

Faculty union seeks students' support at rally

by Janet Keown

A rally protesting the deterioration of Humber's quality of education will be held on March 21.

Bryan Beatty, faculty union vice-president, is hoping students, faculty and the general public will get involved. He and others believe the quality of education in the college is being compromised by course cutbacks.

"Students should be really concerned," he said. "Administration wants to drop physics from Technology. The Technology advisory committee says if physics is dropped, Humber students won't be qualified for work when they graduate."

There is also talk of dropping Human Studies electives.

"I don't know how a journalist can function in the work force if they don't have a working knowledge of political science or Canadian history. They are going to sound shallow and they aren't going to be hired," he added.

A steering committee met last Tuesday to plan the details. The results of the meeting were not available by press time.

The administration has scheduled meetings with the Business and Applied and Creative Arts divisions. Cuts in those areas are expected to be announced then. All changes are going before the Board of Governors for approval on March 12.

"Hopefully we can forestall that until the rally," Beatty said.

The primary concern of Beatty and his colleagues is

the quality of education the college will be able to provide over the next five years.

"I graduated from Humber 20 years ago and went straight into third-year university," said Beatty. "That would never be possible now."

"General elective courses used to be much tougher, students would be required to read four or five books per course. Now they are lucky if they have to read one."

Another concern of Beatty's is the recent 25 per cent cut to the communications course.

"Students are going to graduate without enough knowledge to be hired," said Beatty. "They will have wasted three years of education."

Cutbacks are occurring in Technology, Human Studies, and co-operative courses at Lakeshore.

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Faculty union in dark about future layoffs

by George Green

The number of faculty layoffs won't be available until administration gives up its right to remain silent.

"I do know, but I don't want to alarm people. I have to deal with a worst-case scenario," said Humber President Robert Gordon. "By and large the numbers are there."

The "worst-case" scenario Gordon alludes to is a \$2 million shortfall in required revenue for the college.

"We just don't have enough money to operate as we would like. We are not allowed to run deficits. Until we turn the corner on new revenues, new programs, and changes in the government grant formula, we just have to do the job," Gordon said.

"It's not pleasant, it's not easy and it's not just a numbers game. We've tried to avoid the human anguish and difficulty."

Faculty Union President John Huot would not divulge hard figures pertaining to layoffs, but says it isn't because he wouldn't like to.

"As of now there is no information that we can divulge. The contract permits the college administration to demand silence, which they have done. But we think the faculty should know," he said.

Huot maintains there is a large credibility gap between administration and faculty.

"Without detailed financial data regarding how the college handles its budget, we simply cannot believe curriculum cuts and layoffs are the only serious ways of resolving the deficit," Huot said.

Faculty union Vice-President Bryan Beatty said: "Full-time faculty positions are definitely threatened despite rumours that layoffs will be restricted to part-time and sessional."

Dean of Human Studies, Pamela Hanft, was more specific.

"The status of the part-time and sessional teachers is not clear at this point," said Hanft. "My estimate at this time would be a 50 per cent reduction in part-time and sessional staff in this division."

According to Hanft there are 15 teachers that fall within this category in the humanities faculty.

According to Huot there is no consultation with administration regarding cuts in divisions, making things difficult for people like Hanft who have to make the decision of who stays and who goes, then tell them.

"You are told to cut and that's it," Huot said.

Hanft said, the cut to her division amounts to about \$350,000, but no layoff notices have been handed out yet.

"We are going to be able to come in on target without any full-time staff layoffs in this division," she said.

The part-time and sessional faculty members will not be informed of layoffs until contracts run out in mid to late May.

"We have always told people that these are not very secure positions," said Hanft. "We try to get them into full-time positions as they become available."

Gordon maintains an "across-the-board" cut to all divisions would not be equitable. Programs which are not as strong as others or are getting expensive to operate are examined. It is then left to each dean and respective staff to look at the best ways to save money for the division.

"We aren't the only college in this situation," Gordon said. "Some have taken it on the chin and we've been able to stave it off for three years of budget cuts."

He said this is positive considering layoffs have been avoided until now.



PHOTO BY JOEL ROBERTSON

May I have this dance? — Humber's Mark Bracken remained standing even after a Sheridan Bruin was sent flying into him. The Hawks shattered the Bruin's dreams winning the game 7-3 to advance to the OCAA finals against the Georgian Grizzlies.

Humber administration throws out mandatory residence meal plan

by Tamara de la Vega

The meal plan at the new residence will no longer be mandatory.

Vice-President of Administration John Saso announced students will not be forced to buy a meal plan in order to live in the residence.

"We are looking at the possibility of offering it (the meal plan) to anyone," Saso said.

Two weeks ago it was

announced students at the new residence would be required to join a new meal program that would provide a greater variety of foods and weekend services.

While students welcomed the wider service, they became enraged at the possibility of having to pay up front for meals, tuition, and residence fees.

According to Saso the meal plan will be optional and "if you don't like the food there you can

eat at The Pipe."

The cost for the three different meal plans will remain the same and a "limited amount of 500 plans will be available on a first come first serve basis," said Saso.

Students who opt for the meal plan will still be required to pay up front, but there are some benefits. "You can get a well-balanced meal plan and there is no provincial sales tax," Saso said.

News

Students miss OSAP assistance

by Cathy Hingley

The month-long teachers' strike in October has resulted in discrimination against the 6,500 Humber students who did not qualify for student loans.

The four-week 'break' adversely affected all students attending community colleges in Ontario. However, relatively few will receive financial compensation for expenses incurred while teachers were on the picket line.

Only those students who have received loans or grants from the government under Ontario's Stu-

dent Assistance Program (OSAP) are eligible to apply for an additional sum of money.

Rob Wooler, Communications Assistant to Ontario's Education Minister, says this is "a decision the Cabinet made that those students on assistance may need extra help to make it through the year."

One of several of Humber students who resent this policy is first-year Marketing student Teresa Anderson. "Why is all the consideration being given to students already receiving money? I was affected by the strike, too, and I'm having a hell of time trying to make money last from payday to payday," said Teresa Anderson.

Anderson says she works part-time to buy basic necessities. She is worried about having to produce an extra \$200 in rent for May to stay at Osler Campus until the end of the school year.

"Because of the strike, I had to pay for food and rent for four weeks in the fall while waiting for the teachers to come back to work. Now, I'm going to have to do the same for an extra month to make up for their contract disputes," complained the 19-year old.

Anderson said she applied for OSAP before arriving at Humber but was refused a loan. She assumes this was because her parents' combined income is above OSAP standards.

"But they don't realize or seem to care that my parents have other children to support who are also going to school, and they can't afford to constantly give me money when I need it."

Wooler explained that the

money for these refunds will come from a general pool. "Each year there is an allotment of money for the OSAP program. Some years there is a portion not used and it is saved for situations such as these."

Wooler said that all grants will be calculated according to the situation of each individual student. He explains that all OSAP students are given money for a certain number of trips home during the year. This grant will include "coverage for an additional trip home, therefore the amount will vary from student to student," said Wooler.

Pat Scrase, Humber's Supervisor of Financial Aid, said "About 4,000 students applied for OSAP this year. That represents a little more than half the student body, including both Lakeshore and North campuses. She estimates that "approximately 36 per cent of those applicants received funding in the form of loans and/or bursaries."

Ironically, only a little more than half of those have actually bothered to fill out the forms needed to receive the refund.

The Financial Aid Office has made every attempt to get OSAP students in to apply for reimbursement. "I've had two ads in Coven, two in Inside Track and a large notice outside the office for the past month and a half," said Scrase.

This casual attitude on the part of OSAP students further infuriates Anderson. "Obviously OSAP students are not all in desperate financial straits or they would have been lining up to app-

ly. I spent the week between terms calling my MPP and several colleges trying to find out about this grant and possible options for myself. If they don't want the money, I certainly need it!"

Anderson is concerned about her prospects for next year. The shortened summer break gives her very little opportunity to save money for fall tuition and residence fees.

"I'm not even sure I'll be able

to get a job getting out of school so late. I'm sure other students are in my situation.

"We are receiving approximately five applications for emergency loans each day," said Pat Scrase. The maximum loan is \$250 and although the office is willing to be fairly lenient in extreme cases, Scrase cautions that after a warning, if a student is late with payments their name will be turned over to a collection agency.

Deadline missed

Hundreds of Humber students have missed the opportunity to collect sizeable government cheques this spring.

They are eligible, as recipients of OSAP loans, for grants compensating them for expenses incurred during the October teachers' strike.

The deadline for applying for this relief was February 28th.

Pat Scrase, Humber's Supervisor of Financial Aid, said only about half of them filled out applications.

Approximately 36 per cent of the 4,000 Humber students who applied for loans actually receive them according to Scrase. As a result, about 1,500 students could have applied for this strike-related grant.

Charges laid in gun incident

by Tia Chiericos

Two 21-year-old Humber students are facing charges in connection with a shooting incident outside of Munchies last Wednesday afternoon.

The incident occurred when a male student tried to break up a dispute between another man and a female student, police said.

Detective Evan Burke of 23 Division said a student slapped his girlfriend in the hallway around 5 p.m. The other man spit in his face.

Burke said the bystander then pulled out a BB gun and fired, breaking a window.

The instigator, Karl Phillips of Mount Olive Drive was charged with two counts of assault and the other participant, Michael Parkin of Malton, was charged with pointing a starter's pistol.

Police said no one was injured in the incident. Both college security and administration declined to comment on the matter.

The students appeared in court March 1 and Phillips was given an absolute discharge.

Parkin's court date was put over until March 22 when a trial date will be set.



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Broken glass — The top window of Munchies' back door was replaced after a shooting incident.

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NEWS BRIEFS

● Faculty Union President John Huot was elected to the provincial executive of the Ontario Public Service Employee's Union (OPSEU) college faculty division.

Huot was elected by 82 per cent of the delegates from the 22 colleges at the annual meeting held in Toronto Feb. 24-25.

The provincial executive is responsible for developing and advocating for improved government funding and education policies. For example, the drafting of OPSEU's submission to Vision 2000.

● The Humber College Theatre Department is presenting "Blood Relations".

Blood Relations, by Sharon Pollock, based on the notorious Lizzy Bordon story, will explore the question of whether Lizzy Bordon murdered her father and step-mother, or whether she was really innocent as proven by the courts.

The production will take place at the Nathan Cohen Studio (upstairs at the Young People's Theater). Evening

performances March 8 to 10 at 8 p.m. and matinees March 10 and 11 at 2:30 p.m.

Cost of the tickets is \$5 for evening performances.

For further information and ticket reservations call Theatre Humber at 251-7005.

● Speaking of blood, Lakeshore campus is holding a blood donor clinic.

The clinic will take place on Wednesday, March 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the gym. Please eat before donating blood.

● Wax up your skis and get ready for the Students' Association Council's fifth annual skiing trip.

The trip takes place on March 16 at Blue Mountain. Tickets cost \$25 for students and \$27 for non-students. Rental equipment is available for \$9.

It takes 47 people to fill a bus, said Mark Booth, SAC director of excursions.

Buses will be leaving from Caps at 7 a.m. and leave Blue Mountain on the return trip at 3 p.m.



PHOTO COURTESY GARY GELLERT

Want to go for a ride? — Yamaha Motor Canada Ltd. President Yukio Saguchi, presented Humber President, Robert Gordon, with the first of 650 motorcycles to be used in Humber's Motorcycle Training Program.

Yamaha donates 650 motorcycles

by Sue Gargiulo

Yamaha Motor Canada Ltd. has agreed to give Humber College close to 650 motorcycles over the next five years to support the College's motorcycle training program.

The first motorcycles arrived on Friday, March 1. There are currently 18 DT50s in the receiving area.

Program director Bob Calwell, who has been teaching motorcycle training at Humber for five years, said the motorcycles are ideal to learn on because they are good student bikes, with a full frame and a small engine.

Ken Morgan, director of the Centre for Transportation Safety, said the deal, now worth about \$1.3 million, will probably end up being worth closer to \$2 million because of inflation.

Yamaha will also provide promotional support through ads and press releases.

"You can't put a dollar value on that," Morgan said.

Yamaha's sponsorship guarantees the Canada Safety Council Motorcycle Training Program, the course being offered at Humber's North Campus, a sufficient supply of motorcycles for the duration of the five-year agreement.

"We're the only organization

who has got a guaranteed supply of motorcycles at no cost for a long period of time," Morgan said. "If we had to pay for these motorcycles in one form or another, it would increase the cost of the program and we couldn't guarantee the availability of training vehicles."

However, Calwell said repairs and maintenance would still be the responsibility of the school.

Negotiations with Yamaha had been going on for some time. The agreement was mutual and finalized by an intermediary, Morgan said.

Humber is still negotiating with Yamaha over a second proposal, the support of a training program in Northern Ontario.

With the exception of Thunder Bay, Sudbury, and North Bay, there is no training in Northern Ontario, Morgan said.

The proposal is to run a mobile program in May and June that would service Sault Ste. Marie, Timmins, Kapuskasing, and Kirkland Lake.

"I'm fairly optimistic that they're (Yamaha) going to agree to it. It was something that the president of Yamaha himself was quite interested in doing when we made the original pitch to support the program," Morgan said.

Visa students face 7.8 % fee hike

by Debra Ross

Visa students will face a 7.8 per cent hike in fees in the next academic year.

The increase evoked anger and disappointment from foreign students at a meeting held in the president's boardroom last month.

An official release by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities stated that international students will pay \$455 more.

Visa students said their hands are tied because there is nothing substantial they can do to change the government's policy.

Presently, the average foreign student pays \$5,804 for tuition but by September they

will pay \$6,259 for the academic year.

Benny Quay, International Student Project officer, said he constantly has to deal with some of the financial problems of visa students.

"The ministry holds this fallacy that all visa students who can afford to come to Canada for an education are very rich," he said. "Their rationale for the hike in fees is that the parents of international students do not live in Canada; therefore, they do not pay any taxes."

"From an economic perspective that does not hold much water because the students spent the same amount of money as any other Cana-

dian," he added.

"Students are going to other provinces such as Manitoba and Newfoundland to study instead, where there is no government tax and cost-of-living is lower," Quay added. "What is ironic, enrolment has gone down."

Quay said the Canadian Bureau for International Education lobbies for students, and they are allowed to express their concern through that organization.

A chemical technology student, Kathy Dalrymple, said, "I won't be able to pay for tuition on my own plus books, clothing, food and rent."



PHOTO BY LINDA CHIARVESIO

Viral infection — Maria Iwaniec, a continuing education student in the technology program, works with the Autocad program in lab J 201.

Stoned-B virus attacks college computer lab

by Linda Chiarvesio

Computer viruses, which have wreaked havoc on computer systems around the world, have now attacked Humber's computer labs.

Most recently, a computer lab, in room J 201, was found to be infected with a virus known as the "Stoned-B virus", said Kevin Adams, a User Services Group technician.

Adams said that after starting a computer eight times with an infected disk, the virus displayed the message: "Your computer is now stoned. Legalize Marijuana."

All but four of the 28 computers in the lab were found to be infected with the virus on Feb. 22.

The lab, which contains Tatung AT-compatible computers, is primarily used by Technology students who use AutoCad software.

To combat the spread of this virus, the college obtained an antiviral freeware package from

McAfee Associates.

The package contains three programs which are updated on an on-going basis to combat new viruses as they appear. Adams said that the college pays about \$20 per workstation to use this package.

Adams said that the "Stoned-B virus" which is categorized as a "hard disk infector" is transmitted from the computer's hard disk to the user's floppy diskette.

He added, "The user only has to perform one operation with an infected computer for the virus to be transmitted."

Adams said that he is afraid that if the virus isn't stopped, users of the lab could infect their own personal computers (PCs).

The virus, which first appeared in New Zealand in early 1988, can damage the data on a diskette, especially when 40 or more files are stored. Adams cautioned,

however, that it can also alter data on diskettes that contain fewer files.

"It can make the data appear in an incomprehensible format."

He said other viruses have appeared in the labs, such as the "Ping-Pong-B" or "Bouncing Ball" virus. This virus showed up in the lab in room E302.

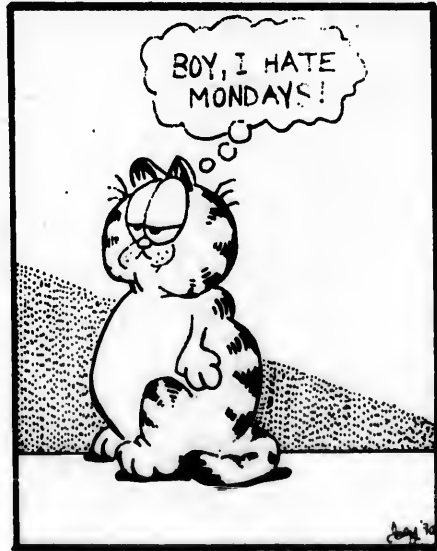
"This virus only affected a few of the workstations and it now seems to have been contained."

Adams said that viruses such as this one are created by computer experimenters who thrive on the publicity their virus creates.

He believes that the virus infecting Humber labs was brought in unknowingly by a user who picked up the virus elsewhere.

Adams said that when a computer is started using an infected floppy diskette, instead of its built-in hard disk, the virus is transmitted to the computer.

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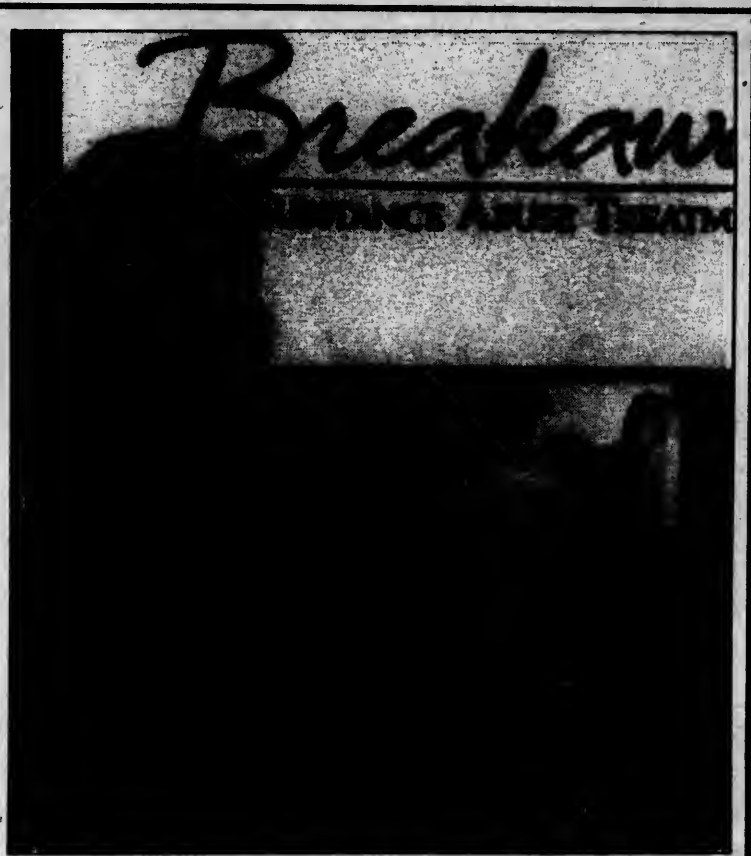


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Break free—Paula Yewchuk, a member of Breakaway, a drug treatment centre, was on campus March 6 to help promote Substance Abuse Week.

Most students feel safe, recent survey reveals

by Cheryl Francis

Students surveyed feel Humber College's North campus is a safe place to be despite increasing violence in post-secondary institutions.

The informal poll surveyed 20 women and 22 men from a variety of programs. They were asked six questions relating to violence at Humber.

The results are as follows:

- All but three students feel safe while at Humber. Two feel safe only during the daytime, while one male student said he's felt uneasy since the massacre in Montreal.

- Seventy-one per cent said violence in post-secondary schools is a problem, Humber notwithstanding. The media were blamed for having created the issue by 24 per cent.

"I think the administration (at Humber) tries to keep it out of the media's attention," said one student.

- Eighty per cent said they have neither witnessed nor heard of anyone being victimized at the college.

Half of the students who said they have, referred to a brawl in Caps at the North campus two years ago.

- Racism was seen by almost a third as being the major precipitator of violence.

- Drugs (including alcohol) followed very closely behind racism as a cause of violence. The rest were divided among poverty, sexism, human nature and a combination of factors.

One Nursing student said racism, not violence, should be addressed.

"Canadians feel that other races are taking up our personal space, and it's not really true," the student said.

Theft and vandalism should be more of a concern, another student said.

"A lot of kids here have a bad attitude. They don't respect the property of the school," said one student referring to the more than \$1,000 worth of studio equipment which was stolen from the Radio Broadcasting lab, earlier this year.

Coming up with solutions,

however, was an entirely different matter.

Only 19 students offered solutions. Thirteen said education is the best deterrent, while five suggested tighter security such as better lighting, surveillance, guards and fences.

Seventeen members make-up Humber's recently created Task Force who meet and discuss possible methods of preventing violence and aggressive behavior at the college. The group was originated by Humber President Robert Gordon. Its report is expected around Christmas.

Swirls tones down after complaints

by Debra Ross

The volume of the music from Swirls has been lowered, because of complaints from some Humber students and faculty in classrooms and offices located near the area.

John Mason, the director of food services, has asked Swirls management to lower the volume.

Recently students and staff members said Swirls employees have been increasing the volume of music to attract customers.

Maureen Buck, secretary of the faculty office for International Systems Studies and Marketing, voiced her dissatisfaction about the loud music.

"When Swirls just started to play their music, the volume was moderate but recently it has been disastrous because the volume is increasing," she said.

Buck is now satisfied with the decrease in volume. "I suffer from headaches. I also constantly had to tell callers to speak up when I am answering the phone," she added.

Steve Flude, program co-ordinator for International Systems also complained of the loud music. He said he personally spoke to Michael Thompson, the manager of Swirls, about the problem at least twice, but nothing was resolved.

Veronica Griggs, a computer programming student said once when she complained Thompson told her to "Go somewhere else". Mason had to be contacted before the problem was resolved.

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At the Lake

Social called "big success"

by Nancy DiGironimo

Humber Lakeshore campus' second mature student social was a big success as attendance figures nearly doubled those of the year's previous social.

Approximately 60 mature students gathered in the cafeteria last month to informally chat about their unique role in Humber's populus.

The event, organized by Student Affairs Officer Michele Beckstead and counsellor Catherine Wilson-Cheverie, was called a "big success" as it helped familiarize mature students with the feelings of fellow returning students and the college's services which are specifically geared toward them.

"We were very pleased with the amount of people who showed," said Cheverie.

The attendance nearly doubled from the 35 students who showed up to the first meeting in September.

Participants were encouraged to partake in the available variety of wines, cheeses, and other appetizers.

The social was organized "to give (the) opportunity for (new) mature students to meet other mature students," said Beckstead.

She said some of the mature students who enrolled at the Lakeshore campus at the beginning of February consider the socials to be a good way to familiarize themselves with the college.



PHOTO BY NANCY DIGIRONIMO

Be mature about it. — More than 60 students attended last month's mature students' social. The event provided with an opportunity mature students to mix and mingle.

In addition, Cheverie said these socials are "generally done at the beginning of the semester to get people acquainted with the services available to them."

With the help of a questionnaire, distributed at the first so-

cial, organizers were able to narrow down the topics the mature students were most interested in discussing at follow-up workshops.

With this information, Cheverie and Beckstead have set up several workshops for mature students to attend, such as the Stress Management workshop scheduled for Apr. 19 at the Lakeshore campus.

It's never too late for the decision to go back to school

Humber's mature students are a mixed lot.

Most have achieved quite a lot by the time they've reached the hallowed halls of Humber's Lakeshore campus.

Overcoming the age barrier, cultural barriers, and a drastic career change, they return to education with a refreshed appetite.

For Carolyn Henneburg, enrolled in the microcomputer business applications program, the decision was as simple as an aptitude test.

She quit her bank job of 18 years after discovering through an aptitude test that she belonged at Humber.

Initially, she worried about the age difference between she and her classmates.

"I thought when I came here I'd be so old compared to the other students," Henneburg said. "But I was surprised to find out that most of the students are my age."

Returning to school was also a surprise for Milagro Leiva, who immigrated from El Salvador, where post-secondary education is virtually unheard of.

So she moved to Canada. After working here for a few years, she inquired about Humber's Rehabilitation program.

"I had taken some English as a second language courses at George Brown College," Leiva said. "(Then) I got a job near the North campus."

One day she dropped into Humber's registration office and inquired about some courses.

"The next thing I knew I was registering in the Rehabilitation program," she explained.

But for David Cottrell, the decision to return to school quenched his desire for a more enjoyable career.

The microcomputer business applications program graduate said he quit his job as a counsellor because he was "feeling weighed down by people's problems."

Cottrell said he is enjoying greater enjoyment in the computer field.

The three mature students agree their common background in the workforce unites mature students.

"The majority of students, in my program, are from the workforce like me," Henneburg said. "So I feel very comfortable here."

Upcoming events

It promises to be a busy week at the Lakeshore campus.

No less than four events will be held between March 12-15.

The excitement begins on Tuesday, Mar. 13 with display of submissions to the third annual Lakeshore Arts Show. This interesting exhibition will be held in the SAC quiet lounge and will showcase the talents of Humberites from all three campuses.

On Wednesday, it's time to give the gift of life during the Lakeshore Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic. Come on down to the gym between 10 a.m. and 4

p.m. and help make this the most successful clinic ever!

Friday will be a busy day where students can show off their talents during the Variety Show auditions and then pump up the jam at the Day Pub in the small cafeteria.

If you can dance, sing, tell jokes or lip sync, visit the auditorium between noon and 6 p.m. The show, featuring various door prizes, will be held on March 28.

Cap off a great week at the Day Pub where you can fill those spare hours welcoming the Ides of March with a little song and dance.

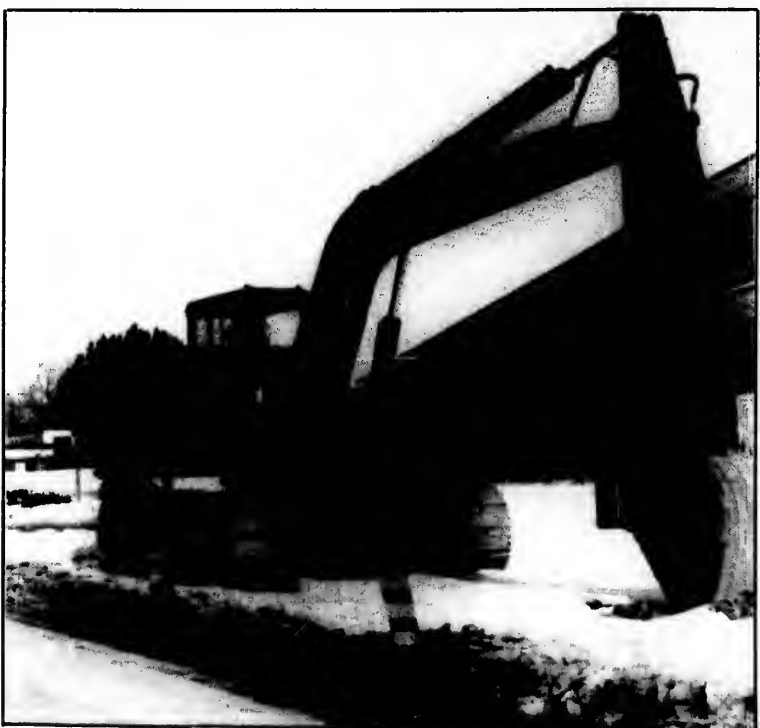


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Foggy future

The quality of education in the "state of Humber" is quickly deteriorating.

The recent faculty cutbacks are a clear indication of the foggy future of Humberites. Education is being compromised to save a few dollars, and probably unknown to most students, Humber didn't exactly start this fiscal year ahead of the game.

The school's financial situation in September was not much better, but it's nothing a little creative accounting couldn't cure. The Board of Governors complained about a minimal 1.2 per cent from the province and how the increase barely covered the inflation rate, which at the time, hovered around five per cent.

But, even with the small increase, the college still managed to function.

So why, after the problems with this year's operating budget, does the college have to make incredibly stiff cutbacks?

The most popular explanation is the teachers' strike and how the six per cent wage increase added tremendously to the problem. The problem being the four per cent of grey after minusing the two per cent provincial increase from the six per cent wage increase.

Cutbacks are quite simply, in the eyes of administration, covering the four per cent area.

Last year, cutbacks came in the form of selling unneeded and unwanted Humber services, such as Humber and offering early retirement to eligible employees. Why not this year?

Is the college trying to say there is nothing the college could sell or no employees nearing retirement age?

And, what happened to the surplus fund administration used to cover expenditures? Can't administration dip into this famous fund just one more time to save educational destruction?

How does administration expect to increase enrolment when the education Humber is offering doesn't even meet par? Weren't the new technology wing, library, and residences built for the simple purpose of attracting students?

The recent cutbacks totally defeat the college's pathetic attempt at marketing.

It would appear the college is seeking revenge on the teachers for the month-long strike. If not, then why aren't these previous accounting methods being used this time?

Even more important than the teachers losing jobs, the college should be concerned about the quality of educational instruction the students of Humber are going to get.

Once again, the students are caught in the middle of the union/administration struggle for supremacy. Once again, the students lose.

The upcoming rally on March 14 should be penciled into every student's date book. This is one Humber event no student should miss.

This will be the students' one and only time to voice their concerns about Humber's cutbacks.

Yeas

... to the hockey Hawks, who rebounded to defeat the Sheridan Bruins 3-2, after trailing 2-0.

Nays

... to SAC's innovative grammar and spelling on its Blue Mountain spring skiing posters plastered around the hallways. The "Rentails" (if you want to ski in a tuxedo) are \$9. And remember to hurry down to the SAC office right "now" because there's only one "ticket" on sale. The ad also has a colon problem worse than Ronald Reagan's.



Letters to the Editor:

Re: "Utopian dream shattering"

It's unfortunate that the bias of your writer, George Guidoni, would not allow for a fair and proper analysis of the Nicaraguan election.

It's suggested that the Sandinistas do not enjoy a broad popular support among the electorate. On the contrary, the Sandinistas captured about 45 per cent of the vote. This is broad support by anyone's standards.

business climate

The Nicaraguan opposition is a coalition of 10 parties representing interests as diverse as the Communists, who believe the Sandinistas to be collaborating with the bourgeoisie, and the far right, who would like a return to the profitable business climate that existed under the bloody tyranny of Somoza.

The Sandinistas are still the largest party within Nicaragua, and there is no guarantee that the UNO coalition will survive for any period of time, or that a fragmented opposition would continue to recognize Violeta Chamorro as de facto leader.

It must also be recognized the conditions that allowed for the first freely elected government, in a process that was free of violence or fraud, were created by Ortega's "dictatorship".

The Sandinistas managed to overthrow "one of the most corrupt and abusive dictatorships in recent history," institute Central America's largest ever land distribution scheme, reduce illiteracy, eliminate polio, and provide free medical care, while at the same time, hold at bay an armed force financed by the United States.

The United States has long engaged in a policy of intervention and economic domination in Central America. The Gringos installed Somoza, and through illegal means sought to dislodge the Sandinistas with economic and jungle terrorism. Ten years of Sandinista rule is a tribute to human endurance against overwhelming odds.

However, Nicaragua's troubles are not over. Despite election results, many of the opposition parties who were once allied with the Sandinistas, broke off when they became disenchanted with Sandinista policy. These divisions still exist and there is no reason to believe that these parties will remain

allied with Chamorro any longer than they remained allied with the Sandinistas.

The Contras are a wild card. They are accustomed to the jungle and may be unwilling to lay down their arms. Besides, their stated objective has not been accomplished as the Sandinistas remain a potent political and military force. The United States may find that they no longer call the contra tune, and despite the best of circumstances, the Contras may choose to continue the struggle.

largest party

Finally, it is the long history of U.S. intervention, local monopolizing of political and economic power and wealth, and capitalistic exploitation, that ensures misery and turmoil in Central America. Communism has been a fact of life in Central America since 1959; poverty and U.S. support for violent dictators has been around a great deal longer.

Mr. Guidoni is absolutely correct when he says, "A spectre is haunting Earth."

Sean Hurley
1st year Journalism

Coven welcomes your letters. We ask that you sign your name and student number for authenticity. Room L231.

Opinion

Talkback

Will you be supporting teachers in their fight against cutbacks at the upcoming rally on March 14? Why or why not?

by Sue-Anne Battersby



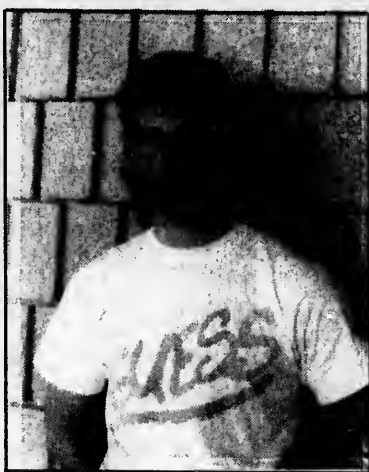
Sheldon Norton
Film/TV

"I've been too busy with school to pay attention to the topic."



Donna Rodrigues
CIS Administration

"I don't know. I'd have to find out the issues first. I don't know enough about it."



Derek Fradsham
Computer Engineering

"Yes. If cutbacks continue, we may lose some of our best teachers and soon our degrees will carry the same weight as a piece of toilet paper."



George Minich
Computer Engineering

"I'll be attending. I'm worried about the quality and value of my diploma after graduation. Therefore, I strongly sympathize with teachers and my fellow students regarding the proposed cutbacks."

Poor excuse for sports

ANDREW JOSEPH

We interrupt your program for this important news flash.

It's happened again. Another cancelled intramural event. This year, Humber's excuse for an intramural program has been in shambles.

Jim Bialek, the person responsible for the intramurals, has been lacksadaisical in his attempts to create a consistent venue for Humber's part-time athletes.

Consider his sorry record for this year. Baseball, started in the autumn, has yet to see its conclusion in March. Oh, sure Bialek has a legitimate excuse that the teachers' strike delayed the schedule until winter set in, but the 'games' that were played were not run in an acceptable manner.

The Coven softball team played four games in September. None of them counted because the other team failed to show up. Great. We get to pay money to play other teams that are apparently non-existent.

The worst part of it, as far as I'm concerned, was the lack of proper game officials. If you're going to run an event, at least get someone who knows the rules!

Soccer. The world's most popular sport. Humber even got a lot of students to sign up for it back in December. Three months later, nobody knows what's going on. Some teams have played three games, others only two. But who is in the play-offs? When are the play-offs? Does anybody care?

Hmmm, maybe that's what Bialek is hoping for. Maybe people will totally forget they shovelled out good money for the use of Humber's athletic facilities. If this happens, maybe (and I repeat maybe) someone in Athletics will get to keep all the money without having to divy any out for the cost of referees. Naw. I'll give you more credit than that.

Oh yeah, the word is that indoor soccer will resume shortly. Yeah? When?

Just recently, poor old Bialek was heard crying about the lack of participants for intramural volleyball. It seems that nobody (except for a handful of hearty souls) wants to join up. Gee, what a shame.

Now, on to the real reason for this tirade. We had our ball-hockey game cancelled. Why? I don't know. Nobody in Athletics could tell me. Will this be the latest in a series of major faux pas by Jim Bialek and his cronies? It better not be. I think most of the participating students (and teachers) are getting a little tired of excuses. All we want is a good intramural program. Is that asking too much?

We return now to the scheduled program, already in progress.

Selling us on GST

JOHN HOBEL

Confused? It must be time to fill out your income tax reforms.

The Conservative government has decided to make tax time even more complicated by giving income earners a preview of their new Goods and Services Tax (GST) Credit. Forms and pamphlets have been included and the federal bureaucracy is getting ready to add on staff to handle all the paper work the new tax will create.

The introductory look at the GST Credit is backed up by a government television advertising blitz. What this all boils down to is propoganda. The government is trying to sell the nation on the merits of a credit for a tax that has yet to be introduced in the House of Commons.

Finance Minister Michael Wilson's plan is simple, he wants to convince the public they'll be getting a hefty GST Credit at tax time next year. The fantasy credit should help average Canadians feel better about the astronomically high amount of cash they're forced to fork out to the federal government this year. The rich don't have to worry, they don't pay taxes.

The truth of the matter is that the only people who will be eligible for this credit are those individuals and families who are out-of-work and destitute thanks to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's free trade agreement with the United States. Revenue Canada refers to this group as "Canadians of modest incomes."

The reality of the GST is that the long arm of the tax department is stretching further into the pockets of the middle class. It's time for Canadians to tell the Conservative party that hard-earned salaries are not an endless resource for them to tap. This message is already being heard in Alberta.

The province that has been a long-time Conservative party stronghold is revolting against the GST. Individual Conservative party riding associations are electing new executives with the sole purpose of stopping the GST. Their message is clear — any Conservative federal MP who votes for the proposed tax in the House of Commons will not be re-elected as the party candidate for the next election.

The citizens of Alberta should not have to wage this war alone. Canadians from St. John's to Victoria should ban together and give the federal government a lesson in democracy.

A joint cause

EVELYN MORGAN

The ill-fated question of whose responsibility it is, the man's or the woman's, to purchase or provide contraceptives, pops up again. Is it really a question of responsibility or is it a question of respect?

Many of my peers and colleagues have pondered this issue on many occasions, but brain power on responsible sexual habits really doesn't cut it, action does.

Even if there was a conscious effort by the general public to resolve this issue, could everyone be

satisfied with the end result? Honestly? I think so.

Women, in general, say that it's his responsibility to provide condoms. They also say, "There shouldn't be any discrepancy even if I am on the pill." Men, in turn, seem to feel that it is her responsibility because she's the one who could get pregnant.

A male friend of mine, who has his priorities set straight, says, "In this age, it's up to both partners to be ready to provide contraception." Opinions are changing for the better. If both partners of the countless couples across the globe took this to heart, there would be less risk of pregnancy and more happy, satisfied people.

A lost nation

STEPHEN CRIBAR

Canada seems to have stumbled upon troubled times. Quebec is once again threatening separation, taxes are out of control and people are losing their jobs as big U.S. corporations close down their plants and head home. I may be too young, but I don't recall a time when Canada seemed so lost and confused as a nation.

While watching Ken Dryden's television series "Home Game," his look at the game of hockey as a way of life in Canada, I found the problem. Canada is losing its identity.

Remember the 1972 Canada-Russia hockey series? Hell, I was only in grade one but I remember Paul Henderson's goal. We were a

country that day, united from sea to sea.

Feelings like that seem to be fewer and far between lately. Sure, Ben Johnson gave us a moment in Seoul, but that just turned out to be an embarrassment. I guess a few people waved the flag when Canadian Ken Taylor smuggled six Americans out of Iran, but where is he now?

does anyone care

Is it only through sports that we can truly come together as a nation? Does anyone really care if K.D. Lang wins a Grammy?

Phil Esposito, one of the prominent players in that Soviet series said he would have "actually killed" to win that series for his country. A little extreme maybe, but it is our game. Something we can call our own.

Entertainment



Tale maid with success

by Vicki Wirkkunen

The frightening vision of the future penned by Margaret Atwood in *The Handmaid's Tale* has been worked into a wonderful screen adaptation.

So often this is a transition that does not meet with success. However, the movie version of *The Handmaid's Tale* is excellent, regardless of whether or not the viewer has already read the novel.

The story is set in a future near to our time where there are no scientific nor technological advances in our society that jump out at the viewer. The only difference in the way the world works, is in the political sphere.

Society as we know it has been taken over by a group which bases its ideals on radical puritan ethics.

Because of nuclear accidents and pollution, few women are able to bear children and society has become a place of a strict social order.

humiliating role

A female who passes a fertility test becomes a handmaid, assigned to a Commander to bear him a child.

The Commanders are the ruling elite. Those who refuse to submit to the humiliating role of handmaid have another option — being sent to colonies designed to clean up toxic waste until death claims them.

The tale is that of a woman named Kate (Natasha Richardson). While attempting to flee



COURTESY PHOTO

No they're not praying — Fertile women are in meditation en route to breeding for the elite in the film *The Handmaid's Tale*. The film is a futuristic look at societal class discriminations.

from this repressive society, her husband is killed, her young daughter is taken from her, and Kate, diagnosed as fertile, is assigned to the "exalted" role of handmaid.

While awaiting transportation to the Red Centre for handmaid training, she witnesses the inhumane treatment and categorizing of her fellow citizens.

Minorities and non-believers are herded like cattle into awaiting

trucks taking them to work camps, in scenes somewhat reminiscent of the Holocaust of World War II.

Infertile females are deemed "unwomen" and are sent to suffer in the colonies.

At the centre, Kate befriends a rebellious woman named Moira (Elizabeth McGovern).

Kate and Moira form a bond and offer each other words of comfort and support whenever they can without being detected by

the ever-present ears and eyes of the "aunts," the women who instruct them in becoming handmaids.

Soon afterwards, Kate is assigned to a Commander. She is given a long red gown to wear, the prescribed dress of all handmaids.

Her placement is with a high-ranking Commander named Fred (Robert Duvall) and his wife Serena Joy (Faye Dunaway), a former TV evangelist. Henceforth, Kate is known as Offred.

Kate is to remain in her room until summoned and is not to speak unless spoken to.

Her daily routine consists of doing the marketing for the household, accompanied by a neighboring handmaid Ofglen (Blanche Baker).

Once a month, at the peak of her fertility, Kate, the Commander and Serena Joy engage in the "ceremony" in order to impregnate Kate.

It is an act devoid of feeling or passion.

One night Kate is summoned to the Commander's office, a contact that is strictly forbidden. She is wary that he is demanding her pre-

sence for sex but knows that refusing his summons could lead to a worse fate.

Surprisingly, Kate discovers that all the Commander is suggesting at the moment is companionship.

Kate spends many evenings in the Commander's office happy to be allowed to do simple things she took for granted in her "other" life, such as reading or simply talking.

The Commander does not push her for sexual favours, although he alludes to the fact that it would not be an unwelcome advance.

Meanwhile, Serena Joy is becoming afraid that her husband is sterile and that is the reason Kate is not yet with child. She privately suggests to Kate that she have sexual relations with Nick (Aidan Quinn), the Commander's chauffeur.

illicit union

Kate does not trust Serena Joy but cannot refuse her command.

Although he is male, Nick's life is almost as regimented as Kate's. Their illicit union is full of a combination of the tenderness and passion that is lacking in their lives.

The act sparks a renewed zest for living and desire for freedom in Kate. Through her companion Ofglen she has learned of a secret underground organization of rebels that could lead her to sanctuary. But due to the foretold events, Kate's life hangs in a precarious balance.

The Commander, Serena Joy, and Nick all hold secrets that could condemn Kate to her death.

Those who were dissatisfied with the indefinite ending to Atwood's novel will be more pleased with the climax and finale of the film version, which was adapted to screenplay by Harold Pinter. It leaves the viewer a bit more knowledgeable about Kate's fate.

The Handmaid's Tale is a chilling vision of the future because the future is not unrealistic. It is a society which can be understood,

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Hot night at pub

by RaDeana Goodyear

There was no sand at last Thursday's pub but it was a beach party equipped with shorts, bikinis and beach gear.

Approximately 400 students showed up decked out in traditional beach paraphenalia, dancing to a variety of beach music.

The stifling heat made the pub feel like a hot summer night, but unfortunately it wasn't.

Keeping with the pub's theme, many beach-related activities were held consisting of a limbo contest, bikini and beefcake contest and a draw for a trip to Jamaica.

The winners of the bikini and beefcake contest each won two front row tickets to the coming

David Bowie concert.

Dave Knott said he was happy with the contest because no skin was exposed as in previous contests.

The winner of the trip to Jamaica was Mark Omelan, a Business student.

The pub was a sold-out success, being the third week the pubs have been at maximum capacity.

A new edition to Caps is its shooter bar, located on the other side of the stage, it features 26 different shooters.

The pub was sponsored by Temple and Temple Tours travel agency as part of their promotion of Jamaica.

Those in attendance appeared to be having a fun time at the beach.

The greatest secret show on earth

by Stephen Cribar

Clive Barker has been a busy man. His new film *Nightbreed* has been released and he has overseen the conversion of both his first film *Hellraiser* and several of his earlier short stories into comic books.

Add extensive promotional touring and he doesn't have much time left. So I wonder where he found the time to write a book as good as his latest, *The Great and Secret Show*.

Billed as "The First Book of the Art," Barker has once again come up with an extraordinary tale. He himself once said "it's about Hollywood, sex and Armageddon."

Like his previous best-selling novel *Weaveworld*, it's very hard to find a genre for *The Great and Secret Show*.

Start with dark fantasy, mix in a little science fiction, a touch of splatter-punk, throw in a thesaurus and you'll probably come as close as your going to get.

The story opens in a dead letter office in Omaha, Nebraska where a nobody named



Intrigued and obsessed Jaffe burns the post office down and sets off in search of the Art.

There are several sub-plots underneath the main plot and at times the reader can get lost in Barker's intricate detail.

Jaffe's search turns into a supernatural war with those who wish to preserve Quiddity against intrusion and Barker carries this war to almost biblical proportions.

His earlier novels and short stories are notorious for their graphic violence and horribly descriptive scenes. *The Great and Secret Show* has its moments; however, it is not a horror novel even though it has its horrific elements.

In *The Great and Secret Show*, Barker questions all faith, all religion and makes the world we live in seem frighteningly trivial.

As always, he has succeeded in opening the door into the deep, dark, perverse secrets that nobody else will dare tell.

The first 100 pages are a little slow, but once past them you won't be able to put the book down.

Randolph Jaffe sorts through mail that has gotten lost in the system.

While reading the letters, Jaffe stumbles across a secret group of correspondants who call themselves.

In their letters they talk about something called the Art and a place named Quiddity.

Jaffe soon finds out that Quiddity is the sea of dreams, a sea where humans only swim three times in a lifetime.

The first night they swim in the womb, the second night beside their first lover and the last on the final night of their lives.

Jaffe also finds out that the Art gives unlimited access to Quiddity.

Caps gets high on Homegrown

by RaDeana Goodyear and Tia Chiericos

Some of Humber's finest musicians appeared in Caps to promote their homegrown bands.

Two consecutive Monday evenings were scheduled for the event featuring a variety of different bands.

The first evening opened with the talent of *Altered Lies*, an alternative music band, *John Allen's Jazz* ensemble, *United Groove's reggae* music, and *Dizzy Marron* performing good old original rock.

Altered Lies made the first appearance, starting the evening on a good note. Despite the fact they experienced a few technical difficulties, the band did a commendable rendition of the Cure's song, *Boys don't cry*.

John Allen's Jazz band executed a "jazzed up" performance of New York style blues.

United Groove was full of energy. The band displayed an enjoyable stage performance with their rhythmic dancing.

The last band, *Dizzy Marron*, rounded out the evening with some good ol' rock and roll.

The first week's showing accommodated a small but enthusiastic audience, while the second evening witnessed such groups as *Another Fine Mess*, *Rock Bottom Blues*, *Chapter Seven*, *Up Beat*, and *Fireball*.

Another *Fine Mess* showed aspects of alternative music's originality but was marred with obscene lyrics such as, "eat shit and die".

The *Bottom Blues* band kept an upbeat rhythm which attracted audience participation. The music provoked some members of the crowd to start dancing to the beat.

The classic rock band, *Chapter Seven*, used a variety of sound effects. However, the interfering static was not on their list.

The "Up Beat" band brought a taste of the Caribbean to Caps. The use of bongo drums and a female voice enhanced the quality of their performance.

The last group, *Fireball*, sent sparks into the crowd with their rendition of heavy metal music. They used smoke screens to compliment their material.

Although the crowd was initially larger than the first show, it thinned out quickly.

Homegrown Band Nights were both entertaining and educational to all involved.

Along with band members learning to perform live, sound board students were also given the opportunity to enhance their skills.

Overall, the band nights were a success that leaving the crowd enthralled with the talent at Humber College.



COURTESY PHOTO

Teacher with student — Victoria Tennant (left) stars as Aunt Lydia, a teacher instructing handmaids, with Traci Lind (right) as Ofwarren, a handmaid

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though it is hard to imagine anyone finding it acceptable.

This film comes alive because of the actors. In the novel, much is

explained through the thoughts of Kate, something which cannot be done on the screen. *Natasha Richardson* is wonderful in bringing across Kate's emotions and feelings.

The first few encounters between Kate and Nick are not in private so they cannot speak, yet their eye contact says volumes.

It would be virtually impossible to imagine anyone else being able to

portray emotion and expression as *Aidan Quinn* does using only his eyes. As *Nick*, he brings out the necessary chemistry between himself and *Richardson*.

Robert Duvall's performance as the Commander gives his character a lot of human feelings as opposed to portraying him simply as a power figure.

One actor to also be lauded for her portrayal is *McGovern*.

As *Moir* she is feisty, sharp-tongued and quick-witted. However, she is also compassionate and proud.

The *Handmaid's Tale* will probably not attract a large audience. It is not a pleasure film. At times it is morbid, startling and actually frightening, but it makes the viewer think.

The movie is a powerful analysis of what a fundamentalist power could do to society as we know it.

Despite its dark theme it still reflects the good qualities of freedom, love and passion for living.

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Features

Humber College joins big League

by Carol Moffatt

Humber College stands alone in Canada. But it stands proud.

It is the only Canadian college to have been invited to join 42 American colleges in The League for Innovation. The League, founded in 1968, is an educational consortium which seeks to create and maintain a high level of excellence within the North American community college system.

Dr. Roy Giroux, vice-president of education and faculty services, is Humber's league representative. He said, "Thirty colleges apply each year to join the League, but few pass the staunch requirements for acceptance."

assess effectiveness

A committee visits the applicant college to assess its effectiveness, stability, reputation, and willingness to spare time and staff on projects. It also assesses the commitment of the school presidents to excellence. If a president leaves, the school must reapply for membership and be reassessed.

Humber President Robert Gordon is on the League's Board of Directors. He praised Humber's membership in the League and said that although it has some critics, for the most part the League is the group colleges would most like to be in. He said one advantage is the communication. "You can pick up the phone or send a fax and every college will give you everything they know about that topic," he said.

The League for Innovation hosts a yearly convention which attracts more than 1,000 representatives from over 250 colleges.

Through continued interaction, sharing of ideas and the interchange of publications, colleges in the League are holding themselves above others with high profile continuing education for administration and faculty.

development conference

The League sponsors a *Leadership 2000* conference each summer. This program is an international executive development conference at which teaching professionals learn how to become better at their jobs in order to boost career potential. An Executive Leadership Institute helps a selected group of potential community college presidents review their skills, abilities, and interests. Other conferences have been held in recent years, addressing issues such as institutional effectiveness in community colleges and the role of teachers in student development.

For Humber, the most important conference was *Computers in Community Colleges*, which took place in 1986. Betty Todd, a health sciences professor, delivered a presentation on the future of computers here. Since then, she has been instrumental in integrating computer-assisted learning into the nursing program. "The League was the catalyst that got that project moving," Todd said. "We're probably doing more than many other League colleges in implementing computer-assisted learning."

The Computer Assisted Learning Lab (CALL) began with only a few programs and now "there are

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Kellogg Fellows Selected for Leadership Project

Seventeen mid-managers and faculty leaders have been selected by a national advisory committee to participate in a pilot project to prepare minority leaders for community colleges. The project, funded by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, is sponsored by the League for Innovation and The University of Texas at Austin.

The grant was designed to support ten Kellogg Fellows in the pilot. However, there were so many outstanding applications, the League Board of

The Kellogg Fellows will participate in a series of seminars over a year, and will develop individualized professional development plans to implement what has been learned in the program. Three of the seminars will be hosted by League colleges: Dallas County Community College District, Foothill-De Anza Community College District, and Central Piedmont Community College.

The fellows from League colleges include: [names listed]

"Interior," by Jane Hunter, Santa Fe Community College wins "Best of Show" in Student

Standing alone — Humber is the only college in Canada to be invited to enter the League for Innovation. The league's newsletter, *Innovator*, keeps members informed.

90 programs to access," Todd said. "It's like a library, except you get feedback."

The programs provide case study simulations in which students can test their clinical decisions and tutorials. Humber is now one of three colleges chosen to implement some innovative computer techniques. "We're (currently) a test site for testing out health services interactive video technology with IBM," Todd said.

Another project created by Humber's membership in the League is the Joint Study Lab. It was implemented in conjunction with IBM after Humber was

chosen by the League to join "a major project with computer vendors (for) joint ventures," said Ruth McLean, chairperson of Professional Development.

The lab works with the Language Development Centre to provide compensatory education and testing in English as well as math and writing skills for students with difficulties in these fields. "The lab is quite popular with faculty," said McLean. Teachers can use the lab to access software, develop computer skills and explore methods of integrating computers into curriculum.

The formal contract with IBM ended in January but McLean

said, "We'll continue to see the IBM people, and we're talking about other partnerships."

Another advantage of the program is a planning guide for instructional computing which McLean created. The guide was distributed throughout North America to League members, and "Humber is using it as a basis for our program in the future," said McLean.

Both Todd and McLean have been handling letters and phone calls inquiring about their programs. Todd said that people from the universities of Toronto and Western Ontario have been among those calling for information.

Hanging art up to dry

by John Hobel

The next time you go to the laundromat you may be viewing art while you wait for your shirts to dry. Artist Michelle Gay, an Etobicoke native, said the concept is a chance for artists to show their work in a new and unrestricted venue.

"We want to be open and allow the artists to do anything they want," she said. "We don't want to edit or censor." To achieve this goal, Gay organized a committee of fellow artists.

The idea of displaying art in laundromats was first tried on a small scale in Vancouver two years ago. One of the major problems that artists in Toronto face is the limited amount of space available at galleries for the showing of works.

"Physically there is only so much room in galleries," explained Gay. The laundromat project was designed to give artists a chance to show their creations, which is something they may not be able to achieve under the present gallery system.

"This is more accessible to people who generally don't go to galleries," said Gay. "The purpose is to show, not sell, your work." The choice of laundromats for this purpose is a deliberate

one. The images that laundry evokes is a subject that many of the artists involved plan to express in their artwork.

"The laundromat is a great metaphor for women's work," Gay said. It is also representative of hard labor and the lower strata of society in general. Artists are

not, however, limited to following a theme. Artists are responsible

for approaching a laundromat of their choice and for arranging any security measures they feel necessary. Gay stated that any risk involved in putting your art in a laundromat is outweighed by the positive aspects of the project.

Students Lose and Win in weight loss program

by Debra Ross

Humber's athletic department is trying to show that losers can be winners in a weight-loss program called Lose and Win.

The department is attempting to motivate students and faculty members to lose weight during National Nutrition Month.

Organizers of the program, which began on March 1 and continues until April 30, are Doug Fox, assistant director of athletics, and Ray Anne, physical resource therapist.

Fox said the program is targeted for anyone who wants to lose between 10 and 15 pounds.

Each participant is expected to have a buddy who is physically fit

and not overweight. The buddy's job is to encourage his or her companion to lose the necessary pounds.

An initial workshop will be held with a dietician to give advice and direction procedures to all participants. There will also be weekly weigh-in sessions. Advertising for the program is done through Inside Track, and there will be posters throughout the college.

This program is the second of its kind put on by the athletics department. The first was held last semester during the teachers' strike.

It was called Quit and Win and was intended to encourage smokers to kick the habit.



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6. FREE FALLIN' — Tom Petty
7. EXPEDITION SAILOR — Kim Mitchell
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HC-100 PICK OF THE WEEK

WHAT WAS GOING THROUGH MY HEAD Grapes of Wrath

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Sports



Ice Hawks go for OCAA title

by Stephen Cribar

The drive for five is alive!! Like all great dynasties, the ability to come together as a team has won many championships. For Humber's hockey Hawks, it has given them the chance to capture their fifth straight Ontario College Athletic Association title.

Down 2-0 in their best of five semi-final against the Sheridan Bruins, the Hawks stormed back to tie the series at two and force a fifth and deciding game on Saturday at Westwood arena.

The Hawks didn't disappoint the near capacity crowd, knocking off Sheridan 5-1 to take the series 3-2 and advance to the final against Georgian.

Although the first period ended in a scoreless tie, the Hawks set the tempo with their strong physical play. Kent Falby had the best scoring chance of the period when he found himself alone in front of Sheridan's net, but Bruins' goaltender Steve Frangos came up big.

Paul Stafford got the Hawks on the board early in the second with a wrap-around from behind the net. Six minutes later Hawks' captain Shawn Vaudry crossed the Sheridan blueline and dropped the puck back to defenceman Mike Niell, who blasted a slapshot past Frangos, making it 2-0 Humber.

Later in the period it looked as if the Hawks would take a commanding 3-0 lead; however, referee

Ralph Spark had already blown the play dead. This seemed to shift the momentum and a few minutes later Perri Hood put Sheridan on the board to make the score 2-1 Humber at the end of the second.

Early in the third, Niell brought the fans to their feet with his second of the game, giving Humber a 3-1 lead. This prompted acrobatics from Humber's mascot Harley Hawk, who began leading the Humber cheering section with chants of "Smurf meat, Smurf meat," referring to Sheridan's blue uniforms.

At 15:28, Rick Hay put the game out of reach, blasting a Steve Catney pass past Frangos for a 4-1 Humber lead.

Hawks' goaltender Mike Noonan took over from there, making several spectacular stops. Vaudry put the Hawks up 5-1 taking the feed from Paul Jackson and beating Frangos on the stick side.

The Hawks' star winger Jackson said he hoped the momentum would carry over into the Georgian series.

"We realized that in the first two games we took them (Sheridan) too lightly and we just didn't work out there," he said. "We just have to realize that if we want to be champions this year, it's going to be tough."

Head coach Dana Shutt said Sheridan should be satisfied with their play in the series.

"Tonight we played the kind of hockey Humber College is cap-



PHOTO BY JOEL ROBERTSON

Oh, what a scramble! — Humber's hockey Hawks down 2-0 in the best of five against the Sheridan Bruins, took command of the series after forcing a fifth game. Hawks won Saturday's game.

able of," he said. "You've got to give Sheridan a lot of credit, they just refused to go down and they've never usually been like that. I think it's a turning point in their franchise. They're going to be heard from in the next couple of years."

Sheridan coach Steve Blundy said he really felt bad for his players.

"We felt good going into the game," he said. "With the score 2-1 at the end of the second we had to keep it tight, but that third Humber goal just killed us. If I'm disappointed, it's because our guys worked so hard."

However, Shutt isn't too pleased with the way Georgian made the finals. After Georgian beat Sir Sanford Flemming (Peter-

borough) 21-0 in the first and 17-2 in the second game of their series, Peterborough decided they were no match for the Grizzlies and forfeited the series.

"I'm a little disappointed," Shutt said. "They've been waiting for a week, not one injury, not a scar on them, ready to go and we've just come through this war."

Hawks win series

by Stephen Cribar

Facing elimination in game three of their best of five semi-final playoff series against Sheridan, Humber's hockey Hawks came up with a huge 7-3 victory last Wednesday at Westwood Arena.

The Hawks were missing six players, including sniper Paul Jackson and head coach Dana Shutt, after suspensions were handed out for a last-minute bench-clearing brawl during last Monday's 6-3 loss to Sheridan.

The Hawks looked pumped up for the opening face-off, but a hooking penalty to forward Gino Lostracco resulted in a power play goal and a 1-0 Sheridan lead just three minutes into the game.

First period play was continually interrupted by a whistle-happy referee trying to avoid a repeat of Monday's brawl. This seemed to throw the Hawks off their usual fast-paced skating style and the period ended 1-0 in favor of Sheridan.

The Hawks came out hitting in the second period and at 14:52, defenceman Steve Catney slid a low wrist shot past Bruins goalie Steve Frangos tying the score 1-1.

Spectacular penalty-killing and solid goaltending by Mike Noonan prevailed as the Hawks played two men short for two minutes. This seemed to be the turning point of the game as the momentum shifted in Humber's favor with three quick goals. First, forward Bob Emmel blasted a slapshot past Frangos for a 2-1

Humber lead. Less than two minutes later, defenceman Mike Neill put Humber up 3-1 with a shot that eluded Frangos between the legs. Both goals came on the powerplay.

Minutes later, forward Jim Way stripped the puck from the Bruins' defenceman and flipped the puck over Frangos' shoulder for a shorthanded goal and a 4-1 Humber lead.

Sheridan cut the lead in half with a late goal, making it 4-2 Humber at the end of the second period.

With the score 4-3, and Sheridan threatening to tie the game, forward Ian Collins made a beautiful end-to-end rush and centred the puck to Andy Rivers, who put it behind Frangos giving Humber a 5-3 lead. Collins and Kent Falby added insurance markers, lifting Humber to a 7-3 victory.

Assistant coach Dave Emerson, who took over behind the bench in Shutt's absence, was pleased with the Hawks' performance.

"I'm happy," he said. "It's nice to see the guys scoring goals again, we were in a big slump. We played like we did in the first two games. It's just that we finally started clicking on our scoring chances and that was the difference."

Going into last Thursday's game in Oakville, the Hawks once again had their proverbial backs to the wall, trailing 2-1 in the series.

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Huskies eat Hawks

by Joe Suzor

Winning on the road is never easy. Doing it when there's nothing on the line is next to impossible.

Just ask the Humber Hawks men's basketball team about that. They were defeated in their regular season finale by the George Brown Huskies 73-64 at George Brown Feb. 28.

Humber went into the game having already clinched a berth in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) final four championship, beginning tomorrow afternoon at Centennial's Progress campus.

"We were up for the game and

intense about it," Hawk forward Doug Lawrie said. "But in the back of our minds we knew it really didn't matter."

The loss to the Huskies left Humber with a 4-4 road record, 11-5 on the year, good for second place behind Sheridan Bruins. The fine record for the Hawks was, surprisingly, head coach Mike Katz's worst at Humber.

Katz had his bench out early in the contest, giving playing time to everyone and resting the starters. Humber jumped out to an early lead utilizing their strong defence and held on going into the second half up 36-27.

"I think we are one of the best defensive teams in the OCAA right now," said Lawrie.

The first eight minutes of the second half saw Humber's defence collapse, letting the Huskies go on a 17-4 run and pull ahead 44-40. George Brown held for the lead the remainder of the game by putting in a great second-half defensive performance. Humber's inability to execute their offence and weak performance in rebounding led to their second loss in a row on the road.

The Hawks now head into their championship semi-final Friday at 4 pm.

"As long as we keep focused on our main objective and goal, we are unbeatable," Lawrie said. "If we don't keep focused, we won't be a success."

If the Hawks advance to the final, many players are hoping to get a crack at Sheridan.

"I'd like to see a rematch of last game," Lawrie said referring to the Hawks' triple overtime 107-105 loss in last year's championship against Sheridan. "It's pay-back time."

Humber was totally dominated by the Bruins in the last meeting between the two teams, falling to the OCAA's top squad in 86-48 in Oakville.



PHOTO BY JOEL ROBERTSON

Up, up and away — A Humber player sets himself for a jump shot with two George Brown players in his face. The Hawks lost the road game 73-64.

Hawks steal series

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But a goal by Vaudry three minutes into overtime, gave Humber an emotional 3-2 victory.

Sheridan opened the scoring in the first on a power play when Scott Anderson stole the puck off Hawk defenceman Ron Lonsdale and wristed a shot by Mike Noonan.

But the game turned around dramatically when Collins scored a shorthanded goal with eight minutes left in the period.

It looked as if that goal would be the winner, as Humber held Sheridan scoreless for all of the second and a majority of the third.

Going into the overtime period, it was thought that Sheridan would have the momentum after scoring late in the third.

But Humber took the play to the Bruins, and it paid off when Vaudry beat Frangos on the glove side with a shot along the ice.

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