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Humber over the top

College's top-heavy administration draws fire from faculty union

by Jennifer Oxley
News Reporter

Humber College has more administrators than any other college in Ontario, but President Robert Gordon said all of them are needed.

Gordon told *Et Cetera* Humber has more administrators simply because of its size.

"We are a multi-campus college with more programs than any other college," he said. "We need a large administration."

Faculty union president Maureen Wall disagreed strongly with Gordon's assessment.

"All the colleges are multi-campus and some have campuses that are further afield," she said. "I don't buy that argument at all."

"I don't think having more pro-

grams necessarily means you need more administrators."

According to a chart in the faculty union newsletter, Humber had 122 administrators in September of this year. The next closest college is Seneca with 111 administrators.

Cuts to administration were made in almost all Ontario colleges in the last year.

Gordon said the high number of administrators is not a case of making cuts to some areas in order to maintain the area of administration.

"There is a lowering of the numbers of all staff across the board," Gordon said.

Wall agreed staff numbers have been reduced, but insisted faculty have borne the majority of cuts.

"Close to 60 faculty positions have been lost in the past year," she said. "I've said from the beginning that the last thing they should cut is the classroom."

Gordon said the college has done everything it can to preserve faculty positions. "We have as many teachers as we possibly can."

He also said colleges with a smaller student population can afford to make cuts to the administration, but it is more difficult for a larger school like Humber.

Nonetheless, he said progress has been made to reduce administrative numbers.

"We have far fewer administra-

tors than we used to have," Gordon said.

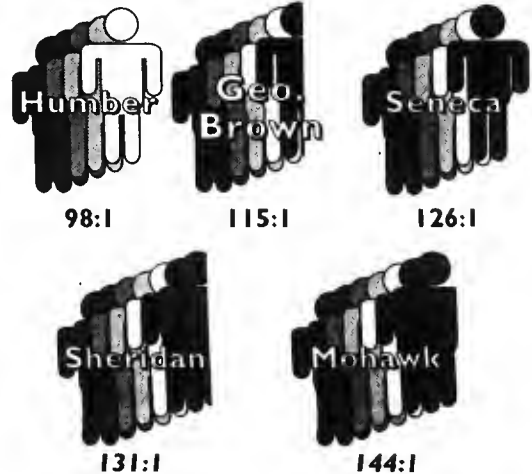
Wall, however, said she believes not enough has been done.

"It's easy to save money by chopping faculty and support staff positions," she said. "It seems to me the college is taking the easy way out."

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SAC BOG Residence Lakeshore

College predicts cuts

by Victoria Jackson
News Reporter

Humber College is anticipating a smaller cut to its budget than last year, but will have to wait until the real numbers are in.

Richard Hook, vice-president of academics, said the college is optimistic about this round of cuts.

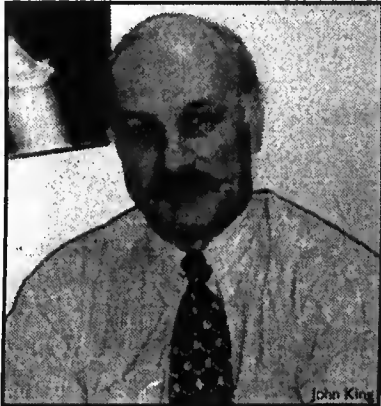
"Humber is concluding that the cut will be five per cent or less," said Hook. "We're going ahead with planning with that number."

That five per cent cut is compared with last year's 13 per cent.

Hook added if the estimate isn't high enough "we'll be in trouble," but said the college needs a plan so that possibility is on the back burner for now.

The college expected to have the numbers from the government by Christmas, but now may have to wait until early February.

Rod Rork, the vice-president of administration, said the government hit the community colleges hard last year.



Richard Hook, VP of academics.

"We are looking for about 40 per cent of the reduction that we incurred last year. There may be some services that have to be reduced, but not like last year," said Rork.

Hook said the college has done a lot of budget planning and a few programs will be affected.

"We'll be suspending intakes of new students in the retail management program and the cosmetics portion of the fashion program," said Hook.

Rork said the college cancels or alters programs based on enrolment levels and the demand for jobs.

"If there is low demand and low employment then the program probably isn't needed," said Rork. "But we have a fairly healthy process for launching new programs."

Hook also said the college hopes to launch 16 new programs, including videography and wireless communication.

"We don't want to short-change the students," said Hook.

He added most of the plans being made are to give students better service.

"We want to ease the problems with overcrowding. We're moving a lot of students down to Lakeshore, but that won't affect students here now," he said.

Hook said the college has set aside over \$3 million for restructuring.

"We'll manage," he said.

BOG chair disagrees with college strategy

by Sean Hamilton
News Reporter

Board of Governors Chair Michael Lishnak said he is glad Humber's administration is planning for a five per cent decrease in the education budget, but doesn't believe letting the government know their intentions is a good idea.

Lishnak said by admitting the college can work with a five per cent decrease in its budget, it is telling the government they might be able to find room for more cuts.

"It's like buying a car. If you walk in and ask, 'How much is this Corvette', and the guy says 'How much can you pay?' As long as your number is more than the asking price he will say, 'Fine that's what you can pay,'" said Lishnak. "There is no chance to bargain. They dictate. We can't let them know what we can give up."

Lishnak would not comment on what he thinks the worst possible scenario could be for Humber, but said he thinks cuts will be minimal.

"Last year's cuts were really tough to handle... It would be hard to imagine or contemplate a cut of such magnitude again. I could not visualize a reduction in our budget of anything of more than a one per cent or a per cent and a half."

Lishnak said roughly one-third of Ontario's colleges went into a deficit position last year and colleges simply couldn't afford anything more than a "token per cent."

"The reaction was so bad last year, and so many colleges went into deficit, it has to ring a bell for the government."

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Club targets waste

Amount of garbage down, but club wants Humber to recycle even more

by Denise Lockhart
News Reporter

The head of Humber's Environmental Club held a meeting last week to discuss recycling alternatives with a 20-member group including staff, students and residence representatives.

The club decided although the amount of waste coming out of Humber College's North campus is down by 28 per cent since the recycling program was introduced, they are not going to stop there.

Janice Flynn, superintendent of site management, taught the Environmental Club about recycling at Humber.

"We recycle a lot of things that people are not aware of, things like wood, scrap metal and even old computers are taken by recycling firms," said Flynn.

Flynn also said Humber would like to have recycling bins in every classroom but it could become a "housekeeping nightmare" trying to collect it.

Blue boxes are hard to find and would cost \$5 to \$10. They were given out for free when the program first started.

"We just spent \$2,000 to buy



Humber's Environmental Club has its sights on the college's recycling.

new glass-bottle recycling bins for each floor in residence. We thought they would be a good idea because of the vertical shape," said Derek Maharaj, manager of Humber's student residence.

"We find that the normal recycling bins get stolen from the floors at the end of the year when students are moving out, but these bins would be obvious if someone was trying to steal them."

Maharaj also said the recycling program in residence needs some improvement.

Many ideas were brought up at the environmental meeting.

Tracy Boyer, president of the Environment Club, said, "It would be great if everyone that was planning to eat in the cafeteria got to eat on real plates and those stu-

dents that were taking their meals up to their rooms would get polystyrene."

Club vice-President Chad Schoppel suggested a \$10 fee to buy a dish set for every resident.

However, Don Henriques, manager of the residence cafeteria, said that would be difficult.

"The cafeteria was originally built to service only 300 people. We don't have the washers to clean the dishes of 735 students who live here," said Henriques.

The club arranged an environmental day in residence when students were urged to bring their own dishes and utensils to the cafeteria.

People who did were entered in a draw for a chance to win a 16-piece dish set.

Life as SAC prez...

by Renae Jarrett
News Reporter

Students' Association Council President Steve Virtue is a glutton for punishment.

Despite having to work long hours, sit on various boards and committees, this part-time student said he wants more.

In fact, he wouldn't have it any other way.

"I love the job," said Virtue. "If I could come back for another term, I'd cherish it. I'd love to come back."

With only one semester left in his presidency, Virtue said he has learned more than how to use time effectively: he's learned how to be an entrepreneur.

"This whole year has been a lesson in a lot of different areas in terms of managing a business," said Virtue. "I've never had to just do that on my own before, and I don't say that I do it now on my own."

"But I guess when you're the one that gets the final say on most things, it's a little bit [of] a different perspective on how you look at things."

Virtue added as president he has also gotten to see first-hand what life in politics would be like.

"It's given me a great insight into that," he said.

Another issue of a political nature that taught Virtue a few things was the Days of Action protest, after which SAC considered suing the faculty union.

Virtue said he does not regret SAC's decision to issue such a threat. In fact, he said it may have done some good.

"If we had an effect on one faculty member, if we had an effect on any one individual that was thinking about taking the day off, and they didn't, I think we did a good job."

One of the reasons the protest was such an important issue to Virtue was that he sees education as a priority for those who have the power to make a difference.

Currently, Virtue is working with Durham, Centennial, and Northern Colleges in order to address some of the problems in the education system and discuss how those involved in governing schools can solve those problems.

"I think a lot of times people on the 22nd floor don't understand really what problems the people on the first floor are dealing with," said Virtue.

"And it's people that are somewhere around the fifth floor or second floor or 10th floor that have a greater understanding ... because they deal with those people on a daily basis," he said.

Virtue said SAC and Humber's administration have developed a "mature, very workable" relationship.

"I think in the past you might not have had that relationship because people looked at student government's agendas and [thought there were] all kinds of hidden agenda things," said Virtue.

With a budget of \$680,000 for



Steve Virtue takes a minute off from the hectic schedule of SAC prez.

the year, SAC has not only been looking to spend, but to cut costs.

"There's all kinds of things that we can do in terms of cutting out ... the silly stuff in our budget that people sort of wonder about," said Virtue.

"We're all making a conscious effort to be a little bit more responsible."

What Virtue does want to limit, though, are the big band presentations that come with a big price tag.

"We did The Watchmen as sort of a frosh week thing, but I think we're going to try and stay away from those," he said.

"I know somebody on Council

wanted to get The Tragically Hip, but they realized they'd cost about \$150,000 to get in, and they weren't terribly excited about it anymore considering that would be a quarter of our budget."

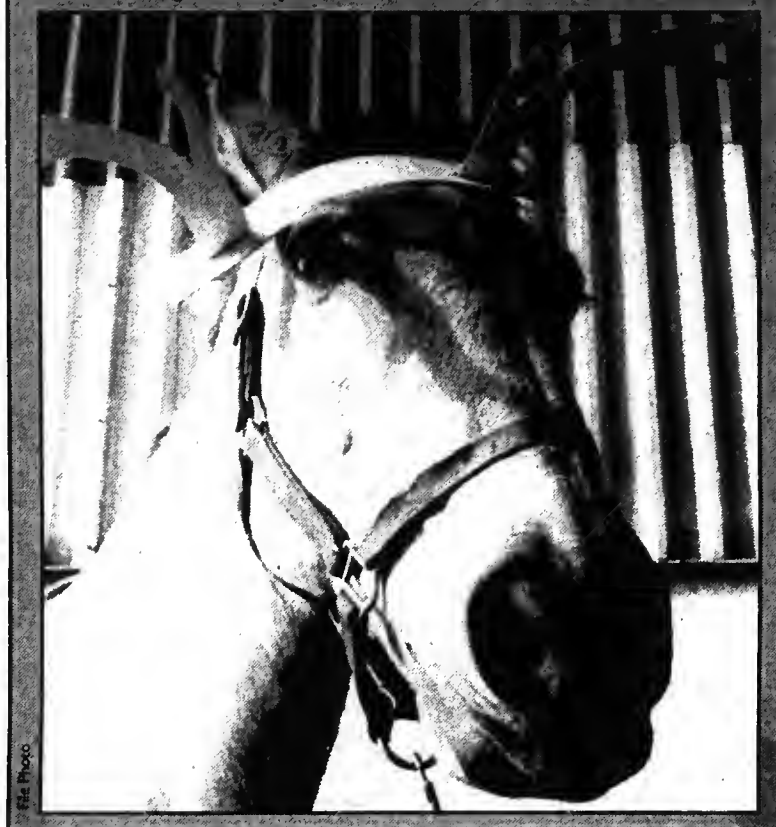
And while last year's SAC paid \$7,000 for Colin James, The Watchmen only cost half that.

Overall, Virtue said his council has done a great job for their first semester.

However, he knows there is more that can still be done.

"I think we've done a lot of good things, but I think there's still more we could do in terms of helping out the student body," he said.

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Yes, Humber, there is a Santa

Is there really a Santa Claus? That is the age-old question so many people ask when Christmas time approaches.

Well, Et Cetera would like to shed a little light on the situation of jolly old St. Nicholas and his flying reindeer once and for all.

According to journalist Robert Sullivan and his new book *Flight of the Reindeer* there is a Santa Claus. His book has various pictures, one of which appears to be a clouded object with legs and antlers soaring through the sky. Reindeer? Maybe.

Still need more proof? Well, there are 300,000 unidentified species inhabiting the world. Who knows? One of them just might be the rare "flying reindeer."

However, there is still a great deal of skepticism to be overcome.

There are about two billion children in the world. That's a lot of kids to be delivering gifts to, but due to different religious beliefs, Santa doesn't visit the houses of all children. Thus Santa's visits 378 million.

There are about 91.8 million homes on Earth. Santa has, in total, 31 hours to work in, thanks to all the different time zones. That means (assuming there is one good child in each household) he has 822.6 visits to make each second. Why, Santa has oodles of time to park the sleigh, climb down the chimney, eat his chocolate chip cookies, stuff his stockings and deliver his gifts to all those children - a thousandth of a second, to be precise.

Finally, for Santa to make it around the world in those 31 hours and deliver his goodies, he and his reindeer must travel over one thousand kilometres per second, which is only 3,000 times faster than the speed of sound. Not a problem, right?

Well, not a problem for Santa anyway. And it never will be. Despite all the arguing and evaluations and questions, Santa Claus, St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle or whoever the jolly man in the fuzzy, red suit is, exists - in the hearts of the children at Christmas time. And guaranteed he will always dazzle the little ones and bring laughter to the faces of people young and old.

Buzz bugged by bothersome feds

Canadian Auto Workers union President Buzz Hargrove has been a great big stick in the mud during recent negotiations with Canadian Airlines. All other unions have agreed to a pay cut in order to keep the airline flying, but CAW refuses.

Whether you agree with Hargrove's hardline stance or not, you have to respect his right to make it. Sure, he's being obstinate, but what union isn't when dealing with management?

But now the federal government has stepped in and ordered the matter to a vote by CAW members, effectively cutting Hargrove off at the knees.

This is nothing more than an attempt to score some cheap political points with the public by undermining the bargaining process.

Sure, Canadians aren't exactly thrilled with unions these days, but the government isn't going to curry any favor by interfering in workers' right to get the best deal for themselves they can.

Perhaps Chretien and friends would be better off sticking to politics and leave the deal-making to those who know what they're doing.

Lean, mean, green machine

A round of applause for Humber's Environmental Club. In its first few weeks, this club is on the right track to making Humber greener.

The group has been successful in getting representatives from the student body, residence cafeteria, and the administration of both the residence and college to sit down and talk about one of the most neglected issues on campus. Recycling.

While students need to be involved, the care of our environment shouldn't be left to them alone, and so Humber needs to listen up.

Every day at Humber, countless recyclable materials are tossed in the trash. In Rez, residents are notorious for throwing polystyrene and other recyclable material in the trash, neglecting the recycling bins sitting right beside garbage cans.

While Humber must be congratulated for the recycling facilities that do exist, there are weak points. More recycling containers are needed. Funding must be made available, and signs posted to clearly show what is reusable and what isn't. And common sense doesn't hurt either. There's no excuse today for not knowing aluminum, polystyrene, and many plastics don't go to the landfill.

To the Environmental Club: keep it up. You've got a big job ahead of you.

PRESIDENT GORDON, HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO ALLEGATIONS THAT HUMBER HAS FAR TOO MANY ADMINISTRATORS?

WELL I THINK IT'S LUDICROUS, BUT I'D LIKE TO REFER THIS QUESTION TO MY 3 BROTHERS-IN-LAW, THE CO-ORDINATORS OF HUMBER URINAL PUCKS.



Oh Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree

Oh Tannenbaum - Oh Tannenbaum - how absurd have we become!

The sight of recently-sawn baby fir trees strapped to the rooftops of automobiles is familiar yet strange. They are grown for 12 years only to live out their last days in a gaudy uniform of tinsel and ornaments, glowing with multi-colored bulbs in the corner of a living room, standing guard over a pile of brightly-wrapped packages awaiting a frenzy of giving and receiving.

Evergreen trees were used by the ancient Egyptians, Chinese and Hebrews as symbols for eternal life. Tree worship was also common among the pagan Europeans, and survived after their conversion to Christianity. The modern tree as we know it was used as a prop in a medieval German play about Adam and Eve. The play used a fir tree hung with apples to represent the paradise tree in the Garden of Eden. German settlers brought it to North America and by the 19th century it was all the rage.

One million real trees will be consumed by Ontario residents to satisfy the Christmas hunger. Hubert Will, an Ontario Christmas tree grower, values the market at over \$25 million. Trees are also shipped to western provinces and down south for homesick travellers to adore.

We tend to opt for the dead variety of tree and have an obvious disdain for palm trees. What happens to all these baby trees when we are finished ridiculing them? Craig Bartlett, coordinator of material recycling for the City of Toronto, says the trees are chipped for parks or used as compost.

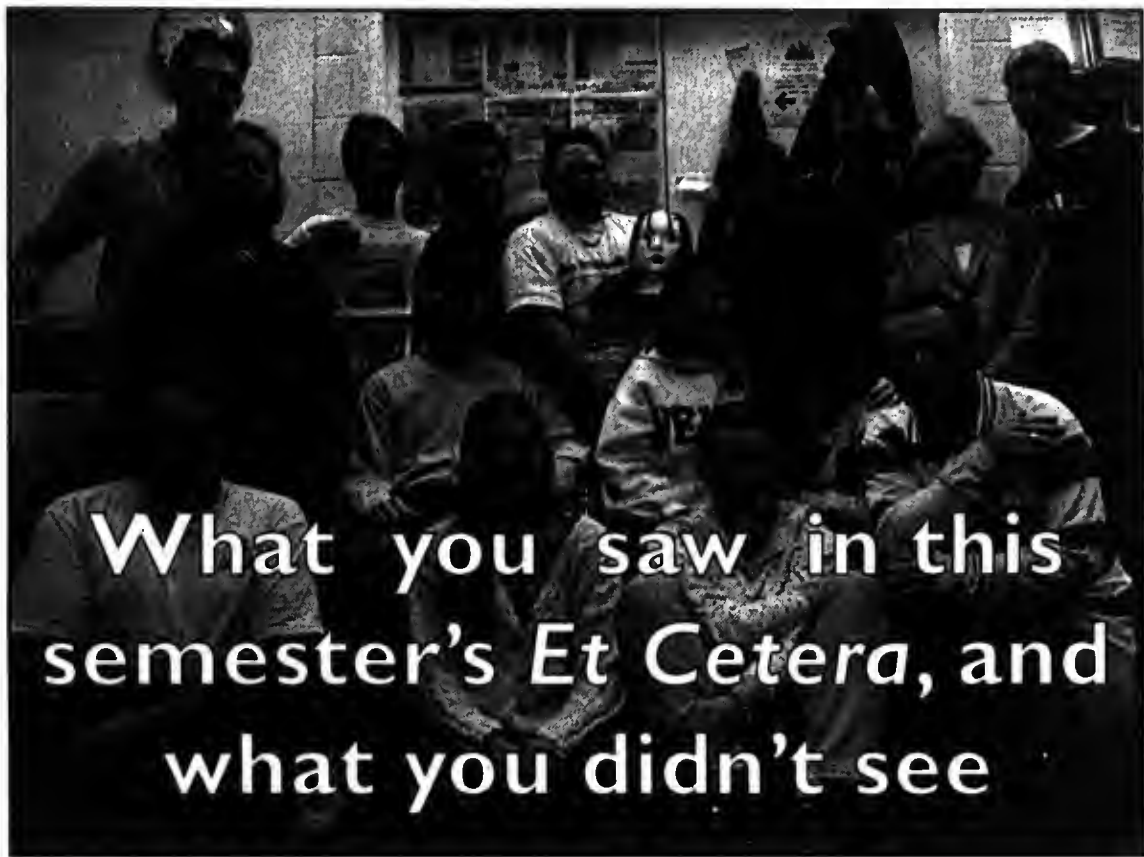
The Christmas tree has a sad ending for a few weeks of pagan ritual.

Old habits die hard and the civilized human will always love the look of a tree. Dead or alive.

Ian C. Karleff
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Have A Safe Holiday And
 A Happy New Year

From the staff at Humber Et Cetera



by Cliff Boodoosingh

You were all dazzled by brilliant feature sections organized by Patti Enright.

Patti's versatility was unmatched with excellent contributions in Lifestyles and Tech sections ... But what you didn't see was the root of her success - a diet of trail mix and venison chili. Patti is the only person I know who despairs over not being able to get a hold of good pemmican these days.

You were amazed by the look of this semester's *Et Cetera* and if you weren't, get your eyes tested. This was largely the handiwork of Matt "Gimme Luscious Fever" Blackett. As with all artists, Matt had a tendency to go over the edge occasionally. During the oddest moments Matt would ad lib stand-ups impersonating certain Humber staff and do impromptu break dance sequences like the kids in *Fame* used to do. You know what? Matt will live forever.

You were treated to an eyeful of excellent photographs by camera guru Bob Salverda, resident grunge-meister. Bob's dream is "getting good shots of Bono Vox and shit" and meeting Starkist's Charlie the Tuna.

You were wired and mesmerized with our online version put together by Jason "Just Chillin', Foo" Chiles. We don't know what he was doing alone back there but the online version came together like magic. Jason's scorching work made you think he disengaged off the face of the sun, because I have never seen one person drink so many 72 oz. Cokes. Totally out of line.

You were impressed by a consistent and highly interesting selection of Lifestyles stories this semester. Sophie Thompson was the steadfast anchor of the section. One has to be in awe of the fact that Sophie tolerated a daily onslaught of jabs about the new film *Sophie's Choice* featuring Ernest Borgnine as the distraught Sophie. Sophie may well have to undergo psychological counselling

after being corrupted by "sex, sex, sex and more sex" discussions delivered primarily by the Entertainment and Opinion sections.

Speaking of sex, you were intrigued and informed by our policy-making editorials and enlightened by the commentary provided in this section. Hats off - and handcuffs and earmuffs on - to Managing Editor Shannon Williams for swinging sessions and off-the-wall raunchy humor that would make Dr. Ruth blush.

You were tantalized by our Silver Sow award-winning Sports section largely because of Pam "You call that a slapshot?" Fawcett. Pam's shot wasn't the only thing exposed. Easy. I was referring to some of the pickup lines that didn't make the *Et Cetera* column.

Sports' right-handed man Derek Lacroix takes a well-deserved bow as well. The "Wax my Miami Dolphin" maniac takes the cake for a gut-churning, air-drilling and bone-chilling rendition of "Like A Rhinestone Cowboy," which woke up the newsroom on many a Monday.

You were kept abreast of the latest in Tech in fine fashion by Sean McGrillen, who later beefed up the presence of the News section. You weren't, however, party to bowling's answer to Mike Tyson. Sean's terror on the lanes caused 10 pins to cry out in pain and eventually surrender once he picked up the bowling ball.

You were privileged to read error-free (for the most part) and stylistically clean copy thanks to the technical finesse of Luke "Don't call me Babe" Hendry. You missed Luke's morale-building certificates of ill repute: the Totally Mental Award (guess who?), the Wannabeatle Award (who else?), and the Sucka MCs Beware Award. You had to be there. By the way, Luke, your green pen bit the biscuit.

Despite the "yesterday's news tomorrow" criticisms, *Et Cetera* succeeded in delivering the news you needed because of the dedi-

cation to that department of present head honcho Travis Mealing. What might have escaped you was Travis took the C-3PO clone award in our *Star Wars*-type casting of newsroom staff.

Though no R2D2, talented Trish Wilkinson emerged as an *Et Cetera* star brightening the front pages week-in and week-out. Trish's ability to take the piss off glowing Q&A specialists with the charm only she possesses was a sight to behold. Though we can't prove it, we have reason to believe Trish has an enlarged version of the Watchmen Q&A (Sept. 19 blockbuster) placed prominently on her bedroom wall next to her velvet Duchovny poster.

And finally the Entertainment Dream Team.

Sarah Jones made her presence known with meticulous work early on and continued with stellar contributions in Lifestyles. Her presence was also felt during joke-cracking episodes when Jonesey's infectious laugh took command of the moment.

You know all those funky cut-lines and beatific headlines that made your eyes pop? Courtesy of "Oasis cravin', Q&A seekin'" Jason Hopps, who had the *Et Cetera* helm the first two months and promoted himself to Entertainment editor in the second half. Hopps, a man of hidden talents, took the bowling night by storm with three consecutive strikes, and savored a cold Heineken or six as reward.

Lastly, some words from me about me. Headline talkin', brown-pop worshipping, and trip-pin' off BBQ chips in my continuous pursuit of happiness (and Entertainment): So long, suckas. I'm leaving with a tear in my eye, a lump in my throat, a brown pop in my hand, and an after-dinner pinner on my lips.

What you did see was arguably the best college paper in Canada. What you didn't see was this talented and inspired troop faltering at any time in bringing you the best damn paper in the shooting match.

Varsity Rag

notable news from other schools

Sheridan College

Computer theft at Sheridan College is causing students grief. Now students have restricted access to the computer labs and new magnetic access cards to gain entry into the rooms. But, like the computers, the cards are being stolen.

Queen's University

Will Queen's faculty go on strike? The latest bulletin from the Queen's University Faculty Association warns of "job action up to a legal strike" if an agreement is not reached with Queen's administration soon. But the association president cautioned that it is still too early to tell.

University of Regina

A group students took their demands for a tuition freeze to the steps of the Saskatchewan Legislature this week. However, most students either chose to stay in class or were simply disillusioned about the potential for success with the protest. The students protested outside the provincial capital asking the government to quit burdening students with high tuition.

York University

The Walrus, Stong College's newspaper and a tradition at the college since 1970, is negotiating to keep its facilities intact. The paper's editors have threatened to resign if the York University Student Athletic Association and York's sports administration group take over most of the paper's office space.

THE BOTTOM LINES

Ernest Hemingway on limitations in *A Moveable Feast*

The only thing that could spoil a day was people and if you could keep from making engagements, each day had no limits. People were always limiters of happiness except for the very few that were as good as spring itself.

What's Humber's logo all about?

Not very many people know exactly what the Humber College logo is and where it came from.

According to a pamphlet from the president's office, here's the scoop.

The Humber College symbol followed the latest concept in design.

The school called for something bold and imaginative, something that made for "instant awareness."

Created for Humber College

by Dean Charters, one of Canada's leading designers, the logo is based on the letter "H" placed inside a super ellipse.

With this innovative design observers are visually challenged by an awareness of something quite different.

You may be puzzled at first - but after a few moments you'll see it's an "H". The logo was designed in the late '60s.



• The federal government introduced tough new pollution laws.

• Toronto Raptors beat the Chicago Bulls twice in two seasons.

• Rez students help needy by contributing to Red Cross "Care and Share" Christmas program.

• Female stripper appears on the cover of *The Sun* three days in one week.

• Student protestors pelted the Queen of England's car with eggs.

• Cyclone in India killed seven people and forced 300,000 to flee from their homes.

Mailing grades stamped out to save more money

Students wanting to know their grades over the holidays will have to use CHRIS

by Kristan Jones
News Reporter

With the exception of students who are in their final semester, Humber College has decided not to mail grade reports home. The school says the decision came down to a matter of time and money.

The approximate cost of mailing out grade reports to more than 20,000 students is \$15,000, not including the cost of paper and envelopes.

"It's not just economics," said Bill Pitman, the associate registrar. "The semester ends late and starts up quick."

Final grades are due Dec. 20 at 4:30 p.m. That gives staff only one and a half days to get everything done. With staff coming back Jan. 2, they have only three and a half work days to end semester one and get timetables and grade reports done to start semester two.

Pitman said if the school

mailed the grades, the students would be back in school before receiving them.

"There are quicker ways to get grades," said Pitman.

Students can receive their grades through the automated CHRIS line starting Dec. 23 and running through the holidays.

Otherwise, students will have to wait until they return in January to receive a copy of their grades from their program coordinator.

Pitman said the school is looking at other ways for students to get their grade reports and transcripts. Ideas such as receiving grades by e-mail and over the Internet are being looked at.

"I think that that would be the ideal solution," said Pitman.

Regardless of how students receive their grades, they have a right to appeal if they are unhappy with them.

The first step a student should take is to discuss the matter with his or her teacher or program coordinator.

If the matter isn't being resolved students should then take it to the chair or dean of the particular school.

If these steps do not get the response hoped for, students must appeal in writing to the registrar.

Christmas party turns out to be a smokin' good time

by Lauren Buck

News Reporter

Jolly old St. Nick took time out of his busy schedule last Saturday to help celebrate Christmas with Humber's staff and their children, only to be whisked away early by the sound of bells - alarm bells.

During the final hour of Humber's 29th annual children's Christmas party, the fire alarm went off, sending an estimated 700 staff members and their children out of the North campus.

The "Santa's Sleighride Through Time" party at the college and the Winter Festival that followed in the Arboretum had been planned and run by the public relations certificate students as part of their course requirements, and was funded by both the support staff and faculty unions.

According to Steve Bodsworth, the chair of horticulture and director of the Arboretum, the highlight of the day for the children is getting an early Christmas present from Santa Claus.

"That's what they all come for, and the notion of the breakfast turns them on too," he said. "Afterwards they can all take a hayride over to the Arboretum, and hopefully at the end of the day take home a Christmas tree and be able to say that they've had a great day."

The party was to run from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. but was cut short just after 11 a.m.

What Bodsworth and the student organizers didn't plan on was a burnt bagel in Java Jazz disrupting the festivities.

The Paul Farris Clown band had just finished playing, and most of the children were involved in games or lined up to see Santa when the fire alarm went off, forcing everyone to leave the Student Centre.

"It was disappointing for the kids, but the timing was really good [since] it was nearing the end," said public relations student and promotions chair Isabelle Vaillancourt. She smiled as she explained Santa must have been happy for the chance to cool off outside after being in his suit all morning.

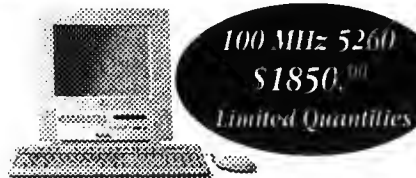
Organizers said about 20 per cent of the people returned after the alarm went off.

"It didn't ruin the party, it just sent people over to the arboretum a little earlier," said Vaillancourt.



Santa flew in for the Humber children's Christmas Party last Saturday only to deal with a naughty bagel.

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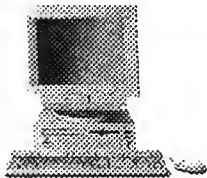
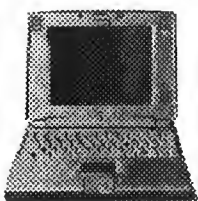
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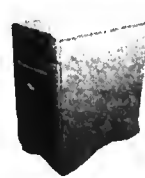
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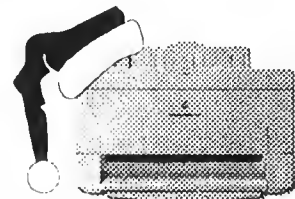
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Lifestyles

The Twelve Trees of Christmas

by Sarah Birrell

Lifestyles Reporter

Twelve Christmas trees and gingerbread houses were sold for thousands of dollars at the annual Twelve Trees of Christmas auction at the Royal Ontario Museum Nov. 26.

"A Story Book Christmas" was the theme this year for the eighth annual auction and display held at the George R. Gardiner Museum in the ROM. The auction helps to raise money for the museum.

Three thousand invited guests bid on different trees and gingerbread art created by prominent interior designers and chefs in Toronto.

"This is a great way for the area's artists to display their works of art, as well as raise money for the Gardiner Museum," said Jane Cornelius, coordinator of the fund-raiser. "The gala auction raised \$40,700 dollars in tree sales alone and we hope that this will increase the number of visitors to the Gardiner museum as well."

Each tree and gingerbread house on display was decorated according to a children's fairy-tale. "The Wind in the Willows"

was the children's story of choice by interior designers Ralph and John Neil from Upper Canada House Ltd. Their tree was sold at the gala for \$6,500.

"We were very excited that our tree received a warm response," said John Neil, a Humber graduate.

"It took about one month to put it together. After we shopped around for material, it took three weeks for the labor," said Neil.

"The Nightingale" was the fairy-tale theme of the gingerbread art that took the cake in sales at \$1,000. The Hans Christian Andersen story was brought to life by Toronto chef Rod Matthews.

"I love to work with this type of medium. I work hard and pride myself on my art," said Matthews. "I'm happy to participate in this auction, and have for the last five years. I am content in knowing that the ROM will have enough money to purchase more art."

At the opening gala auction held on Nov. 26, invitations were sent out to prominent people in the Toronto area. Tickets to the gala cost \$150 each and were purchased by phoning the ROM.

The ticket to the gala included valet parking, cocktails and dinner.

Public viewing of the Twelve Trees of Christmas is included with the ROM admission, which is \$8 for adults, \$4 for students and seniors and \$8 for family groups. The Gardiner Museum provided extended hours during the event.

"Due to the extended hours of operation, we hope that more people will come to see the trees. They are so beautifully detailed and magnificent to look at that it's worth the time to go to the Gardiner Museum and take a peek," said Pattison. "The work that goes into the gingerbread art is extraordinary."

During the auction a committee made up of members of the ROM Foundation appraise all of the gingerbread houses.

They were then sold for their appraised value.

The committee consisted of a representative from the marketing department and spokespeople for the artists and chefs.

Following the gala auction the festive creations remain on view at the Gardiner Museum.

They are then taken to local children's centres, hospitals and other charitable institutions.

The Twelve Trees of Christmas auction and exhibit has raised enough money in the past years to purchase ceramic art for the collection in the Gardiner Museum.



Gingerbread houses and twelve Christmas trees were created by prominent Toronto interior designs and chefs to raise money for the George R. Gardiner Museum at the Royal Ontario Museum.

Above: "The Nightingale" gingerbread house
 Below left: "One hundred and One Dalmations" tree
 Below right: "Horton Hatches the Egg" gingerbread house
 All photos are courtesy of the ROM.



Canadian Retail Council predicts increase in Christmas sales

by Nadine Carty
Lifestyles Reporter

Toronto is in for the best Christmas this decade, according to the Canadian Retail Council.

The council expects a three to four per cent increase over last year's sales.

According to Jill Birch, senior vice-president of strategic development, the expected increase is a direct result of low interest rates.

"The interest rate is now a solid 3.25 per cent and this is the lowest it has been since 1956," she said. "Consumers are now spending money on things they couldn't afford to buy or replace before."

During the 1980s the average Christmas gift cost about \$250. Today the average cost is less than \$100. "Consumers have become the drivers of the economy. They

look for sharp pricing, service assortment and the retailer and supplier need to work hand in glove, which means having the right merchandise at the right time," added Birch.

The Retail Council's advice to budgeting shoppers is to avoid last-minute shopping. They also recommend consumers "be vigilant" and take the time to go through flyers and comparison

shop.

Look out for retailers who offer added services like "no GST days" and retailers who separate the merchandise according to price, for example, gifts under \$25. Look out for shopping centres that offer additional incentives for consumers during the holiday season.

This is what the Retail Council calls the age of "mass customiza-

tion" when it is necessary for the retailer to know and cater to the habits of the average consumer.

More than a million people visit the Eaton Centre during the holidays and this year the centre will have greeters giving away homemade cookies and free shopping bags.

This is the only time of the year that the Eaton Centre offers free parking to its shoppers.

Taking tickets seriously

by Cindy Gombos
Lifestyles Reporter

You know the feeling: you're happily driving along, music is blaring, you're singing to yourself, and the next thing you know you hear

the sirens. Your heart starts beating, and before you know it, you've got yourself a nice big ticket.

Traffic tickets happen to everyone, no matter how good a driver he or she may be, but there are

ways to end up with a clean slate.

Rick Somers, who works at the Downsview office of POINTTS — an organization helping people prepare themselves for fighting their tickets in courts — said most people don't know enough about the courts to fight tickets for themselves.

"Most of the time people don't have a lot of knowledge of the law and courts," said Somers. "People don't really know what's going on in court. It can be an intimidating place. We offer someone a defence."

For people who can't afford a hefty lawyer fee and want to go to court alone the \$9.95 book *Fight that Ticket in Ontario* can help. The author, Allan E. Scott, has experience as a police officer in Metro Toronto and as a provincial prosecutor.

The book deals with getting the traffic ticket to preparing for the trial and actually going to court. Specific offences that occur and the defences you can use in court are also outlined.

One 18-year-old student knows the price for not following the law. Paul Dias has received more than 15 traffic tickets in the past year. "I've gotten tickets for parking, speeding, following too closely, improper headlights, improper right-hand turns and for having too dark tints on my car," he said.

Dias' tickets have totalled more than \$1,000 and he hopes to go to court to get some of them reduced or thrown out. Dias does admit, however, that he does not know exactly what he is going to say when he gets there. "In court, one little mistake can get you fucked up," said Dias.

Although he plans on fighting these tickets himself, Dias has used a lawyer in the past to fight one of his tickets. "I used POINTTS because of a huge ticket I got. It was for speeding and driving on the highway when I couldn't," he said.

The people who work at POINTTS are ex-police officers, justices of the peace, or prosecutors.

"We know the highway traffic act, we know how the courts work and have experience in the field," said Somers.

"I paid \$307 for POINTTS and my ticket was \$365. They did win the case and they saved my four points. I would use them again if I got another big ticket," Dias said.

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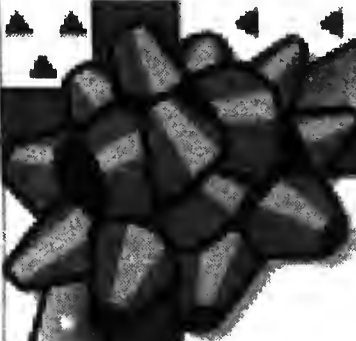


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Health Centre provides optimal care

by Bernice Barth

Lifestyles Reporter

Humber's Health Centre has not only an excellent, informative staff, but also a complete health service system that can't be beat. Marg Anne Jones, the director of the Health Centre talked at length with *Et Cetera* about all the services that it provides and the issues it deals with.

Everyone who works in the Health Centre is a certified registered nurse, with the exception of the two doctors who see patients on Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoons and Heather Mayer, the medical secretary at the reception desk. There are five nurses on staff in total, including Jones.

Said Jones: "We prefer to call it a Health Centre because we are not a medical model, we are health educators here to address the problems that people have with their health."

Some of the more common areas the centre deals with are addictions, the morning-after pill, expectant mothers, breast and testicular monitoring for cancer, migraines, abuse (especially relationship abuse), nutrition, and stress management.

There are three main types of addictions which the centre encounters.

Smoking is a big issue for the Health Centre and Jones said it's an area she loves to address because she believes it's a big problem for the large majority of people in the college community. The staff is well-versed in the materials on quitting smoking. "We have lots of pamphlets and information and we'll give lots of support and we can recommend places like Countdown, which is the Lung Association program for smoking cessation," said Jones.

Alcohol is another major addiction concern the centre deals with. In the fall, the centre always takes part in an alcohol and drug

awareness week in the concourse. The centre not only emphasizes drinking responsibly but there is help for anyone who is abusing alcohol.

"The big worry about alcohol is that it prevents responsible behavior on a lot of fronts," said Jones. "A lot of people come here having a concern for pregnancy or sexually transmitted disease [STDs], because they have been drinking, have failed to use proper birth control or STD prevention and, if they had been absolutely clear-headed, I think they probably wouldn't have gotten into that situation."

Drugs are one addiction Jones says she does not see a lot of in the Health Centre. But if someone does go to the Health Centre with a concern of their drug habit there is a lot of information available. There are pamphlets and the nurses are willing to talk to them and suggest places to seek specialized professional help. "We try to empower people to make their own decisions by offering them places where they can get help, telling them about places and letting them make the decisions," said Jones.

But as Jones is quick to point out, the staff at the Health Centre can only offer initial discussion and referrals if they think the situation warrants it. "We are not an in-depth sort of counselling service ... We don't get into long-term therapy," Jones explains.

Jones also discussed the centre's birth control service. They dispense birth control pills for seven dollars and free condoms are also available.

An invaluable service the centre provides is the morning-after pill, which also costs seven dollars.

Jones is adamant, however, that the morning-after pill is not used as a form of birth control but rather as a device used in the event of contraceptive failure.

"We never dispense it twice here. We would refer the person to a family physician. There are better ways to prevent babies and it's called birth control," said Jones.

Jones also discussed the advantages to the morning-after pill. "It's much safer than waiting and finding out you are pregnant and then having an abortion. It's cheaper by hundreds of dollars."

Women who are intentionally pregnant are not common patients of the Health Centre according to Jones, although the centre is more than capable of prenatal counselling, said Jones. "We can answer questions they might have, talk to them, but we don't get into lengthy prenatal counselling."

The centre also provides beds for expectant mothers who just need to put their feet up and relax for a while.

Another service the Health Centre provides is breast examination and counselling for the early detection of breast cancer. "With every single person who buys birth control pills from us, we do a little birth control counselling session which includes breast self-examination, discussion and sometimes a demonstration," said Jones.

Jones said the Health Centre personnel also promotes testicular self-examination by men. "We would like to get the guys doing testicular examinations as well. It's more difficult though to find the opportunity to talk to the guys about that." Although testicular cancer is not as common as breast cancer, it's most commonly found in men aged 20 to 35. Jones feels testicular examination is an important issue to Humber because the age group is representative of a large part of the college population. She said the men need to be more informed about it.

One new aspect at the Health Centre is a number system. Patients and people who would

like to ask questions are now asked to take a number in the reception room.

The reason for this new procedure is that staff found people waiting to talk to the receptionist, stood at the counter within earshot of the often highly private conversations taking place between the secretary and the person before them in line.

Jones summed up the Health Centre: "It's a great service. I guess there is an anonymity about this place and they know the information is going to be pretty accurate and no one will laugh at them for asking it and nobody will tell anybody else they asked it, and that makes you very comfy in asking the most really quite private questions. And so you think it's a great help to people to know that it is here."



Marg Anne Jones, the director of the Health Centre said the various services it provides is a great help to students.

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No Christmas in Cuba

by **Bobbie Robinson**

Lifestyles Reporter

Masleydis Manzo is an English teacher in Cumanayagua, Cuba. She chuckles at the complaints of Canadian teachers and students, and wishes she had it so tough.

Neither Manzo nor her students will be home for Christmas this year.

They left for the mountains to pick coffee beans on Nov. 27, and will return home Dec. 28.

"Being a teacher in Cuba is not an easy profession," said Manzo. "Picking coffee beans is hard, back-breaking work, destroys hands, arms and legs, and at least 10 hours a day is spent in the harvesting fields."

Manzo added students do not receive any pay, while teachers receive only their teaching wages.

"Food and lodging are provided, but labor is considered repayment for the cost of education," said Manzo.

Manzo attended university in Cienfuegos for five years, majoring in English and psychology. The university terms allowed for only one month off each year.

She followed this with four years at teacher's college.

Now she has 47 students in her class.

The school year begins in September and finishes at the end of June. Classes start at 9 a.m. and students leave at 5:30 p.m.

Manzo must frequently remain to attend meetings. She said she is lucky to be home by 8:30 p.m. on those days.

She must teach a class every 15th Saturday, in rotation with other teachers. There are no days off, other than weekends.

Christmas break is one or two days only and there is no March break.

The average pay for teachers is about 252 pesos a month, which works out to between \$10 and \$12 U.S.

By comparison, a doctor in



Trujillo is one of the students who is now in the mountains picking coffee beans. This Christmas won't be a memorable one for Trujillo because her family doesn't have the money to celebrate.

Cuba earns, on average, 378 pesos per month or about \$18 U.S.

"Fidel Castro has always placed education for Cubans first on the priority list and, until the collapse of the Soviet Union, it paid off," said Anita Gomez, a history teacher.

"Now our students are wondering why they should bother with higher education because there is nothing for them to apply their education to," she said.

Gomez added, "We have many professionals, from engineers and architects to computer technicians, working as taxi drivers, or in factories for less than half of what they earned in their professions. Many have no work."

Raphael Mendoza was an engineer earning about \$17 U.S. a month. Now he is working in a factory for less than \$7 a month.

"I am divorced, but have two daughters to support. It is very difficult on this kind of money," he

said. "I often risk a \$100 U.S. fine, or a stay in prison, by providing private car service for tourists. It is the only way I can help them because I have to live too."

In Cuba it is illegal for a private

"I cannot say what I earn now, but it is much less than I need to live properly."
— Iagna Lopez, tour representative for Hola Sun Holidays

car to carry tourists, but many citizens risk being caught. Taxi drivers often beat those they catch, or report them to the army or police, who will arrest or fine them.

It is also illegal for Cuban citi-

zens to have foreign visitors stay in their homes, unless the visitors have obtained a Visa Two, a special permission document.

Iagna Lopez worked for nine years as an architect. Now she is a tour representative for Hola Sun Holidays, a travel company based in Richmond Hill.

She speaks perfect English, as well as Spanish, which is how she qualified for her job.

"I earned about \$16 or \$17 per month as an architect. I cannot say what I earn now, but it is much less than I need to live properly," said Lopez.

"Many tourists leave gifts or clothing for us, and that's what supplements us. Cubans are very grateful for the kindness of the tourists, but we would be in serious trouble if we were accepting gifts or money," she said.

Ann and David Harris live in Windsor and travel to Cuba at least once a year.

They take a large suitcase packed with clothing and personal care items for friends they have met there.

"These people have little or nothing and we feel really sorry for them. We are not wealthy, but we do what we can for them," said Ann.

"And when I see how smart and hard-working Iagna is, I feel that her life is being wasted as a tour rep. She could be so successful, if only she could leave Cuba."

Yeleny Trujillo is a 15-year-old student with very high marks in school. Her dream of becoming a dentist has become a bad one.

As she gets older, Trujillo said she realizes that being a dentist, when she can't always provide the care patients need, doesn't make much sense.

"My aunt had a toothache and went to the dentist. He couldn't help her because he didn't have any paste (filling material) and he didn't know how long it would take to get some," said Trujillo.

"So now I have to think about what I should be when I finish high school. I want to earn higher wages so I can help my family," she said.

Trujillo is one of the students who is now in the mountains picking coffee beans.

This Christmas won't be a memorable one for Trujillo because her family doesn't have the money to celebrate.

Her father is a mason by trade, but is now a fisherman who must bicycle 22 kilometres each way to fish.

He seldom makes more than a few pesos a day, but has his wife and three daughters to clothe, house and feed.

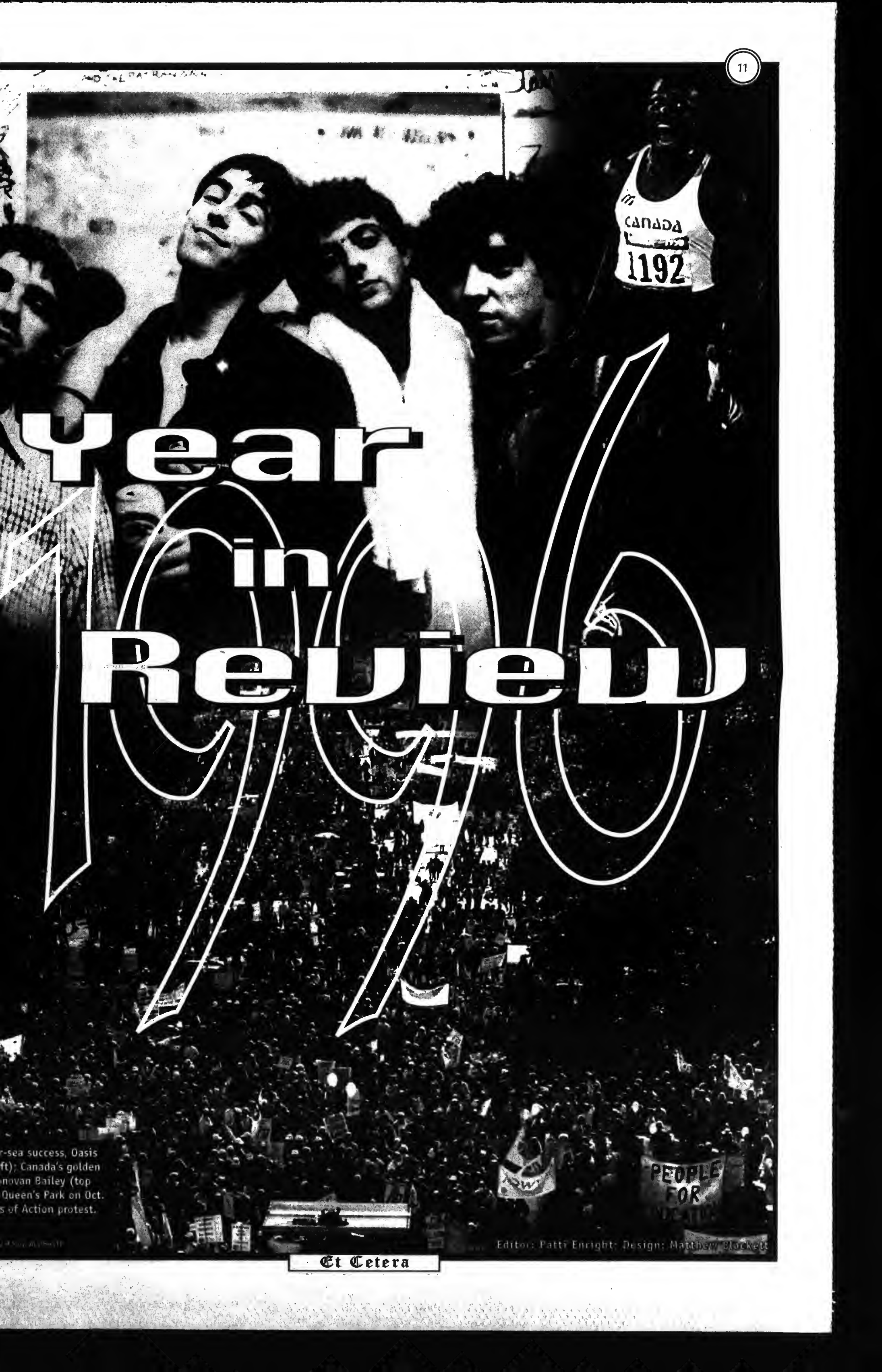
"Very few Cubans celebrate Christmas," said Trujillo. "We can't afford to buy the things we need every day, so there is nothing special about Christmas. It's just another day for us."

"We hear from Canadian tourists how hard it is for teachers and students in Canada, but we don't understand the problems. My greatest wish is to live and go to school in Canada. My father has applied twice to go to Canada, but he has been refused by the Cuban government," said Trujillo.

"He says he won't give up until the day Canada is our new home, and we have the opportunity for a better life. I wish Canadian students and teachers would come here for a year, and they would be sorry they complained in the first place."



Anita Gomez (left), and Masleydis Manzo (right) are school teachers in Cuba. Both say the teaching profession is not an easy one, particularly because the wages they receive in Cuba are so low.



Year in Review

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Et Cetera

The year in entertainment brought marriage, divorce, birth, death and disease – and not just on film.

The maternal Material Girl, Madonna, is voguing her way back onto the silver screen, starring in the film version of *Evita*. The new mom was presented with an achievement award at the 1996 Billboard Awards, where she admitted she couldn't spend two minutes away from her daughter, Lourdes.

You oughta know the latest singing sensation to hit the

marriage. Michael Jackson's lucky lady is expecting the Gloved One's first child. Wouldn't Elvis be relieved?

They're on, they're off, they're on; they're off – the British pop sensation Oasis pushed their album *What's the Story, Morning Glory?* to the top of music charts and the band to the point of break up. As of this week, Oasis is still on the outs.

Smashing Pumpkins had a couple of mishaps this year. The keyboardist passed away from a heroin overdose and the drummer was kicked out of the



No mirage: Oasis (above) and their antics made headlines in '96 – where were you while they were getting high?; Bush X and lead singer Gavin (below) took their machineheads to the top of North American charts.

pot, pop and pieces

Nice Devil's Haircut: Beck provided Toronto with one of the best concerts (and CDs) of 1996.

stage is Canadian Alanis Morissette, who won four Grammys in 1996.

Another Canuck making waves in the music industry is country's sweetheart Shania Twain. The "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under?" singer is sockin' it to them in Nashville and across the rest of North America.

The Fugees killed us softly with their mix of R & B, hip-hop and gospel. Their Haitian-style music shook the charts.

The King of Freaks, oops, Pop has moonwalked back into

The Smashing Pumpkins (below) dominated the rock charts for the first half of 1996; Drummer Jimmy Chamberlain was kicked out of the band for his heroin abuse, among other things.

band for his repeated drug abuse. The Pumpkins also made news when they banned moshing from their concerts.

Diamond Dave made his appearance on the MTV awards for the first time in almost a decade. Lee Roth, the ex-Van Halen singer, managed to act like an idiot, demonstrating why he's no longer part of the band.

Break out the nine-inch stillettos and face paint – KISS was back, rockin' T.O.

The Hip – Eden Fest – *Trouble at the Henhouse* – enough said.

Speaking of smoking up, Woody Harrelson has been in the news for growing weed. The ex-*Cheers* star has gone from slingin' beers to shacking up in

Et Cetera had the chance to Q&A Daniel Greaves (right) of *The Watchmen* in September while Alanis (below right) continued her ironic success

the hills of Costa Rica with his wife and two kids.

What's up with Tommy Lee and Pamela? The *Baywatch* beauty left her tattooed better half and is rumored to be surfing elsewhere.

On that note, how about Hugh Grant? What was he thinking? The actor is best known for his role in *Four Weddings* and a lewd act.

And a tear was shed this year by women across the world. John F. Kennedy Jr. tied the knot.

At the same time, another

knot was officially untied in the soap opera life of Princess Di and Prince Chuck.

In movies, aliens invaded the earth, star-crossed lovers took their lives and heroin addicts shot up.

The Phantom of the Opera became the longest running live musical ever.

Margaret Atwood's latest novel, *Alias Grace*, won the Giller prize.

Rapper Tupac Shakur, 25, died in September from four gunshot wounds to the chest. For six days he remained in critical condition. It was the result of the continuing civil war between East and West coast rappers.

Only 400 people watched as *The Watchmen* rocked Humber. How about that Q & A?!

The most anticipated television scene finally happened – Ross kissed Rachel and became more than *Friends*. But what happened to the rest of the show?

ER is spurting blood and tackling real issues like AIDS as the number one hospital drama.

And TV's *Roseanne* is now one rich bitch courtesy of the Illinois State Lottery.

The year is 1996. Let's see what 1997 will bring.

by Sarah Birrell and Patti Enright

In Gangsta's paradise: Rapper Tupac Shakur was killed during a drive-by in Las Vegas in early September.



all courtesy photos except Daniel Greaves by Bob Salverda

Et Cetera

I'll have five hamburgers up here!
 Bill Clinton was re-elected as president (the first Democrat to do so since FDR in the '30s) in November.



cuts, Clintons and crises

It was a year of dizzying highs and gut-wrenching lows. From senseless tragedy to the triumph of the human spirit, 1996 was, in short, a year like many others.

In January, the college was stunned when a Humber student was charged with the murders of an elderly Thomhill couple.

On the same day, a jury found Clinton Gayle guilty of the murder of Metro police officer Todd Baylis, putting an end to a long, emotional trial.

On the lighter side, Prime Minister Jean Chretien exhibited the tough guy in him when he throttled a protester who got in his face. 'Hey,' said the PM, 'the guy got in my way.'

Evil reared its head and the world mourned in March when a man shot and killed 16 children and their teacher in Dunblane, Scotland. The man then turned the gun on himself, denying many the chance to see justice done properly.

The month of May saw a landmark victory for the gay and lesbian community in Canada. Despite the opposition of the Reform party and some of his own backbenchers, Chretien's Liberals passed the first gay rights bill in Canadian history.

South of the border, those wacky Americans passed the controversial Helms-Burton legislation. It allows U.S. citi-

Is that a bomb in your pocket or are you happy to see me? Ted Kaczynski, the suspected Unabomber, was arrested in June.



zens to pursue legal action against

Canadians who do business in Cuba. Our government, and others around the world, condemned the U.S. for overstepping its bounds.

TWA Flight 800 exploded off the U.S. eastern seaboard in mid-July, killing all 230 on board. Investigators are still at a loss to explain the disaster,

despite numerous theories it might have been a terrorist act.

The world's biggest Afro-Caribbean festival was held in Toronto in August. Unfortunately, Caribana was marred by a senseless shooting that left one man dead and a British nurse visiting the city permanently paralysed.

Of course, people weren't the only things wreaking havoc during 1996. Hurricane Fran marked a swath of destruction through the Caribbean and southeastern states that left 22 dead and thousands homeless.

After intense pressure over the Somalia scandal, Defence Minister David Collette resigned in early October because of a seeming-

FEBRUARY 1996:

Student activism showed its ugly side when hundreds of protesters stormed the front doors of Queen's Park. The damage inflicted on the historic legislature building did nothing to sway the opinions of Ontario's government.



Students broke into Queen's Park causing over \$20,000 in damage during an anti-tuition hike demonstration in February.

ly minor procedural blunder. Media cynics suspected the blunder was a cover up for the minister to exit gracefully. Doug Young replaced Collette as head of our military forces.

The Metro Days of Action gave students a reason to take a day off from school. An estimated crowd of 100,000 protested at Queen's Park.

Bill Clinton was re-elected for a second term in November, the first Democratic president to achieve the feat since FDR in the '30s.

The wait was over for Rwandans anxious to return to their country from refugee camps just across the Zairean border. A mass exodus of more than 600,000 began in mid-

November, easing international concerns over the need for relief efforts.

November also saw O.J. Simpson finally take the stand in the civil trial for the murder of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ron Goldman. He denied everything, including ever having beaten his ex-wife. A photo of a bruised Nicole hung behind Simpson during his testimony.

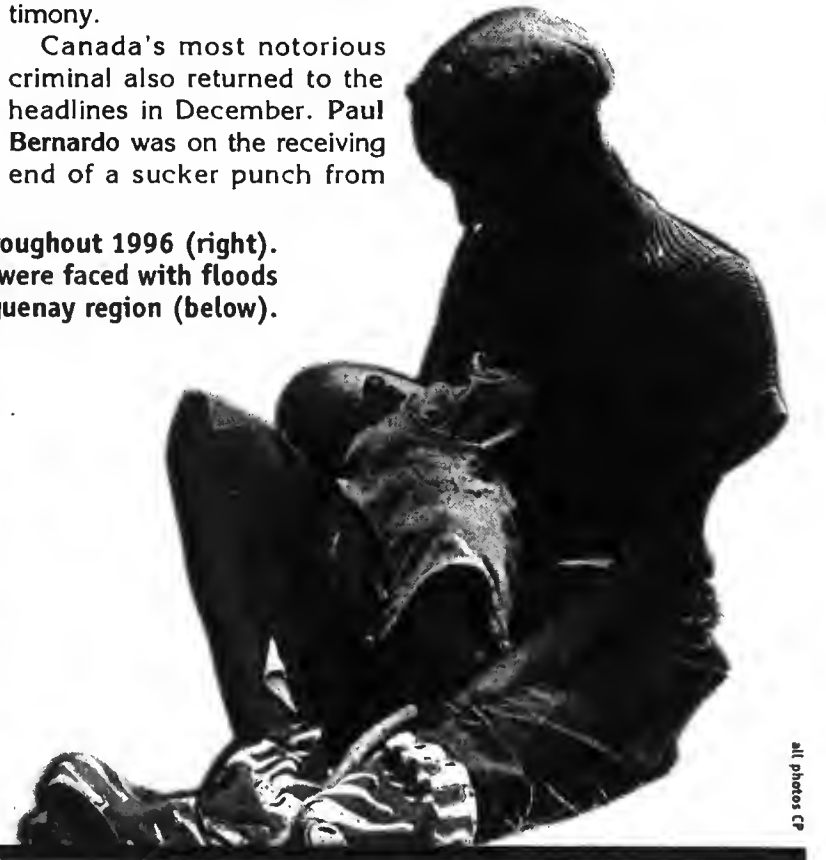
Canada's most notorious criminal also returned to the headlines in December. Paul Bernardo was on the receiving end of a sucker punch from

another inmate at Kingston Penitentiary. Rumors that the Rocky wannabe will be considered for early parole as a reward are totally unfounded.

That was 1996 for you — weird, scary, fun, depressing and exhilarating. Yep, just like any other year.

by Travis Mealing

The saga of despair in Rwanda continued throughout 1996 (right).
"It's just a leak": Quebecers were faced with floods in the Chicoutimi-Saguenay region (below).



Et Cetera

gold, goals and glory

The world of sports felt the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat this year.

Steve Stavro finally gained full control of the Maple Leafs in April after months of legal manoeuvres.

The NHL saw the Colorado Avalanche snowplow their way to victory in June, ousting the Florida Panthers to take the Stanley Cup in four games.

In July, the entire world watched in shock when a bomb went off in a park near Atlanta's Olympic Stadium, killing one man and injuring others.

Later that same day, Canadian flags waved victoriously when Donovan Bailey streaked across the finish line, becoming the fastest man alive. Bailey won the 100 m dash in 9.84 seconds.

A dark cloud was drawn over Toronto's Molson Indy in July when driver Jeff Krosnoff's car crashed into a wall, killing him and a race marshal.

The Formula One season saw Canadian rookie Jacques Villeneuve race to a second-place finish behind British teammate Damon Hill. The 24-year-old Quebec-born racer is carrying on the Villeneuve name made famous by his father, legendary Formula One star Gilles Villeneuve.

In September, the U.S.A. pulled a major upset over Canada when they won the coveted World Cup of hockey.

The World Series returned to New York in October. The Yankees whipped the Atlanta Braves in six games, despite New York manager Joe Torre's emotional turmoil over the death of one brother and another awaiting a heart transplant.

For the first time in Breeders' Cup history, the World Series of horse racing was held north of the border at Woodbine Racetrack. Longshot Alphabet Soup defeated the great Cigar by a head in the \$4-million Classic.

Mike Tyson went down for

the count in November when Evander Holyfield kicked his butt in an 11-round TKO.

While the life of the CFL appeared in jeopardy, the Toronto Argonauts focused their skills in November to beat the Edmonton Eskimos and win the Grey Cup.

And who could forget the megasaurus basketball upsets that occurred in March and December? The Toronto Raptors edged the champion Chicago Bulls twice, despite being a mere expansion team.

At Humber

1996 proved to be the year of the Hawk.

It started with a bang as the women's basketball team entered undefeated the second half of the regular season. Their year ended with a record of 12-2 and a loss in the provincial semi-finals.

On the volleyball front, the women started the year ranked fourth nationally. The men won bronze and silver medals in tournament play.

On the down side, the indoor

soccer season was cancelled because of financial cutbacks.

The team did play in tournaments, however, and won the Canadian Indoor Soccer League Tournament.

In February, Humber held the OCAA men's and women's volleyball championships for the first time.

The men won silver while the women's team, winners of their first league championship, were eliminated after their first two games.

Our defending men's national soccer champs lost the bronze medal game at the OCAA championships, while the women's team lost in the first round of the playoffs.

In March, the men's basketball team won their sixth straight provincial title and placed third

JULY 1996

Donovan Bailey streaked across the finish line, becoming the fastest man alive. Bailey won the 100 m dash in 9.84 seconds.

Humber's Shaun Doyle shows his disappointment after the Hawks lost the OCAA finals in late February.



Matthew Blackett

at the nationals.

The OCAA realigned the divisions — much to Humber's delight — placing the school in a division with other Metro colleges.

The Detroit Tigers invited Duane Eddy, a second-year child and youth worker student, to try out for the team.

September saw the beginning of the women's soccer team in OCAA competition. They won their first ever game in October but were knocked out in the first round of the playoffs.

The newly-formed Humber golf team won gold in both the team and individual competitions at the OCAA championships.

The men's extramural hockey team won the Sheridan College Christian Barr Memorial Tournament.

Go Hawks Go!

By Sarah Birrell,
Patti Enright and
Marcel Watier.



Donovan Bailey (above) celebrates his gold medal run; Cigar (below, centre) loses his last race before heading to the tough life of being a stud.



Et Cetera

Role models for Black youth

Each One Teaches One

by Marlon Merchant
Lifestyles Reporter

Providing role models and mentors, particularly for black youth, is something that is needed now more than ever in our society.

This is where a program called "Each One Teach One" comes in. Youth looking for ways to better themselves through people, places and resources are given a positive step by helping them find a mentor.

Launched in February of 1992 following the Yonge Street riots in the summer of 1991, the main goal of Each One Teach One was to address the shortage of suc-

"We match them with black mentors to give them a realistic vision of what it's like to work in that field,"

-Andrea Bryan

cessful black role models in the community

Andrea Bryan, the coordinator, said young people need to have role models. "It's a profession-based mentoring program for young people and that's how

this program came out," she said.

Bryan also explained how the program works. "We go to community agencies, groups and community events that young people are at, including schools, and we give presentations," she said. "We have them sign up along with parents, teachers and community social workers identifying three specific interests that they have career-wise.

"We match them with black mentors working in particular fields to give them a realistic vision of what it's like to work in that field. I also monitor the relationships besides the day-to-day office issues and I call them every month to two months and ask how the relationship is going. We give them support because sometimes they have questions and they don't know who to ask," she said.

The main objectives of the program are:

- to provide models and mentors from the black community who can assist black youth in setting their goals while offering advice and guidance

- to make black youth aware of other organizations which provide services such as counselling, internships, tutoring and scholarships

- to support literary and cultural awareness

- to encourage the idea of vol-

unteering to help each other

The age group they concentrate on is 14 to 25, however Bryan points out "we do have young people that are eight, nine, 10 and 11 years old because we don't really turn anyone away."

Each One Teach One has people who call in to talk to mentors. "For instance, we have uni-

"In the future, I would like to see mentors play an everyday role in peoples' lives."

-Andrea Bryan

versity students or those who are changing a profession who would like to talk to someone who's working in that particular field," she said.

Aaron Best, a high school student, is interested in the business aspect of the automobile industry. He said you have to be interested in what you're doing.

"You have a program coordinator who helps to find a mentor for you. Then when you are paired with the proper mentor, you can talk to him about life

and society. At the same time, you're getting a friend out of it," he said.

Although Bryan said she believes Each One Teach One is moving in a positive direction, she would like to see some changes for the benefit of the

program.

"In the future, I would like to see mentors play an everyday role in peoples' lives, such as mentoring someone without going to look for the youths," she said.

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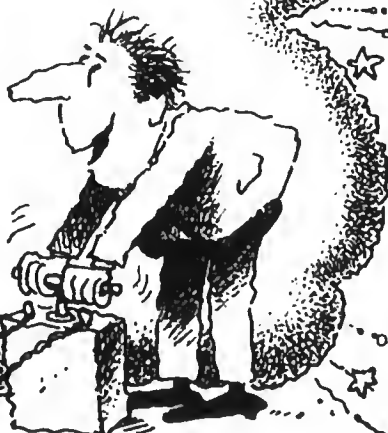
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Entertainment

A nice set of movie reviews, Jazz and X-tra special X-Mas cheer!

Mars Attacks! nothing to snicker at

by Antonio Tedesco

Entertainment Reporter

Thank heavens for the end of this year's sci-fi disappointments.

Everything from *Independence Day* to *Star Trek: First Contact* has been lacking, but then along comes Tim Burton to restore our faith in sci-fi, even if his aliens are clad in red-and-green shiny, spandex jumpsuits and have big brainy-looking heads and skeleton faces.

"With *Mars Attacks!* I just wanted to have fun and take the piss out of all the action movies that have come out in the last 40 years," said Burton in a recent interview with *Campus Reel*.

But don't think that with your ticket you only get a great wardrobe: you get the star-studded cast every sci-fi movie deserves.

Jack Nicholson plays two different characters — the president and the sleazy Las Vegas hustler, while the rest of the cast runs around laughing, drinking and trying to get laid (a job Martin Short does extremely well).

All your favorites are here: Annette Bening, Glenn Close, Rod Steiger, Danny Devito, Sarah



Lusty Jerry Ross (Martin Short) ogles voluptuous Martian girl Lisa Marie.

Jessica Parker, Jim Brown, Michael J. Fox, Pierce Brosnan and yes, even Tom Jones.

So if you want some tacky, cheesy characters and an equally cheesy singer you can't, and

shouldn't, miss *Mars Attacks!*

The premise is simple: Mars attacks Earth... period.

But what keeps this wacky storyline going is the hilarious script, the idiotic rantings of the cast and

the red and green skeletons scattered about the United States.

Star-studded cast aside, Tim Burton's latest is just what you thought it would be: a bizarre sci-fi ride based on the bubble-gum trading cards.

I mean, only Burton could make an amazing movie out of simple trading cards.

Burton mixes equal doses of tacky '50s B-movie references with huge \$70-million dollar special effects, brought to you by those fine computer anima-

tors at George Lucas' Industrial Light and Magic.

The alien ships might look a bit rounded — maybe even unthreatening — but they really pack a wallop.

Even the aliens seem a bit harmless, even somewhat cute, but nothing is as it seems in a Burton flick.

Any movie that has flaming cattle and severed heads falling in love can only inspire a movie fan to spend their eight dollars.

Burton doesn't have a perfect track record; his movies don't always rake in the money at the box office.

But if you want something that's as cool as *Batman* and *The Nightmare Before Christmas* and as off the cuff as *Ed Wood*, this is the movie to see.

It would have been simple for me to ruin the entire movie — actually it would have been too easy — but I thought I would refrain from describing every effects-riddled scene and leave it up to you to decide when it opens on "Fryday" Dec. 13.

In the name of the mother

Some Mother's Son a pot of gold for movie-goers

by Bernice Barth

Entertainment Reporter

Some Mother's Son is a gripping contemporary tale about the struggle of two Irish-Catholic mothers whose sons are in jail in Northern Ireland for IRA activities.

The movie comes from the makers of *In the Name of the Father* and is equally brilliant. Terry George, who co-wrote the script of *Some Mother's Son* with Jim Sheridan, makes his directorial debut.

The movie follows the struggles of Kathleen Quigley, played by Helen Mirren (*The Madness of King George*, *Prime Suspect* television series), and Annie Higgins, played by Fionnula Flanagan.

At the beginning the two women barely know each other and are totally different. Kathleen is a school teacher who is fairly well off (by Northern Ireland standards), tolerates the British army presence and is against IRA violence. Unknown to Kathleen, her son is involved with the movement.

Annie, on the other hand, is a poor farmer who hates the British and encourages her son's IRA

activities.

The two women come together through their mutual need for condolence and their combined efforts to save their sons and the other IRA prisoners.

The movie is based on the real-life historical struggle of 300 IRA prisoners, led by Bobby Sands, in the Northern Ireland prison system.

These men refused to wear prison uniforms, insisting they were prisoners of war and not criminals of the justice system.

When Margaret Thatcher and the British government tried to force them to wear their uniforms, the prisoners went on a hunger strike.

The movie depicts the two mothers, joined by thousands of other Irish Catholics, trying to save the prisoners, and in particular their two sons, from starvation.

Even if you are well-versed in Northern Ireland history and know the eventual outcome of the movie's storyline, it will still grip you fast and tight.

The movie focuses on unknown persons involved in the historic struggle — two mothers and their sons.

You do not know what will happen to Gerard and Frankie, even if you might know what will eventually happen to Bobby Sands.

It is in this way that names in a history book suddenly become real people

The movie runs you through the gamut of emotions, from crying to outright laughter, from wanting to raise your fist in anger to standing up and cheering.

Mirren's performance is remarkable. Through her the audience is able to feel her struggle as her family is destroyed and she somehow manages to find an inner strength to fight back against that which would consume her.

Flanagan is equally good as she takes the audience through her journey of realization that the Irish world is not made up of black and white only, but has shades of gray.

The film obviously sides with the Irish, but doesn't get up on a soapbox to do it.

Instead, the film concentrates on depicting the horrible no-win situation of Northern Ireland, symbolized in the truce between Kathleen and Annie even though they still disagree with each other's politics.

The movie is more about humanity than who is right and who is wrong, and as such can be universally understood and appreciated.

Some Mother's Son is a must-see movie this Christmas. It will be out in theatres on Dec. 27.

Stallone lights up

by Scott Yeddeau
Entertainment Reporter

The new Sylvester Stallone action flick, *Daylight*, surprised me not because it's chock full of action, which it is, but because it managed to hit a few emotional buttons, which was something I didn't expect.

As the movie opens, some explosive material is being transported through an underground tunnel, while nearby, a gang hijacks a car for a joyride through the tunnel to avoid pursuing cops. They crash into one of the explosive trucks, sending a wave of flames and destruction through the tunnel, effectively sealing off both ends. This is one of the most exhilarating sequences I've seen in a recent movie, and as flames rushed towards the screen and blocks of concrete came crashing down, I forgot for a moment that this was only special effects.

Stallone is a cab driver who witnesses the blast from outside the Manhattan end of the tunnel, and talks his way into helping. We discover that Stallone once worked for the police department, and did an anti-terrorism drill in the same tunnel. He's also left behind a scandal that lost lives and cost him his job. After barely getting in through the ventilation system, Stallone tries to figure out a way to get everyone out before the water breaks through and drowns everyone.

That's all I'm saying about the plot, except that the film allows precious little time for you to relax. What I also found interesting was the Stallone character. He's not a one-dimensional character who knows it all. He's just an everyman trying to find a solution to a seemingly unsolvable problem.

I mentioned before about how this movie hit me at an emotional level. As the situation becomes more desperate, some innocent people don't make it back. At one point, a character asks "Why is it always the good people?" In most disaster flicks, that line comes off as clichéd. But this time it just seemed completely natural. It's not often that an action film makes you sad. But that's what happens here, and I never thought I'd say that about a Stallone picture.



Sly sees the daylight.

Jazzy Josh blows his brass off

by Ben Truylens
Entertainment Reporter

Josh Brown is a Humber music student and, like many talented young musicians trying to make it in the Toronto scene, he'll take any gig he can get.

The 23-year-old trombonist's true passion, though, is jazz.

Brown, as well as others in his working band, have studied in the jazz studies and commercial music programs.

Since its inception in 1972, Humber's music program has been the stepping-stone for many successful music careers, such as Jeff Healey, Rik Emmett, Juno-award winners Holly Cole and Brian Dickenson, and former Pat Metheny Group member David Blamires.

But what is probably most interesting about the program is its heavy emphasis on jazz and related styles as fundamentals of music.

Perhaps the saying that you're only as good as your teacher is true, at least if you ask Brown.

"They're the kind of teachers that won't stop you if you make a few mistakes. I guess that's the best way you'll find your own voice," said Brown.

That pretty much sums up the whole approach that jazz enthusiasts like Brown take, believing the best kind of music is improvised because its creative process and conversational style make it different on every occasion.

"The mistakes in jazz are what make it great because it shows you are going for something new. If you can play jazz you can play anything. It's composing on the spot," he said.

That's not to say that jazz musicians don't practise.

The style is, in fact, very complex and demands a substantial knowledge of scales, harmony and other types of theory. In order to stay sharp and improve many hours of practice must be put in.

"Some people think that it is easier because we are making it up on the spot or something, but it is actually a lot of hard work to truly become good at it," said Mike Manny, a bandmate of Brown's who also went to Humber and has a master's degree in piano performance.

"Theory and practice are so important because no matter how much a musician searches in his playing, the more he knows that instrument will make the search even better," added Brown.

Manny and Brown studied with

master musicians, such as Don Thompson, Alastair Kay and Pat LaBarbera, who have played jazz festivals around the world, TV shows like *The Tonight Show* and *The Ed Sullivan Show*, musical shows like *Cats*, and performed with famous artists from Dizzy Gillespie to Frank Sinatra.

"I like the more personal interaction and laid-back style of teaching. That's why I came to Humber instead of university," said Brodie West, a saxophone player who met LaBarbera at a music festival in Edmonton and came to Humber on a scholarship.

West is another young musician who is looking for his big break.

Although he has less time to gig these days working full time at a record store, West still considers music his "lifestyle" and takes any performing job offered, preferably jazz.

"I'd much rather play jazz clubs and cafes because more artists are there. People pay more attention," he said.

West and Brown are band leaders in their own quintets, playing coffee shops, jazz clubs and several jazz festivals in the summer, including Toronto's own DuMaurier Jazz Festival.

Brown, who describes his music style as modern "hard-bop," likes to rearrange old standards too, changing introductions and such.

"It's intense without being loud. That's the most amazing thing is that it has the intensity even at the softest moments," he said.

The harsh reality, though, is that most musicians don't make enough money to pursue only their interests. With an ever-growing industry the competition is intense.

Don Vickery has been a percussion instructor at Humber since 1974 and a well-established working musician since he graduated from the Oscar Peterson School of Music in 1965.

"Nobody makes a living playing just jazz. I encourage students to do different things and even a little bit of teaching," said Vickery. "The ability to adapt is one of the most important things we hope students will get out of the program."

Brown agreed: "I think if someone goes into music thinking money first, they're probably in for a surprise because you definitely have to pay some dues."

Vickery said he treats every performance like an audition.

"Essentially you're showcasing yourself to any potential employers, such as other musicians and



This ain't no Sousa: Smoking Josh Brown delivers a dazzling brass attack.

club owners," he explained.

As with most music scenes, who you know can get you steady work and although you can teach young musicians a few things, Vickery said it's mostly up to the individual to build contacts. This could take any form, from auditioning to simply hanging out in the scene.

So what are the good scenes for jazz these days?

"New York is still a thriving scene. It's cockroach heaven but it will always have that rich jazz history," said Brown.

The birthplace of bebop and the former stomping grounds of the likes of Miles Davis, Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie and Thelonious Monk, New York is still very strong with about 20 major jazz clubs like the famous BlueNote, and a plethora of musical talent.

With the number of working pros in New York, many musicians are choosing other cities like Toronto to offer their talents.

Humber alumni play a large part as teachers and students form a good portion of the Toronto music scene.

With one of the biggest jazz festivals in North America, Toronto's club scene is improving as well, with places like the Montreal Bistro, the Senator, Judy Jazz and many cafes and jazz-friendly establishments.

"I would say that the best club in town is probably the Montreal Bistro," said Vickery. "The owner and his wife are so good to the musicians and have done more for jazz than anyone in the city."

As well as printing news sheets about the artists performing, the Bistro often gives student discounts for shows during the week.

While jazz has seen precarious times in the past, weaving in and out of the mainstream, it has shown resilience over the years, surviving trends like disco and pop to become a rudimentary style in the hierarchy of musical influences.

A resurgence of late has seen artists like Roy Hargrove, Joshua Redman and Wynton Marsalis get the exposure they deserve.

Being on the side stage of the music industry has created a sense of community among jazz musicians.

"Very few jazz artists are so famous that they can't be approached," said Brown. "I actually find that the best musicians are the most eager to help because they've been there."

There is a great deal of reverence for the older musicians too, contrary to most young people's disregard towards the elderly as has-beens.

"The cool thing about jazz is that there is that respect for the older musicians," said Brown. "They are the teachers and usually the inspiration."

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Et Cetera Sports



The Humber Hawks men's and women's volleyball teams host the Cambrian Golden Shield on Saturday, Dec. 14. Women start play at noon and the men follow at 2 p.m.

Play resumes in the new year with the women's basketball team playing at Fanshawe College on Thursday Jan. 9. Tipoff is at 6 p.m.

Men's volleyball play their first game of the new year on Jan. 9 as well when they travel to Niagara College to face the Knights. Game time is at 8:30 p.m.

The men's basketball team travels to George Brown on Jan. 15 with tipoff at 8 p.m.

Women's volleyball does not resume play until Jan. 25 when they travel north to face the Golden Shield. The team will, however, play an exhibition game against Humber Alumni on Jan. 16 with game time at 6 p.m.

Ravens repeat

by Derek Lacroix
Sports Editor

The Runnymede Ravens made history over the weekend, becoming the first team to win back-to-back championships at the Humber College Boys' High School Basketball Classic.

The Ravens beat the Norman Bethune Golden Bears 55-50 to win the 18th installment of the annual tournament.

Bethune gave the reigning champs a good run for their money and kept it close in the first half.

North Albion Head Coach Steve Repic said the Golden Bears' defence was a weapon they put to good use.

"Our team had troubles with their full-court pressure," said Repic. "Their ball control was also a problem for us."

But Bethune was unable to use that full court pressure to their advantage against runnymede who eventually wore down the Golden Bears and recaptured the championship by a mere five points.

Runnymede guard Kofi Mensah averaged 15.5 points per game in the tournament and had 20 points in the championship game. He was named tournament MVP for his efforts.

Golden Bears' forward Damien Reid had a game high 27 points in a losing cause. Reid was second in scoring in the tournament with a 27.5 points per game average.

Runnymede made it to the final by beating C.W. Jefferys 66-63 in the first round and then pounding Westwood 85-61. Bethune easily advanced to the finals by beating Sarnia St. Christopher's 63-49 and North Albion 70-55.

North Albion's Michael Schmidt lead all players in scoring with a 30.5 points per game average.

The Martingrove Bears won the consolation final by edging the Sarnia St. Christopher's Cyclones 53-49.

Martingrove Head Coach Dave West said he was happy with his team's win.

"The win was good because we played a bad game [Friday]," said West. "We are a very young team. It is just a matter of getting

The 18th Annual Humber College Boys' High School Basketball Classic

Championship Final

Runnymede Ravens 55 Dr. Norman Bethune 50

Consolation Final

Martingrove 53 Sarnia St. Christophers 49

some confidence."

Humber College Athletic Director Doug Fox said he uses this tournament as a way of recruiting for the Hawks varsity basketball team.

"It's a subtle way of recruiting," said Fox. "You get 160 athletes in our gym and they get to see the college. Even if you don't talk to every one of them, it is still a good way of getting our name out."

Fox said Humber doesn't really look at guys like Damien Reid and Michael Schmidt because they usually choose to go to Division I

schools in the United States. In fact, Schmidt has already accepted a full scholarship at Texas A&M University and will play for the Aggies next season.

"You hope they go south because it's a good opportunity, but we always keep an eye on those players in case it doesn't work out," said Fox.

Hawk forward Rowan Beckford was headed to the U.S. with teammate Greg Grant to play basketball before both were injured in car accident. Beckford is now a star player at Humber. Grant started out with the Hawks this season but recently had eye

surgery and is currently out of action.

Fox said he gave six packages to potential recruits over the weekend but would not name names, saying, "I'd rather keep that private for now."

The Oakwood Barons rounded out the field in the eight team tournament.

"We pick the stronger teams with some of the better players," said Fox of the process of choosing the teams to participate.

Repic said the Humber Classic is a good tournament to play at.

"This is one of the biggest

tournaments around," he said. "There are four or five ranked teams. It's a tournament you want to get into and do well in."

West said he is also impressed with the talent level at the tournament.

"This is probably the best basketball tournament in Toronto," said West. "It is a good tournament to find out what you have to do and who you have to beat."

"It's a subtle way of recruiting...it is still a good way of getting our name out."
- Doug Fox, Humber's Athletic Director

"This is one of the best tournaments in Toronto."
- Dave West, head coach of the Martingrove Bears



Runnymede guard Leslie Prince tries to get by Golden Bears player Dan Selkirk in the Humber Classic basketball tournament final Saturday night. The Runnymede Ravens won the game 55-50 and walked away with their second straight title. It was the first time a team has won back-to-back championships.

An American tragedy

By Derek Lacroix
Sports Editor

It was touted as the special attraction of the 18th Annual Humber College Boys' High School Basketball Classic. The Humber Hawks versus the Daemen Warriors - an NCAA Division II school from Buffalo.

The Hawks disposed of Daemen 93-79 last Saturday, and it looks for now, that things are coming together for the defending provincial champions.

After a tough lopsided loss to start the season, the Hawks rebounded with two victories in a row, including a tough road win at Seneca.

The Hawks opened the scoring against Daemen when Jason Daley put in two of his team high 24 points. The teams traded baskets throughout most of the first half but Humber went into the locker room at the break with a slim 46-42 lead.

But the Hawks blew things open when they went on an 11-5 run to start the second half.

"We did a good job running our offence in the second half," said Head Coach Mike Katz. "Revi [Williams] hit some shots coming off the bench."

Williams finished with 15 points. The Hawks continued to dominate the rest of the half and when the final buzzer went the Hawks were up by 14.

After the game Katz had nothing but good things to say.

"I'm really happy with the way the guys played," said Katz. "That was

a good American team we beat. We did a really good job rebounding. I thought going in that that was going to kill us," said Katz.

Daley not only had 24 points and was named the player of the game, but he clearly looked like the best player on the floor on many occasions.

"Jason Daley proved that, at his size, he is as good as it gets in this country," said Katz.

Humber goes into the Christmas break with a 2-1 record, tied for second place in the OCAA Central Region with Centennial. The Durham Lords sit in first position. The Hawks will have their hands full as they try to defend their provincial title.

"The league is so tough this year with the realignment," Katz said. "George Brown is going to be tough in their gym, Durham scares me and Sheridan is strong."

"But if we can put it all together and guys are scoring off the bench, we are going to be a team that nobody wants to play." Rowan Beckford and Daley are both in the top 10 in scoring in the central region. Beckford is shooting 88.9 per cent from the free throw line and has 33 points in three games. Daley has 41 points and a 13.7 points per game average.

"George Brown is going to be tough in their gym, Durham scares me and Sheridan is strong."
- Mike Katz, head coach of the men's basketball team



Suzan Venn

This is just one of the recruits Humber was checking out over the weekend at the Humber Classic.



Hawk forward Adrian Clarke makes a pass past a Daemen College player in Saturday night's exhibition game at the Humber Classic Boys' High School Basketball tournament. The Hawks won 93-79.

Hawks brave Seneca storm

by Vince Versace
Basketball Reporter

Character. Believing in your team. Believing in yourself.

These things turn regular teams into championship teams. The Humber Hawks men's basketball team showed they have these qualities in a come-from-behind win 63-56 against the Seneca Braves last Wednesday.

The Hawks scored the first basket of the game but never held a lead again until late in the second half.

It was a defensive battle for most of the first half. After eight minutes of play the score was only 7-5 in favor of the Braves.

The shooting of both teams left something to be desired. There were a lot of shots missed at both ends of the floor and a lack of rebounding on the offensive boards hurt the Hawks.

Humber went into the second half looking frustrated, trailing 31-20. The loud Seneca fans only added to the frustration.

The first four minutes of the second were difficult to watch. Neither team scored and each wasted good scoring opportunities. The referees also made questionable calls on both the teams, adding to the frustration.

The pace finally picked up and

Seneca began to break out aggressively. Humber remained composed in their zone defence. The Braves built a 50-40 lead with six minutes left in the game.

But after a timeout called by Hawk Head Coach Mike Katz, the tide began turn.

"They started to believe and that was important. They weren't competing up to that point," said Katz after the game.

The Hawks did more than just compete, they dominated the last six minutes outscoring Seneca 23-6.

Stephan Barrie made some important steals and hit the basket giving Humber a 51-50 lead. Immediately after that, Jason Daley stole the ball and made a basket adding to the lead.

This put Seneca back on their heels and the Hawks never looked back. Al St. Louis made four crucial foul shots helping to stretch the Hawks' lead. Daley finished with 21 points.

The Hawks' tight defensive effort in the last six minutes was the deciding factor in the game. It helped create turnovers and easy baskets.

Most importantly, though, it showed a seventh provincial championship is not out of the question.

Road warriors

by Jenn Hoeschen
Basketball Reporter

It was a great end to a great game as the Humber Hawks women's basketball team beat the Seneca Scouts 96-90 last Wednesday at Seneca College.

The Hawks' record now stands at 7-0 for first place in the league. Humber scored the first two points and led for most of the first half. With five minutes left, Seneca took the lead for the first time to make the score 39-37. The Scouts were strong and the score at the end of the half was 50-46 Seneca.

"We didn't finish well the last eight minutes of the first half," said Hawk Head Coach Jim Henderson. "We outplayed them even though we didn't finish well."

The Scouts dominated the second half with the home crowd rooting them on. With eight minutes left in the game, Humber found themselves trailing 73-68. But a Missy McCutcheon break-away seemed to be a turning point



Tanya Sadler

for Humber. One minute later Humber had it all tied up at 77.

"Poise kept us in the game. We were finishing more in terms of lay-ups in the second half," said Assistant Coach Denise Perrier. "Patience and composure kept us in the game and brought us back."

During the last five minutes of the game there was hard action between the two teams.

"Seneca is a good team, they ran with us in the last few minutes. Our conditioning level is high, Seneca worked us, and we still came back with the win," said Perrier.

"Seven and 0 - can't be better than that. We can go into Christmas now feeling good about ourselves," said Henderson.

One force on the team is Tina Botterill. At 5'3", she is very strong and quick.

"Tina causes trouble for the other team. She is aggressive, can hustle and she finishes well on the tough shots," said Henderson. Botterill had eight points in the game.

Tanya Sadler led the scoring with 24 points, Heather Curran scored 17 and McCutcheon ended the game with 13 points.

Sadler still leads the individual scoring standings with 108 points in six games for an 18 points per game average.

Overthrowing royalty

by Pam Fawcett
Sports Editor

The Humber Hawks men's volleyball team used the Redeemer Royals for target practice in a quick game last Thursday night.

It only took the Hawks a little more than an hour to dethrone the Royals in three straight sets 15-8, 15-7 and 15-7.

The Hawks went into the game without veteran power Jody Brown, who sprained his ankle in practice. Brown is expected to be out of action for a week and a half.

Redeemer jumped ahead 1-0

before Humber tied it up on a block by middle Keith Slinger and power Marcus Feurstake. And the Hawks never looked back.

Up 12-8 and Feurstake serving, power Roland Lewis put up a huge block to stone the Royals' hitters cold. Feurstake served up an ace before Lewis and Slinger teamed up at the net to block another Redeemer hit. The Hawks took the first game 15-8.

The Royals jumped out early in the second game 5-1 before Humber finally broke out and picked up six straight points.

Feurstake's serve proved to be a force to contend with in the game as he dropped in two short serves then turned around and claimed an ace with a hard shot up the middle on the Royals' side of the court.

Humber finished off the game 15-7 on a kill by middle Matt Cunliffe.

The Hawks won the third game easily 15-7.

Humber Head Coach Wayne Wilkins said the team came into the game "confident" but they still have a few things to work on before their next game against the Cambrian Golden Shield on Saturday.

"Our offensive production is okay. There are two fundamental things we have to work on now - our blocking and our defence," said Wilkins. "This game [against Cambrian] will be a good test."

Humber sits on top of the pack in the west region tied with Niagara which also has an undefeated record of 4-0.

Four Hawks are ranked in the top 12 on the individual scoring list for the west region. Power Eugene Selva leads the group with 45 kills.

The Hawks will play one more game before the holidays, hosting the Cambrian Golden Shield on Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m.



Power Chad Reid makes a pass in last Thursday's game against Redeemer. The Hawks won in three straight sets 15-8, 15-7 and 15-7. Humber sits in first place in the West Region of the OCAA.



The Hawks exchange congratulations after the team makes a kill. The Hawks improved their OCAA regular season record to 4-0. Humber's next game comes against the Cambrian Golden Shield this Saturday.

Horseplay for the Hawks

by Jeff Allen
Volleyball Reporter

Humber's women's volleyball team put the pedal to the metal and smoked the Centennial Colts last Thursday three sets to none.

The Hawks, who maintained their perfect record of 3-0, played their most complete game to date, with contributions from all players, even Andrea Roberts, who has yet to see the floor in a league game. Despite that, Roberts was on her feet the whole game, and was very vocal from the bench. That was something that made Coach Dave Hood very proud.

"She's at practice all the time. She hasn't played in one game, and every day she's there trying and pushing and trying to improve. That takes a lot to sit there [on the bench], but continue to be in the game," said Hood.

Roberts spirit didn't keep the

Hawks from getting off to a slow start for the third straight game.

The Colts jumped out to a 6-1 lead in the first set, something that kept both the players and coaches shaking their heads, looking for answers.

"I don't know why we do that [spot the other team an early lead]," said outside Lindsay Anderson.

"We're a young team and we seem to lose focus."

Coach Hood also had no reason for the early let down.

"I can't tell you why we do that. Today we had one of our best warm-ups, and we still came out flat, again," said Hood. "But I'd rather take being down 5-2 and come back and win the game, than



Richelle Elder



Brenda Ramos

lose the game altogether."

Down 7-3, Richelle Elder fired an ace to get the Hawks going.

Carla Rivas put on a defensive clinic for the third straight game, going up with setter Caroline Fletcher for a huge block, then making a superb dig on a kill going down the line.

Rivas did have trouble with the left side antenna, which seemed to

give her trouble when she attempted to put down a pair of hits.

The Hawks went on to take the set 15-12.

Humber also came out slow at the start of the second set, spotting the Colts a 6-2 lead.

Again it was an ace, this time from power Brenda Ramos, that got the Hawks rolling.

A second ace from Ramos helped the Hawks wrap up the set 15-11.

Leslie Rivas, returning from a knee injury, complimented her sister's fine defensive play by serving the Hawks through a nine point scoring binge, to put the Hawks up 10-4.

"I owe it to Dave and Colleen," said Leslie Rivas. "They've really

helped me improve."

The Hawks let up and allowed the Colts to whittle the lead down to 11-10, but Angela Darrach re-entered the game and put the final stake into the Colts with a big block, and three point-saving digs.

The Hawks wrapped up the set and match 15-11.

"I think we played a little bit hesitant at the beginning of the game. It seems like we're going for perfection right off the bat instead of just trying to establish some kind of flow," said Hood.

Humber is still sitting in third position on central region standings behind Cambrian and Georgian.

The Hawks keep their undefeated streak going as they host Cambrian this Saturday at 12 p.m. in the last game before the Christmas break.

Showdown in "Steeltown"

by Sean Hamilton
Hockey Reporter

A lot of teams might be happy with a third place finish, but for the Humber Hawks hockey team, it was a bit of a disappointment.

The Hawks travelled to Hamilton last weekend for the Mohawk College Extramural Men's Ice Hockey Tournament.

The Hawks lost the first game of the tournament and their first of the season against the Durham Lords Friday morning.

The game was no real contest for the Lords, since the Hawks were missing more than three-quarters of the team, who were still en route from Humber because the bus was late picking them up.

"We were unable to field a proper team. But I am confident we could have beat them," said Head Coach Jim Bialek.

By the time the Hawks were dressed and ready to play, the game was almost over. The Hawks just could not overcome the Lords' four-goal advantage.

Hawks 4 Mohawk 0

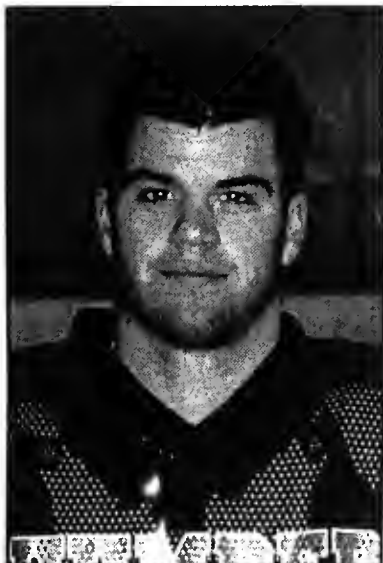
The Hawks looked like their old selves again as they easily dominated the Mohawk intramural team in a 4-0 win.

"It was a good game for us because we didn't have time to get fired up [for the first game]. This game let us bounce back and play as a team," said goaltender Jeff Allen, who posted the shutout for the Hawks.

Hawks 1 Trafalgar 1

The Hawks then met Sheridan's Trafalgar campus where the teams battled it out to a 1-1 tie.

The format of the game caused Humber not to play up to their potential as the Hawks were



Centre Jeff Bain was stopped by the goalie in the shootout final against Sheridan College.

forced to play two 10-minute periods with no stop time. But an injury caused the game to be shortened by eight minutes.

Coach Bialek wasn't phased by the score of the game.

"The format was if you played well or poorly, if you played Joe or Frank it didn't matter everybody made the playoffs," said Bialek.

Hawks 6 Mohawk 0

The Hawks then played against Mohawk's extramural team and trounced them by a score of 6-0.

"We had an outstanding game. We dominated from front to end and the team played very well together," said Bialek.

Hawks 2 Sheridan 2

The Hawks met Sheridan College in the semi-finals. The first team to get on the board was Sheridan, scoring in the first minute of the game.

Being down by a goal did not rattle the Hawks as they came back and scored two of their own.

However, Humber could not hold on to the lead. The Bruins caught up in the final minutes and tied the game at two forcing the game to go into overtime.

The five minute extra period decided nothing and sent the game into a sudden death shootout. It was the Jeffs - Bain and Allen, who held the fate of the Hawks in their hands.

Bain's hands went cold as he fired his shot into the pads of the Sheridan goaltender, while Allen had nervous hands and was deked for the winning goal.

"The shooter made a fake, and I ate the fake up, giving the shooter the space to do what he wanted," said Allen.

"We definitely dominated the game, but couldn't put it away. We are definitely a three-period, full, hockey team. Our strength is playing all three lines, letting them get into the game," said Bialek.

The Hawks are off for Christmas and don't return to the ice until Jan. 16 when they head to Sudbury to play in the Laurentian University.

Athlete of the Week

Heather Curran



Curran was outstanding in the women's basketball game against the Seneca Scouts, scoring 18 points for the Hawks. She is starting to show signs of her all-star form from last year when the Hawks brought home the bronze medal at the OCAA championship.

From the Horse's Mouth

"It's a tough game. Nobody in this league is bad. Some teams just lose more than others."

- Cowboys Head Coach Barry Switzer

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greedy, ignorant, self-destructive

Society is full of evil. Whose fault is it? Naturally, the Devil's. The Dark Lord has inundated Western culture with devilish images which make Hell and a life of evil appealing. Examples: New Jersey Devils, baseball expansion team Tampa Bay Devil Rays ("ray" spelled backwards is "Yar," another name for the devil), Duke University Blue Devils, DePaul University Blue Demons, Miami Heat, Faust Beer, the Dirt Devil vacuum, New Kids on the Block, Sinbad, Preston Manning, President's Choice products, Fox's glowing puck and Starbucks. We thought you should know. **Society = Agent**



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compiled by Shannon Williams

"I may never have to touch anyone, ever again"



Hot off the wire

CD nags way into the music charts

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) -

Tired of nagging your kids? So was Rowena Starling. She recorded her top 24 nags on a compact disc to save herself and other weary parents from the same old refrains: "Clean your room. Take out the trash. Mow the lawn."

The painter said she came up with the idea after telling her eight-year-old son to do something for the umpteenth time. "Finally, it just hit me like a ton of bricks. Why don't I record this?" Starling said.

She is selling *I'll Say It Again* for \$11.95 U.S. Every dreadful chore is covered on the recording. "I put the CD on and my son knows there will be punishment if the chores don't get done," she said.

compiled by Matt Blackett

Tragically hip to the core

They're from Kingston, they rock, but they're not The Tragically Hip.

They are Vagabond Groove, also known as the Hip tribute band Road Apples (you know, the type of bands that make money off of other people's creativity). The band played Tuesday afternoon at Caps. Crowd favorites included "Ahead By a Century",



Rob Lord: He came, he saw, he sang.

"Courage" and "New Orleans Is Sinking." To any who missed the fun, the

band sounded great and, yes, beer was being served.

Their self-titled new album of originals would make "a fine Christmas gift."

Etc: So, imagine The Hip never existed. Would you guys be covering another band, maybe 54-40 or Kim Mitchell?

Vagabond Groove: No, not at all. The Tragically Hip are special, kind of a Canadian tradition in a way. They really opened a door for us and a lot of other bands too. But we're done with that now. As of January we're done with the Hip tribute thing.

Etc: Where'd you get the name Vagabond Groove?

VG: Well, you know, just from being out on the road and travelling a lot.

Etc: Hence the "Vagabond" part.

VG: Exactly. We have a place where we pay rent, but we don't spend a lot of time there.

Etc: Do your original tunes have a Hip influence or do you try to stay away from that?

VG: Yes, that's going to happen to a certain extent. Someone usually sounds like somebody else, but we have our own sound too. You always get the comparisons, but it's time for us to sink or swim on our own. Shit or get off the pot.

Etc: Where do you guys think you'll be in, say, five years from now?

VG: Fat and bald. No, seriously, we want to be writing songs and playing gigs and selling CDs and still be enjoying what we're doing.

Etc: It's your first time at Humber. What do you think of the school, is it ugly or maybe you've seen worse?

VG: Actually we haven't seen too much of it, we kind of just snuck in the back door. The people seem really cool, though and you've got a Harvey's and a Taco Bell, so what else do you need? ¥

Q&A by Jason Hopps and Derek Lacroix

This may be the final Q&A you will see in ETC

INFORMATION

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Wednesday, January 22nd, 1997
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