transfer to a mental health facility for treatment. After being segregated for 11 days, Faqiri was found dead in his cell and, while a coroner's inquest is pending, his family has few answers to their questions.

"I suffer, my family suffers, my mother cries every day and my dad is not the same," activist and brother Yusuf Faqiri told public administration students in a presentation at Lakeshore campus last Thursday. "We want the individuals who took my brother's life to be held accountable."

The details left students in tears and sympathetic for what they say is the unjust death of a mentally ill Canadian man.

The Canadian jail system failed for the Faqiri family, who have no explanations yet as to what happened. Those questions that tore the family apart.

Changes to how solitary confinement is applied in Ontario were implemented, but too late for Soleiman.

A consent order was issued by the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario on Jan. 16, which would effectively end the use of segregation of mentally ill inmates. Ontario ended the use of seg-

regation across its 26 correctional facilities for people with a mental illness, barring exceptional circumstances.

The tribunal's order follows a B.C. Supreme Court ruling that declared solitary confinement for indefinite periods as unconstitutional.

With a message of peace and the need for accountability, Yusuf Faqiri returned to Humber's Lakeshore campus for the launch of his "tour for justice."

The former Humber grad returned to the very room he used to learn in while he was a student in the Public Administration program to kick off his tour.

"It's fitting to start at Humber, since it's personal," Yusuf said.

His emotional speech embodied the need for justice through a vivid display into Soleiman's life. Featuring images, videos and heart felt stories of growing up, the speech was a powerful light shining onto what his family has faced.

Through teary eyes Yusuf delivered a powerful 45-minute speech that had a lasting impact on the students present in the room. Throughout the speech, tears could be seen falling from the students face.

"I have a very strong support system. I physically go to the gym to let my mind heal," said Yusuf. "I have a councillor, and my faith is very important to me."

With plans to tour across Ontario and Quebec, Yusuf will be going to some of the biggest universities, such as University of Toronto, Carleton and McGill.

Soleiman's body was covered



DANIEL CAUDLE

Yusuf Faqiri stands in front of the public administrations class at Humber's Lakeshore campus. While holding back tears he showed a photo of his brother, who was violently killed by correctional guards in a Lindsay prison.

with more than 50 blunt force trauma injuries, a gash across his face, his hands and feet in restraints, and there were allegedly 10 to 20 guards involved in an incident, and Yusuf says the family wants justice.

"Accountability hasn't happened," Yusuf said.

In an attempt for some closure, the family sought to obtain more details through a Freedom of Information request. Included in these requests were transcripts of 911 phone calls,

medical reports, and most importantly the video surveillance footage from inside the jail.

Those details are expected to be revealed at the inquest, announced last November, a week after it was reported the unspecified number of guards involved in an incident involving Soleiman will not be held criminally liable in the death.

"He was vulnerable," Yusuf said of his brother. "My family has no information, not even the names of

the guards."

A GoFundMe campaign has been set up by the family to help cover the costs that will and have been incurred into finding information relating to Soleiman's death.

According to the campaign, "This critical fight for justice will require significant resources. The family has been advised that it will require approximately \$50,000 to support its legal challenge, including an inquest — an amount significantly beyond their means."

Journalism grad launches \$900K lawsuit against Hamilton police

Adriana Di Santo
HUMBER NEWS

A Humber College journalism graduate and a Global News TV camera operator is suing Hamilton Police for \$900,000 alleging he was unlawfully arrested while covering a May 2017 fatal collision.

Jeremy Cohn was arrested at the Waterdown scene where a 10-year-old girl was killed. Also arrested was freelance cameraman David Ritchie. Cohn was later released without charges. Ritchie was initially charged with obstructing a peace officer and resisting arrest. Those charges were later dropped.

Const. Jeffery Todoruck are named in the lawsuit, which has yet to be tested in court.

Todoruck engaged in a physical

altercation with Ritchie and Cohn. In a video posted online, Todoruck is seen confiscating Ritchie's camera and arresting him without cause.

Cohn is seeking \$700,000 in general damages for negligence, false arrest, false imprisonment, assault, battery, intentional infliction of mental suffering and a breach of his Charter rights. He is also seeking another \$200,000 in punitive damages.

The advocacy group Canadian Journalists for Free Expression (CJFE) has been closely following the case.

Duncan Pike, co-director of CJFE, said they were contacted by a number of journalists after the arrest of Cohn and Ritchie.

"We put in a complaint with the OIPRD (Ontario Independent Police Review Director) to investigate the incident," Pike said.

CJFE has also contacted the office of the mayor in Hamilton and wrote a letter to the city's police chief.

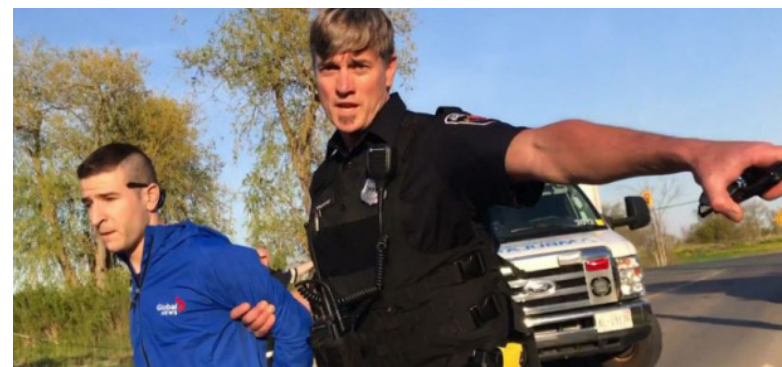
"There was no justification whatsoever for the actions on behalf of Const. Todoruck," Pike said.

"Jeremy Cohn had an absolute right to be there and be filming as a journalist, and as a Canadian citizen. He was well away from police lines and was not interfering at all with what police were doing."

Pike also said the officer's actions were a complete violation of Cohn's rights.

"This could have been avoided if Officer Todoruck did his job and respected the rights of both Jeremy and David," Pike said.

Pike suggests future journalists should speak loudly and assert their own rights towards matters such as



Video footage from Global News shows Jeremy Cohn being arrested by Hamilton police while reporting on a fatal car accident in Waterdown.

these.

"You need to make noise when your rights are violated in this way," Pike said. "Journalists a lot of the time understandably don't like to become the news. It's not about you, it's about the story. Unfortunately,

that isn't unavoidable [in this case]."

Cohn declined to speak to Humber News because of the ongoing lawsuit.

Humber News also reached out to Global News for comment, but they declined to provide an interview.



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Humber celebrates 50 years of success with concert



Shirantha Beddage, baritone saxophonist and the Head of Theory and Harmony at Humber, performed with the Humber Faculty Big Band.

Kateryna Horina
ARTS REPORTER

Humber College first opened its doors to students in 1967 and since then has produced more than 200,000 alumni who are changing the world with their knowledge and experience.

On Jan. 17, along with a celebration at Nathan Phillips Square at Toronto City Hall, there was an evening concert arranged by Humber events officer Raina Faza at the 1,135-seat Koerner Hall in The Royal Conservatory of Music.

"This event is not just to celebrate how far we have come, but also is to showcase Humber talents, especially in the music program," Faza said. "It's been a year I'm working with Humber and I'm absolutely in love

with every minute of it."

The "Humber at 50" concert was hosted by Garvia Bailey, host of Good Morning Toronto on JAZZ.FM91. It showcased the Humber Faculty Big Band led by Denny Christianson and featuring Pat LaBarbera and Al Kay, Kurt Ellin, world-known jazz vocalist Laila Biali and rinsethealgoritm, which is Rich Brown's band.

The musicians played for about two hours to a packed house.

Humber sponsors, media partners and premium ticket holders were invited to a pre-concert cocktail dinner, sponsored by Black Cat advertising. Humber President, Chris Whitaker, thanked all who came to celebrate the Humber's anniversary.

The original show, part of year-

long events to celebrate the college's half century, was originally slated for Nov. 8 but was cancelled due to the five-week faculty strike that affected Ontario's 24 colleges.

Wanda Buote, the principal of Lakeshore campus, said she was happy to see all the partners and artists mixing and mingling.

"This event is not just a good opportunity to show what Humber have done so far, but an opportunity to have a good time and good feelings, enjoying this celebration through music," she said.

At Nathan Phillips Square, Mayor John Tory gave a speech about Humber, and the famous TORONTO sign at City Hall and the CN Tower were lit up with the school's colours of blue and gold.

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Rik Emmet and Dave Dunlop rocking out with dueling solos.



A large crowd packs the 1,135-seat Koerner Hall for Humber 50.

Dedicated fans keep anime club alive for more than a decade

Nathalie Leveille
ARTS REPORTER

When school gets stressful, some students are finding Humber's Anime Club to be a great way to unwind.

Anime is a facet of Japanese culture that often takes the form of a television series, and are based on manga comics. Manga and anime are both unique art forms that have flourished in Western culture thanks to the many fandoms that exist on the internet.

This distinct culture made its way into room B215 at Humber's North campus 11 years ago when a couple of people came together because they loved anime.

The club started off like most school clubs do, with a lot of paper work, time and dedication.

Since then, it has slowly progressed into the club it is today, and now assembles every Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Deon Jerome Sikat, president of the Anime Club, said another reason people joined the club, aside from the love for their beloved anime series, was because room B215 was a stress-free place for people from all over the Humber community, including students from the University of Guelph-Humber.

"In general, the anime club is like a chill space," Sikat said. "It's more like a place where you can sit down,

relax and watch some good anime that you've either seen or haven't seen before."

The club is also a social place where people can interact with other members, and learn about different types of anime.

These genres would include Action, Adventure, Romance, Humor, Horror and everything in between.

The club leaders have modernized their way to find out what sorts of anime their members wanted to watch, so they are not restricted to one particular sort of anime.

They have done this by setting up the Facebook group "Humber/Guelph-Humber Anime Club."

Sikat said he and vice-president Brandon Lo choose what anime the group will focus on for the upcoming week after getting feedback from members.

"So, we don't necessarily focus on one anime," he said.

Sikat asks members if they know any anime shows within the most requested genre.

"I'll download the anime on to a floppy disc, and we'll play the video during club day," he said.

The club also organizes activities periodically, which pertain to the world of manga and anime. This includes raffling out some key chains or some mini figures.

They also host "cosplay" contests, where members wear character cos-

tumes, which always played a vital part in anime fandoms.

Some people choose to buy their cosplay online, and others make theirs from scratch, using fabric, thread and sewing machines. They also make cosplay music videos and roleplay.

"First, second and third best costumes get some great prizes," Sikat said. "The prizes come from AnimeXtreme in downtown Toronto."

The club doesn't go to big conventions as a group. However, traditions in the club hold it that leaders invite members to have dinner at Tucker's whenever they go to one of the most well-known conventions, Anime North, held in May.

"If members from the anime club are going to the convention, they'll let us know, or we'll let them know we're at the convention," Sikat said. "We don't buy tickets for our members. When it comes to conventions, you buy your own ticket."

IGNITE usually takes care of the funding, as it does for all Humber clubs.

As the president of the 430-member Anime Club, Sikat knows some people need encouragement to join.

"I want Humber students to not feel ashamed about liking anime at all," he said. "I know there are some people out there who watch anime, and they still feel scared to tell people that they do. I want to make sure to create a space where people can enjoy what



ALLYSSA SOUSA-KIRPAUL

Nine contestants participated in the cosplay contest at IGNITE's Comic Expo on Oct. 15, 2016. Far left, Dianna Rebuli dressed as Princess Leia took second place. Third from the left, Andrew Bushel dressed as Dare Devil took third place. Fifth from the left, Shannon Martin dressed as Levi from Attack on Titan took first place.

they like without feeling ashamed."

Lo, the club's vice-president, who has been a member since 2014, said what moved him and Sikat to reboot the 2017-2018 anime club was all the support they had gotten from the regular members.

"The regulars from last year kept asking whether or not there was

gonna be club this year. I thought about it with Deon," he said.

He also gave a boost of encouragement to students who were thinking about joining the club.

"I welcome anyone that wants to join the anime club to come visit room B215 every Wednesday," Lo said.

New pharmacare rules expand coverage for Ontarians under 25

Michael Thomas

LIFE REPORTER

Ontario's new OHIP+ plan offers free prescription drugs for everyone under 25 in Ontario.

The Ontario government began covering the costs of prescriptions for younger citizens as of Jan. 1, the biggest expansion to Medicare in a generation.

"We congratulate the government's commitment to publicly-funded Pharma Care for families with children 24 years and younger," Jennifer Dockery, board president of the Massey Centre, an infant and early childhood mental health organization which supports pregnant and parenting adolescents, said in a statement.

"This is a positive step forward in delivering comprehensive universal health care," she said.

"Massey Centre knows that the vulnerable pregnant and parenting adolescent 13- to 21-year-olds that we serve will benefit from the OHIP+ program, as the expense for medications will be eliminated as one less obstacle to optimal health," Dockery said.

More than four million children and young adults across Ontario will benefit from the new drug plan. Some of the medications covered include inhalers for asthma, insulin, oral diabetic medications and diabetic test strips, drugs to treat arthritis, epilepsy and other chronic conditions.

There is also help for smokers try-



TYLER BLOOMFIELD

Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne made a visit to Humber College to take photos with students all across the Humber Community last January.

ing to quit, for people with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, along with pharmacy-assisted counselling available under the new plan.

"We believe in helping all families receive the medication they need, at no cost, to stay healthy and strong regardless of income," Health Minister Eric Hoskins said in a state-

ment. "OHIP+ is a bold step towards our commitment and vision of bringing universal drug coverage to all Ontarians."

Young adults attending university or college outside Ontario might still be covered by OHIP+ if they remain insured by OHIP, have a valid prescription, and order medicine

from a drugstore in the province.

According to a recent report by the Conference Board of Canada, the OHIP+ plan will reduce the proportion of those without drug coverage to four per cent from 13.2 per cent of Ontario's population.

"No families in Ontario should have to choose between paying for

rent or affording their child's medication," said Michael Coteau, minister of children and youth services.

"By covering the cost of more than 4,400 prescriptions, Ontario is allowing families to focus on what matters most — letting kids be kids, and helping young people reach their full potential," he said.

Controversial \$14 minimum wage will pay off, says labour prof

Brett McGarry

ARTS EDITOR

Ontario's controversial hourly minimum wage rose \$2.60 on New Year's Day, but some students have seen the increase in a positive light.

Lorralene Whiteye is among those excited about the increase in her wages.

"I was really glad and happy to see that my pay will be going up. Talking with other work-study students at school, everyone seems pleased," said Whiteye, a final-year paralegal student and employee at the Aboriginal Resource Centre at Humber College.

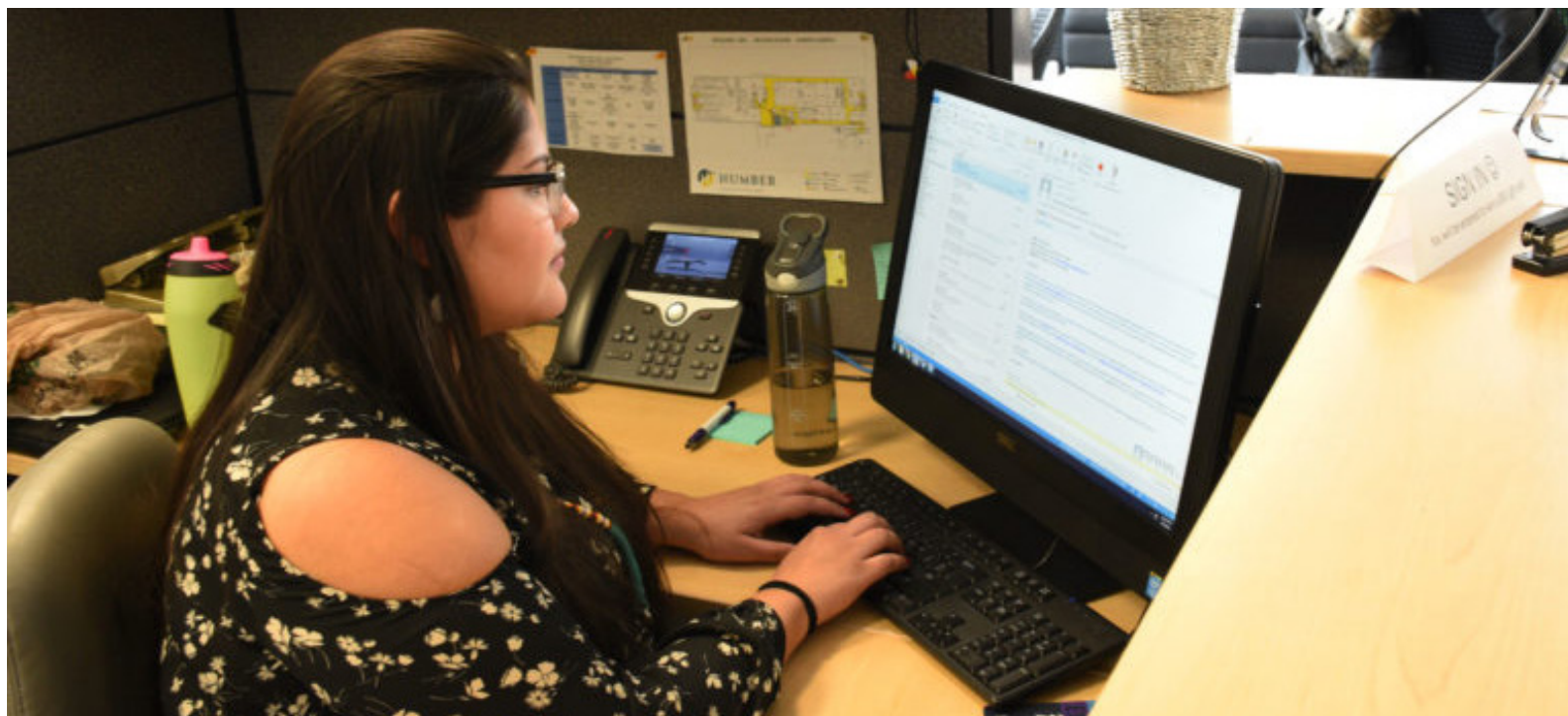
"It'll be nice to have more money for things like food and transportation," she said. "I've been able to live comfortably as a student, but me and a roommate are looking to move to downtown Toronto this year, so if I can continue to live comfortably, I would be happy."

Third-year nursing student Tatiana Fitzgerald said she'll be doing better than before.

"With the same hours, I'll be able to save more and live a little better," she said.

Stephanie Ross, associate professor of labour studies at McMaster University, said the wage increase will lead to economic prosperity and dignity for minimum wage workers.

"I think it's going to make an in-



BRETT MCGARRY

Lorralene Whiteye, pictured working at the Aboriginal Resource Centre at Humber College north campus, is pleased with the minimum wage increase.

credible improvement to low wage worker's lives," Ross said.

"The millions of people working near or at minimum wage were not able to make ends meet," she said.

"We know that with the previous minimum wage, \$11.40 per hour, if you were working full-time you were living below the poverty line," Ross said.

Some Ontario residents may be a

little more skeptical, like first-year film and television production student Christopher Sedlak. He works a part-time job already above minimum wage as a student and says he will not likely see a wage increase in the immediate future.

"The wage increase has been a good thing but I am concerned about the reaction from some businesses raising prices and cutting

benefits," Sedlak said. "I've already noticed food prices going up here at Humber."

"As a student working part-time, I do not make much," he said. "When I graduate and make a wage far above the minimum, I don't mind paying extra for the cost of living, but for now it can be hard."

Experts like Ross say the increases in living costs will be spread out

over a very large population, making them hardly noticeable.

"The inflation effects from minimum wage will be worthwhile and not that noticeable to people making more money, compared to the very positive effects it will have on people's lives and on ability to participate in the economy to a far greater extent," she said. "It's a good trade-off."

QUOTED How do you feel about losing your reading week?

Everyone needs a break. With no reading week, people don't have a break for the semester which will probably cause more stress.



Shahezil Kazi
CULINARY MANAGEMENT
1ST YEAR

It's better to have a reading week to recall everything we learned from the start of the semester and to be better prepared for exams.



Lovepreet Kaur
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
1ST YEAR

It's really detrimental to me personally because I struggle with anxiety. It's already hectic enough throughout the year.



Dana Dalgetty
FASHION ARTS AND BUSINESS
1ST YEAR

PHOTO OF THE WEEK STUDENTS DESIGN POSTERS FOR HUMBER FASHION SHOW

First-year business student Adedipe Oluwanifemi takes a look at the posters on display. Humber Fashion students showcase their inner Picasso as students create posters for their fashion show "Haute Humber." Curious students have an opportunity to enter the raffle to win a poster on display. The fashion show is on Apr. 10 at the Lakeshore campus for \$20 a ticket.

ELVIN GEORGE



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EDITORIAL

It's been rough: a look back at Humber from 2017

Happy belated birthday Humber — the Big Five-Oh. Your party got postponed, and we didn't get to celebrate until this past Wednesday, but that's only because 2017 was a busy year.

Looking back, it was a mostly tough one on Humber students.

In January, students returning to the college after the winter break, almost immediately came face to face with a slight complication: norovirus.

More than 200 students from Humber North's residence were hospitalized with symptoms of nausea, vomiting and diarrhea for upwards of 48 hours. The college went through an intense sanitation purge of its cafeterias and bathrooms, but everyone was paranoid for a while after that outbreak.

Terrible way to start a semester, but it wasn't the most trying thing to befall the college. No, that happened in October when college teachers, counselors and librarians walked off

the job and the Ontario-wide college strike began.

For five weeks beginning Oct. 16 the Ontario Public Service Employee Union (OPSEU) would butt heads with the College Employer Council (CEC) while 500,000 students were left out of class and without a clue as to what would happen to their school year.

The semester was salvaged — courtesy of back-to-work legislation by the provincial Liberals — at the cost of a revised schedule that no longer had room for a reading week (Feb. 19 to Feb. 23) and a fall term that would carry over into 2018.

Students returned to classes mid-November with mixed feelings: happy to be back, but jaded and frustrated with what they went through and how everything will play out for them. The strike would affect them in varying degrees depending on their programs.

Humber revealed that some 2,000

students — including 179 international students — decided to drop out altogether because of the hardships and uncertainty they experienced with the strike. It is unknown whether they'll re-enroll in Humber again or decide on a college outside of Ontario.

Outside of Humber, working students were treated to a minimum wage increase by the province. It increased to \$14 per hour from the previous \$11.25, (it will increase again to \$15 per hour in 2019). This news, however, was bittersweet as some establishments, mostly certain Tim Hortons' locations, decided to cut employees' paid breaks and worker benefits to save money.

Numerous employees are complaining that with unpaid breaks and having to cover their own benefits they're worse off than before. This has caused an uproar with people boycotting Timmies online and joining unions in rallies outside the coffee shops.

And to top it all off, the LinX



DAN CAUDLE

Let's make a toast, but wait, no booze! We can still have fun, right?

lounge at the North campus ran dry in September when the bar underwent a change in management, whether or not it will ever stock alcohol again is still up in the air.

From avoiding norovirus to freaking out over the college strike, and not being able to grab a cold

one between classes — it's been a hell of a year. Let's hope 2018 treats students and the college better than 2017 did.

Let's have a toast for the upcoming winter semester.

Cheers, drink up...

Oh, wait.

Film industry is easy cash for the lazy, carefree person



Daniel Caudle
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

But it's not all fun and games. Sometimes you really do have to work.

While filming *Star Trek: Discovery* in Toronto this past summer, we started at 3:30 a.m. to get our make-up and hair done, as well as getting our costumes ready. Four hours later, the filming began, a 12-hour process of take and retake.

After doing this three days straight, your mind tends to wonder and get a bit lost. However, my mind was made up the other two days in that week while filming *Good Witch* and being able to sleep for five hours and still get paid.

The only real problem is sometimes the caterers are not very good, so all you can think about is indulging in all-you-can-eat lunch, only to be disappointed and disgruntled because the steak is dry, or they forget the cherries on the cheesecake.

It is a job that allows you to make enough money to live comfortably while you work on side projects. It's the perfect summer job. I can work hard all summer and make enough money to support myself through school worry free for the next eight months.

Not only that, but if I did want to go to work during the school year I could easily pick up a day here and there, then bring my school work and complete it during my down time.

Most weeks end up being 70 to 80 hours with very little sleep at night. Weekends allow you to catch up on sleep.

However, the benefits outweigh the negatives, allowing this to be the ultimate job for either those who need to make money while working on other projects or the lazy.

Taking a bite out of the Apple



Sanzana Syed
OPINION EDITOR

Let's get straight to the point. What's up with Apple?

Their flimsy, rubber cords and older phone models that get slower as the years go by are my kryptonite. It's also one of my biggest disappointments that pushed me into switching over from Android phones.

Score one for Android.

In December, Apple posted a letter apologizing to customers for the "misunderstanding" around the slower iPhones.

Many believe that it's planned obsolescence, where the smartphone manufacturer is using software updates to slow down devices in order to influence customers to upgrade their phones.

Apple confirmed software updates do, in fact, slow down these models in an article posted by *The Verge*.

Apple says they aren't slowing down older iPhones to encourage people to upgrade their phones, but rather, they're addressing an issue with devices that contain older lithium-ion batteries, which results in shutdowns.

I've been an iPhone user for about



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a year and a half and I haven't experienced any slow performances or shutdowns with my iPhone SE or 7. But I'm no stranger to the countless frayed and broken chargers I have sitting in a corner in my bedroom.

I remember when I was younger, before I owned an iPhone, I had the iPod Touch. My parents would rage and bicker as to why I was so careless with my charger and refused to buy me another.

With good reason. They retail for \$25 for a one metre cable, \$35 for two metres.

It brings me great satisfaction that I can put all the blame on Apple.

After scrolling through a *BuzzFeed* article seeing the countless photos of other users and their horror stories, it's an on-going issue that remains and it hasn't changed since they first launched in the mid-2000s.

Somehow Apple is able to update and change everything, except for the one thing that matters the most. But hey, Apple needs their time to release a new phone (or two) each year.

Look, I don't mind paying \$17 for a fancy charger on Amazon. Or a knock-off for way less somewhere else online.

It puzzles me how we're in 2018

and this is still an issue for a lot of customers.

It's probably a way to get people to buy more, giving customers products that seems to fray easily in order for them to routinely buy them over and over again.

Many customers pay for the brand itself. We love showing off that flashy Apple logo only to go home and stare angrily at the mangled-up battery cord.

In an article published by *Version Daily*, the chargers are made of rubber instead of polyvinyl chloride (PVC). Basically, PVC is a very durable and long-lasting construction plastic.

"This rubberized jacket is lighter and more flexible than PVC jacket used by other manufacturers," said Kristoffer Bonheur, the author of the article. "Users typically roll or wrap the cables too tight, thus bending and stressing them over time, especially near the ends, until they reach their breaking point."

He also mentions this is common in all cables, but thinner sleeves make them more prone to damage.

If you're reading this and own one of these cords, please do yourself a favour this year and splurge on one that doesn't rip apart.

Men's indoor soccer preps for next season's turf war

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SPORTS EDITOR

After a bittersweet ending to the outdoor season, Humber Men's Soccer coach Michael Aquino entered the tryouts for the indoor team with a sense of forward thinking.

"It's great. It's always good to start back up," said Aquino, who coached the outdoor team to a streak of 40 plus wins before losing to the Durham Lords at provincials last October "we were hoping to get back to nationals, but it didn't happen. It was good to see some of the returning guys, and a lot of new guys."

About 60 plus hopefuls joined the indoor returnees at a pair of tryouts, held on heated fields at the Ontario Soccer Centre.

Assistant coach Alex Sapatini put the hopefuls through a variety of drills, and he hopes that the chemistry is what brings them possible success in the indoor game.

"It's more of a sense of keeping the guys together," said Sapatini, who acknowledged it has been over 2 and a half months since the last training session "but ultimately we're gearing toward a provincial championship. But it's about keeping them maintained and ready."

"I was expecting a good result and to come out and have fun," said Corey Johnson, who didn't make the cut. "The pace and stamina were huge. I been playing four or five years. Everybody on this team is a lead, so maybe being a leader will



ED HITCHINS

Returnee Corey Greene challenges upstart Kevin Keelick during indoor soccer tryouts in Vaughan.

help next time."

Right back Cory Greene said the biggest adjustment to getting into the indoor game is definitely the speed.

"Getting adjusted to the pace. Coming in and coming back off in intervals. That's the hardest thing."

he said.

Greene, who played on the team that lost on penalties to provincial finalist Durham gives the Hawks some added motivation as the indoor team kicks off.

"We were disappointed. We want

to come out and show them who Humber is. Having success indoors, we feel we can make a big statement."

The indoor season kicks off with a scrimmage next Wednesday, January 25th, at the Redeemer College versus the Royals.

Women's soccer loses players due to faculty strike

Charles Barry and
Matthew Frank

SPORTS REPORTERS

Women's indoor soccer coach Vince Pileggi has high hopes for the women's varsity team this year.

After all, the women's team took home a silver medal in the OCAA championships for the second consecutive year last season.

The team is led by goalkeeper Vanessa Fiore and the play of defender Rachel Spratt, who both return to the team this year.

"We expect a great season from the team this year," Pileggi said.

The Humber women's indoor varsity soccer team is kicking off its first practices ahead of its first big game on Jan. 27 against Redeemer University College Royals.

After completing tryouts last week with 17 rookies selected for this season, the team's morale appeared high in anticipation for their first game in Hamilton as they prepared for practice earlier this week.

"We're preparing our agility, quickness, and good passing communication; just teamwork over all," said Fiore, the team's goalkeeper and last season's MVP.

Pileggi says many players are returning from last year's team.

"We do bring back a lot of the



MICKAL ARANHA

Goalie Vanessa Fiore makes the save during practice in the North campus gym at Humber earlier this week

players," he said. "A lot of the girls like playing for Humber. They are treated very well and work extremely hard."

However, according to Pileggi, since the college strike, the team has seen a drop in the number of players that returned when classes resumed.

The Ontario college strike, which lasted five weeks, saw the number of players drop to 17 from the initial 22 over time.

In spite of fewer team members, the women's team has proven itself in past tournaments. They remain optimistic for their current season.

Last year, the Humber Hawks took home silver after making it to straight through to the OCAA finals where they competed against Algonquin College.

Defence, passing, and last minute decision making were key to their strategy last year. They are working on

further developing these skills for the current year, and play well together.

"We're more of a family than a team. That's how we are successful," Fiore said.

With the opening game just around the corner, the team is hopeful that they can secure another big win for Humber this season, she said.

"We're hoping to go for gold this year," Fiore said.

Hawks rank high in CCAA after successful fall campaigns

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With the winter break in the rear view mirror, both men's and women's Humber varsity teams continue to soar as the season marches forward.

The Humber women's basketball team is ranked first by the Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association, a position the team has held since the start of the season, while the women's varsity volleyball team is ranked fourth.

The badminton team holds the top ranking in the country.

Women's basketball coach Ajay Sharma, who's team carries an OCAA winning streak is now at a staggering 70 games, split a pair of games at the end of December versus American schools Daytona State and Chipola College at the Daytona State Holiday Classic in Florida.

Sharma says the injection of new blood has complimented his entrenched starters, including star point guard Ceejay Nofuente.

"We knew we were coming into the season with a solid veteran class," Sharma said. "Being able to go into our bench as deep as we have been able to really shows us that we can continue being a strong program the next few years coming."

Women's volleyball coach Chris Wilkins echoed the same enthusiasm for his team as they head into the quixsand of the OCAA schedule.

"Our team has progressed nicely," Wilkins said, his team is ranked Number 4 in the country and spent their winter break by playing in a series of exhibition matches in San Diego, Calif.

"Over the next two months it's going to be a task to stay focused on improving each and every day and maintaining a high level of competitiveness," he said. "We competed against some of the top teams in the country and I feel that we definitely established ourselves as a national contender."

Men's basketball coach Patrick Au, who's team has flirted with the Top 10 before dropping out of the latest rankings, split a pair of games in Quebec during the two-week long winter break.

He said the influx of top newcomers to his team was a large boost to the team's morale this season.

"Our team has performed well this year, considering we added 10 players into the roster," Au said. "As we continue to get better the players will gel and we will gain momentum going into the playoffs."

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