



Josh Kerr

Tales from the Obama-van

Five students, 800 kilometres, one diary. Humber students braved the inclement weather and massive crowds to spend a day witnessing history. Above, Roderick Beechum from Baltimore reminds passersby on D.C. streets of the significance of this moment in black history. Read the diary and see photos from the trip to Washington on pages 10-11.

Squee's contribution to college recognized

Former president Robert Gordon appointed to the Order of Ontario after 25 years at Humber, says he's proud of shaping a student-centred culture at the college

Joana Draghici
NEWS REPORTER

Former college president Dr. Robert Gordon was honoured with the fourth annual Minister's Lifetime Achievement Award in a ceremony at North Campus last Tuesday.

Gordon was also recognized at the ceremony for his appointment to the Order of Ontario, the province's highest official award.

"While it's nice to receive recognition, I think I would be a fool to think that I'm something special," said Gordon, who was known as 'Squee' during his 25 years as presi-

dent of Humber before retiring in 2006. "This is a special institution and quite frankly it was the people we had that made it go," he said after being presented with the award.

"You did not fool any of us, we know great leadership when we see it, Squee," said his successor President John Davies.

At the ceremony, Gordon was also cited for his dedication to improving the college sector in Ontario and across North America by sitting on numerous boards and committees during his long career.

"Throughout his 40 years in public

education, Dr. Gordon has embodied the ideals of exceptional vision, innovation and leadership," said John Milloy, minister of training, colleges and universities, who presented the award. "Dr. Gordon was central to the creation of University of Guelph-Humber, the first joint initiative of its kind, certainly a tribute to your imagination and innovation," he said.

Gordon, who fought to dispel the idea that colleges are second-rate to universities, said the changing economic situation might shift public perception.

"There has been a feeling in our society that if you go to university you'll probably be smarter. Now that's changing because of the economy and all the hotshots from downtown are finding that the BA that they have is not worth much and the carpenters, the plumbers, the electricians will be the ones that have the work," said Gordon.

Gordon said he is most proud of building a culture that is student-centered during his time at Humber.

"His vision was of the future for nursing," said Poonam Sharma, a second-year nursing student and

health promotion coordinator for the Humber Nursing Society. "Humber was the first school to have every student a member of the Registered Nurses of Ontario, and he pushed that to happen," she said.

When remembering his time at Humber, Gordon modestly said that anyone could have done his job.

"It's not just a job, it's not only a college, but a great place to work. I've said this many times before because I wasn't teaching at eight o'clock in the morning. I'd wander in, read the newspaper, play a little squash, have some lunch and go home."

NEWS

Private U.S. military files were apparently located on an MP3 player purchased by a New Zealander at a thrift shop. – cnn.com

Student Centre facelift costs over \$4M

Mark Rothen
NEWS REPORTER

Demolition has begun in the North Campus Student Centre, marking the start of a \$4.8 million renovation project that will create more space for students and student services. It is due for completion at the end of August.

"The area that you see closed off now in the Student Centre is the first area that is going to be under construction," said Carol Anderson, director of facilities management.

Anderson said an estimated \$3.5 million will be paid by HSF for the renovation, while Food Services is contributing \$1.3 million because the Food Emporium is being renovated as well.

The renovation has been in the planning stages for the past year and the demolition – a necessary step in the construction of one of two mezzanines planned for the centre – began last week.

"The mezzanine outside of Java Jazz will give students a lot more space up top to just sit and have a coffee and overlook the student activities on the lower level," Anderson said.

Anderson said the other mezzanine, which will be installed above the Food Emporium, will be enclosed in glass and "two thirds of it will be casual study space, group study space, and group-project-type rooms."

A lounge with a gas fireplace overlooking the amphitheatre will be behind the workspace.

Construction of the first mezzanine will take place at night so it won't cause a noise disturbance during classes, Richard Baruk, manager of planning and construction said.

Once the first mezzanine is completed, the Student Centre will be closed on weekends to allow progress in other areas of the renovation before the centre closes completely for full-time construction at the end of the semester, Anderson said.

HSF President Mike Berg said the Students' Federation has been saving the money for the project in its student development fund.

"Five dollars from each student per semester goes into this fund," said Berg. "It's been pooled for many, many years."

In planning the renovations, Berg said HSF consulted students through a series of town hall meetings and surveys conducted over the past few years and got feedback from its board of directors.

"A lot of students mentioned that there's not a lot of quiet study space on our campus, and that is one of the bigger things that Humber wanted to provide students with," said Berg.

Berg said the renovated centre will accommodate new services, including a pharmacy.

"I think it's very commendable on the Students' Federation's behalf to be doing this," said Anderson. "They really are interested in having, one, a larger event space so that they can have different events down there, and two, creating more space on campus that we need for students."



Construction manager Richard Baruk reviews plans for the North Campus Student Centre

Mark Rothen

Grad covers Obama beat

Michael Sutherland-Shaw
A&E REPORTER

WASHINGTON – Humber grad Caroline Laurin was in the thick of the crowd on Jan. 20, working for CBC News to chronicle Barack Obama's historic inauguration as president of the United States.

"We wanted to capture the looks on people's faces when he was speaking, just to register that emotion, to capture the feelings," said Laurin, who was producing for reporter Alison Smith at the National Mall that day. "It was amazing, just amazing to be a part of."

Laurin's journey into the political universe began at Humber.

She graduated from the post-grad journalism program in 2005 while already working for CBC in Toronto. She quickly moved on to the network's Ottawa bureau where she became immersed in Canadian politics before moving to Washington last May.

Laurin's first big assignment was covering Hillary Clinton's sputtering campaign with Smith at a rally in Louisville, Ky.

"Bill Clinton came out and it hit me – holy crap, not only am I here, I'll be covering it to the end."



Caroline Laurin and Alison Smith in Washington on Jan. 20

Courtesy of CBC

While working with CBC reporter Laurie Graham in Chicago's Grant Park, hundreds of thousands gathered to celebrate Obama's election on Nov. 4. Laurin was about 60 metres from where Obama and his family would take the stage and wow the crowd.

"I remember being crammed in by the people, just hearing this roar when he was announced as president – people screaming and celebrating all over – it was infectious," she recalled.

"This was by far the coolest experience of my entire life."

Laurin will remain on the Obama beat as he begins his first 100 days as president. She hopes to get back on the road to see him.

"Now that the fun stuff is over, we have the first 100 days of the presidency, which are always the most telling and most trying," she said. "We're going to be following him for the next little while, hopefully doing some other stories that come up and that involve some travel."

Economy goes down, enrolment goes up

Erin DeCoste
NEWS REPORTER

As enrolment levels increase in colleges across Ontario, Humber has taken the lead.

"In ministry funded programs for this year we have 15,900 students up from 14,953 last year," said Patricia Van Horne, Associate Registrar at Humber. "That is an increase of six per cent, which is remarkable for us."

Linda Franklin of Colleges Ontario has also noticed the soaring numbers in enrolment.

The president and CEO of the advocacy group for the province's 24 colleges said this reflects a trend that is historically seen during a recession.

"I think students recognize the value of education, especially in these economic times," said Franklin. "Students are more focused on getting a job."

Winter enrolment is up 10 per cent, with about 12 per cent of applicants not applying directly from high school, she said.

Many students are out of province, transfer, or mature students, like

32-year-old law clerk student Lilian Da Silva.

"Before I came to Humber I was working in a retail store," she said.

Da Silva, who is in her final semester of the two-year program, grew up in Brazil where she had already received a lot of education in her field.

"I wanted to do something related," she said. "Humber helps you get a job. It caught my attention."

And the boost in college applications is expected to continue.

"For fall 2009 we are looking to grow, we're always looking to grow," said Van Horne. "I would say that we are looking for at least a three per cent increase."

With the job market softening and more workers looking to improve their skills, post-secondary institutions are forecasting increased numbers across Ontario.

"The opportunity cost is low," said Paul Genest, president of the Council of Ontario Universities. "By going to school, students are less likely to miss out on high paying job opportunities because there just isn't much out there."

While talking to 911, a woman in Connecticut expecting twins gives birth to one of them. — cnn.com



Campaigners Maureen Wall, Martha Josephian and John Huot stand in front of H 109, Humber's union office.

Josh Long

NDP stalls end to York strike

Steph Davidson
NEWS REPORTER

"Time's up," Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty told York University and striking CUPE 3903 on Jan. 24 after mediation failed to end the strike that began Nov. 6.

McGuinty was hesitant to get involved because "there's a collective bargaining process that it's important that we respect," he said during a press conference on Saturday. "In 90, 95 cases out of 100 it works. From time to time it fails us. This one failed us. It did not result in a resolution in a timely way."

Class resumed for 5000 students this week after non-striking faculty returned to work. Opposition to McGuinty's proposed back-to-work legislation means classes won't resume until next week.

"We're really pleased that the NDP has taken a strong stand and shown integrity and is defending our right to collective bargaining," said Tyler Shipley CUPE 3903 spokesperson.

Current York student and Humber grad Christen Mucciaccito is no stranger to strikes.

"In my second month at Humber, they went on strike. Two months after I started York they went on strike. I thought it was an omen. Look how good Humber turned out," said Mucciaccito, who graduated from the Liberal Arts and Sciences and university transfer programs.

President Orville Getz, president of Humber's faculty union is concerned for York students.

"It ruins the students' year. In this case, I don't know what the students will do now, losing so much of the money that they pay, and I haven't heard the university say that 'we're gonna give you back your tuition or let you take the rest of the courses free so you can graduate.'"

The Humber union, OPSEU Local 562, has been supportive of York's CUPE members.

"We had people go over on the picket line and we also sent a donation to the strike fund," said Getz. "We've had people also who've gone over there because we do have some faculty who teach over there part-time who are in that union."

CUPE said it is grateful for the support.

"At key moments, when things were difficult, it's a boost in morale," said Shipley.

Job security top issue for vote

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Job security will be a major issue when part-time faculty decide on Monday whether to join the Ontario Public Service Employees Union.

Vice-president of the part-time support union of Ontario colleges Carol Lindsay disagrees with the lack of notice part-time faculty get before they start work.

"Some faculty get a call on a Friday to start a course on a Monday, when they're part-time, which is absurd because they have to get the outlines ready," Lindsay said.

This concern is shared by at least one of Humber's part-time faculty members, who did not want to be named.

"One of the main concerns is knowing in advance if and what I'll be teaching from semester to semester," said the teacher.

"It's stressful waiting to the last minute to find out how many courses I'll get and what courses I'll get."

Part-time faculty member David Brock said job security is the most important issue.

"Job security, knowing how many classes you're going to have," he said.

Without a collective bargaining contract, it is not possible to bargain collectively on behalf of part-time faculty said Maureen Wall, an OPSEU steward campaigning to unionize part-timers at Humber.

"Right now, only the full time and partial load teachers are in the bargaining unit," Wall said.

Until October 2008, part-time faculty were excluded from the Colleges Collective Bargaining Act, said Leonard Marvy, a lawyer for the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

"Before, they weren't defined in the bargaining act, they were excluded,"

Marvy said.

Orville Getz, president of Humber College's OPSEU local said that since the act has been amended to include part-time faculty, a majority of part-time workers at all 24 Ontario colleges must vote in favour of joining OPSEU in order to unionize.

Though Getz and Humber's administration agree that if fewer than 35 per cent of eligible voters vote, the results will not be considered, they disagree about who is eligible to vote.

Getz said the colleges only want to consider part-time faculty working as of last Dec. 2, which he said would exclude many who worked half of last semester.

OPSEU would like to make part-timers who worked this past year eligible to have their vote counted, said Getz.

Wall said those later found ineligi-

ble will have their ballots discarded without being counted after a decision has been reached.

If the certification vote passes, part-time contracts will be determined collectively rather than individually, said Deb McCarthy, director of HR services.

"If they vote in favour of a union, they would become unionized and therefore, represented by one bargaining agent," said McCarthy. "So, on an individual level, they can't bargain for contracts, or their own terms and conditions of employment, it would be bargained for them."

Voting has already started at other Ontario colleges, and part-time faculty may vote at any college in Ontario.



Courtesy

Spoken-word artist Dwayne Morgan will perform at North Campus on Feb. 4

Students inspire spoken-word artist

Philippa Croome
NEWS REPORTER

Humber will welcome internationally recognized spoken-word artist Dwayne Morgan to the stage at North Campus for Black History Month.

Morgan will kick off events at the North Campus concourse on Wednesday, Feb. 4 at 12:30 p.m.

"It's important for me to perform at schools," said Morgan. "Young people in school are questioning everything around them. They're a great audience for art that challenges how we think and experience the world."

Humber's human rights and diversity manager Nancy Simms said Morgan will be valuable addition to Black History Month.

"He's an artist that speaks to the issues of diversity and community," said Simms. "His biography speaks for itself."

Morgan uses spoken poetry to re-

flect on political, social and urban issues.

On one track entitled *Declaration of War*, Morgan comments on the threat of terrorism: "What we know as terrorism comes down to who has power to name things. Peace missions and terrorism are two names for the same thing."

His track *Fugitives* from the CD *A Decade in the Making* sends a cautionary message to black men who avoid their domestic responsibilities.

Morgan entered the spoken-word scene in 1993, and has garnered acclaim from such outlets as the *Toronto Star*, *Word* magazine, and TSN's *Off the Record*.

He has won multiple Canadian Urban Music Awards for his spoken-word recordings, an African Canadian Achievement Award, and a Harry Jerome award for excellence in the

arts.

He is also a published author, motivational speaker, radio host and founder of *Up From the Roots* entertainment, which promotes and produces African-Canadian and urban-influenced artists.

Morgan describes his performance as diverse and socially conscious.

"I try to be insightful, have fun - be both heavy and light. A range is important to keep it interesting for both the audience and myself," he said.

He said his most memorable performance was opening for Alicia Keys at the Urban Aids event at Ricoh Coliseum in 2004.

"It's rare for an artist to get an experience like that," Morgan said. "Performing in front of 10,000 people and having them respond to your art is something I'm never going to forget."

NEWS

A paramedic in the Bahamas was charged with trying to extort \$25-million U.S. from John Travolta. - globeandmail.com

Federal budget leaves students in the dark

Harper government's financial plan unclear about how post-secondary funds will be doled out

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NEWS REPORTERS

The federal budget, which is built on a \$64-billion deficit over the next two years, lacks the details to determine how much students will benefit, post-secondary leaders say.

President of Colleges Ontario Linda Franklin said, "It's hard to complain about all the good news, but the devil is in the details, as the budget doesn't detail where exactly the money will go."

Advocacy director for the College Student Alliance Tyler Charlebois said despite the \$2 billion for improving the infrastructure at Canada's universities and colleges, more funding for colleges is needed.

"We were hoping for a lot more," said Charlebois. "We were hoping for closer to a 50-50 split instead of the traditional colleges receive 30%, universities receive 70%. That just doesn't cut it anymore."

Humber president John Davies agrees. "The federal government is

using a traditional split, but I don't think these are traditional times," he said.

Davies hopes this split will be offset by the provincial government's promise to match infrastructure funding dollar for dollar.

"The federal government is using a traditional split, but I don't think these are traditional times."

- John Davies

"Colleges Ontario is estimating \$240 million for colleges, and Humber has 10% of the province's students. If Ontario matches the \$240 million, it means a total of \$50 million to Humber," said Davies. "I think that would be a really good outcome."

Liberal opposition leader Michael Ignatieff said in his speech from Ottawa yesterday that he will propose

amendments to the budget ensuring the funds reach Canadians quickly and efficiently. Ignatieff had not presented his amendments before the House of Commons by press time.

Ignatieff also highlighted the many concessions he said were forced by the potential coalition government. "Investments in colleges and universities: the incubators of the jobs of tomorrow.

These measures are only in the budget because the opposition parties did their job, because the Liberal Party in particular, remained resolved to hold Mr. Harper to account," he said.

The proposed amendments are welcome news to Charlebois. "There are things in this budget that are great, that can work, but there are things and little details that need to be worked out," he said.

"So what we would like to see is all parliamentarians working together to massage this budget to make it work."

The announced budget also contains \$1.5 billion for retraining laid

off workers and other job training, but says nothing about helping current students or new graduates.

"There was nothing in there for current students around the Canada Student Loans Program, students in Ontario would know it as OSAP," said Charlebois.

"I don't know why on earth the government is going to be putting us in that much debt and thinking that they are going get out of it."

-Lisa Goulet

"You won't be seeing any increase in grants from the federal government, or any changes in the amount of interest you pay."

However, there is still hope that these funds will be increased by the addition of provincial funding. "The priorities of our ministry have to do with both training and retrain-

ing and certainly Humber College plays a huge role, both in preparing new students for the future economy and retraining those looking for a second career," said John Milloy, Ontario's minister of training, colleges and universities during a visit to Humber College last week.

At least one student is concerned about the load of the deficit, which the government says will be \$85 billion over the next five years.

"I don't know why on earth the government is going to be putting us in that much debt and thinking that they are going get out of it," said Lisa Goulet, a second-year public relations student.

But Natasha Cook, a third-year business administration student feels differently.

"In regards to the government putting us into deficit, I agree with that. They need to put more money into the economy right now," she said. "As to how much money they are putting into the areas that they are investing in, I'm not sure if that's going to be enough."



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Student's bid to be next top model

Jackie Rukeba wanted to walk the runway on national TV but one thing held her back

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A&E REPORTER

Student Jackie Rukeba came up short in the nationwide search for competitors on Canada's Next Top Model.

"I always watch Canada's Next Top Model and America's Next Top Model," said the 21-year-old Justice Services student at Lakeshore Campus. "So when I heard that there would be one in Toronto, I said 'let's go try it!'"

She went to the auditions held in Toronto on Jan. 23.

But when her turn came, she was politely dismissed for being too short. She is 5'8, but potential top models must be taller than that.

She was among hundreds of hope-

fuls filling the Fairview Mall. Toronto was only one of five preliminary audition locations across Canada set up to find the CTV show's next stars for summer 2009.

"I always watch Canada's Next Top Model and America's Next Top Model. So when I heard that there would be one in Toronto, I said 'let's go try it.'"

-Jackie Rukeba

"We've had hundreds and hundreds of young women come out to the calls," said the show's executive producer Sheila Hockins, twice as many as in previous years.

Modeling agency owner Elmer Olsen said the turnouts in Vancouver and Edmonton were just as strong.

"It sort of shocked me why everybody wants to be a model," he said. "The lineup was around the mall."

Olsen's modeling agency offers the \$100,000 prize contract for one year after the show.

"We have a lot of agents coming from around the world that fly to Toronto to see our talent, our girls, our Canadian girls," he said.

"I just knew that there was going to be a superstar girl out there that was going to be discovered from some farm in the middle of nowhere," said Olsen. "It's wonderful to be a part of helping her dream come true."



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Jackie Rukeba, left, gets cut at auditions for Next Top Model.



Courtesy

Left to Right: Andy Mac, Adlar Gross, Max Stanutz, Stefan Milo, Topher Harrison. Not pictured Steven Gallant and Gavin Hardy.

THE SET LIST YOUR NEW FRIENDS

Q: How would you describe your band's music style?

A: We are the illegitimate child of multiple artists from multiple genres, a mutt . . . the loveable kind that you want to take home and care for and have sex with.

Q: Who are your greatest musical influences?

A: D.R.E, FELA KUTI, Beastie Boys, Rage against the machine, Chili Peppers, Erykah Badu, the list goes on forever.

Q: What's the craziest thing that's ever happened to you at a live show?

A: We took off our clothes and got really sweaty, and the ladies loved it.

Q: Where's the weirdest place you've ever done a gig?

A: In the year 2045 on top of an active volcano in the ancient lava fields of Ghettotron.

Q: Where do you see yourselves in five years?

A: Ruling the earth - modestly.

Book club grows

Kat McMorrow
A&E REPORTER

The By the Lake Book club premiered its four-part series to a sold out audience last week.

Two-time winner of the Governor General's Award for fiction Nino Ricci read from his latest novel, *The Origin of Species*.

The series is a partnership between Humber's School of Creative and Performing Arts and Toronto Cultural Services.

"We called it a book club; because we wanted to differentiate the experience from a classic reading series where you can go and an author reads, and you can get a book signed, and that's kind of the way it goes," said Charlotte Empey, the associate dean of the School of Creative and Performing Arts.

"We thought it would be much more interesting if people could come and get a sense of the person who created this book. We hoped that they would walk away feeling they knew something about Nino Ricci, that other people that didn't come here tonight don't know."

"It's nice to get out in public and get direct feedback about my work," said Ricci.

"It's all people from the neighbourhood - a real feather in the college's

cap," said Sharon Mundle, Lakeshore bookstore manager.

The climax of the evening was a Q&A session with Ricci.

"The questions were great. I thought it was an incredible evening. It was clearly an audience that reads books," said Ricci.

One of the club's aims is to make the guest authors seem more accessible.

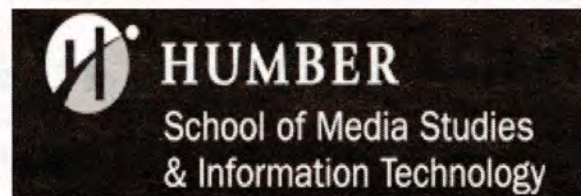
"People that write great books are remarkable authors," said Empey. "That doesn't mean that they are better people than the rest of us. This club is here to make them more accessible to readers."

The series will continue in February, featuring Joe Kertes, dean of Creative and Performing Arts and author of the novel *Gratitude*.

"There's an opportunity to make this grow - to have books come alive," said Empey.

"I think when you don't have the experience of losing yourself in a book; you lose out on so much. The world of books introduce you to people and places and things and thoughts and ideas that just expand your whole horizon, so to not have that experience means you are less a citizen of the world."

A new book club is starting on March 6 at North Campus.



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Little Mosque star hired

Sheila McCarthy teaches screen acting at Lakeshore

John Evans

A&E REPORTER

Sheila McCarthy, star of *Little Mosque on the Prairie*, has taken a teaching position at Lakeshore Campus.

McCarthy, who plays Sarah Hamoudi on the show, is an acting veteran. She appeared such movies as *The Stone Angel* and *Die Hard 2*. She also acted in Canadian classic *Road to Avonlea*.

McCarthy contacted Humber to talk about teaching. She said she wanted a "practical, hands-on kind of school." Humber responded with enthusiasm.

"They liked the idea of someone teaching who is still acting," said McCarthy.

Acting for film and TV program director John Bourgeois said students were excited for her arrival when they heard she was hired. McCarthy teaches second year screen acting and audition preparation.

"Everyone approaches reacting to imaginary stimulus differently," said Bourgeois. "We try to work with the students to make their reactions professional and repeatable."

McCarthy said she wants to help students to act outside of school. "Once they're out of the ivory tower the pressure begins," she said. "I want to give them a place where they can take risks and have fun."



Sheila McCarthy teaches about acting in the world outside school. Courtesy

Film Review

Fresh take on a Holocaust story



(out of five)

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A&E REPORTER

A film directed by Ed Zwick, *Defiance* goes against the norm for World War II dramas.

"A Jew can't drink, a Jew can't fight. What are we good for? Dying," said a lead character.

The film plays off a true story to

depict imprisoned Jews not as victims but fighters, standing up against the Holocaust.

Daniel Craig breaks from his Bond moves to deliver an expert portrayal of Tuvia Bielski, the oldest of three brothers. Liev Schreiber and Jamie Bell measure up as the other two.

Their fight against the Nazis inspires hundreds of others, and the legend of the Bielski brothers brings 1,200 other Jews hope to escape

genocide.

The movie takes place in the forests of Belarus. The dark, sparse setting depicts the bleakness of the brothers' face. But hope reigns against the darkness, riding on the brothers' daring courage.

A well-written script balances poignant moments against lighthearted, comedic scenes. And *Defiance* bobs above the gloom that prevails in many Holocaust movies.

Oscar nods

Best motion picture of the year

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button
Butter
Frost/Nixon
Milk
The Reader
Slumdog Millionaire

Achievement in directing

David Fincher for *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*
 Ron Howard for *Frost/Nixon*
 Gus Van Sant for *Milk*
 Stephen Daldry for *The Reader*
 Danny Boyle for *Slumdog Millionaire*

Performance by an actor in a leading role

Richard Jenkins in *The Visitor*
 Frank Langella in *Frost/Nixon*
 Sean Penn in *Milk*
 Brad Pitt in *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*
 Mickey Rourke in *The Wrestler*

Performance by an actress in a leading role

Anne Hathaway in *Rachel Getting Married*
 Angelina Jolie in *Changeling*
 Melissa Leo in *Frozen River*
 Meryl Streep in *Doubt*
 Kate Winslet in *The Reader*

Performance by an actor in a supporting role

Josh Brolin in *Milk*
 Robert Downey Jr. in *Tropic Thunder*
 Philip Seymour Hoffman in *Doubt*

Heath Ledger in *The Dark Knight*
 Michael Shannon in *Revolutionary Road*

Performance by an actress in a supporting role

Amy Adams in *Doubt*
 Penélope Cruz in *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*
 Viola Davis in *Doubt*
 Taraji P. Henson in *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*
 Marisa Tomei in *The Wrestler*

Achievement in music written for motion pictures – original score

Alexandre Desplat for *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*
 James Newton Howard for *Defiance*
 Danny Elfman for *Milk*
 A.R. Rahman for *Slumdog Millionaire*
 Thomas Newman for *WALL-E*

Best foreign language film of the year

The Baader Meinhof Complex from Germany
The Class from France
Departures from Japan
Revanche from Austria
Waltz with Bashir from Israel

Most nominations overall – 13

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button



Lauren Brunetti

Art gazers walk new spiral staircase since AGO reopened.

AGO opens new eyes

Lauren Brunetti

A&E REPORTER

The Art Gallery of Ontario's new design promotes learning, said Joseph Kertes, Dean for the School of Creative and Performing Arts.

Thanks to renovations completed last fall, "it offers a different kind of view and a specific insight into the culture by deepening the understanding of the self," Kertes said.

Professor of arts and modern imagination Ben Labovitch said he sends students to the AGO every semester. "The students have to find a painting or a sculpture that fascinates them," he said. Then, they write about it.

Labovitch said the renovations allow students to see twice as many paintings as they could before.

The 583,000 square foot gallery is one of the largest in North America. It holds more than 68,000 works.

Gallery volunteer Elizabeth Dowson said attendance on free admission Wednesday evenings has been very high since the AGO's transformation.

"There is always a lineup outside, so it is a good idea to get here early," she said. Dowson said the fourth and fifth floors attract the most attention. "The spiral staircase is the most popular piece of new architecture," she said.

Art lovers can see for themselves, free from 6 to 8:30 on Wednesdays.

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Fair trade helps protect coffee producers

David Perri
BIZ/TECH REPORTER

Humber expands its gourmet coffee line to include fair trade brands.

Not to be confused with free trade, "fair trade is about the best practices for the environment and for the people that produce the coffee, so it makes a lot of sense," food services manager John Thompson said.

Chartwells introduced the Roasters line of certified fair trade over Christmas break, Thompson said.

First-year hospitality management student Tarun Singh, who drinks three cups a day, enjoys the Roasters line and caramel biscotti blend.

Despite the popularity of the drink, market prices for the commodity often keeps producers in poverty, said Michael Zelmer, community relations manager for TransFair, an organization which certifies fair trade products in Canada.

During the coffee crisis between

2000 and 2003, growers faced plummeting prices from a glut of coffee in the marketplace, Zelmer said. "The coffee was growing, but producers would not pick it because they would lose money just to sell that coffee essentially," Zelmer said.

"The last thing we want to do is to leave people worse off for producing the goods we consume, which has been the case, particularly in markets where prices are quite volatile," Zelmer said.

Fair trade coffee producers are protected by a price floor, currently at \$1.25 per pound, Zelmer said, plus another 10 cent premium for all farmers, and an extra 20 cents per pound for organic coffee, Zelmer said.

Fair trade certification prohibits use of harmful chemicals and genetically modified organisms, Zelmer said, and producers are obligated to lessen their environmental impact.



David Perri

Chartwell's products are a popular choice for students on campus.

Advice for students is to save more, spend less

Lee Flohr
LIFE REPORTER

Students should deny themselves the urge to splurge when they get their student loan payment by making it difficult to reach, said Richard Kingston, co-ordinator for the financial planning program.

"Put your money into a savings account that doesn't allow you to write cheques, or make purchases," Kingston said. "When you need to purchase something transfer the money over to your chequing account."

For business administration student Jacqueline Cohen Kennedy, this seems to be a plan that works when she is making that extra purchase.

"If I find something while I am out, I go home and transfer the money into my spending account," Cohen Kennedy said. "This gives me time to decide if I really need to buy it."

Kingston stresses however, that this is not the only answer to properly managing money.

"Thinking about your money is the first step to properly managing it," Kingston said. "Students don't budget because they are afraid of

what it will show them."

For those that just don't know where to start, services are available on campus to help out students.

"Humber holds free budgeting seminars throughout the year," said Holsee Sahid, manager of the financial aid office. "You can also visit a financial aid adviser anytime to help you set up a budget."

Sahid said for students who have properly managed their money and are still coming up short, there are ways to help make up the difference.

"If your circumstances have changed since you filed your paperwork, you can come see a financial aid adviser who can reassess your application," Sahid said. "We do our best, but not everyone is eligible."

For those who think they are going to have a slight surplus, Kingston recommends holding onto the extra money just in case.

"Because students have easy access to their money and to credit, most don't have a clear handle of the way things are," Kingston said. "If you have to think about your money, you are less likely to spend it."

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EDITORIAL

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York students battered by strike's long-term effects

The debate over the York University strike has moved beyond the Keele campus and into Queen's Park. With negotiations and mediation failing miserably, McGuinty is now in the process of enforcing back-to-work legislation. It seems as the battle is almost done, but the war is far from over.

It's clear the 50,000 York students suffered the deepest combat wounds. Even with a possible end to the strike in sight, the hardships faced by York students will continue.

While numerous anti-strike groups have thrown their support behind back-to-work legislation, it's important to remember what ignited this battle in the first place. Considering the current state of the economy, new graduates are coming to terms with the realities of the working world and a job market that fails to provide security?

With the York school year pushed to at least the beginning of June, students will work for one less month during the summer. Co-op and internship placements are more difficult to land without being able to commit to a four-month term. Thousands of lay-offs are taking place throughout the province, and thousands

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more expected – the fight for a summer job is going to be even more intense than ever.

New graduates are gearing up to face wide spread layoffs, hiring freezes and a string of short-term contract positions.

From the outer ring of the 'real world,' center ring looks scary – too scary to begin to think about houses and cars and what to do with vacation time.

Like many students, life outside our school's walls is going to be vastly different than what we imagine. Working full-time for salaries that fall below the poverty line. Hesitation to make any big purchases with jobs only guaranteed for a minimal amount of time – these are the realities faced by the members of CUPE 3903, and potentially many students graduating within

the next year or so.

As CUPE continues its fight in an economic downturn, rejecting a 9.25 per cent wage increase over three years can garner a lot of criticism. But by stepping outside this battle and looking at the war, fighting for secure employment is admirable; York University is an example of a good message fought for at a bad time.

Canada's solitary action on Israel motion shameful

For a nation with a long military history of peacekeeping, it's odd that Canada was the only one of 47 nations before a United Nations human rights council not to condemn Israel's use of force in the Gaza Strip.

Out of the 47 nations that made up the UN council, 34 voted when several European nations declined to vote.

China, Russian and Brazil, along with Arab states, backed the vote. Great Britain, France and Japan decided not to pick a side. The motion before the council accused Israel of causing a humanitarian crisis.

Where Canada historically takes a neutral stance on Israeli-Palestine conflicts, the country appears to have sided with Israel now. This could greatly affect the way Canada is viewed on the world stage.

It looks as if Canada is becoming a more militarized nation between its support of Israel in this instance and its active role in the ongoing war on terror.

Canada's UN council representative Marius Grinius said the motion to condemn Israel did not "clearly recognize" what started the conflict. The wording of the motion failed to pinpoint Hamas rocket attacks as the reason fighting ensued.

Stephen Harper's Conservative government has spent so much time trying to appease the status quo in Canada that one wonders why they decided to vote against the UN motion – at least side with the undecided.

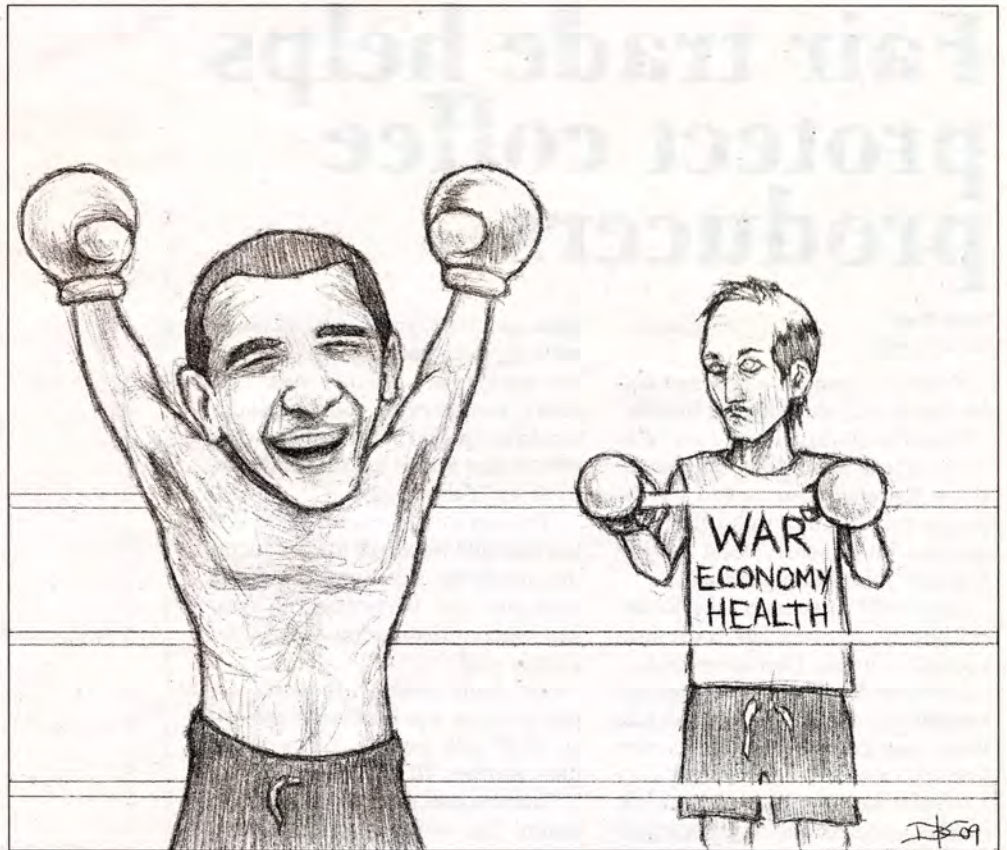
About half of the 1,285 people killed on the Palestinian side were civilians. Of the 13 Israeli deaths, three civilians were killed in the 22-day war. Israel should have been condemned for the loss of civilian life alone.

Canada's recognition of Hamas as a terrorist group likely played a role in the decision. It is wrong to side with the aggressor in these kinds of conflicts, but the numbers are staggering.

We understand the difficulty with fighting militants who hide themselves among civilian populations, however, where else is there to go in Gaza?

Israel using massive force to retaliate on Hamas is very similar to the U.S. attacking Iraq in 2003. Hamas just can't defend itself against the powerful Israeli forces, such as Iraq's army, and was still reeling from the Persian Gulf War that began in January 1991.

Israel has every right to defend itself, but shame on you Canada for backing Israel's unbalanced use of force.



WORD ON THE STREET

What do you expect from Parliament now that it's back in session?



Ahbishek Tyagi, 20,
2nd year business
management

"Last year we had a surplus, but now we have a deficit. They have to take care of the economy, and if they can't, they should resign."



Onika Whyte, 21,
2nd year nursing

"The crime rate in the community needs to be tackled because it's escalating."

Spence Carlyle, 19,
2nd year architectural
technology



"I expect a lot of mirror imaging of whatever the states are going to do."

Cuvins Bongelo, 20,
4th year justice studies



"I expect them to focus on the middle class and cutting taxes and focus on students as well, trying to cut down tuition and stuff because tuition is getting expensive."

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Israel and Palestine, on the outside looking in



Andrea Iseman
LIFE EDITOR

After 22 days, I felt a sigh of relief as Israel declared a ceasefire while Hamas announced their own.

Having been to Israel almost four years ago, I have seen first hand the conflict that is a part of the country's culture. I enjoyed my time there so much and for some reason I felt at home. Even being surrounded by the barricades and people with guns, I felt safe. I can't explain it, but the presence of all that war paraphernalia didn't scare me. I was told numerous times by my tour guide that for every bombing that occurs

there have been at least 15 that have been prevented; and still my love for my homeland was not deterred. But when I heard on the news in December that Israel was engaged in an all-out war with Hamas, I really became concerned - the violence was a little too real for me.

I don't have any relatives living in Israel right now, but I have family members who were involved in the Holocaust. I was immediately reminded of their experiences and even the history of violence I learned about when I visited Israel.

As a Jew living in Canada, I am not a very religious person by any means, but do celebrate the high holidays with my close family. At one point in my life, I even considered myself to be non-religious, but that all changed after going to Israel. After seeing the strong history there,

I didn't become more religious per se; I simply realized that my roots are not just in Canada.

And my ties to Israel and my Jewish heritage have only gotten stronger as the news of the conflict over-

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seas has spread.

Speaking with my family and friends about the situation, I didn't really know how to feel about it. I am conflicted; because I am against violence as the answer, but to a certain degree, understand Israel just trying to protect their country and their

people.

The figures themselves are astounding and make the situation even more real. Over 1,300 Palestinians have been killed in the conflict, in comparison to the only 13 Israeli's killed. More than 50,000 people in the Gaza strip are homeless - 400,000 have been left without running water.

I have been glued to my TV over the past several weeks here in Canada. As a concerned member of society, I try to stay on top of world issues. When I heard about the conflict, I was immediately reminded of my experience at the airport near Tel Aviv four years ago.

Having no problems leaving Canada and entering Israel, I was shocked when I and my fellow Jews were questioned heavily at the border on our way back home. I was asked

questions like, "do you speak Hebrew," which I thought pretty ridiculous and no one's business. When I responded with an astounded "no," the border officer was shocked and simply asked me "Why not." I couldn't understand why that mattered. I wondered, would I have just passed through if I responded with a 'yes'? I still don't understand why what language I speak matters. Did I look like I was a threat? And if so, to whom? Canada? Israel?

As for the future, I realize violence in Israel is a part of its past, present and most likely future. But I cannot say this most recent conflict has hindered my wanting to go back there again. Even so far away from it all, I am still affected in ways I probably don't even realize. I once felt safe in Israel, but that is no longer true.

Enough hype, now let's see what Obama can do



John Bkila
SENIOR EDITOR

From t-shirts, mugs, and buttons to a new drink called Barack-on-the-rocks, Obama-mania has swept not only the American nation, but arguably, the world. But is it too harsh to say enough already, let's get to work?

Dr. Gisele M. Baxter, English professor and expert in pop culture at the University of British Columbia agrees Obama has achieved a sort of celebrity that is almost unprecedented among political figures.

"This partly, I think, simply has to do with the media-saturated age we live," said Baxter. "This age has grown fascinated with celebrity for its own sake."

She attributes President Obama's popularity to his relative youth as a candidate and his dynamic and versatile personality.

"It's as possible to imagine him sitting down to provide good answers in an incisive interview, as starring in a popular movie of his own life."

And, agreeing with Baxter, it certainly didn't hurt in our celebrity-conscious age that quite a few number of attractive and popular celebrities provided public support.

But is Obama getting too much attention for an American president? Baxter says no.

"Because for a broad spectrum of the population, he has come to represent not only possibility, but the culmination of a long hard struggle," she said.

It is true Obama is not only representing change and transition from the Bush era, which arguably could be enough reason for all the excitement, but he also represents change in American culture. An African-

American has reached the highest post in U.S. politics.

So the attention is well-deserved, I'll give him that.

But did his inauguration really need to be that elaborate?

According to an article by *The Guardian* (U.K.), the presidential inauguration budget went over \$150 million, which heavily overshadows George Bush and Bill Clinton's inaugurations combined (\$76 million).

A friend of Baxter's noted the irony of a country that started out as a revolutionary republic, marks its political transitions with what essentially has become a coronation -

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- Dr. Gisele M. Baxter

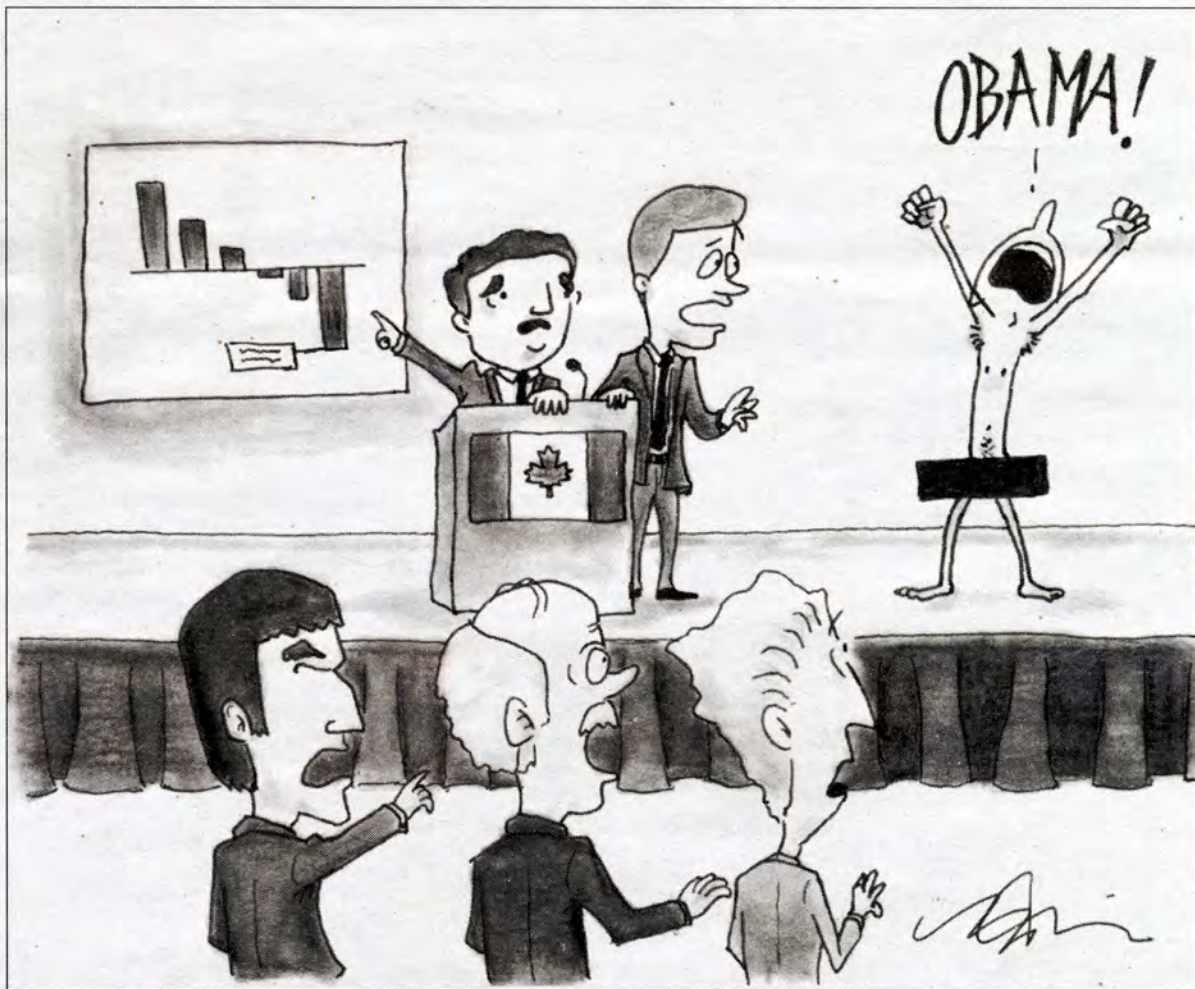
from brunch meetings, concerts, to evening balls.

"I suspect the sense of the cultural and historical moment of it all helped pull all the stops out on this one," said Baxter. "It couldn't look cheap or timid - it couldn't be accused of half measures."

So the historical significance and circumstances warrants an elaborate celebration, I'll give him that one too.

But what happens if Americans, and the world, become too preoccupied and blinded by Obama's stardom and forget to pay attention to what he's doing politically to bring about the change promised in his platform?

I think as President Obama heads into the next few weeks as leader of a superpower, the sheen should come off - now let's see what he can do.



Kisses & Disses

To President Obama for having the largest and most expensive inauguration in American history.

To the New Zealand prime minister for handing out the touch rugby awards with a broken arm.

To CUPE 3903 for fighting for job security, for part-time faculty.

To Slumdog Millionaire for being nominated for Best Picture at the Oscars.

On Canadians for being more interested in American politics than their own homegrown politics.

On New York Yankees for spending \$400 million on three players during tough economic times.

On fighting for job security during rough economic times.

On comedian Mike Myers for getting seven razzies for Love Guru.

INAUGURATION 2009

Five journalism students travel to Washington to witness history

Et Cetera reporters (seen below left to right) Graeme Steel, Josh Kerr, Michael Sutherland-Shaw, Stephanie Skenderis and Pattie Phillips travelled to Washington for the inauguration of Barack Obama as president of the United States. Here is their journal.

Sunday, January 18

2:30 a.m. – We pile into Michael's SUV. Before leaving, Pattie traces "Obama or bust" on the snow-covered back window.

5:10 a.m. – At Buffalo, we declare: "We're on our way to the Obama inauguration." The U.S. border guard waves us through with a smile.

2:30 p.m. – After nearly 12 hours of non-stop snow, the sun comes out in Maryland. We pass a convoy of U.S. army vehicles. With all the security promised, guess they're going to the same place we are.

3:30 p.m. – Drive into Washington, pick up our press credentials for the inauguration and get our bearings before the big day.

7:30 p.m. – Check into the Super 8 in Indian Head, Md. (Pop. 3,422), about 50 kilometres from D.C. -- \$200 a night for a \$75 room, including a view of two discarded crack pipes at a side entrance.

Monday, January 19

11 a.m. – Meet Joel Westbrook, from Richmond, Va., who's charg-

ing a buck apiece for people to pose for pictures with a life-sized, cardboard cutout of Obama. "Barack is putting a lot of people to work," says Westbrook. "He's putting me to work." The ersatz president-elect is wearing a blue suit and smiling. "Why is he taller than me?" Michael grumbles.

1 p.m. – Arrive at the National Mall where we'll join up to two million people tomorrow. It's the holiday for Martin Luther King's birthday and we're facing the Lincoln Memorial, where he gave his famous "I have a dream" speech in 1963. Roderick Beechum, a black man from Baltimore, is euphoric. "They brought us here in chains," he says. "But look at us now. We rise. We rise."

Tuesday, January 20: Inauguration Day

7:30 a.m. – Leave the motel, giving us four and a half hours until Obama takes the oath. Twenty-minute drive – listening to a radio station calling itself Obama FM – 20 minutes in a packed subway car and 45 minutes flowing with the crowd to the mall.

9 a.m. – Find a spot beneath the Washington Monument. Meet Obama enthusiasts from all over the world: Miles and Giles from London, Alex from West Virginia, Ida Boto, 72, originally from Italy, now living in Virginia. "A little cold, but great," she says. "Warm inside."

Noon – Obama is somewhere in the distance at the Capitol. We're watching the Jumbotrons wait-

ing for the swearing-in ceremony. It's accompanied by the sound of a Champagne cork popping, the scent of marijuana, tears of joy.

12:30 p.m. – Words of hope and change hang in the cold air as the new president concludes his inaugural address. A Canadian nearby provides a hockey analogy. "Imagine the U.S. being an NHL team – now they've got their Gretzky and they're going to kick some ass," says Lubomir Dzamba, an architect from Mississauga.

12:45 p.m. – As the now-former president's helicopter flies above, leaving the city, Jeremy Taylor, a college-aged student in Washington, is holding a sign that reads: Arrest Bush. "Arrest his policies and his issues, put them all in a bag and throw them in a river that flows to

nowhere," he says.

3 p.m. – Near the Obamas' parade route, Army Sgt. 1st Class Jason Bergman is helping direct traffic. "No problems today at all," he says. He's backed up by news that the 40,000-plus security forces report no arrests or serious incidents.

8:30 p.m. – After four hours of research at The Sign of the Whale pub, we get our only glimpse of the evening's formal festivities, when an SUV with two partygoers aboard crashes into a shuttle-bus carrying about a dozen women in gowns and men in tuxedos. They have to walk to the inaugural balls.

Wednesday, January 21

9 p.m. – Cross the border – home – leaving the land of hope and change.

Pattie Phillips



The D.C. five get as close as they can to Barack Obama.

INAUGURATION 2009



Josh Kerr



Pattie Phillips

Obama memorabilia was seen through the crowd. The message of change was even expressed on shoes.



Pattie Phillips

Obama's inauguration had the crowds roaring with enthusiasm and new hopes for change.

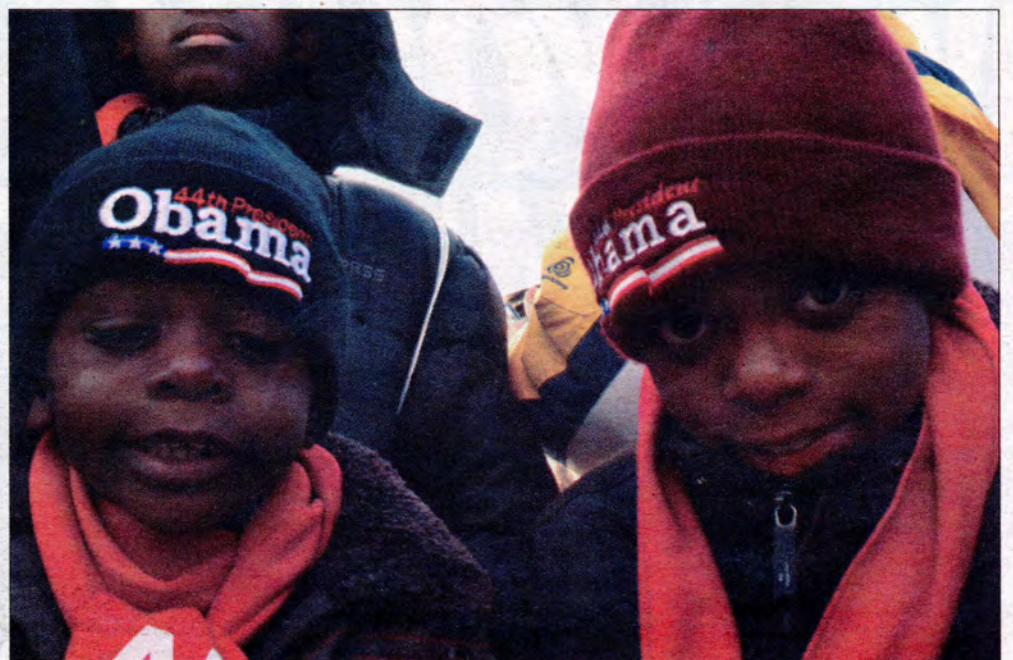


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Music was one of the many parts of the celebrations.



Pattie Phillips

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Nursing students gain real world experience

Joana Draghici
NEWS REPORTER

Humber nursing students held a strong voice against other Ontario colleges and universities in a simulated World Health Organization conference on Saturday.

"This conference promotes networking, advocacy, and encourages nursing students to find a voice," said organizer Jennifer Yoon, a senior policy analyst for the Ministry of Health.

The conference attracts students interested in discussing global issues,

with each representing and following a chosen country's structure and debate procedures of the real WHO.

"It is a chance for student nurses to share ideas with one another and to look at the broad picture of international problems," said senior nursing officer, Maj. Steven Pirie from the Canadian Forces Medical Services School at Base Borden, a guest speaker at the conference.

Pirie represented the Security Council and announced a mock emergency alert on the last day of the conference, saying there was a fungal

outbreak threatening the survival of crops in North Korea.

The students drafted and proposed resolutions, debating with other countries to find a solution.

"I just started the second year-entry program at Humber and thought this would be a good way to jump in, network, and learn about health-care," said first-time participant Vanessa Currie, who represented the United Kingdom.

McMaster nursing student, Louise Tedold, who immigrated from Uganda in 2003, said she was at the



Joana Draghici

Ontario students gained real world experience over the weekend

conference because it gave her an outlook on how nursing is related to leadership.

"This conference teaches you that you have a voice - if you can back it up, you can use it," Tedold said. "It looks good to show you are an active member of the organization that governs the profession."

Sponsored by names like the Canadian Red Cross, Centre for Research

in Nursing Education, Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario and McCain, model-WHO is becoming a networking vehicle for nursing students.

"I want to do something that is on the frontlines as a nurse, seeing what it's like to work in a hospital with patients directly," said Currie. "This conference teaches that nursing can be even more than that."

Sleep aids only a short-term solution

Elizabeth Zahur
LIFE REPORTER

Two new studies say young people are using drugs and alcohol to induce sleep, but a Humber professor said these are short term solutions that don't address the long-term problem.

"The drugs help you fall asleep, but they don't help you stay asleep, so that's the first problem," said Colin MacRae, a professor in the School of Health Sciences.

A study released mid-January by Thomson Reuters found the use of prescription sleeping aids almost tripled among 18 to 24 year olds in the United States between 1998 and 2006.

Alternatively, a study conducted by a team in Quebec found Quebecers are self-medicating by treating their sleeping problems through consuming alcohol.

However, alcohol results in poor quality of sleep and leaves a person feeling drowsy, said Bert Lee, technical director of the North York Sleep and Diagnostic Centre.

"This creates a negative cycle because it encourages people to drink more," said MacRae.

The study, published at the beginning of the year in the journal, Sleep, found people consumed alcohol before bed or in the middle of the night in an effort to induce sleep. It was

estimated that nearly \$340 million is spent on alcohol each year for this purpose compared to \$16.5 million spent on prescription drugs.

The results of both studies are startling as neither substance has long-term beneficial effects.

The body works in equilibrium, said MacRae. Both pills and alcohol create changes to this equilibrium that cause the body to become dependent on the substance, which worsens the problem.

The College of Family Physicians of Canada warns of the risk of "rebound insomnia," where the body becomes dependant on sleeping pills. And if usage stops, withdrawal symptoms including restlessness and an inability to sleep are experienced.

Funeral services student, Amy Rintjema, 22, had a bad experience dealing with sleeping pills and does not advocate their use.

"I thought it was a psychological thing so I took one and went in the shower - and then I passed out," she said.

Rather than self-treating with alcohol and pills, Lee said there are several rules people can follow to create a good sleep routine. They include not eating or exercising before bed, decreasing caffeine consumption, and making sure the bed is used for sleep only.

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A rush of cold in winter bad for skin

Anne Robinson
LIFE REPORTER

Students commuting through wind, snow and minus-20 degree temperatures may notice some differences when looking in the mirror. "There is a definite difference in the quality of people's skin in the summer versus the winter," said Humber teacher and spa technician, Delia Fiorante. "When you go outside and you're exposed to wind, snow and cold, then you come inside to dry heat, the two drastic changes in climate produce dehydration." She recommends a skin care regime for men and women that includes a cleanser and a moisturizer.

The Canadian Dermatology Association recommends wearing sunscreen in the winter, since snow can reflect up to 80 per cent of the sun's rays and give the skin a double dose of radiation. For men, Fiorante suggests trying a facial. "Men are coming into the spa. Once you get them in that one time, they come back." For students wanting to change their skin from the inside out, a change in diet can also help. "You are what you eat," said Adijatukubra Musa, a dietician and instructor for Humber's School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism.

"If you eat fast food or fried foods you will see bad skin." Staying indoors and snacking during the winter months also doesn't help, said Musa. She recommends bringing healthy snacks to school, such as fruits and vegetables, and including grains in the diet. Finally, students should drink plenty of water. "Hydration is very important. If people had six to 12 glasses of water a day, that will give you the best skin. It will put the cosmetic industry out of business," said Musa. The Humber spa is open Wednesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. www.thehumberspa.com



Humber nursing students gather on campus

Anne Robinson

Internet still an exploratory tool

Teri Pecoskie
IN FOCUS REPORTER

It's not Humber's job to crack the whip on students watching pornography on school computers, said Ryan Burton, Humber's Internet Technology Services manager. "We don't see it as our role to police the Internet," said Burton. "We provide various services, but policing what people have access to isn't one of those services."

"It's good to know that I can watch it with no repercussions - you know, just in case."
- Cory McKechnie

There are no Internet filters in place to prevent students or faculty from accessing pornographic material in classrooms, labs, offices or the library. "What you do with the computer is totally up to you," Burton said. "As long as you don't do something to try and hinder another individual or hurt us in any way, we're OK with you doing whatever it is that you feel you need to do."

Although there is unrestricted access to pornography throughout the school, Burton said in most cases, students who do look at pornography do so for school purposes. Humber's Internet-use policy states students are not permitted to use the web to disseminate computer viruses, for business or political reasons that don't directly support the administration of the college, or to distribute unsolicited advertising. There is, however, no clause that directly applies to viewing pornography. ITS representatives at nearby schools such as the University of Toronto and George Brown College said their policies clearly state that viewing pornography constitutes as unacceptable use. While intrigued he can view pornographic material on campus computers, post-graduate post-production student Cory McKechnie said he's still confused about the school's policy in general. "It's good to know that I can watch it with no repercussions - you know, just in case," he joked. "I think it's crazy, though, that the school has a policy that will allow me to watch porn on campus but not express an opinion that conflicts with the views of the administration."

Food boost to China in new year

Joana Draghici
NEWS REPORTER

With China's economy facing the same uncertainty as other countries, Chinese New Year tangerines may help its recovery. "Tangerines can be given as gifts during Chinese New Year symbolizing wealth, and a red pocket, a red envelope with money," said Rui Sun, a first year decorating student. Many Chinese New Year traditions focus on cooking or eating food, which symbolize good fortune. Other traditions include gathering around the table for a family re-

union. Carp is a typical meal, which represents a profitable year ahead. "We eat dumplings for luck and round, sweet rice balls which represent family union," said Christin Hung, a first year decorating student. Tables are usually topped with sweet specialties, moon cakes and rice bowls, to welcome friends and family. "The roundness of the bowl represents togetherness and the gold colour of the bowl represents more money," said Tiffany Zheng, manager of Ding Dong Pastries & Cafe.



GAMES

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 - 21. Pale color
 - 22. Explosive initials
 - 23. Gathered
 - 25. Exist
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 - 31. Speed contest
 - 34. Metric measure
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 - 38. Cry of sorrow
 - 39. ____ Diego
 - 40. Large barrel
 - 41. Horseback sport
 - 42. Zealous
 - 44. Periods in history
 - 45. Type of paint
 - 47. Get by
 - 49. Driver's ____
 - 52. Janitor's tool
 - 55. Decipher
 - 59. Able to read
 - 61. Elude
 - 62. Napoleon ____
 - 63. Office notes
 - 64. One who mimics
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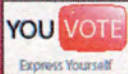
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Entry-level jobs not looking good

Career centre manager calls student job situation "dismal," but it will get better

Amy Snow
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Graduating students are being forced to take jobs unrelated to their studies until the economy improves while the career centre tries to cope.

Career centre manager Karen Fast says she has never seen the activity in the centre so high and job postings so low. She attributes this to past graduates' reluctance to give up entry-level positions they've already filled.

"The situation is dismal," Fast says. "I've seen over 100 jobs available for students in the month of January in the past and this year we're sitting here saying, 'where are the jobs?'"

Fast says she expects the economy to recover as it did in the '80s and '90s.

"I've lived through three recessions

and in a few years the economy will pick up again as it has in the past," she adds, noting students shouldn't be concerned about finding a job right after graduation.

Fast suggests students graduating this year should move into growing industries, rather than ones that are suffering economic setbacks.

"There are certain sectors that are still moving forward that we know will continue to grow, as opposed to, say the manufacturing sector, which as we know is in absolute turmoil right now," she says.

Chantal Oliveira, a 25-year-old interior design student, says she decided to return to school next year even though she graduates in the spring.

"If I were to go out in my industry right now to find a job, it would be really hard," she says. "I'm staying in school now because of the time that

I'm done, hopefully the economy will have picked up."

Oliveira adds she thinks new graduates will have to take any job they can get and then "work your way up from there."

Sally Ritchie of Colleges Ontario, the advocacy organization for the province's 24 colleges of applied arts and technology, attributes the increase of students applying to a second post-secondary institution to a lack of available entry-level jobs.

"The number of students who are attending another post-secondary institution has increased by 11 percent since the previous year," Ritchie says. "In the past, about 90 per cent of our graduates got jobs within six months of graduating and a college education is a pretty good way to protect yourself against an uncertain future."



Amy Snow

Career centre manager Karen Fast is warning students to consider continuing education.

This week the In Focus section

looks at how the economy is

affecting internships, job place-

ments and what the entry-level job

market looks like for graduating

students.



Adrienne Coling

Blair McMurchy says there's always work for motivated people.

Work placements still flourish in rough times

Adrienne Coling
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Representatives from three of Humber's schools say students looking for placements and internship opportunities in these turbulent economic times can rest easy for now.

Placement director Blair McMurchy from the School of Media Studies and Information Technology said he feels internships are not in jeopardy.

"No matter what the economy is doing, the industries are looking for young minds that can communicate, have a positive attitude and can think outside the box," McMurchy said. "As long as you're good at what you do, there is always going to be a spot."

Associate Dean Charlotte Empey from the School of Creative and Performing Arts said there are plenty of placement spots available. She added students shouldn't expect to be paid, even if certain positions have paid in the past.

"While we aren't anticipating any problems and haven't seen any decline in opportunities yet, students should not have any expectations

for paid placements, considering the economy," Empey said.

Each program at Humber that offers placements has different kinds of internships with rising numbers of companies wanting students.

Travel and tourism program coordinator Mary Lendway said the opportunities for her students are abundant.

"Humber has midterm, summer placements and exit internships that are for graduating students," she said. "We have our standard, reputable companies that have been around for a while like GAP Adventures and Signature Vacations and we are picking up new ones each year – giving us more placements than we have students to fill them."

Lendway said the value of internships for students is immeasurable.

"Internships are critical because they facilitate getting a job in the workplace. Most of our interns will get a job offer after they have finished their placement," she said.

"It really is like an extended interview that helps bridge the gap between going to school and the real world and I hope such opportunities will always be there to do so."



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Healthcare students face rough times

Angela Mahoney
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The state of the Canadian economy could result in more unpaid work placements for students in health services and it might be harder for graduates to get a paid job afterward.

Pharmacy technician program co-ordinator Sharon Lee said the market for student placements is not as open as it once was.

"My sense is that at the end of placements, fewer of my students will be offered jobs in hospitals because they are really tightening up," Lee said.

Students in the program are placed in unpaid jobs for four weeks in drugstores and hospital pharmacies at the end of their second year, according to Lee.

"With 24-hour stores and long hours in this kind of job, there is still a need for more individuals to

be working," Lee added. "So I hope we'll be OK."

Full-time practical nursing program co-ordinator Jaime Lapeyre said placing students will become increasingly more difficult because cutbacks continue to affect the health care settings.

"Opportunities to place students in health care organizations have been diminishing over the last few years as cutbacks have again affected the health care sector," Lapeyre said. "The demand for nurses is on the rise but the competition between programs for spots to place students has also increased."

First-year practical nursing student, Apshan Malhann, 21, said she doesn't believe she has a reason to be concerned.

"Nurses are always in demand, so I think we'll get jobs a lot easier than people in other industries," Malhann said.



Angela Mahoney

Continuing education students Kelly McNabb, 26, left, and Anna Visscher, 23, learn by role-playing in one of the nursing labs.

Experience over money: Businesses will look to unpaid help

Jackie Paduano
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Business students can obtain valuable experience and a paycheque in turbulent economic times with an increase of paid, summer co-op positions.

Placement adviser Anita Adamek of The Business School said a struggling economy makes short-term employment more desirable to employers.

"When the economy takes a downturn, we get more postings for summer, paid work terms," she said. "I think when the economy is unstable, it's easier for companies to take on someone for a short time rather than offer them the benefits and other perks of full-time work."

The Business School's field placement adviser Tara Kuiper said students wanting to gain experience in a business setting also have a wealth of internship opportunities available, although a salary is not guaranteed.

"From what I've seen, I don't think the economy is affecting the amount of on-the-job training opportunities," she said. "But it's probably a better time than any to get an unpaid internship for experience because people need the help and you can get a foot in the door."

In industries such as accounting where students see several salaried internship postings, some students are preparing for the reality of an unpaid work placement to meet degree requirements and gain experience.

Claire Bolin, a 32-year-old second-year accounting student, said she might have to sacrifice a salary to get a foot in the door.

"Because we're in an economic downturn and I'll be competing with people with university degrees and with more experience, I don't expect to be paid," she said.

Bolin added she thinks the shaky economy means most companies will not offer paycheques to their interns.

"At the best of times, many companies don't want to pay, so they'll be able to get away with it even more now," she said.

Shahab Yamin, 23, a second-year accounting student, is more optimistic about the prospect of getting a paid internship or work placement despite current economic conditions.

"I'm willing to take an unpaid placement," Yamin said. "But the poor economy should only last for the first part of this year and I'll be able to find something better."

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Enrolment soars for post-graduates

Teri Pecoskie
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A slow economy and dwindling job market are responsible for a sharp rise in the number of post-graduate applications.

Applications for post-grad programs are already up about 30 per cent from last year even though the submission deadline isn't until Tuesday, said Humber's associate registrar Barb Riach.

Such a large jump isn't typical — a two or three per cent increase of applicants from one year to the next is normal, she added.

Riach said the economic slump and addition of new post-grad programs such as financial planning and creative writing are behind the increase.

"I think some of it has to do with the job market," she said. "I also think some of the increase is in international applications. The exchange rate is very good if you're coming from another country."

Riach said Humber's post-grad programs will have an increase of international students looking for an affordable way to get an education and work experience in Canada as long as our dollar remains weak against the US greenback.

"Most of the post-grad programs have a placement or internship," she said. "It's a really valuable combination of classes and an introduction into the workplace."

Radio broadcast student Bryce Bennett said he hopes returning to school will open some new doors.

Bennett said he graduated from Humber with a public relations diploma in 2004 and spent five years working in PR and marketing before getting laid off last year.

The 27-year-old Bennett said additional schooling will drive his career in a new direction and make it easier to find employment after graduation.

Career centre manager Karen Fast said Bennett's situation is not unique.

"Our post-grad programs are booming because it's what employers are looking for," she said, adding the requirements on job postings are higher now than in the past.

"I think with further education, you can't go wrong and I think it's a great option in a recessionary period."

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SPORTS

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Kris Dowling attacks the Mohawk defence. The Hawk women remained perfect on the season but lost sets for the first time this year. *Mike Marshall*

Hawks perfect season safe

Mike Marshall
SPORTS REPORTER

The Humber women's volleyball team swept Sault College in straight sets after an eight-hour bus trip to keep its undefeated season alive.

"We got to get back to doing the little things right, and today was the first step," coach Chris Wilkins said after the 25-16, 25-15, 25-18 victory in Sault Ste. Marie last Sunday.

The Hawks fourteenth win was a return to dominance after surviving a scare at home last week against Mo-

hawk, losing two sets before coming back to take the next three.

"It's difficult, especially after an intense game like the one we played against Mohawk, to turn around the next day and drive up eight hours and play against a team that is a weaker team and try to be as intense," Wilkins said.

Maintaining their level of play against lesser opponents has been a challenge for the Hawks all season.

"In our league there's a lot of games that the other teams aren't at

our calibre," Humber power Rachel Dubbeldam said. "We have to work even harder in those games to keep our game consistent."

Mohawk brought an end to Humber's perfect set record this season.

They dropped the first two 25-23 and 26-24 before gaining composure and winning the next three, 25-23, 25-20, and 16-14.

"Although it was exciting for the fans, it was certainly not one of our best games," Wilkins said. "If we're going to win a provincial champi-

onship, we're going to need a better performance than that."

But the Hawks also gave credit to the Mountaineers.

"Mohawk always plays their best game against us," Humber star Landis Doyle said.

"We were all surprised at how many balls they dug and how many touches they got."

But that didn't stop Doyle from playing the hero. She scored 29 points on the night to keep Humber's perfect season alive.

Men spike Mohawk champs into defeat

Kemboi leads the way as Hawks improve their record to 8-3

Justin R. Rydell
SPORTS REPORTER

Humber captains Paul Kemboi and Brendan Wong led the Hawks to victory against the Mohawk Mountaineers and dominated the entire game, sweeping three straight sets on the way to the win last week.

"They played so well because the one thing they did was stick to game plan and make luck for themselves," said coach Wayne Wilkins and, "Paul Kemboi played awesome, he scored points when we needed him to."

Kemboi acknowledged he played well but said, "I have to hand it to my team. We have a few guys who are out and not coming back for a couple weeks, but the guys who came in stepped up. We have them to thank for the big win."

Wilkins said it was a great all-around effort and named four players of the game: Derek Quinn, Ricky Davids, Matt Langner and Kemboi.

Mohawk is the defending Ontario champion, but that did not deter the Hawks from winning a decisive and emotional victory in a game they

dominated. Before returning from Christmas break, the Hawks were on the road in Quebec at a tournament and finished second. They were defeated in the championship game by a team ranked number three in the country.

When the regular season resumed after the Christmas break Humber was 6-2.

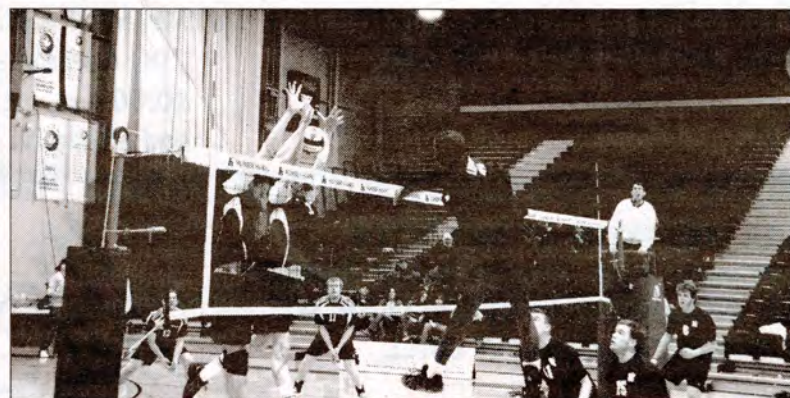
On Jan. 13 the Hawks were beaten by Fanshawe at home in three

straight sets, but travelled and won a tough road game and beat Sheridan 3-2 on Jan. 15 to turn their momentum around.

Wong said, "we are playing solid right now and that was a huge win against Mohawk."

To motivate the team after the win against Mohawk, Wilkins said this for inspiration, "Do one thing: Win."

The Hawks play this Saturday.



Jordan Langely and Kyle Langner stuff a tip from a Mountaineer. *Justin R. Rydell*

Super badminton bros play for the first time

OCAA not big enough for the both of them

Scott Rennie
SPORTS REPORTER

Badminton isn't just a sport, at Humber College it's a family affair.

Brothers Raymond, 21, and Mark Wong, 18, are at the core of a squad that is ranked first overall in Ontario.

"Our top three players are the three best in the province," assistant coach Mike Kopinak said, referring to the Wong brothers and their teammate Alang Luangrath.

Raymond, was named the Ontario College Athletic Association's top badminton player last year, and Mark was the winner of November's Humber Cup. Both had never faced each other due to their age difference in tournament play.

They finally squared off in the finals of a tournament at Cambrian College, in Sudbury, earlier this month.

The elder Wong defeated his brother in three sets.

"There was definitely some rivalry. They were playing to win, there's no question," Kopinak said.

"Last year, I won the whole thing, never lost a game. And I want to defend my championship, and I don't want to lose, especially against my brother," Raymond said laughing.

"Ray and Mark really went after each other. There was even some grandstanding," Kopinak said.

But Mark doesn't consider his showdown against his brother as anything but a normal match.

"There's always competition when you're playing, no matter who it is. He's on the court, so that's my opponent," he said.

The brothers credit their parents, who both play badminton, as the reason why they are so successful at the sport.

They agree that mom and dad are fine with seeing both their sons compete for badminton glory.

"It's not something they talk about. They see us play, they come and watch. They tell us both what's wrong with our games," Mark said.

And if there's any sibling rivalry between them, Kopinak said they keep it on the court.

"They're both good team guys. They're both a lot of fun," he said.

"They help each other, they cheer each other on, but when they play against each other, they play to win."

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Alison Brownlee

Hawk defenders double-team a Blues forward last Sunday.

U of T teaches Hawks the ABCs to indoor soccer

Alison Brownlee
SPORTS REPORTER

Despite losing 2-0 to the University of Toronto Blues in its first exhibition game of the season last Sunday, Humber's women's indoor soccer team is remaining optimistic.

"The girls played well. U of T is one of the best women's teams in Ontario, and its university level, but we held our own," said co-head coach Mauro Ongaro.

"When you play against the best, you see what things you have to work on, and what things you do well," he said. "It opens our eyes."

Considering the opposition was a university team, Hawk Melissa Migliazza was pleased with her team's performance.

"We did really well. We are moving the ball well, but we're still getting used to it. We're missing half our team today, so I think we did fairly well overall."

Migliazza is also confident for the rest of the season.

"Tactically we're an awesome team, we have quick feet. Indoor is key for most of our players, we're quick on the ball, so I think we're going to do really, really well."

Last semester the women's outdoor soccer team landed a bronze medal in the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association Championship, and the its performance has not gone unnoticed, said Blues coach Eva Havaris.

"I used to coach Fanshawe, so I know the calibre of the players and teams," she said. "That Humber medalled at nationals is a great accomplishment, so I knew that they would be a decent team coming in."

To prepare for it, Ongaro said, "we want to work on our fitness, our team play offensively. We're going in the right direction and we're happy with our progress today."

Eleven and Heaven

Hawks stretch unbeaten streak against Mohawk

Sandy McLachlin
SPORTS REPORTER

The men's basketball team extended its winning streak to 11 games after winning a nail biter at Mohawk College this past Tuesday.

Humber went into the second half leading by 17 points, but the Mohawk Mountaineers came out hard in the final 20, cutting the deficit to three points with a few minutes left, but ended up losing 58 to 62.

"It ended up being closer than we were hoping," said Darrell Glenn, the Humber Hawks head coach.

"We lost our intensity. We came out flat. We didn't have the same kind of intensity and concentration at both ends of the floor," said Glenn.

Mohawk's head coach Brian Jonker was not surprised at the effort given by the Hawks.

"Well they're Humber. They bring guys at you in waves," said Jonker. "They're deep and they play hard all night. You know you're going to get that from them so if you don't match that intensity, you're going to get blown out."

Humber Hawk guard Daviau Rod-



Sandy McLachlin

Hawk guard Mike Cruickshank attempts a three-pointer.

ney lead both teams with 22 points and teammate Akeem Sween added 19 to help Humber close out the win.

The team won their previous two games on the road this past weekend playing Algoma and Sault College in Sault Ste. Marie. The team travelled by bus with the women's basketball and volleyball teams for nine hours to the northern Ontario city.

Both Glenn and Sween were happy with the outcome of the weekend.

"It was a good one for us. We did what we were supposed to do - get the wins. That's all that matters. The W," said Sween.

"That's a tough road trip," said Glenn. "Any time you travel for eight

to nine hours and then have to play that night and get up and play the next day and get two wins - that's a great effort."

The team now has a record of 12-2 and leads the West division.

They play the next two games at home versus Lambton College tomorrow and Saint Clair College on Saturday.

The Saint Clair game has a bit of history to it as a former Hawk player - and now a Saint Clair Saint - Nolan Gooding left the Hawks on unpleasant terms last year.

"Nolan and I have history, but that is history," Glenn said. "We got to focus on winning the basketball game."

Hawks soar past Mountaineers

Win streak at 3 as record improves to 7-4

Alex Brien
SPORTS REPORTER

Humber women's basketball extended its winning streak to three games Tuesday, with a 63-50 win over the Mohawk Mountaineers in Hamilton.

Coach Denise Perrier said she was impressed by the effort, considering her team was missing both Dakota Allen and leading scorer Kaitlynn Paulley due to injuries.

"We needed other girls to step up tonight, we challenged them, and I was very proud of the effort," Perrier said. "Three people in double-digits and 63 points with two key people out? I'm very happy with it."

Although her team racked up 25 personal fouls throughout the course of the game, Perrier praised her team's defensive skill.

"I thought defensively we did well, and the second half was more the turning point where we capitalized on some good steals and took it to the glass hard."

Perrier said that regardless of the

outcome, there was still room for improvement as her team preps for a home meeting with St. Clair on Saturday.

"Tonight we settled easily for cheap fouls, and we shouldn't have," Perrier said. "We've got to work on our press and passing decisions, work on shooting, and attacking the basket for the big game at home."

First-year rookie Maria Suriani was one player who stepped up against Mohawk, scoring 10 points and leading the team with over 36 minutes played.

"Considering that Kaitlynn and Dakota weren't there, I think we played well and everyone stepped up to the plate," Suriani said.


"Our offence had a little too many turnovers - they got most of their points on turnovers - but besides that, I think we did a good job and did what we had to do."

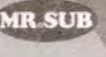
Veteran fourth-year player Meghan McPeak, one of only two returning players this season, credited the team for coming together as a whole.

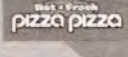
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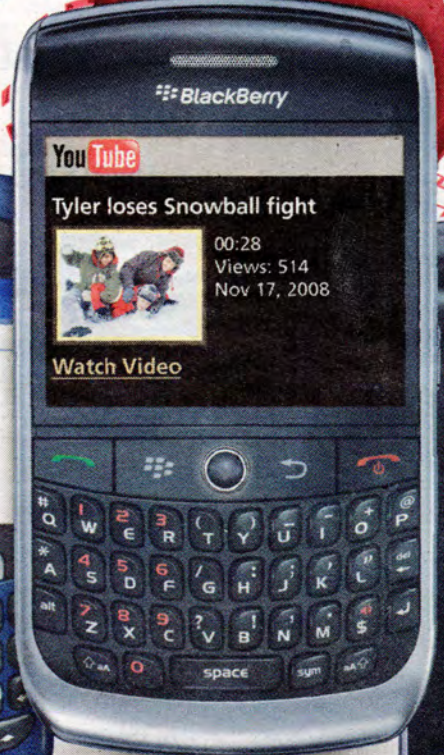
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