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Sex assault in Humber Rez

By KARLI VEZINA
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A female student was sexually assaulted in Humber's North campus Residence, on Dec. 2.

According to police at Toronto's 23 Division, the attack happened at approximately 2:30 a.m.

Several girls were watching a movie on S1, when the victim left the room to go to bed. The attacker saw her in the hallway and followed her to her room. She opened her door and turned around to see the attacker right behind her.

"He rushed right by her. She didn't have a chance to tell him to back off," Peter Lem, Residence Life Coordinator said.

Lem said the Residence staff were notified Sunday night and "helped her make contact with the police."

The attacker is described as Hispanic, dark complexion, approximately 20 to 23 years old, with brown hair and blonde highlights. He was seen wearing, "green pants, a grey sweatshirt and blue jacket," police said.

Detective Ian Stratford said the attacker is not a student, and does not live in Residence.

The suspect was at Residence alone.

"He was denied access to the front desk and attempted to get some students to sign him in a few times but had no ID," Lem said.

Police are still not sure how he got

into the building.

The suspect has been seen around the campus quite a bit, Lem said.

This is the second reported sexual assault on the North campus this year.

"It kind of scares me," said resident student Nikki Farlow. "It could have happened to anyone."

"Security is okay, but it could be better," she added.

"There are cameras on the first floor and at the front desk," said Gary Jaynes, Humber director of public safety.

"We're taking every necessary precaution to increase the profile of security. We're checking ID of everyone who walks by the front desk."

No exceptions will be made for the lack of ID or a temporary pass.

"Don't let people in the building you don't know. Don't sign [in] any people you're not familiar with, and if you see anything suspicious, report it," Lem advised.

"Someone might have a little bit of information and the police have everything on the table, and your little bits can help," Jaynes said.

Lem stressed that students need to be aware and report anything out of the ordinary.

Jaynes couldn't give much information, but assured students that all "the rights things are in progress."

The investigation is still continuing. Anyone with information should contact 23 Division at (416) 808 - 2300 or Crime Stoppers at (416) 222 - TIPS.

Self-injury on the rise

By LAURA KUPICS
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One year of residence life at Concordia University was not enough for Lissa.

She enjoyed the constant flow of people in and out of her room. Lissa said it kept her sane. Friends knew she just enjoyed the company.

Lissa worried that she could not keep up with the pace of university life or the city itself. She was often sad, but wasn't sure why.

The summer after first year, she was diagnosed with manic depression. So she took her medications, saw her therapist and all was well.

So it was thought.

One night at dinner, Lissa was

unusually quiet. Friends noticed and told her that they would stick around to keep her company, but she said she wanted to shower and go to sleep.

True to her word, Lissa had a shower, but instead of going to sleep, she went into her room and picked up a knife.

She took that knife and cut her hand. She thought it might make the pain in her head go away.

And, for a while it did, but only because she could not stop fixating on the fact that blood was dripping on her floor and that it was coming from her hand.

Her affliction may sound uncommon, but unfortunately it is not.

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Learning the fine art of cookie crafts

Lara King

Kids and parents gathered in the student centre Saturday for the annual breakfast with Santa. Students in the public relations program planned and hosted the event which had an Under the Sea theme

Lakeshore campus gets new high school neighbours

By ELAINE WILSON
& DANETTE WILSON
Et Cetera Staff

Humber College Lakeshore students are going to have new neighbours. The Toronto Catholic District School Board plans to build a new Father John Redmond Secondary School beside the Lakeshore campus.

The new high school is being built to replace the old building the school currently uses.

The new school will accommodate approximately 1,100 students compared to the 984 that already attend the existing school.

Jim Resutti, a member of the planning department of the TCDSB, said that in the future the school board will expand the school if they have more students.

The school board purchased close

to six acres of land from Humber College less than five years ago. According to Ian Smith, Principal of Lakeshore Campus, the property is between buildings A and B of the college.

Construction will be under way by next spring and will take approximately 18 months to two years to build.

Smith said construction will not interfere with Humber College students, but rather it will benefit them. "There is one parking lot that will be affected. We have a parking lot on their (TCDSB) property. They have let us use it for a couple of years. So we are reconfiguring parking and parking on the east side of the AB building. In fact it [parking lot] will be bigger," Smith said.

Smith said construction of the parking lot will be completed by the summer for the new school year.

Kelly Da Silva, a first-year Business Administration student, does not enjoy the idea of the new high school. "It's going to be weird going to school with these kids. I was happy when I got out of high school and now I have to put up with it all over again," Da Silva said.

Area residents, like Greg Campbell, are happy the new Father John Redmond Secondary School will be built.

"I have a daughter and she's 11, so this will be great for when she starts high school," he said.

The high school may not be the only development for the site, Resutti said.

"We do have the opportunity to build an elementary school down the road."

However, no further plans have been made.

Newsetc.

Five hats thrown into ring, premier hopefuls getting ready to rumble

By VICTOR PENNEY & MELANIE THOMPSON
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The battle lines of the Tory leadership race have become a little more clear now that five Conservative MPPs have declared their candidacy.

Minister of Labour Chris Stockwell was the latest candidate to join the race, declaring his candidacy last Monday.

He joins Finance Minister Jim Flaherty, Health Minister Tony Clement, Environment Minister Elizabeth Witmer and former Finance Minister Ernie Eves.

Stockwell, MPP for Etobicoke Centre, said in his announcement speech he was ready to hold the reins of leadership.

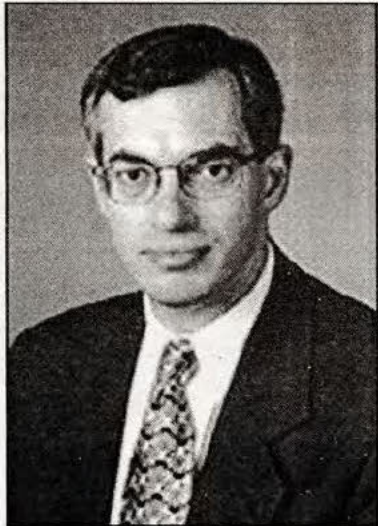
"The Ontario Progressive Conservative Party needs a leader who can relate and consult with Ontarians," Stockwell told supporters last Monday.

He also expressed his appreciation to his constituency for their support over the years.

"Thank you to the people of Etobicoke for their belief in my ability to represent them and for electing me six times over the past 20 years," said the labour minister. "They are a special people, and I am proud to be an Etobian."

Deputy Premier and Finance Ministry Jim Flaherty also expressed gratitude to supporters in his Whitby riding and said the government needs to build on the foundation of Mike Harris' Common Sense Revolution.

"That means keeping our economic fundamentals strong - in good times and in more challenging time -



Courtesy Ontario Government

Clement, a Tory who bleeds blue because with a strong economy we can protect the gains that Ontario families have worked so hard to achieve," Flaherty told supporters.

One of the main reasons the deputy premier wants his boss' job is for the benefit of his wife and children, and the children of the entire province.

"I want our three sons - and every child in Ontario - to grow up in a place that believes in fairness, in giving people choices and in striving for excellence."

Flaherty also said he wants to protect jobs by cutting taxes, improving the health care system and making changes to education.

Health Minister Tony Clement is another top candidate in the hunt for the top job in the Tory camp.

In his announcement speech, the MPP for Brampton West-Mississauga

said he is definitely a conservative, as opposed to some of his opponents who have been referred to by some as "red Tories". He also said he is listener and a "team builder".

The health minister, who has been in the party for more than 20 years, said he plans to follow Harris' model of the Common Sense Revolution, but also wants to breathe life into the Ontario Conservatives.

"We have to prove that, while still in power, we can rejuvenate the party," Clement said. "We have to prove we can connect with the people, and that we can craft a new vision that will enable us to re-earn the right to govern."

Witmer and Eves also have a shot at replacing Harris.

When Eves announced his campaign Nov. 14, he showed his support for the changes that have been made to the Ontario economy and said he wants to pick up where Harris left off.

"The Common Sense Revolution established a foundation. We must build on that foundation but we must also seek out new ideas and new initiatives," Eves said in his announcement speech.

Eves, who continues to hold his executive job at Credit Suisse First Boston, openly criticized the opposition and expressed confidence in the Tories ability to win the next election.

"I believe that we have a stronger and more talented team than the Liberals. I believe that we have more imagination and better ideas in the grassroots of our party," Eves said.

Witmer is taking a more conservative approach in her campaign, saying that the Common Sense

Revolution was full of radical changes.

"The unfortunate by-product of some of the changes we've made is uncertainty. Today I believe we need a different approach to government," Witmer said in her campaign launch speech.

The environment minister outlined some changes she is hoping to make, such as improving the morale of workers in health care, childcare, and education so that they will perform their best.

"The coming challenge is to rebuild what I call our human infrastructure," Witmer said. "To reach out, to listen and to consult with those who feel their voices weren't heard by government and may be angry as a result."

Election day, to decide who will lead the Tories into the next provincial election, is March 23.



Courtesy Ontario Government

Flaherty believes in common sense

More folks shopping online for Christmas

By CANDI JERONIMO
Et Cetera Staff

More consumers are avoiding the mall and opting for cyber Christmas shopping as more than 1.7 million Canadians are making online purchases, a recent spending survey said.

The survey, conducted by Visa Canada, said better selection and cheaper prices were the main reasons for the increase in online spending.

"It appears as though online buyers are starting to recognize the protection they have in place when shopping online," said Susan MacKeown, Director of e-Visa, an online division of Visa International Service Association. "The survey shows that more Canadians are enjoying the convenience and ease that online shopping offers."

Twenty per cent of Canadians in the survey felt uneasy about using their credit cards online and 15 per cent wanted to actually touch and see the merchandise as one would in a store.

Although Visa expects the average Canadian to spend \$433 this Christmas, which is less than last year's total of \$597, 16 per cent of Canadians will be shopping online this year, compared to just 10 per cent last year.

TOYS FOR THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART

2001 Hot Toy Picks from Toys "R" Us Canada

1. Bionicle
Lego, \$2.99 - \$129.99
2. Harry Potter
Lego, \$69.99 - \$129.99
3. Harry Potter
Mattel, \$39.99
4. E-Kara Karaoke
Hasbro, \$99.99
5. Hot Wheels Fireball Racetrack
Mattel, \$79.99
6. Monsters, Inc.
Thinkway, \$79.99
7. My First Leap
Leapfrog, \$79.99
8. Polly Pockets
Mattel, \$39.99
9. Rescue Heroes Command Centre
Fisher Price, \$39.99
10. Tickle Me Elmo Surprise
Fisher Price, \$39.99
11. Cranium
Cranium, \$49.99
12. Cadoo
Cranium, \$29.99
13. GameBoy Advance
Nintendo, \$139.99
14. GameCube
Nintendo, \$299.99
15. X-Box
Microsoft, \$449.99
16. PlayStation 2

Humber security cameras getting mixed results

By JEN MARCH
Et Cetera Staff

On Aug. 31, Humber College North campus made a \$100,000 investment on 12 exterior security cameras, but even with this high quality system in place, 12 cars have been stolen and more have been broken into.

Gary Jeynes, director of public safety at Humber said including break-in's, there have been about 20 cars affected this semester.

He said the cameras are monitored 24 hours a day, but described it as "passive monitoring."

"[The monitor] will be at the front desk, and what [security] will be doing is watching them while they do their work," he said.

Although the cameras did not prevent the thefts, Jeynes said they have helped after the fact.

"They were able to assist the police in finding out who committed [the thefts]," he said.

Police Const. Sue Fisher of 23 Division said five people have just recently been arrested in connection

with Humber car thefts.

The thefts are making students like second-year Computer Programming student Simon Jost feel extremely cautious about parking at school.

"It's pretty bad that I can't feel safe parking my car in the school parking lot, especially after so much money was put into a security system," he said.

Jeynes said the cameras have been in a testing period for the majority of this semester.

He said the cameras were officially commissioned on Tuesday.

"It means the college has accepted them," he said. "They are out of the test stage and they're not going anywhere."

Jeynes said the cameras serve other purposes as well. He gave the example of users of the school's emergency phones.

"If you pick up the phone, I can zero in on you right away," he said. "Then I will be able to talk to you and see you at the same time."



Jen March

Many cars have been stolen from Humber despite new security cameras

Content removed by request Applications to Humber College tops in Ontario

Humber, Seneca, Sheridan in close competition for potential students

By SARAH Y. FOSTER
Et Cetera Staff

Students applying to college this year may look to Humber first if last year's trend continues.

According to Rosemary Stevens, director of applications processing at Ontario College Applications Services (OCAS), Humber College had the largest number of applicants for fall 2000 and 2001, followed by Seneca and Sheridan.

For fall 2001, Humber led the pack with 46,113 applications with Seneca following closely at 44,020. Sheridan came in third with 33,858.

"One of the reasons for its popularity could be the population of the area that Humber is located in," Stevens said.

However, this is old news to Academic Vice-President Dr. Richard Hook who said Humber has been the top pick for several years.

"Humber probably has a greater diversity of programs than any other college in Canada," Hook said.

Hook added that Humber's close relationship with industry partners and employers has also helped prospective applicants with their Humber choice.

Although Humber is the most applied to, many of their programs

are not what is called 'oversubscribed', meaning there are more people applying for programs than there are spaces available.

Ontario colleges with the most oversubscribed programs in fall 2001 were Seneca with 18 followed by Fanshawe with 16. George Brown and Sheridan had 15 each and Humber had 10.

"The college has expanded specialized programs like nursing and media programs" Hook said.

"We've also dropped many weak programs, over 50 in the last 10 years."

Second-year student Jonathan Fraser said he applied to Humber because its Business Administration program was second to none. "[The program] is just better than any of the other programs that are offered at other colleges," he said.

Second-year Computer Engineering student Michael Laluye said the popularity of Humber will attract more students to the school.

"It shows that more people are choosing Humber to further their education because of the quality of its programs."

At nearly every major college in Ontario, programs like Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Broadcasting, Journalism, Police Foundations, ECE (Early Childhood Education) Child and Youth worker and various computer programs do not accept applications past the February 1st deadline.

Ontario food inspection leaves bad taste in auditor's mouth

By JULET ALLEN
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The provincial auditor, responsible for audits of government programs, corporations and agencies, warned last Thursday that Ontario's government is doing a shoddy job of protecting the public from contaminated foods.

Auditor Erik Peters said the government is failing Ontario's families because of its laid back attitude towards meeting the inspection standards for meat, dairy and agricultural products.

The Meat Inspection Act ensures that all meat destined for retail sale must come from provincially or federally licensed slaughterhouses or from federally-recognized import sources.

During the annual licensing of slaughterhouses, the auditor cited deficiencies that included unsanitary food surfaces, rusty equipment and the transportation of meat in non-refrigerated vehicles.

He said the fact these mistakes could have posed health risks and were not corrected in a timely manner

highlighted the failure of the government to follow up on protective measures.

Liberal leader Dalton McGuinty accused the government of "gross negligence" for cutting the food inspection budget and the number of full-time inspectors from 103 in 1995, to just eight in 2000.

In Legislature last week he asked the government, "Did you not learn anything from the Walkerton tragedy? Your cuts are endangering our families."

Brian Coburn, Minister of Agriculture, told the legislature the government has taken new corrective action for food safety.

"Walkerton was taken seriously and Canada is recognized for producing the safest food in the world," he said.

The auditor's report also found the Ministry did not have a process in place to randomly test meat from slaughterhouses to recognize bacterial and chemical hazards.

Ontario NDP leader Howard Hampton criticized the government for privatizing food inspection, where ministry staffs no longer investigate the sources of concerns. He chastised Deputy Premier Jim Flaherty for boasting about corporate tax cuts.

"Is food safety not a concern to your government?" Hampton asked during question period.

Coburn replied, "Our government is proud of our progress and proud of strengthening our food inspection system."

Other concerns highlighted in the report include:

- 90 per cent of goat milk sampled did not meet legislated bacterial standards
- One-third of goat's milk dairy farms inspected failed to comply with the minimum standard. Unclean milking

equipment and storage tanks were of concern

• The Ministry tested 800 fruit and vegetable samples and found 28 cases where chemicals exceeded acceptable limits as by 80 times.

Coburn maintained there is no cause for alarm. "A full investigation is being done by public health officials," he said.



Julet Allen

Ontario's auditor is not satisfied with the quality of food safety practice

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Christmas comfort

Whether it's the aunt who feels it's her duty to inform you that your butt has grown considerably since last Christmas, the uncle whose overuse of profanities would make a trucker's ears bleed or the dog who constantly humps your leg at dinner, everyone's got a story of the holidays.

If it's not that annoying relative, it's that embarrassing holiday tradition that sends you over the edge each year. Families are unique and sometimes eccentric, ridiculous or just plain obnoxious, but they always seem to be able to make the holidays a bit more interesting. As we get older and hopefully wiser, we come to appreciate some of the odd behaviours of those characters we refer to as our relatives. This year, we say, cherish your weird uncle Bob who blows his nose at the dinner table and be grateful for aunt Agnes and her crazy cats. They are, after all, family.

Holidays undoubtedly promise that we'll be subjected to some stress. This year especially, we all have something to be thankful for. As we think of the families who will have empty place settings at their tables, and the children who are more concerned about missing family members than the latest Barbie doll, our hearts become a little sentimental.

You don't need to wait for a special occasion like Christmas to embrace the blessings you have and the people who love you, although the holidays are usually the best opportunity to let loved ones know how much you appreciate them. This year may be a good time to grin and bear those family members you usually end up fighting with or try to avoid. It also may be a good time to embrace the unique oddities that only your family has to offer.

Just so you don't feel alone, we, the *Humber Et Cetera* staff, would like to share some of our own holiday favourites.

"I watch the buzz as my mom cooks a seven course meal for 10 people and my grandfather complains that he has been ready for dinner since he woke up at 5:30 a.m. According to him, no one must eat breakfast when there is such a feast to be devoured. That would be sacrilege! So he scowls at me with a disapproving glare when he discovers I munched on a piece of toast two hours earlier. Good times!"

"There are a few members in my family that spend a whole lot of time comparing cars, houses and \$500 Prada bags while I stand around dumfounded, wishing I had that \$500 bag to hawk for groceries. It doesn't exactly send me into a fit of gleeful holiday cheer. It takes every ounce of my patience just to stop myself from getting into a homicidal rage."

"My grandma, God bless her, gets drunk on Christmas and becomes quite overemotional and far too chatty."

"Anne Murray is part of our holiday tradition, especially that annoying, cloying, sappy special she did with Alan Thicke."

"My aunt can't cook. Every year she gets one of the big dishes. They always taste awful and burnt. Are potatoes supposed to look like spinach? The worst was the year she made the crunchy stuffing."

"Each Christmas means another mouthful of diced fruitcake and an evening of my nieces and nephews discovering new and exciting ways of making fart noises, while sneezing on my plate and poking each other's eyes out over who has the best toy."

"Each year everyone in my family arrives later and later at my parents' place and the mountain of gifts under the tree grows smaller. This is a good thing. There's not as much Christmas wrap to throw out and not as much time for everyone to get drunk before dinner."

"One of the most interesting memories for me involves my aunt Fern, who my sister and I have aptly dubbed Aunt Plant. As I finished opening a present given to me by my parents, she said to me, 'Do you want to know how much that cost?' Before I had a chance to answer, Aunt Fern said enthusiastically, 'Two hundred and seventy-five dollars!' Aunt Fern hasn't been invited back for Christmas since."

"Every year, the sounds of Kenny Rogers and Dolly Parton fill the house. Hey Kenny, hey Dolly, I DON'T believe in Santa Claus!"

"We see uncle Mike (the King of Fun) twice a year; once at a summer barbeque and once at Christmas. In the Chinese auction that follows dinner, the King of Fun is sure to be the one chasing the case of beer with a beer mug which is more than likely the gift he brought to the auction. He laughs it up and has a ball before someone takes him to the subway so that he can return to his 'no fixed address' and his job in the 'advertising industry' a.k.a. delivering flyers."

Top 10 worst gifts

10. Socks
9. Pink training bra, with an explanation that I was becoming a woman
8. Kotex pads - from grandma
7. A Millennium coin set
6. Edible underwear - that tasted disgusting
5. An apple
4. Matching red sleepers, including footsies at age 17
3. A Fido Dido aqua green outfit, including pants and a shirt that were too tight
2. Underwear that said "Try Me" at age 10 - from grandma
1. A toilet plunger



Short but sweet

This is for those of you with your head in the clouds.

Take a good look because there is more here than meets the eye. You have to read between the lines to find the key to success.

Many people try to cut corners, whether intentionally or through pure laziness. I'm here to tell you, you are capable of bigger and better things. Greener pastures are merely a stone's throw away.

Trust me, I'm not talking in circles or trying to make your heads spin. I'm just trying to shed some light on the issue. In short, I'm dog-tired of trite expression, tired words, over-used language.

It's not rocket science, but a science of sorts. And so, there are discoveries to be made, albeit it's not always a walk in the park to find them. But, if you want to make your mark, you must refuse to spoon feed your audience. Challenge yourself. Prove there's more to you than meets the eye. Turn the tables on stale, overused phrasing.

Don't be fooled by fellow birds of a feather. Trust me, you don't want to flock together. This is a dog-eat-dog world and failure to be original in thought is detected quite easily by

those well rehearsed in the business of words.

Don't shoot the messenger, in this case, your editor. He doesn't mean to hang you out to dry. Truthfully, more often than not, he wants to save your budding career from going down the tubes before it begins. And, if you don't recognize this early on, you're in for a rude awakening.

So, here I am trying to give you some advice, putting in my two cents. When putting pen to paper, remember, shoot for the moon, reach for the stars, go big or go home. Grab the bull by the horns and make your own mark.

Approach your art with reckless abandon. Pour your heart out onto the parchment but please, make sure the driving force behind your actions is not solely to make the grade.

Make heads spin with fresh description and original metaphors. Be brave, be new, be only how you can be. I'm sure when you search your own mind, you'll be pleasantly surprised with what you discover.

I've done my time, said my piece. I've tried to lead the horse to water. I can only hope it will know how to drink.

- by Melanie Butera

Letters to the editor

You have our sincere appreciation for your support of the Humber College Fire and Emergency Services' Student Firefighter Charity Pub Night, which was held Nov. 15.

Thank you for your help in promoting the event in the school newspaper Nov. 15 in the In Brief section. Also, thank you very much for the amazing article by Sarah Hatten, which was featured in the Nov. 22 edition of *Humber Et Cetera*. Because of your support, we had a successful

night and raised more than \$1,400 for the Sunnybrook Hospital Burn Unit, which assists burn victims from Toronto and Ontario.

In addition to your assistance in promoting the event, we thank you for the time Sarah gave the charity night. We are grateful and look forward to working with you on future events.

Sincerely,
Ryan Kingston
Charles Gray
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Fond retrospection



Lauren Ferranti

I rant too much. I realize this. But I was, I'll have you know, initially chosen for this very quality "piss and vinegar" or at least that's how my editors referred to it.

I'm not exactly sure how well I've done this job. Hopefully I've pissed a few people off with my sour attitude. Nothing makes a writer happier than getting a response. Good or bad, it's nice to know that someone's thinking about what I've written.

I've not discussed politics, religion, or education. I've confined myself to the human condition - what it is about it that confounds me, angers me, makes me laugh hysterically.

Only here, in this world of hoops and hoodies, at a student paper could I get away with such admittedly shallow reflections. I have levelled many attacks: illiterates, apathetic smokers, whiners unable to reach orgasmic bliss, girls who wear high heels to school, those who offer and accept diamonds as tokens of love, and frantic *Electric Circus* dancers...I've stooped to every level I deem to be beneath my own.

A friend once told me that making fun of others is like throwing fish into a barrel. I initially dismissed the comment, mostly because it confused me.

After some thought, I came to understand what he meant - throwing fish into a barrel seems like an easy enough task. Was he telling me that writing a weekly column about anyone that annoys me is just too simple?

With more thought, I also realized that it's harder to write passionately about the good things in life, and much easier to complain about the displeasing elements of it.

So without further delay, I present my first (and last) positive column. I don't want to be remembered as the embittered intellectual giant of Et Cetera history. Here is my list (in no particular order) of what makes me smile, sigh and feel grateful to be around in this world.

1. Windy, wooly sweater weather, and steamy coffee on a Saturday afternoon.

2. The banjo (as in the movie *Harold and Maude* and the band *The Be Good Tanyas*).

3. Reading the weekend paper in a warm bed with a warm body beside me.

4. Old movies with really buttery, salty popcorn and M&Ms.

5. The way salt water dries all crusty on my brown skin in the summertime.

6. Intense conversations and a good bottle of French red.

7. My dad's clam sauce, my mom's apple pie, the way my sister rubs my arm.

8. How the sounds of football and the ticking of the show *60 Minutes* reminds me of home.

9. Being tickled.

10. Kissing my boy.

11. The surprise of a new place - whether a museum or a foreign country.

12. The pizza in Sicily.

13. The baguettes and croissants in France.

14. Working up a good sweat.

15. Crying.

16. Playing cards on a train, looking out the window of an airplane.

17. Being somewhere (Sault Ste. Marie) so dark and so quiet I can hear the crickets and see all the stars.

18. Magic tricks.

19. The results of hard work well done.

20. A good old English pub and the pints that go along with it.

21. Shopping for used/vintage clothing.

22. The vintage sound of my Nonna's voice when she calls me "dolly".

23. Seeing my name in print.

24. The flickering glow of a room lit only by candles.

25. Cheap champagne.

26. Long, thick scarves and striped socks.

27. Recklessly playing my harmonica.

28. Overhearing people's conversations.

29. Taking care of my plants and watching them grow.

30. Writing a weekly column.

Thanks for reading.

Humpin' in the hearse ain't cool



Brett Clarkson

Ladies and gentlemen, here's some news you can munch on.

According to Britain's *The Daily Record*, an English couple was married recently in a lovely funeral-themed wedding. Undertaker Margaret Cullen, 42, and former undertaker Carl Evans, 52, undertook (ha ha) their vows at the Strone Church in Dunoon, Argyll. The bride, who incidentally was garbed in a black-as-the-ace-of-spades dress, arrived in a hearse. As for the wedding cake, it was shaped like a coffin. Said the 14-year funeral home veteran and bride-to-be of the happiest day of her life, "I am in and out of hearses every day and it seemed natural to use one for the wedding." Hmm. I'm in and out of TTC buses everyday. That's no good.

With hearses though, that long bit in the back would be convenient for a newlywed shag session immediately after enduring the blah-blahings of the priest. "Get in the bloody back, luv," shouts the liquored-up groom. You think it's a funeral procession, then you notice the flailing arses in

the back of the corpse mobile.

Uh, maybe it's time to move on.

The Globe and Mail reported on Monday that hundreds of Los Angelinos filled the Hollywood Bowl in a demonstration against the trend of major studios filming in Canada. Apparently the California sun has scorched their celluloid minds. Bumper stickers with a Maple Leaf with a slash through it were sold en masse. Some cretins even wore shirts emblazoned with a bullet-riddled maple leaf, the crosshairs of a rifle superimposed on it with the words "Film Only in the USA."

The fact that only 95 per cent of films are made in the States instead of 100 would have me chomping at the bit, too. Message to Hollywood: take your shitty pictures down south where they belong, you bleached-out bastards. Who needs U.S. productions anyway? After all, up here we've got *North of 60*. Or was that cancelled?

The Onion is still the best place to catch up on the world's most vital events. Among the headlines are stories like "Lesbian Hen Enjoying Hen House," and "Headphones-Wearing Pedestrian Loudly Proclaims Iron Man Status." This stuff makes me laugh so hard I cry. Heh, just like an onion.

Anyway, who here has heard that Strokes album?

And remember when rappers like M.C. Hammer used to say "Propa!" That was cool.



America shows its true colours to the world



Bev Cook

America the Brave, the super power that keeps the world in order, has clarified its stance on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict that has rocked the Middle East for decades. In light of Sept. 11, it has become easy for Americans to condemn Palestinian extremists and their activities. America and its media seem bent on a black and white definition of terrorism, and by careful strategies and subtle omissions, are painting a misleading picture of the Palestinian uprising.

There is little concern over what

first provoked these past 14 months of violence in the region. On Sept. 27, 2000, against the recommendations of the Palestinian Authority, Ariel Sharon and 1,000 Israeli bodyguards visited the Temple Mount.

The area is sacred to Muslims and Jews alike. A clash between Palestinians protesting Sharon's vindictive presence at the site and the bodyguards left both sides wounded. This initial conflict laid the groundwork for the violence and death that followed.

Although at the time of his visit Sharon hadn't been elected Prime Minister of Israel, he was no stranger to the Palestinian people. In Lebanon in 1982, Sharon played a major role in the massacre of up to 800 Palestinians. When Sharon was elected only months after his visit to Temple Mount, the Palestinians braced themselves for the dawn of a new and unsympathetic government.

Since Sharon's visit to Temple

Mount, the ratio of Palestinians to Israelis killed in violent confrontations has been five to one. American media has sometimes overlooked the statistics. Also overlooked is why the Palestinians are rebelling.

In September 1993 the Oslo Accord was signed. It awarded Palestinians jurisdiction over the West Bank and Gaza Strip in exchange for a truce. When the accord expired in May 1999 and Israel began to build more settlements on Palestinian territory, the land-for-peace deal was basically forgotten.

When more than two dozen Israelis were killed in a series of bombings in Jerusalem and Haifa this weekend, the American government was one of the first to voice its disapproval.

It's obvious that America is impartial to Israel. At the World Racism Conference [WCAR] in South Africa, America withdrew from talks. Both American and Israeli governments

disagreed with countries that equate Zionism with racism. In reality, the conference sought only to protect indigenous people from injustice, people very much like the Palestinians.

The Palestinian Liberation Organization publicly mourned the dwindling relationship between America and the Palestinians, noting that for the past four years things had been improving. Working as a mediator, the U.S. ensured that negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians progressed fairly.

Good ol' George W. and his league of Republican droogs have a different position on Israel's peace talks. One has to wonder whether America would have backed out of the WCAR talks had Al Gore been crowned king of the world.

After this weekend, as in every Palestinian uprising, Bush has been condemning Palestinian acts of terror left, right and center. What is different

about these statements is that he has omitted a significant detail. This time the intellectually-challenged Texan did not ask Israel to use restraint and refrain from retaliation. The recent Palestinian violence has given America the excuse to show its true colours to the international community.

Because of the atrocity of the terrorist acts, the Bush administration has a chance to hit two birds with one stone. Congressmen are now considering the option of toppling Arafat's government. As in Afghanistan, this is a direct statement that any group of people that refuse to live under America and its allies will be replaced with a more co-operative government. Which brings to mind questions regarding Canada's relationship with the super power.

How co-operative will Prime Minister Chretien be the next time Bush proposes to incorporate Canada in its missile defense shield?

Good gift giving

Forget long lineups and exorbitant prices—this year make their presents and you're guaranteed a smile

By CAROLYN BARRY
Et Cetera Staff

The holiday season is fast approaching and for students on a tight budget the hunt for the perfect gift at a reasonable price can add stress to an already hectic schedule.

"I'm lucky that I don't have to buy for a lot of people this year. I have a small family and a few close friends, but if I had to buy for more, then I would consider homemade gifts," said Candice Garratt, a first-year Business Administration student at Humber College.

Students who aren't as lucky as Garratt might consider making personalized gifts this year to save some money.

With enough time, energy and a little creativity, you can make gifts people actually use and will appreciate.

"I think that I would [appreciate] a homemade gift that I would actually use like cookies or a CD," said Elizabeth Dasilva, first-year Business Administration student at Humber College.

Christmas is a struggle between a busy schedule and a tight budget and finding the right gift in the right amount of time. But achieving this balance is not as difficult as it sounds.

Homemade gifts are a simple solution that will please both your budget and your schedule.

- Homemade baking. This could include traditional holiday favourites such as gingerbread men (or women) or experimenting by trying candy cane cookies.

- Personal CD/tapes. Try mixing old favourites or memorable songs and add a creative cover.

- Personal photo album. Tired of boring photo albums or misplacing pictures? You can make a personal photo album where all the supplies are located at craft stores. This project takes a lot of time, patience and creativity, but is perfect to give parents, especially if the theme is about you. Mix favourite baby pictures with ones of you during the school years.

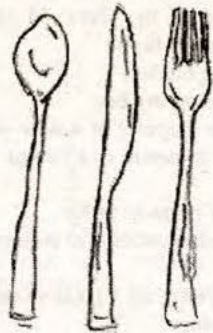
- Create your own thoughtful basket of joy for anyone in the family. You can use anything to hold the presents from any dollar store, and fill it in with any items found in either grocery stores, craft stores or your own homemade presents.

Some possible basket ideas are a movie basket. Use a popcorn bowl to hold a box of popcorn, movies or certificates to a local movie rental store, a blanket and maybe some more goodies. Or try a craft basket by using a plastic container with a lid and any craft supplies – a good idea for the young artist in the family.

If none of these ideas sparks an interest, try giving your time. A young mother would appreciate free babysitting. Busy commuters would appreciate walking their pets, or watching their house.

All you need to create a unique, homemade gift is time, patience and creativity. That's all it takes to have a joyous holiday season that will be appreciated by both loved ones and your wallet.

The Recipe File



Candy Cane Dessert

*This is a simple and fun recipe to prepare with children. They will enjoy lending a hand in the kitchen and you'll enjoy time spent together.

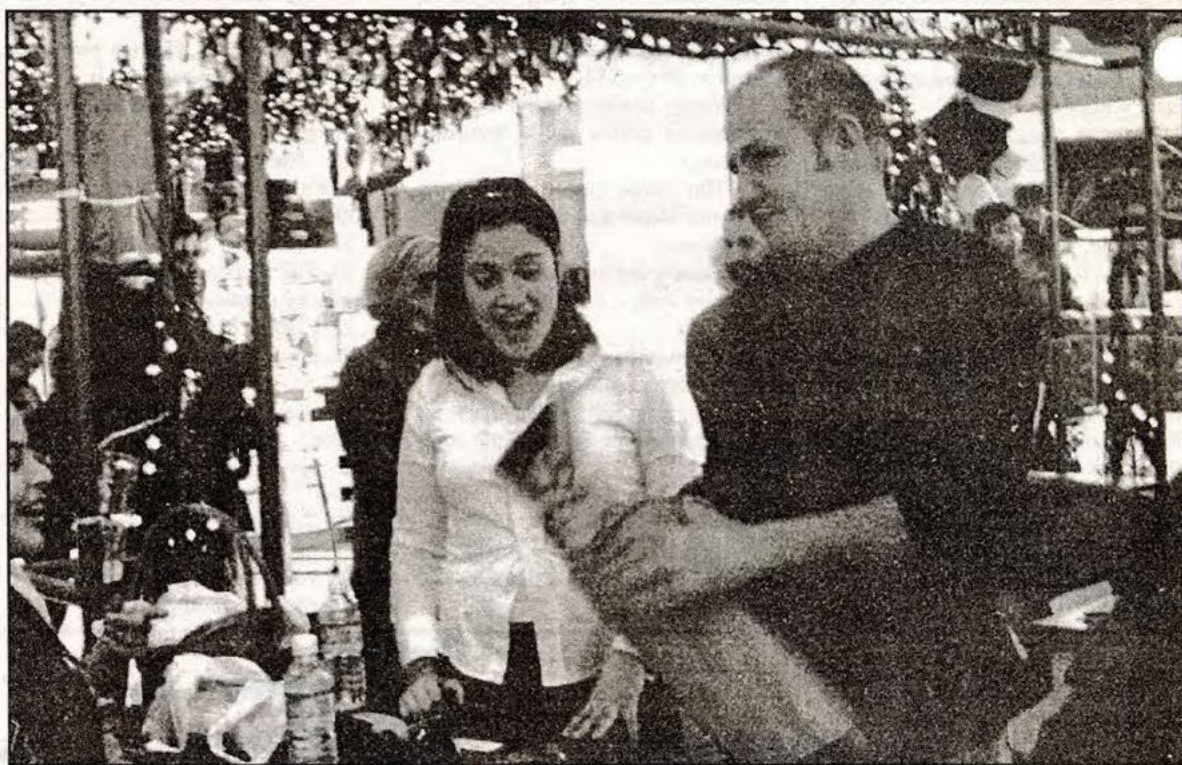
Ingredients

- 1 pkg Oreo cookie crumbs
- 3 tbsp butter
- 1 pkg nutrawhip or other frozen topping
- 6 candy canes (well minced)
- 2 1/2 cups mini marshmallows
- red or green food colouring

Directions

- melt 3 tbsp butter and mix well with cookie crumbs
- spread mixture in a 9" X 15" pan and cook at 350 degrees for 10 minutes or until base is set
- combine nutrawhip, crushed candy canes, marshmallows and food colouring.
- mix well and spread over base. Best if kept in freezer until ready to eat.

*For a more festive touch, try dividing the whipped topping into three portions. Colour one third red, one green and leave the remainder white. Swirl all toppings together to gently blend colours for a candy cane effect.



Dalia Wright

Canadian comedian Mike Bullard donated time by wrapping presents at the Yorkdale Mall this past Saturday

Toronto celebrities play Santa at Yorkdale

By DALIA WRIGHT
Et Cetera Staff

The Yorkdale Mall wrapping centre was filled with people Saturday and this wasn't because they were too lazy to wrap their own presents.

Most people standing in line were trying to make sure that their gifts would be wrapped specially by a Canadian celebrity volunteer.

Mike Bullard from the Comedy Network's *Open Mike*, Liza Fromer from City TV's *Breakfast Television*, Adrien Smith a defensive back with the Argos, Susan Hay from Global News and Luba Goy of *The Royal Canadian Air Farce* were the celebrities lending their talents to the art of gift wrapping.

The celebrities were not just at Yorkdale to meet people and wrap

gifts. They were also there to raise money for charities like the CHUM City Christmas Wish and the Sick Kids Foundation.

"I've never done this before and I thought it was a good opportunity to spread some Christmas spirit," Smith said.

He said it's important for everyone all year round, not just celebrities, to give back to the community, whether it's raising money for a charity or just spending some time with kids who need some moral support.

Fromer was just as excited to participate in the giftwrapping and lend her time to support local charities. She said it wasn't just her talent of wrapping gifts that made her want to be at Yorkdale this Saturday.

"This is a good chance for people to give back to a good charity like CHUMCity and help those who need

help the most at Christmas," Fromer said.

For shoppers passing by the gift wrap kiosk, it was quite a surprise to see people like Mike Bullard wrapping gifts.

"I had to stop. I think Mike Bullard is one of the funniest Canadian comedians," said Angela Russel of North York.

It was evident from Bullard's ability to wrap presents that giving his time was more about doing something for people who are less fortunate than it was about getting into the Christmas spirit.

"I'm not really the Christmas type of guy. I would much rather be working on Christmas than wrapping presents or drinking eggnog. I just get really antsy when I'm off work for more than three days," Bullard said.

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Culinary treasures in Toronto's west end

By TONI MARIE IPPOLITO
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Welcome to one of Toronto's best kept secrets - Bloor West Village. If you want to get away from the hustle and bustle of downtown city life or need to relax after a trying week at work, the Village is the place to go.

If it's fine European food you crave, the village - on Bloor between Keele and Jane, is a one-stop place to get all the fine European delicacies you could ever imagine. The golden glazed German apple strudels, the savory homemade perogies, the cabbage rolls and fine European cheeses will leave you delightfully overwhelmed.

It is not possible to walk through Village and not enter a bakery. A favorite on the north side of Bloor St. West is Sunglow Bakery.

On any given day, Sunglow is packed with patrons as staff scurry around with white dessert boxes trying to keep up with orders.

Sunglow has been a family owned business for more than 25 years. Chris Huettenschmidt, the owner's son, said the bakery's rotating oven has been in operation for over 60 years.

"We bake everything right in the store," he said.

The bakery offers over 100 European treats, from cakes and cookies to pies and crumbles, and Huettenschmidt said they always treat their customers like family.

"The Village has a multicultural flair and is a magnet for people looking for food," Huettenschmidt said.

Two doors down from the bakery, Astra's Famous Deli summons the taste buds to delicious homemade delicacies.

Owner Ed Rembacz said his deli has been around for over 30 years.

He jokes that he and Durie's Deli invented Bloor West Village.

Rembacz explained that everything is made fresh daily to maintain that extra special quality.

"Our cabbage rolls and perogies are some of our best sellers," he said.

Serving many different kinds of smoked and cured meats, Astra's hot food menu should not be overlooked. They offer whole roasted chickens, golden brown roasted potatoes, saucy spare ribs, potato pancakes and veggies.

Rembacz said that his deli is full of new and regular customers every day, but he always gives a little extra to students who come in frequently.

"I always say to the girls, [who work for him] give them a little more," he said.

Regular customers love coming in to Astra's for the family-like atmosphere they offer.

A long-time member of the Bloor West community and regular patron, Mike said, "Astra's is the best. I come here after work and pick up some hot food and it's like I cooked it myself. Everyone is always so friendly."

However, if you're looking to cook

an exotic meal yourself and just can't seem to find those special delicacies you experienced in Europe, you're sure to find exactly what you need and more at another top-notch local deli: Max's Meat Market.

Max's has been in the Village for about three years and offers hundreds of different international products.

With cheeses from around the world you can choose from the Brie de Paris, Italian Pecorino with black pepper, a German Montagnolo triple cream, English Stilton, Blue Shropshire, or from dozens of other European choices.

Bandna Kamal, the manager, said customers are pleasantly surprised by the variety of international food and products they supply.

"The other day a couple came in from France and found products they said they haven't seen since their childhood," she said.

You can be sure to find imported cookies like Italian amarettis, Scottish shortbread as well as fine imported Italian olive and French truffle oils.

Exotic items like imported French champagne, wine vinegars and rich cognac vinegars will add true French flare to your cooking.

So if you're looking to experience true European pleasure as well as an unique atmosphere, without ever having to board a plane, sneak away to Toronto's Bloor West Village, and remember to bring an open mind and an empty stomach.



Toni Marie Ippolito

Bloor West Village has become a haven for those seeking imported food

Culture adds variety at Christmas

By ROO GUILHERME
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Christmas. The word alone can evoke warm images and sentiments than almost any other word in the English language. Particularly this time of year. But the holiday of modern times is based on more than a chubby man in a red coat or a nativity scene.

To the different Christian cultures that celebrate the season, Christmas means a variety of traditions.

Christmas was originally based around the Winter Solstice, which is the shortest day and longest night of the year and falls on the 20th or 21st of every December, people began rejoicing this part of the winter season because the worst part of winter had already passed.

Yule, a holiday celebrated in Scandinavia centuries ago, is the oldest equivalent of Christmas. Fathers and sons would gather large logs and set them on fire. Families feasted as long as the logs were burning.

Some even credit this holiday with inspiring the creation of log-shaped cakes and sweets during Christmas.

As Christianity spread, the holiday took on different meanings to different cultures. Christmas wasn't just one single holiday, but a diversity of

traditional celebration.

Currently in Scandinavia, the beginning of the Christmas holiday is usually triggered with St. Lucia Day on Dec. 13 of every year. It is tradition for the eldest daughter of any family to be the first to wake up on this day. She then dresses in a white gown tied with a red sash and a crown made with twigs lighted with nine candles. She'll then proceed to awaken each member of the family after which everyone will eat breakfast in a room lit with candles.

In Mexico, piñatas are hung

and children destroy them with the swing of a bat and eventually race to collect as much candy and coin as possible. Incidentally, the poinsettia, by far the most popular flower associated with Christmas, hails from Mexico.

In the other hemisphere, Australia celebrates Christmas during the summer months. Imagine preparing Christmas dinner and then eating it on Bondi Beach, famous for its gorgeous scenery and massive waves. Rather than hunting for Christmas trees, Australians decorate Christmas bushes that grow little red flowers.

Christmas is not just celebrated in December. Ukrainian Christmas is celebrated in January. The most popular way to observe Ukrainian Christmas is to prepare a 12-course meal. The meal can only

begin when the first evening star is spotted by the youngest child.

Anita George, whose grandparents emigrated from Ukraine, still tries to attempt to prepare the gargantuan feast every year.

"It's a lot of work. It usually takes days of cooking but in the end everybody is happy and full. But you've got to make sure there are enough people to finish all the food. There have been Christmases where we were still eating leftovers well into the new year," George said.

The Netherlands has dual Christmas celebrations - the traditional religious celebration Dec. 25 and a more legend-based fest Dec. 5.

On Dec. 5 young families celebrate Sinterklaas and his helper Zwarte Piet filling the wooden shoes of good children with candy.

In Italy, specifically in Malta, Christmas Eve dinners consist of mountains of fish and a solemn and holy midnight mass followed by a procession in the streets. A big part of the festivities focuses around the consumption of food and wine.

"My summary of the Italian Christmas is great food, bread and wine...wine is the centre of the universe. The more the merrier!" Stephanie Lunghi, 27, said.

Italians wish each other Buon

Natale rather than Merry Christmas and play more than a few hands of traditional Italian card games such as briscola, scoppa and sette bello during the holidays.

Italians also celebrate Epiphany on Jan. 6. On the evening of the Epiphany the Befana, a mystical woman similar to Santa Claus, visits children and places toys and candies in socks hung about the house in places where the Befana will be sure to see them.

Even Canadians have their unique traditions.

In Newfoundland they have a tradition called mummering, which is essentially a massive kitchen party that the entire town participates in.

"We take turns going to each other's houses and bring musical instruments and of course booze. It's awesome actually," Newfoundland born Angelique Rouleau said.

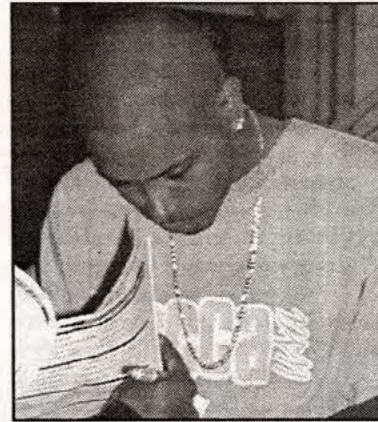
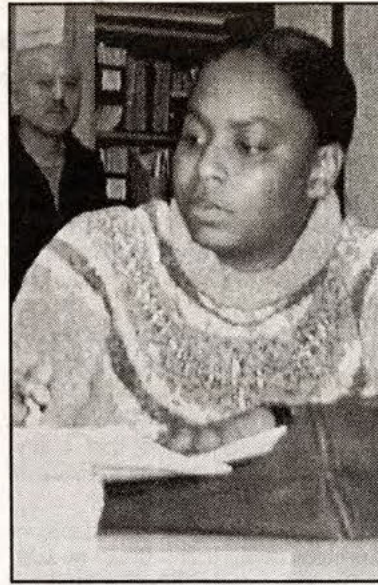
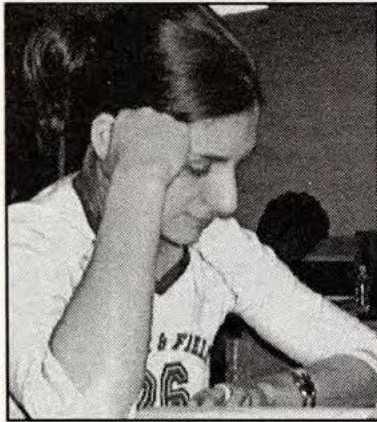
Croatian Martina Marevic, 20, said her family always goes to midnight mass as a family and opens the gifts when they return.

"Gifts are not as important as the fact that we are together as a family," she said.

Regardless of cultural background, one thing unites the celebration of Christmas across the globe - spending time with family.

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As the semester comes to an end, Santa greets Humber College while other students pour over textbooks and notes for upcoming final tests and exams

Twelve angry men stage show

By MUNA ISMAIL
Et Cetera Staff

Twelve Angry Men is a courtroom drama opening at the Lecture Theatre after the holidays Jan. 5 and 6.

Actors from Theatre Ontario re-enact the late 1950s play, written by Reginald Rose.

"It's about 12 jurors in a deliberating room. They've just been told that they decide on a trial and a boy could face death penalty for murdering his father. It's up to them to reach a guilty or not guilty verdict. So this whole play is based on 12 [people] making their decision," explained Shelly Hack, director of the play.

The two hour play is set in a hot room in New York City and all the jurors, but one (all are men) are dying to make a quick decision so they can leave and continue with their own lives.

"One man stands alone and he leads the not guilty verdict. The rest of the jurors think it's an open and shut case. Throughout the whole play he shows how he changes them," Rose said. "Why he thinks the boy is innocent and doesn't think he should send someone to the chair when a case should be based on circumstantial evidence."

"They all have to come up with a unanimous decision. The one juror converts, not on purpose, every juror."

Hack studied acting in New York for one year and is also part of the Theatre Ontario Union.

For the past couple months Hack and the actors have been working on the play. Hack, also a registration employee at Humber College, decided to bring the play to the college because she said it's a great message to send to anybody.

In the play, the jurors are of different character. One is a racist who believes all "coloured" people commit crimes. Another has issues with his own son and thinks that boys rebel and do crazy things. One is meek and follows what others say without thinking from his heart.

"It gives us a clear understanding of what goes on in our own justice system," Hack said.

Humber theatre students are also part of the play; they are in charge of the lighting. Tickets are \$7.50.

Dyer offers two cents on war

By KARLI VEZINA
Et Cetera Staff

Gwynne Dyer made Humber College one of the stops on his tour of Canadian colleges and universities to talk about the direction of the war on terrorism.

Dyer spoke to a packed auditorium in the Seventh Semester about the war in Afghanistan: where it is going, what happened and what Canada's role is.

Understanding the background, history, culture and motives of the Islamic extremists will help Canadians better determine their role in the war.

Although Canada had a delayed reaction to America's call for help, we did the best we could, Dyer explained.

Dyer is a doctor, historian, com-

mentator and actor. He is best known for his award winning TV series *War*, his views on the Gulf War on CBC and his regular appearances on *The National*.

Dyer, who lived in the Middle East for a few years, "is just trying to make some sense of this."

As a respected military and Middle East expert, Dyer enjoyed sharing his tongue-in-cheek analysis of the situation in Afghanistan.

"[His lecture] was very interesting, a detailed analysis of the history," said Gary Begg, a Liberal Arts and Science teacher at Humber College. "He had no notes, he flowed and we got to see perspective from a whole lot of different angles," Begg said.

Although Canada stalled in responding, Dyer said we couldn't afford to say no to America because they can easily hurt us.

They could hold up our borders

with more security checks, making the delay go from 12 to 72 hours.

Dyer said Ottawa is very aware of this and will go along with the States for the duration of the war.

Dyer said, the sad thing is that once we put our troops on the ground, casualties cannot be avoided.

"Muslims are not our enemies," Dyer stressed.

He reminded listeners that the vast majority are normal people. They have jobs and families just like you and I, he said.

Dyer explained that al-Qaeda has an "enormously powerful political grudge" stemming from the past 20 years of Arab extremists failing to overthrow the "pro-American" governments in their countries and replacing them with an Islamic-based ruling powers.

"[The only problem is] they can't get the local population to go along with them. They must somehow get the people to rise up with them," Dyer said.

Dyer told students that the rationale behind the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks was to make Americans angry enough to bomb Afghanistan.

The deaths would cause "a drip feed, not an overflow of casualties, but if [the war] goes on long enough, then the bucket will overflow," causing Afghans to strike back, Dyer said.

Dyer said the bin Ladens of the world see themselves as "victims of westoxification."

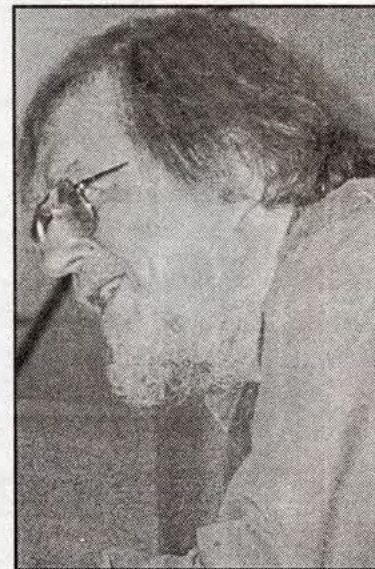
They think the States is losing focus and becoming corrupt. To fix it,

Dyer said, Afghanistan's rulers think, "we must return to our roots."

"Grab them by the scruff of their necks and drag them back to the old ways. [The Taliban] make laws and enforce them. That's how you get them back in the box," he said.

So the big question is, what will the Americans do now? "If I was running the country, I would be doing sane, sensible things that in the long term will lower the threat level of global terrorism, [such as] a combination of police work and political work," he said.

"You raise security in airports and borders, improve your intelligence gathering capabilities," Dyer said.



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Student to sizzle in Singapore



Sarah Hatten

Students prepare food in the Culinary Arts program from which award-winning chef Jeff Brothers is a graduate

By SARAH HATTEN
Et Cetera Staff

A Humber graduate of the Culinary Management program will be representing Canada at an international cooking competition in Singapore in 2002.

Jeff Brothers, who just recently won the Jeunes Commis Rotisseurs National Competition, will now proceed to the international level.

"It was a black box competition, which means you don't know your ingredients until you get there. And then you prepare a three course menu; an appetizer, main course, and dessert, and you prepare four plates of each," Brothers said.

The competition took place in Calgary and nine contestants representing Victoria, Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and Fredericton vied for first-place.

Brothers won the competition by sticking to what he considers the basics of classic cooking.

"I didn't try to do something that was unfamiliar, what I did was things that were familiar to me, like with the products themselves. I tried to use them the best way I knew how, instead of trying to do something that might have looked really good but might not have tasted good," Brothers said.

Currently working in Toronto as a

saucier in the fine dining room, the Epic, at the Royal York Hotel, Brothers has worked in several different restaurants since he graduated in 1998. He started at North 44 here in Toronto, and then traveled to the Channel Islands south of England to work. After returning from overseas he worked at Susur, a restaurant in Niagara-On-The-Lake.

"The best experience overall was the Channel Islands. Living so far away from home and going into a brand new environment where you hardly know anything about the culture," Brothers said.

As an honour's graduate Brother's success is no surprise to one of his former professors, Michael McFadden.

"The surprise is that it has taken this long for him to compete," McFadden said.

McFadden, who is now the Culinary program co-ordinator, described Brothers as a studious, motivated and enthusiastic student.

"He was just another regular student. When they come in they are all regular students. He was not exceptional in his first year over anyone else, with the exception of him being enthusiastic and very willing to participate in extra-curricular activities."

Brothers, along with two second-year Culinary Management students, received recognition at a recent dinner held by the competition and award sponsors Le Chaine Des Rotisseurs.

Students perfect skills on LEGO

By TAMARA STANLEY
Et Cetera Staff

Students from the first Steel Detailing program being offered at Humber, in partnership with the Steel Plus Network, will be graduating Dec. 7.

The paid eight-week program consisted of 305 hours of learning about steel, product, detailing, the steel industry and specific software while being paid \$10 an hour.

"Steel Plus came to us and said we have a real need in the industry for steel detailers. We have this program and we would like to work with a college to present it," said Connie Eggins, manager of learning operations.

According to Eggins, Steel Plus tried the program with Mohawk College; however, the program was unsuccessful. They could not get enough students.

Eggins said that the reason why it didn't work for Mohawk was because they had asked students to join rather than asking workers.

"In fairness to Mohawk, we tapped a different market. Mohawk was looking for students," she said.

"We went after people with the right background who weren't students," she said.

Eggins said in order to get these students, she had to advertise in the

Brampton Guardian and Metro Today.

Of the 70 resumes received, 50 were chosen for an interview with 18 people chosen to enter the program.

"We interviewed 50 people. Forty of those were civil engineers who were unable to get work in Canada as civil engineers," Eggins said.

Students were chosen based on an interview and four tests: aptitude, drawing, English and LEGO.

Students work with LEGO bricks to construct models to test their mechanical and team approach skills.

According to Eggins, the group of 18 students all landed jobs working in their chosen field.

"Some of them will be relocating to Western Canada and I think one of them is going to the States," she said.

Eggins said that she doesn't know when the next program will begin.

"It's specifically tied to industry needs. If the industry needs this maintained then maybe we will run this program again."

Eggins added that it was great working with the students and being in partnership with Steel Plus Network.

"It's good for students. It gets their foot in the door in Canada... This is an opportunity for the students and they really grasped it with both hands," Eggins said.

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A hotdog stand has found a new home at North campus creating some competition for other food services

Humber's moveable feast

By MELISSA HARLOS
Et Cetera Staff

Humber students at the North campus no longer have to settle for The Pipe to satisfy their midday munchies as Jabar Raufi has set up his hot dog cart outside.

Located near the forum outside the bookstore, Raufi proudly offers a barbecued alternative to the regular café food at very reasonable prices; \$2 for a hotdog, \$1 for a can of pop and \$3 for a sausage.

Raufi, busy cooking a dog on the grill, said he has been on campus

about four weeks now and business has been good.

"The students have been reacting positively. They enjoy the food," Raufi said.

Harvey's manager Faridon Hakimpour isn't worried about the competition.

"There has been no change in our business since the hot dog stand came a month ago," Hakimpour said.

Originally the cart was supposed to be placed near the student services entrance, but it turned out that it was too close for comfort for Harvey's.

In turn, the cart was placed in its current spot, and now both of them

are enjoying their own fair share of customers.

Now, despite the initial move, the two work hand-in-hand, even sharing ice every morning.

It's a different ball game in the summer when the weather keeps Raufi busy. But no matter how cold it gets he is dedicated to his job.

During the winter months he will continue to open each morning around 10 a.m. and close at about 4 p.m.

"I don't worry about my spot. I am staying on through the winter," said Raufi, who's sole income is provided by his full time hot dog duties.

Books and wine recipe for a wonderful time

By JENNIFER MARCH
Et Cetera Staff

The crowd was attentive as authors Pamela Mordecai and Cathy Vasas-Brown took to the podium at Humber College's Literary Wine Bar Nov. 29.

Finger foods and wine lined each of the round tables, with students, teachers and aspiring authors seated around them.

Poet Pamela Mordecai spoke first. Mordecai, who is also a teacher, began her writing career by creating language-arts textbooks for secondary schools while working in the Faculty of Education at the University of the West Indies. She has written anthologies of poetry and short stories for both children and adults.

The first poem Mordecai read was

a children's poem which she dedicated to her husband, who was watching from the first row. She expressed the passion she has with writing for children.

"I feel very strongly about this [the poem] because I think that writing for children is really so important. Ever since I was a little girl, my daddy used to read his poems every night before we went to bed and I think that if I am a poet, that's why."

Her light humour and voice imitations kept the crowd laughing throughout her entire reading.

The second reader was author and elementary school teacher, Cathy Vasas-Brown. Vasas-Brown is a graduate of the Humber School for Writers and has recently published her first novel, *Every Wickedness*. The tone of her voice was steady and serious and

it perfectly set the mood for a murder mystery. Vasas-Brown captured the crowd's attention by reading scenes of her novel and ending right before the climax. "I will leave it for your imagination on this dark, rainy night to figure out just what indeed does go on there," she said.

The night ended off with door-prize giveaways, including copies of each of the author's books and a gingerbread house.

The authors signed their books, answered questions and gave advice to fellow writers. "Develop a strong skin, ignore the reviewers, ignore the critics, listen to your soul and jump aboard," said Vasas-Brown. And after speaking about publishing houses and how to become published, Mordecai ended by simply stating, "Just do it."

Humber heats up with dance

By MUNA ISMAIL
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DJ Subliminal and break dancers rocked the Student Centre Nov. 29, the last of the three-day HSF Cultures Week 2001.

It was one of the highlights that made Cultures Week special for Humber College North campus students.

Bag of Tricks wowed the large crowd with his flexible break dancing moves.

DJ Subliminal, who also DJs at the *After Hours With Kenny Robinson* show on the Comedy Network, interacted with the audience by beat box freestyle singing and spinning the turn table.

Dancers with a Middle Eastern influence shook their bellies.

The two belly dancers from the Habeeba's Studio of Dance were an added feature of the event.

Michelle Thompson, a first-year Nursing student, really enjoyed the performances and wished students interacted more.

"I wish we could participate more. I like the belly dancing. I think it's

very good because it gives all the other cultures an idea of what some cultures offer," Thompson said.

Winston Cooper, a second-year Packaging Graphic Design student noticed all the commotion in the student centre Thursday and decided to check it out.

"I thought that the break dancers were really good, but I thought that the crowd could have been a little more into it. The DJ was really good, I saw him last week and there was a big difference in today's crowd response," Cooper said.

Students also had the opportunity to participate in line dancing.

Earlier in the week, reptiles, dancing and a presentation from Humber Indian Students Association were featured.

HSF is not going to feature another Cultures Week next semester; instead they are planning a variety of events such as Wellness Being, Healthy Sexuality Awareness and Welcome Back Week, said Lise Janssen, HSF leadership and programs co-ordinator.

"For the Welcome Back Week we're going to bring in big bands...we're working on trying to bring Nickelback," Janssen said.



Muna Ismail

Belly dancers from Habeeba's Studio of Dance visit Humber last week

Humber's Arboretum kick-starts holiday season with Old Saint Nick

By PHILL FELTHAM
Et Cetera Staff

Santa made an appearance Dec. 1 at the Winter Celebration Day in the Humber Arboretum.

Parents brought their children from across Toronto to enjoy festivities for the kids with less than a month left until Christmas.

At the Arboretum entrance, people were loading Christmas trees onto the top of their cars. Tree prices ranged from \$25 to \$30.

Once inside, children's faces sparkled with delight as they took part in the day's activities.

"It was so fun," said 10-year-old Meghan Farr. "We got to go on a nature walk, feed the chickadees, make a bird feeder and do crafts."

Christmas in the Arb ran from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There was plenty of time for parents and their kids to play some games, plant some trees and enjoy a BBQ lunch.

Trevor Whiteside came with his wife and two kids. He and his wife sat down for story time while they took a moment to reflect on the memorial events of the day.

"The hay ride through the parking

lot was very entertaining," he said. Children and parents were pulled around by a tractor while singing Christmas songs like Frosty the Snowman and Jingle Bell Rock.

Santa walked around the park meeting and greeting children.

On one of the pathways of the Arboretum was a huge Christmas tree where people donated new and used children's books to the Toronto Public Library's Leading to Reading program.

With every donation made, a child's name was placed on a snowflake on the tree. At the end of the day, a draw was held.

The winner received a gift from a local bookstore.

The festivities in the Arboretum were hosted by the one-year Public Relations Certificate Program.

The students started preparing for the project in September as a part of their curriculum.

"It was a fun-filled day where people can bring their kids and their dogs," said Lindsay Smith, a Public Relations student.

By early afternoon, more than 400 people had participated in the event, just short of the 500 Smith had estimated would be attending the event.



Courtesy Humber Public Relations

Many kids and parents enjoy holiday fun this past weekend at the Arboretum at Humber's North campus

Ringling in Christmas season at Rez

By JOEL HOIDAS
Et Cetera Staff

As the 2001 fall semester comes to a close, thousands of students, staff, and faculty at Humber College will gather to spend the holidays with family and friends, but not everyone will be able to make it home this year.

Many students will be calling the Humber Residence home for the holidays.

"It's not just the international students," said Derek Maharaj, manager of the Humber College residence. "We have found in the past years, more and more domestic students need a place to stay over Christmas."

Vivian Liu Yue, a first-year business administration student, will not be going home to China over the holidays.

"I'm not sure what I'll be doing [over the break], but I know a lot of Chinese people will be staying too, so we'll do something," said Liu Yue.

Although she won't get to see her family and friends from home this December, Liu Yue will not be alone.

Approximately 85-100 students stayed in residence over the holidays last year and Maharaj said about the same number of students will stay at Residence this Christmas.

Even if a student cannot make it home over the break, they do not necessarily have to spend Christmas in Residence.



Mark Nonkes

Many international students from Humber's North campus will call Residence their home for the holidays

"There are some opportunities for students to spend Christmas with staff people, home stay situations, there's even buddy systems where people go back with friends for the holidays," Maharaj said.

Although classes end Dec. 14, the last day of operations for Residence and the international office is Dec. 21.

"We're back in operation on January 2nd," Maharaj said.

Over the break there are no RAs, and staff and security is reduced considerably.

"When the building is less occupied, there's more a chance of vandalism and stuff like that, from a few people. So we have put into place some security measures to make sure everybody is safe," Maharaj said.

Food services will remain open for limited hours during the break. The only days they will be closed are Dec. 25, 26 and Jan. 1. They will be open Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The front desk in residence will remain open seven days a week, 24

hours a day over the holidays.

"We ask for volunteers by our student front desk people, but we usually don't get any takers for Christmas. So then we get security to man the desk for us," Maharaj said.

Although nothing has been scheduled yet, both the Residence and the international offices are planning something for students.

"We've been considering taking them out to lunch on the 25th or 26th, but that hasn't been confirmed yet," said Mike Kopinak, manager of inter-

national student services.

"Depending on the weather, we may take them ice skating."

Kopinak said roughly 60 per cent of the 480 international students will remain in Canada for the holidays.

"I do know quite a few international students are going home, just like everybody else. But for those who are around, many do have family or friends in the area," Kopinak said.

A survey inquiring about the holidays was handed out last week to all students who live in Residence. Students are to fill out the survey by indicating which days, if any, they will be staying in Residence over the break, and give the reason they wish to remain in Residence.

"It gives us an idea of how much security is needed, and what hours the cafeteria will be open," said Peter Lem, co-ordinator of Residence life at Humber College.

"We encourage students to leave Res for the holidays within 48 hours after their last exam. The last day of exams is Dec. 14," Lem said.

Only the students who register through the survey will be allowed to stay in Residence over the Christmas break.

"That way, we know who is staying and where they are. It's for security reasons and in case of a fire or something like that," Lem said.

OPP's new weapon

By MELANIE THOMPSON
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Peel Regional Police and Canadians for Safe and Sober Driving released a CD-ROM last week that will hopefully educate officers across Canada on the complexities of arresting and prosecuting drunk drivers.

Const. Dan Carrier, of Peel 22 Division in Brampton, began designing the interactive tool four years ago when he was a breathalyzer technician and a member of the Impaired Driving Task Force.

"It was recognized that impaired driving had become a very complex and technical issue in court," Carrier said.

"We made an easy reference to locate all the sources to better prepare for court."

The CD-ROM covers the affects of alcohol on driving abilities, scientific research, and links to case law and anti-drinking and driving Web sites.

The text is broken up by blooper videos of rowdy drunk drivers brought into the station for breath-



Melanie Thompson

The CD-ROM costs \$129.50 and is available to officers and the public

lyzer tests, some smashing their heads off the wall, others dropping their pants while giving a breath sample.

Carrier also included clips of cartoon character Homer Simpson when he was arrested for drunk driving.

"I tried to make it as entertaining as possible," Carrier said.

The project ended up costing over \$60,000 and was funded by Canadians for Safe and Sober Driving.

VCR Active Media, the company that designed the CD-ROM, gave a \$15,000 discount because they support the goal of increasing drunk driver education.

Besides being used by police, Carrier said the disk is available to the general public, as well as educators and community groups.

Canadians for Safe and Sober Driving sold 50 copies of the CD-ROM before the official release

date, last Tuesday. Each CD-ROM costs \$129.50.

"It's very comprehensive, covering everything from detection of a drunk driver to the arrest," said Canadians for Safe and Sober Driving spokesperson and program coordinator Alexandra Thompson.

"It can be used all across Canada. That's the beauty of it."

The CD-ROM also looks at cases which some officers don't deal with very often, such as fatalities caused by impaired driving accidents.

It explains how officers should handle these accidents, and what kind of evidence they should collect for court.

"What I'm hoping for is more officer confidence [and] better preparation for serious drinking and driving offences," Carrier said.

He added that officers will provide victims with better service by being well educated on the topic.



Melanie Thompson

The disc includes some bloopers

Ringing in our Canadian artists

By KAREN THADANI
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A California based dot-com company has made its way into Canada to offer cell phone users downloadable ring tones.

Yourmobile.com, a company based in Santa Monica, will offer Canadian greats such as Alanis Morissette and Sarah McLachlan's hit songs so you can use their greatest hits as ringing options.

"Yourmobile.com makes its ring tones available to Canadian customers via network carriers Microcell/FIDO and Rogers, who are among our carrier partners worldwide," said Aaron Henry, spokesperson for Yourmobile.com.

The agreement to move into Canada will mean that FIDO, Rogers AT&T and Telus customers will soon be able to jump on the bandwagon and go download crazy.

The site is home to 12 million users around the world, and offers 80 million downloadable ring tones.

"Ring tones have immediate appeal as a way to personalize your mobile phone. A piece of technology which you carry with you can make it easy to identify your cellular's uniqueness," Henry said.

It will cost about \$1.58 to download your favorite tune, and if you choose "O Canada," it's free of charge.

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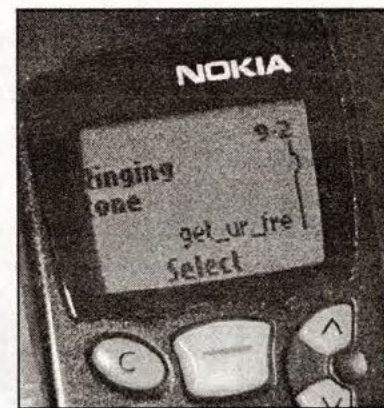
favorite song or artist is an inexpensive way to make yourself heard as part of your unique cultural group," Henry said.

"The same way we wear certain brands of clothing or adopt certain hairstyles."

It's no wonder the company has been able to profit. Its already millions of customers are continuously clicking their way to upgrading their cell phone ring tones.

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Jeff Lim

Yourmobile.com offers many tones

Caught in a Web

By VICTOR PENNEY
Et Cetera Staff

If the hustle and bustle of the holiday season already has you muttering "bah humbug," here are a couple of Web sites that will either put a smile on your face or turn you off of Christmas altogether.

If you thought the Grinch hated Christmas, then you haven't been to www.xmasresistance.org.

This site is devoted to fighting the evils of Christmas, specifically commercialism and environmental degradation. That's right, apparently Christmas should be cancelled to save the environment-like that will ever happen.

The site's motto is no shopping, no presents, no guilt. The site claims most gifts will simply end up in a landfill somewhere, which is bad for the environment. So if you don't buy gifts, you won't be killing the planet.

There are also comics and other downloadable graphics that feature anti-Christmas sentiments, like a

woman standing on top of a fallen Christmas tree decorated with shattered ornaments.

I give this site two and a half globes out of five.

Another site that will get you thinking twice about Christmas is www.landoverbaptist.org/news1299/santay.html.

This interesting article brings to light what many of us have suspected all along; Santa is working with the devil.

There is the play on Santa's name, moving the "n" to the end of it. That's one sign. The site also claims Satan is using Santa to draw attention away from the true meaning of Christmas by making himself more popular than Jesus.

If you're offended, please note this site is 100 per cent pure satire.

The site's sense of humour can also be seen in articles about Billy Crystal playing a talking testicle in Disney's Monsters Inc.

I give this site three and a half globes out of five.

Car audio taken to the next level

By JEFF LIM
Et Cetera Staff

A lot of people who use the Internet have a library of MP3s. Now it's possible to play those MP3s on CD in your car stereo.

The main benefit of having an MP3 deck is having hours and hours of music on one disc.

Most of the major audio companies have MP3 decks that sell for between \$300 and \$1000. Some



Jeff Lim

JVC offers decks to suit any car

brands like Pioneer are waiting to see how the competition fares before entering this new market.

"The technology is fairly new so a few companies are waiting to see what happens," said Alan Shek, a consultant at Kennedy Hi-Fi.

"Aiwa was one of the first to come out with an MP3 deck a few years ago and now you can probably find it on eBay for \$50."

Kash Singh, a sales associate at Future Shop, said in a few months there will be a lot more decks out, as companies start bringing out the second and third generation of MP3 players.

"Right now we're only selling three decks: Kenwood, Sony, and Jensen."

The Kenwood KDC-MP8017 and the Sony CDXMP450X deck with remote sell for around \$400 dollars, while the Jensen MP3510 deck goes for about \$300.

"We have had no complaints about the Kenwood deck, the only thing is, it doesn't come with a remote, you have to order it from



Jeff Lim

DVD systems cost about \$2000

Kenwood," Singh said.

With the technology only around for a few years, and MP3s just taking off recently, the selection and quality on MP3 decks isn't what it will be according to Singh.

"Right now the MP3s don't sound as good as store bought CDs. The difference is like night and day for an audiophile," Singh said

DVD players are also becoming more common in vehicles as mini screens come on the market.

Tom Green's theatrics exclusively at Humber

By VICTOR PENNEY
Et Cetera Staff

Tom Green is funny. He cracks wild jokes. He can be vulgar at times, but it's easy to like him. He's laid back, but he's also serious about what he does for a living.

No, I'm not talking about the feces-wielding lad from Ottawa who married a Hollywood starlet. This is Tom Green, co-ordinator of Humber's interactive multimedia program.

Last month, Green was invited to deliver a lecture to the multimedia development community in Hamburg, Germany. The conference included 100 multimedia developers from around the world and students from the Hamburg area. Green was also part of a panel of judges who evaluated 500 entries in a competition.

Green was the only Canadian educator at the conference, and his level of commitment and passion for what he does has made Humber's multimedia program one of the best in Canada.

"We're on the map man!" Green chuckled in his office in Humber's media studies centre.

"We're starting to develop an

international reputation, which is kind of neat."

Green started at Humber back in the 1970s as a student, and graduated from Humber with a diploma in Journalism in 1974.

After practising the craft for a number of years, he chose to leave the field in pursuit of other goals. He came back to Humber in 1991 to teach night classes.

Green recalled a story about a Canadian trade delegation that went to England to promote new media opportunities in Canada.

"One of the jury members (from the conference in Hamburg), a marketing consultant, was telling me how he went to a session where they were introducing all the players," Green said. "And they (the delegation) said 'if you want to learn how to do new media in Canada, one of the best places you can go is Humber College,'" Green said.

The increased recognition could lead to more multimedia job opportunities for students, and that doesn't necessarily mean Internet-based ones, Green explained. Graduates from Humber's Interactive Multimedia program are being offered jobs not only in Web design,

but also in CDs and DVD development.

The reputation has just mushroomed," Green said. "In Toronto we're now known as the place to go, which is kind of cool."

"It's going to open doors for our students around the world," he added.

William Hanna, dean of Humber's School of Media Studies, said Green's week-long visit to Germany speaks highly of the notoriety the school's interactive multimedia program is developing.

"I think it says good things about Humber College," said Hanna. "Number one, that we have a profile where people would know about us on a world level."

"Right now, Humber College has the only motion capture—not only programs but equipment, in Ontario: the Vicon8 motion capture system," Hanna said.

The Vicon8 motion capture equipment is used in the post-production process for animation in film and television. In fact, the only other system available in Canada is in Montreal.

"The fact that this conference that Tom was invited to present was European-based, and he was the only

Canadian invited to speak there is significant for the fact that they actually knew Tom and about the program," Hanna said.

"I've got a great faculty," Green said. "When I tell people about who I've got, and what they teach and how they teach it, they're just blown away."

He's also the first to say that even though he puts a great deal of time

and effort into the program, it doesn't solely belong to him.

In the end, building the school of media studies' reputation is more for the students than anything.

"So people tend to regard me as being out for myself. But that's not true, never. Ever. Ever."

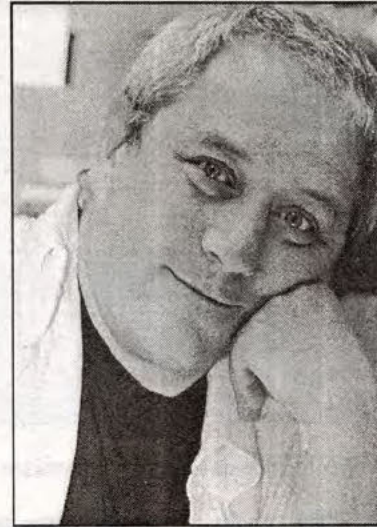
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••Interactive Multimedia students from Humber College were selected by a client in England to construct the Web site to post the Electronic Multimedia Awards (EMMA) Foundation contest winners.

••Fain Forsyth, Chris Collie, Brandi Dalziel, Amir Saffar, and Paul Chans, worked on the site found on the Web at www.emma-foundation.org.

••The site was designed within three weeks, and after two months it has received over two million hits.

••The EMMA Foundation is based in Europe. Their competition accepted interactive multimedia entries from 40 different countries.



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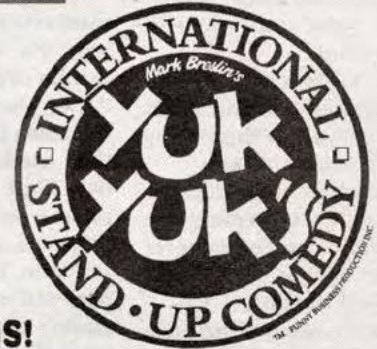
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Canadian develops new mouth spray

By KELLY MACHADO
Et Cetera Staff

Daily insulin injections may be a thing of the past for many diabetics, thanks to a new pain-free mouth spray.

A promising new oral insulin treatment called Oralin, developed by Canadian researcher Dr. Pankaj Modi, vice president of Generex Biotechnology Corp. in Toronto, is one of several advances in diabetes management.

Oralin, which has been a tested product for the past four years and is still in trials, is administered as a spray into the mouth using a hand-held aerosol.

For nearly two million Canadian patients, this may mean an end to inconvenient and complicated injections.

"It's a unique oral insulin formulation that is delivered directly into the mouth via our RapidMist device, where it's absorbed through the cheeks and passed into the bloodstream for distribution to the tissues," said Todd Falls of Generex Biotechnology Corp.

According to Health Canada's Web site, diabetes is a chronic disorder that can lead to life-threatening and debilitating complications.

Diabetes interferes with the body's ability to produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that is essential for the proper use of the energy contained in the food we eat.

This results in a series of malfunctions, which include an excess of the sugar glucose in blood and urine tests.

"Diabetes is reaching epidemic proportions in Canada," said Shayne Gilliatt, a developer at Generex

Biotechnology Corp. "By 2010, it will affect three million Canadians. Thus, it is imperative that we increase our efforts to intervene with effective therapies as early as possible in the disease course in order to prevent the possible long-term complications associated with this disease."

"Our oral insulin formula makes it easier and less stressful for people with diabetes to take the insulin they need, and this can have a potentially significant impact on the success of diabetes management," he added.

Emerciana Lopes, a diabetic, believes that this new technology is a big step forward.

"Injecting a needle every day is not pleasant, so any new devices or developments that gain approval from medical associations and family doctors like mine works for me," she said.

There are two major types of diabetes.

A body with Type 1 diabetes makes little or no insulin (insulin deficiency).

"People with this type of diabetes must take insulin shots to live. That's why it's sometimes referred to as insulin-dependent diabetes," said Alexis Mentell, spokesperson for the Canadian Diabetes Association. "Less than one in 10 people with diabetes have Type 1 and symptoms include rapid weight loss, fatigue, increased thirst and increased urination."

"With Type 2 diabetes, the body may still make insulin, but it either doesn't make enough or is unable to correctly use the insulin it does make [insulin resistance]," Mentell added. "Although no cure exists for people with Type 2 diabetes, it can be managed with proper meal planning and exercise, oral medicines and/or

insulin. Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes and accounts for at least nine out of 10 cases."

Symptoms include fatigue, blurred vision, skin irritations, increased hunger and thirst and slow healing of cuts and sores.

"Serious complications can arise if you don't take the steps to manage your blood glucose level," Mentell said. "If a diabetic's blood glucose level gets too high it affects the blood vessels and if untreated could cause blindness, kidney failure, and/or even a stroke."

Mentell added, "Any new treatment devices or drug that will make it easier for diabetics to get their daily intake of insulin is a tremendous advantage."

Oralin developer Dr. Modi presented the new treatment in October to 1,500 clinicians, scientists and educators who attended The Canadian Diabetes Association and The Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism 5 Annual Professional Conference at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton, Alberta.

In several tests, 600 Type 1 and Type 2 diabetics took oral insulin in combination with other drugs, which controlled their blood sugars after several weeks.

Generex is awaiting approval from the American Food and Drug Administration to move to the final phase of testing.

According to Falls, the cost of Oralin could be the same as bottled insulin.

A bottle of insulin that lasts one month costs about \$50.

Oralin could be in pharmacies by 2003.

More students affected by self-inflicted injuries

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Mostly found in women between their early to mid-teens until their late twenties, self-injury can affect men as well.

The counselling department at Humber College is seeing more students than in previous years, including more cases of self-injury.

Today's college and university students have a lot more to worry about than previous generations.

More financial stress, higher pressure due to competition, less time and less support mean students don't have time to unwind and collect their thoughts.

As a result, they experience higher levels of distress.

The most common form of self-injury is cutting, but it can also include burning, hair pulling, skin and scab picking and wound interference.

The guy in class next to you with all his piercings and tattoos is not self-abusing. His expression is a form of art.

Self-injury is a form of coping. It is the only way that some know how to deal with the stress of life.

"It is like reaching for a cigarette when you are stressed," said a staff counsellor at Humber College who asked her name be withheld.

It's a way of taking control. A physical response interrupts feeling either from the past or present.

At first, it offers a feeling of relief, but then guilt and shame step in and the initial attempt at trying to feel better is lost.

Self-injury is "not a wish to hurt oneself, but a wish to end the bad feelings," she added.

According to counsellors, there are many different theories as to why someone would choose to self-injure.

It may stem from trauma, neglect, being ignored, being made to feel invisible, having one's feelings invalidated, sexual or physical abuse, depression, or bi-polar and eating disorders, among other factors.

Between the ages of 12 and 15, teenagers are grappling with who they are and "some people turn to self-injury as a way of dealing with negative feelings," said Polly Gove, patient care manager of mental health at the Scarborough General Hospital. "In the short term, it is a good way of getting rid of emotional turmoil and distress."

Self-injury is nothing to be ashamed of. It's a way for someone to cope when they have never been taught another way to deal with emotions.

"It is a way of dealing with painful emotions on a physical level," Gove

said.

The same way some people have fun to relieve stress, self-injury anaesthetizes and allows for the release of endorphins.

It provides instant relief.

Self-injurers "recognize it as something they do to survive either emotionally or physically," said the Humber counsellor. "Some people need to see blood, some people need to feel pain."

There is no diagnosis for self-injury.

According to Gove, self-injurers are usually labelled with borderline personality disorder and placed in a psychiatric hospital.

This generally causes more harm than good.

Gove, who also helps facilitate Self-Awareness Finally Ends (SAFE) groups in Toronto, said most of those affected are closet injurers who seek help if they know where to go.

SAFE groups are working on reducing stigmas attached to self-injury.

The Toronto chapter holds in-service presentations to various organizations including the emergency departments at hospitals.

As news of self-injury spreads, myths are being expelled.

Most people who self-injure are not attempting to commit suicide.

Most self-injurers hide their wounds so that nobody will know the extent of their pain. They do not want to bring unnecessary attention to themselves.

The same is true for Lissa. She did not want friends to know the extent of her pain.

Lissa always put on a brave and happy face. Only her closest friends knew how badly she hurt, and even then, no one expected her to sit alone in her room with a knife in her hand.

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Fans mourn loss of Harrison

**Former Beatle
George
Harrison dies
of cancer at
the age of 58**

By LYNDESE VANDYK
Et Cetera Staff

Echoes of sorrow could be heard as millions of fans mourned the death of ex-Beatle George Harrison Nov. 29.

Fans around the world held a moment of silence on Monday to mark the passing of this legend.

Harrison had been undergoing an experimental type of radiosurgery but he lost his never-ending battle with multiple forms of cancer and died quietly in a friend's apartment in Los Angeles at age 58. Born February 25, 1943, Harrison was known to many as the quiet, lead guitarist in the legendary band but even this musical god could not escape the clutches of cancer.

He will be remembered by most as a reflective man. This ex-Beatle was different than the rest of the group. He was a serious man in an era embraced by free love and happiness. He was the youngest Beatle, and was known to care more about the sound as opposed to the charts. He was the silent watcher.

The ashes of George Harrison, who was a long time devotee of the Hindu religion, were scattered in the holy Ganges River. Harrison left behind not only fans and friends, but also his widow Olivia and his 23-year-old son Dhani.

Canadians first got infected with



Courtesy Dark Horse Records

Known as the quiet Beatle, George Harrison died Saturday from complications of brain cancer in Los Angeles

Beatlemania just a few months after the band hit its historical breakthrough in the early years of 1964. Six years later, when the band broke up in 1970, Harrison kept on going. He became the first Beatle to tour solo just four years later. He recorded some solo hits and eventually formed a new band with Jeff Lynne, Bob Dylan, Roy Orbison and Tom Petty called the Travelling Wilburys which released its first volume in 1988.

"Growing up I was exposed to a

lot of the Beatles because my parents were really big Beatles fans, it's really apart of my upbringing," remembered 26-year-old Peter Lem, the residence life co-ordinator of Humber Residence. "John Lennon's assassination is still really vivid in my mind, so for me, George Harrison's death represents another tragedy for the group."

For many, the Beatles represent an irreplaceable time period. The '60s were a generation that stood out on

its own, guided by the musical influence of the Beatles.

"His death really marks the end of an era. It kinda makes people realize that a new musical era has begun. It's a good and a bad thing," said Lem.

And time does continue to march on. The band was legendary and Harrison certainly made his mark in time. He was a famous recluse and he will be sorely missed. This rock star may have faded but he won't stop shining.

Top Rentals

The following are the top rentals for the week ending Sunday, Dec. 2, courtesy of Rogers Video.

DVD

1. Planet of the Apes
2. Tomb Raider
3. How the Grinch Stole Christmas
4. America's Sweethearts
5. Swordfish
6. Legally Blonde
7. Shrek
8. Made
9. The Animal
10. Bridget Jones's Diary

VHS

1. Planet of the Apes
2. How the Grinch Stole Christmas
3. America's Sweethearts
4. Tomb Raider
5. Legally Blonde
6. Swordfish
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In Brief

Woodbine fashion shows display Humber talent.

Second year students in the Business Behind the Fashion course are putting on a fashion show this Friday at Woodbine Centre at the corner of Highway 27 and Rexdale Blvd.

The students are organizing the event by gathering retailers to showcase, advertise and even model.

The show starts at 8 p.m. Friday night and is expected to run about two hours.

Rings set to become lord of the box office

By KELLY MACHADO
Et Cetera Staff

Harry Potter's reign as box-office king may be short-term now that Frodo Baggins is coming to town.

J.R.R. Tolkien's timeless epic, *The Fellowship of the Ring*, is being brought to the big screen, and hobbit fans like Sterling Smith, a second-year Humber Computer Technical Support student, can't wait for New Line Cinema's motion picture adaptation, *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*, to hit theatres Dec. 19.

"*Lord of the Rings* is a great series. It's a cult classic for those who believe in the 13th century magic. I have read most of the books, but I have to admit, *Fellowship of the Ring* is the best book there is, and hopefully the movie will keep the magic that the

book has," Smith said.

This part of the trilogy tells the story of a battle against evil that pits a young furry-footed hobbit Frodo Baggins, played by Elijah Wood against Dark Lord Sauron, played Sala Baker.

Frodo has inherited a magic ring from his elderly cousin Bilbo, and the Dark Lord Sauron wants to get the ring so he can enslave the people of Middle Earth.

In his effort to stop Sauron, Frodo recruits a fellowship of friends on a mission to destroy the ring by casting it into the volcanic fires of Mount Doom.

Although the movie isn't due to hit theatres until later this month, the demand for advance orders at select box offices suggests that fans are eagerly awaiting its arrival.

"I've already gone out and pur-

chased tickets for both my brother and I from the box office," said Debbie Cabral, an assistant media buyer. "I was captivated by the book when I read it a few years ago and now I can hardly wait to see how it's been recreated into a movie with the big budget special effects."

"Such anticipation hasn't been seen since *Star Wars: The Phantom Menace* previews. Tickets have already gone on sale and have been selling quite well here," said Abi Farhoudi General Manager of Cineplex Odeon, Eglinton Town Centre.

Although the film is not expected to break the opening day and opening weekend records set by *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, it is anticipated to eventually make more money.

The Fellowship of The Ring, which

has sold more than 50 million copies in 25 languages worldwide since it was first published in 1954, is the template from which almost all subsequent fantasy fiction is created.

Tolkien's work set the mould for the fantasy genre in its creation of an entirely new and believable universe. It gripped generations of readers with its mythic tales of Middle Earth, a timeless realm populated by hobbits, trolls, elves and wizards.

"This movie is for people like me who are in their twenties and up. For those who read about it in high school and remember this imaginative story of a world with its own history," said Justin Shaw, a second year general arts and science student at George Brown College.

"It's a great book and there is no doubt in my mind that the movie will be just as good."

"Although the film's advertising will be accompanied by a warning for battle violence and fantasy horror it will carry the PG rating," Farhoudi said.

"I saw it last night and it was great, but I think the film is unsuitable for kids under eight even if it is rated PG because it could be scary for them due to all the creatures."

According to Smith, "Tolkien didn't just write a wonderful story. He created stunning characters, creatures, lands, customs, legends and an entire world of gods full of magic and knowledge."

The Fellowship of the Ring is the first of a trilogy written, directed, and produced by Peter Jackson.

The two films that will follow this one, *The Two Towers* and *The Return of the King*, will be released in December 2002 and December 2003.

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Celebrities hit the floor for Special Olympics

By MARC MACDONALD
Et Cetera Staff

Family, a good time and a worthy cause; these were all reasons behind the 19th annual Special Olympics Sports Celebrities Festival, which was held yesterday at the Westin Harbour Castle.

It was a star-studded event that was designed to honour over 23,000 Canadians with mental disability, who take part in the Special Olympics program.

The day-long event, which prompted mayor Mel Lastman to proclaim Dec. 5th as Sports Celebrities Festival Day in Toronto, started out with an early morning breakfast, the Darryl Sittler SCF Celebrity/Media Face-Off and closed out with a black tie dinner and auction.

Sittler, Mike "Pinball" Clemons, the WWF's Edge, TSN's Gino Reda and former Olympians Curt Harnett and Marnie McBean, took part in the floor hockey game.

The event, which originated in 1983, has been successful over the years, raising over \$9 million towards the Special Olympics.

Sittler, who got involved in the cause during his tenure with the Leafs, enjoys the events and is happy to bring more awareness to the cause.

"It's always nice to see the excitement and emotion of these athletes, who otherwise might not have this chance. Once I got involved, I saw what a worthy cause this is. The least I can do is help publicize the needs of these athletes," said Sittler, one of the all-time Leaf greats.

Humber College was well represented at the event, as three students took part in the game. Roy Salvaterra, Robyn Lewis and Ryan Zannette all played in the game, as did former Humber graduate Edge.



Marc MacDonald

Humber student Roy Salvaterra (Front) plays goal at the Special Olympics celebrity game against hockey greats Mark Napier and Darryl Sittler

For Salvaterra, the game was a dream come true, as he got to meet some of his favourite celebrities, but for him the most important thing was to have fun.

"It's really exciting for the athletes and their families. I'll never forget meeting guys like Darryl Sittler and

Edge, it's one of the best moments of my life, but the main thing is that we all have fun," said the journalism student.

Such an event could never be successful without the help of a corporate sponsor.

In this instance Subway sandwiches was more than happy to help the cause.

"We're really happy to sponsor this event. In talking to many of the franchises, it is clear that we want to be involved in this cause for years to come. It is just such a good cause and I just love seeing the smiles on the athletes' faces," said Subway representative Bill Anderson.

The floor hockey game featured two teams, which were comprised by a collection of celebrities and Special Olympians. For Orangeville native Edge, whose real name is Adam Copeland, life on the road in the WWF can be very tiring, but he's pleased to be at home and to support this charity.

"It really is a great cause. I mean, seeing the joy that this event brings these kids is all that matters. It sure makes everything else in life seem trivial. This is a good reason to spend some time in Canada. This is the rea-

son I came home," said Copeland, who graduated from Radio Broadcasting while at Humber.

Neil and Carol Lewis are huge supporters of the event. Their daughter Robyn has been participating in sports for over four years. Some weeks she is active as many as five nights a week. The Lewis' say they are grateful for this event.

"This is a great event. Robyn is so into these events that it makes it all worthwhile when they hold something like this. It means so much to the kids. We're both so proud of Robyn," Mrs. Lewis said.

One of the most popular celebrities on hand at the event was "Pinball", a man who is always involved in charitable causes. For him the event is about the athletes, but allows the community to become stronger.

"To me this is the essence of who we are as people. I don't look at myself as a celebrity. I see myself as an excellent opportunity to share values and build a stronger community. I love being out there," said Clemons, who on Tuesday received the Order of Ontario.

The key to the annual event is to

raise awareness for Special Olympians, and with all of the media on hand, there's no doubt that the festivities will be well publicized.

For TSN announcer, Reda, the event is about more than doing his job. It's about recognizing the perseverance shown by the athletes.

"Special Olympics has long been one of TSN's favourite charities.

"We want to raise the public's awareness of these events. If we can raise more money for these athletes then that's great, because these are great athletes. Canada is one of the strongest nations in the Special Olympics, so it's great for the public to get an idea of what it's all about," Reda said.

This year's event was, once again, a success. The festivities culminated at the dinner and auction, where several athletes were recognized for their outstanding achievements as Special Olympians.

Andrea Downey, who has participated for 14 years, was honoured as the 2001 Special Olympics Female Athlete of the Year.

Sandy Morrison, who has been involved for 12 years, was awarded with the 2001 Special Olympics Male Athlete of the Year.



Marc MacDonald

Bagpipers open up the Special Olympics hockey game. Humber was represented by three players and graduate WWF Superstar, Edge.

OCAA Basketball

Men's Central	GP	W	L	T	D	PTS
Humber Hawks	5	4	1	0	0	8
Sheridan Bruins	4	2	2	0	0	4
George Brown Huskies	3	3	0	0	0	6
Seneca Sting	3	1	2	0	0	2
Centennial Colts	4	1	3	0	0	2
Mohawk Mountaineers	3	0	3	0	0	0
Women's-Central	GP	W	L	T	D	PTS
Seneca Sting	4	4	0	0	0	8
Durham Lords	2	2	0	0	0	4
Humber Hawks	3	2	1	0	0	4
Georgian Grizzlies	3	2	1	0	0	4
Jain Thunder	3	1	2	0	0	2
Loyalist Lancers	4	1	3	0	0	2
George Brown Huskies	5	0	5	0	0	0

Volleyball

Men's Central	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	PTS
Seneca Sting	8	7	1	23	3	14
Humber Hawks	5	4	1	14	5	8
Sheridan Bruins	6	4	2	13	8	8
Cambrian Golden Shield	6	2	4	6	13	4
Georgian Grizzlies	6	2	4	2	13	4
Boreal Vipers	7	0	7	1	21	0
Women's-Central	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	PTS
Cambrian Golden Shield	5	5	0	15	1	10
Humber Hawks	5	4	1	13	3	9
Sheridan Bruins	5	4	1	12	9	8
Seneca Sting	6	3	3	9	10	6
Georgian Grizzlies	6	2	4	8	14	4
Centennial Colts	4	0	4	4	12	0
Boreal Vipers	5	0	5	3	15	0

Hockey

	GP	W	L	T	OL	PTS
St. Clair Saints	6	5	1	0	0	10
Humber Hawks	6	4	2	0	0	8
Conestoga Condors	7	4	3	0	0	8
Seneca Sting	6	3	0	0	0	6
Cambrian Golden Shield	6	1	4	1	0	3
St. Lawrence Saints	5	0	4	1	0	1

Hawks lose title rematch

By MARC MACDONALD
Et Cetera Staff

In a battle of collegiate basketball titans, the Sheridan Bruins left Humber College with a victory over the host Hawks.

This was a night devoted to showcasing basketball. Not only did the Hawks and Bruins mix it up, but the finals of the Humber High School Classic was held as the finale for the evening.

One of the most sought after prospects ever to come out of Canada,

Denham Brown and his West Hill Warriors took on grade ten phenom Nathan Skinner and the St. Mike's Blue Raiders in the final.

What was a highly anticipated match up began with Humber falling behind early as Sheridan played with poise on offence. Vance King and Hugh Bent were hot early, raining three-pointers on the Hawks.

Bent staked Sheridan to a 31-18 lead when he nailed a three-pointer with four minutes remaining in the first half. Humber responded by going on a 9-2 run to close out the half

trailing 33-27.

Humber carried the home court momentum into the locker room.

Both teams traded baskets early in the second half, but Humber couldn't come back.

After a couple of costly turnovers, the jam-packed gym started to rock.

The game took on a playoff like atmosphere.

In the last nine minutes, Sheridan went on a tear, pulling away from the Hawks to win by a score of 80-62.

The high scorers for Sheridan were Bent with 23 points and point guard

Elvis Dennis who chipped in with 18 points. Fitzroy Woolery netted 18 points for the Hawks in a losing cause.

Sheridan coach Jim Flack said he was happy to win on Humber's court, but warns against counting out Humber as a contending team in Ontario.

"It's nice to win here at Humber, but it's still early in the season. Humber will be twenty points better in January. The key for us will be to be twenty points better ourselves. I thought our guys did a pretty good job tonight, but we can still improve on some things," Flack said.

Though he admits the game was important, Humber coach Mike Katz says he didn't prepare any differently for the game and was satisfied with his team's play.

He pointed to the inexperience of the Hawks team, as having an effect on the outcome of the game.

"After reviewing the game tape, I didn't think we played that badly. Obviously we lost to a good team, but we don't have to change much. We have to get better at doing what we do within the system. I think we can narrow the gap between us (and Sheridan). We're a different team. They have four guys who started in the nationals last year, we have none. That's a factor," Katz said.

The final of the high school tournament showcased a great individual match-up, pitting Brown, who has been highly scouted by American colleges, and Skinner, who has caught the eye of some who feel that he will be the next great player to come through Toronto high school basketball.



Rosalind Horne

Humber Hawks Dejvis Begaj (31) and MarK Damon(33) playing in a game last week were on the losing end of a game between the Hawks and their archrivals. Humber will play in the Seneca Tournament Dec. 19

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Lady Hawks skin Vipéres, lose first match to Cambrian

By AMANDA DA PONTE
Et Cetera Staff

The women's volleyball team broke even in Sudbury last weekend when they won at Boreal but lost the match to the first place Cambrian Golden Shield.

The Hawks played the Boreal Vipéres in their first of two back-to-back games keeping their winning streak alive at four matches and two sets.

The first set was an easy 25-9 victory, but the second set saw Boreal play tough and made winning a harder task for Humber.

The Vipéres jumped to a 13-8 lead on Humber, prompting a time-out by coach Chris Wilkins. It seemed to

help as they came out of it with a bang getting a five-point run to tie it up before Boreal regained the lead.

Humber tied the score at 21, and went on to a 25-22 win.

The third set, much like the second, had Boreal take a big lead, 5-0. Humber would then get eight points in a row and the lead would be theirs for good as they won 25-16.

Boreal played a good match and Hawk Kimberly Frame credits Boreal with having "heart" on their side.

"Probably a lot of heart," she said. "They might not be the best team in the league, but they come out every game as if they are."

Cambrian managed to shield the female Hawks from their fifth consecutive match victory as the Hawks

would get the first set but would then lose the next three.

The first set win didn't come easily as it was interrupted by a 45 minute blackout delay with Cambrian up by one (15-14).

The break seemed to do well for Humber, as they came out of the delay with a five-point run giving them the lead. The final score would be a close 25-22.

The second set was more than a loss on the scoreboard for the Hawks as Alexandra Romano went down hard, landing the wrong way after jumping up to make a play causing her to injure her knee.

Despite being handed its first loss of the season, Frame said she has seen a difference in Humber's communication from game to game.

"We're communicating a lot more and the team's trying to focus more on working towards a common goal, which is winning and being in the number one position for the playoffs."

Though the next two sets would be close, many times going point-for-point, the Hawks lost the match in four sets. Many Hawks' players questioned the officiating en route to the loss.

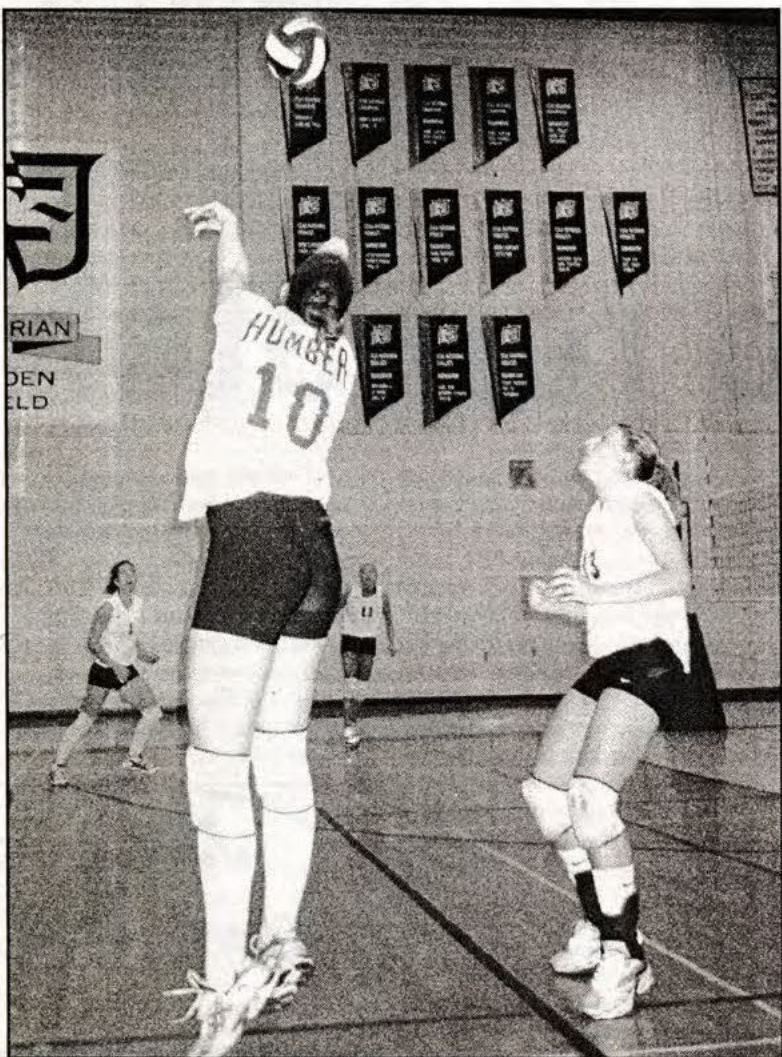
"The officiating was definitely against our team," said Krista Schaff. "But normally we shouldn't let games get close enough to allow the referee to judge whether we win or lose."

Schaff said streaky play may have also contributed to a Hawks loss.

"We got into too many lows," she said. "We'd play really strong and take the lead and then we'd give them a few more points at a time. We have to minimize their points."

Schaff said the Hawks will do some significant work on free ball passing during practices until their game versus Sheridan Dec. 6.

"Definitely a lot of free ball passing for Sheridan. They're not a very strong team, so we should get a lot of free balls from them," she said. "Also, we need to pick up our defence. When we have our defence then we can run our offence."



Amanda Da Ponte

Laura Solski awaits the pass from Carrie Moffat in action last weekend

Hawks dig a pair of wins

By CHRISTINA WIENECKE
Et Cetera Staff

The Humber Hawks Men's volleyball team played to expectations last weekend as they shut out both the Boreal Vipéres and Cambrian Golden Shield.

On Friday, Humber beat the Vipéres, winning the first three sets by scores of 25-16, 25-14 and 25-19. Saturday the Hawks triumphed over Cambrian, winning 25-23, 23-22 and 25-19.

"On Saturday we played an opponent (Cambrian) who beat Sheridan and Sheridan beat us," said head coach Wayne Wilkins. "We played

consistent and aggressive. We served well, passed well and stuck to the game plan."

Wilkins credits both David Blackmore Aalto and Mike Fogarty for their excellent play throughout the weekend.

"We played well and we won three straight. Our passing and hitting are improving, but we still have to work on it a lot more," said veteran Hawk Bobby Randhawa.

Mike Grayer, who has been out for a month already with a torn knee cartilage, awaits surgery next Friday. Recovery will take anywhere from two to three weeks. Grayer described his absence from the team as "heart-

breaking" but he hopes to return after the Christmas holidays.

The men will play next at home on Dec. 8 against Boreal.



Amanda Da Ponte

Bart Babij helped set up a couple weekend victories for the Hawks

etc.

Rudi! Rudi! Rudi! Rudi!



Rudi Schuller

The new "Pro-Stars"?

The Spanish soccer league has suspended Sevilla midfielder Francisco Gallardo for "nibbling" on teammate Jose Antonio Reyes' genitalia after Reyes had scored a goal.

While I think General Mills will never let Gallardo appear on the cover of a "Wheaties" box, perhaps they should make a cereal just for him. They can call it "Fellati-O's".

Group F'd

Authorities in England are considering a proposal that would allow pubs to serve alcohol as early as 8 a.m. this summer, so that hooligans - er, fans - of England's soccer team can gather at their local watering hole and cheer on the lads at the upcoming World Cup in Korea and Japan, which are seven hours ahead of London time.

After last Saturday's draw that puts England in Group 'F' with Argentina (two-time champs and current favourites), Sweden (undefeated against England for over 33 years), and Nigeria (1996 Olympic champs), perhaps an early morning pint or six will be just what the doctor ordered.

Memories of Super Bowl Failures

Remember those annoying Buffalo Bills campaigns in the early 90's, the ones that encouraged Bills fans to "Strive for Five" (Super Bowl appearances)?

Well, after Sunday's 35-0 loss to the 49ers - which lowered Buffalo's season record to 1-10 - the Bills will surely be striving for five. Points in a single game, that is.

Hard Luckett

NFL official Phil Luckett is on pace to become the worst referee in sports history.

So far, he has: screwed up a coin flip (in that U.S. Thanksgiving Day game a few years back) ... called the ball in the end zone when it really was Vinnie Testaverde's helmet... ruled on the "Music City Miracle" call against the Bills.

Over the weekend, Luckett broke up a sure touchdown for the New Orleans Saints with his head, which is just about the only time he's ever used that part of his body during a game.

Sergeant Shaq

Shaquille O'Neal is using his time between games to train with the LAPD. Shaq has said that he would like to become a policeman once his basketball career is over.

I always thought Shaq was more suited to construction work. With all the bricks he puts up from the free-throw line, he could probably house the world's homeless population all by himself.

Now serving Number 69...

The Raptors set a franchise low when they scored a mere nine points in the fourth quarter in their 85-69 loss to the Boston Celtics - who only had 12 in the final frame themselves - last Sunday.

A team that boasts superstar Vince Carter, future hall-of-famer Hakeem Olajuwon, 2001 All-Star Antonio Davis, and the deepest bench in the NBA should not be limiting themselves to only 69, especially when Portland's Shawn Kemp - father of nine children from seven different women - already holds exclusive NBA rights to that number.

Christmas Wishes

I bet Mario Lemieux - and the guys in charge of the Canadian Olympic Hockey team - are asking Santa for a new hip in his stocking this year.

Athletes of the week



Miranda Pyette

Miranda was the leading scorer with 20 points for the women's basketball team in a 63-56 loss to Seneca last week.

Pyette who has consistently been one of Humber's top players and is currently second in league scoring, averaging 21.3 points per game.



Jason Fortier

Jason led the hockey team with four points in a pair of weekend games against the league leading St. Clair Saints.

The Hawks split the two games with the Saints taking the first game 4-3 and Humber winning the second 5-4.

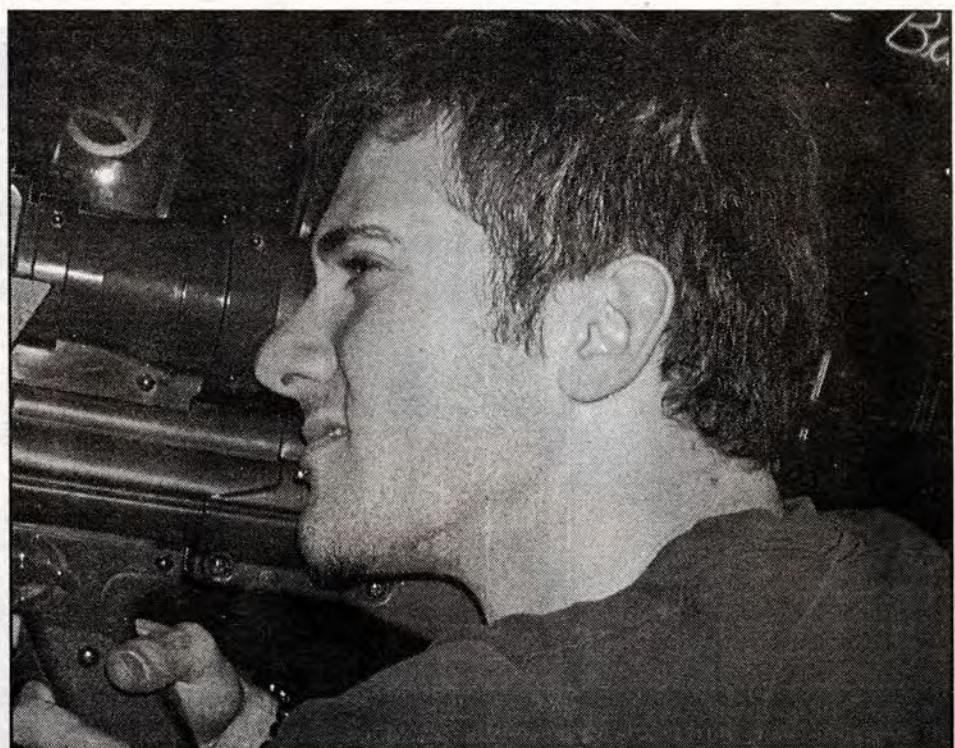
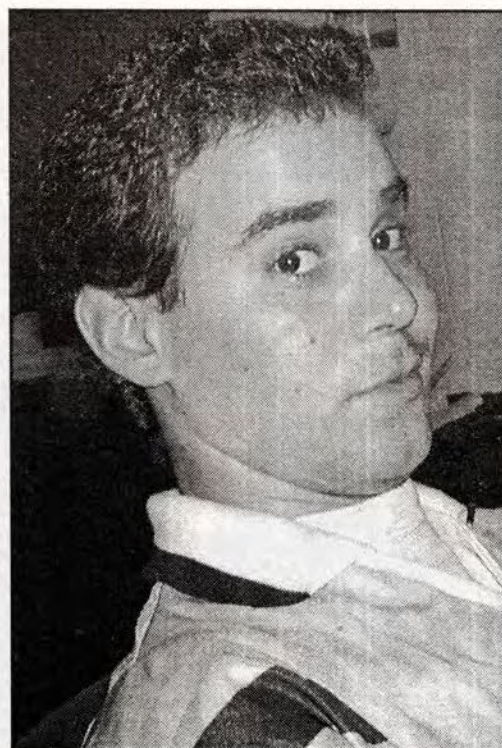
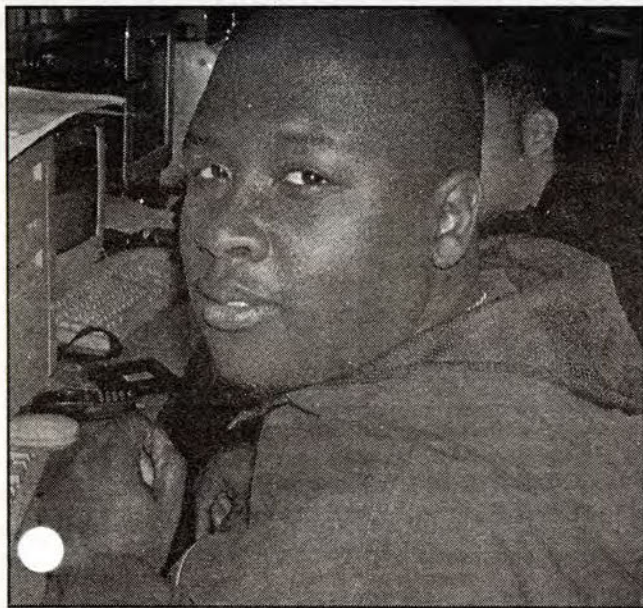
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The last issue of the Et Cetera is here, and the staff are saying farewell. from back left to front right, they are:

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Melanie Butera - Strawberry! You make a mean egg

Brett Clarkson - Lock up your daughters, Clarkson's in the house.

Charlotte Brown (not shown) - Quark Wizard

