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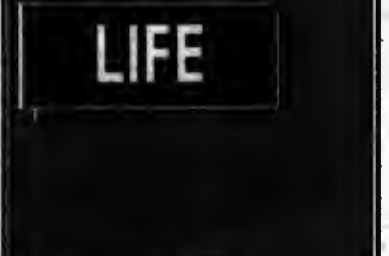
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Bob Salverda

Books at the campus bookstore are overpriced compared to other schools.

May the seller beware

Used texts may be worth little

Sara Viegas
News Reporter

There's no buck for the book for SAC North President Steve Virtue.

At a Sept. 19 Academic Council meeting, where the subject of buying and selling used books was on the table, Virtue said "I purchased a required text book for one of my courses, and I spent about \$94." He sold the book back to the bookstore, but didn't quite get that amount in return.

"All I got back was \$17 and some change. You wouldn't have known it was used," he said.

The bookstore will pay students up to 50 per cent of a book's original price if the book is required reading for a course in the next semester. If a book is not required for a course, students will receive as little as 10 per cent of the original price.

Faculty do not always know well in advance which texts they will be using the following semester, however. At a Bookstore Advisory Committee meeting last April, Dave Darker, of Humber's Hotel and Restaurant department, said most faculty are reluctant to approve text choices in April for courses beginning in September. Faculty often choose May and June to review curriculum and the texts they are using.

At the September 19 Council meeting, John Mason, director of ancillary services, said 73 text adoptions were submitted to the bookstore after August 23 for September classes.

-with Jason Hopps

College costs balanced by book sales

High book prices to benefit students, college says

by Jennifer Oxley
News Reporter

The high price of textbooks at the Humber bookstore is actually for the students' benefit, according to the college administration.

"One thing that is important to note is that Humber is operating with a balanced budget, which allows Humber to provide a high quality of class (instruction)," said John Mason, director of ancillary services. "So from that point of view there is a value that trickles back to the students."

A budget document obtained by Et Cetera shows that Humber college nets almost \$340,000 profit from the bookstore, after staff wages and operating costs are paid.

Mason said the profit, approximately six per cent of all sales, goes to offset the college's operating budget.

The bookstore, operated by Follett of Canada, decided with the college two years ago on a 25 per cent mark-up for all textbooks.

Mason said that other colleges and universities also have a 20 to 30 per cent mark up.

"The 25 per cent is an acceptable mark up within the industry," Mason said.

In a comparison of book prices among Humber and other area

schools, Humber's prices are generally a few dollars more.

Mason said the pricing factors vary for a few reasons.

"Wholesale prices on books do not remain stable," said Mason. "Each college or university has slightly different price policies."

However, Mason said the publishing companies are going to have to do something to make these books more affordable for students.

"We would like to promote the use of course notes so students won't always have to buy the text," said Mason.

Mason added that for the first time the college has an alliance with CANCOPY, a company that lets teachers have sections of textbooks photocopied for a royalty of 3 1/2 cents per page.

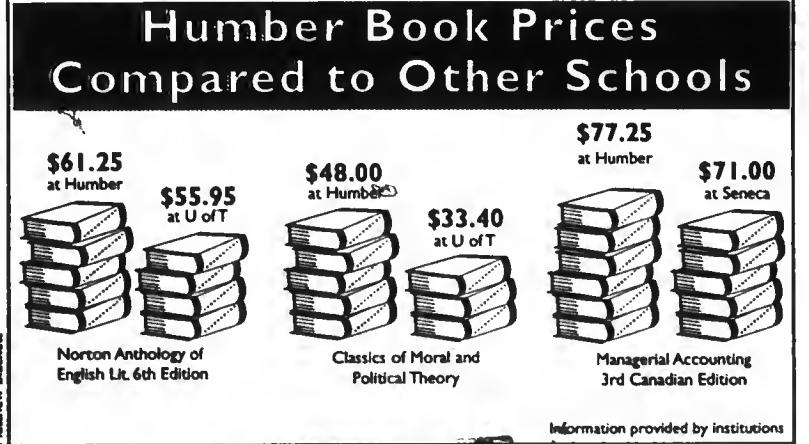
Mason said this is the first year instructors have had this option.

"Awareness of the options is the first stage," said Mason. He added that a meeting discussing the use of CANCOPY is set for Oct. 2.

Campus book store manager Kim Seifried said the first couple of weeks of each term complaints come in from students about high book prices.

"Students sacrifice quite a bit each year to pay for these text books, so they're bound to complain when they get a look at the prices," Seifried said.

Mason said that the bookstore has a five-year contract with the school.



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Faculty cuts affect classes

by Cheryl Waugh
News Reporter

Are students getting less for more?

There are 77 fewer professors at Humber College this year due to last year's \$13-million provincial government cutbacks.

However, Richard Hook, vice-president of instruction, said he doesn't think the quality of education at Humber has been compromised.

"I believe that we are providing a lot more opportunities for students to work and develop using resources in different ways," said Hook. "I don't believe that has a negative effect on the quality of Humber College's education."

Most of the 77 professors left via early leave or retirement. Nine professors were laid off.

While there was a four per cent reduction in student population, the ratio of students to teachers is still higher than last year.

The college cut costs by downsizing some programs, offering

fewer class hours for students and raising tuition fees.

Hook said the pressure to cut costs occurred at exactly the wrong time. Students now need more exposure to independent learning than ever, he said.

Gary Begg, a social sciences professor, said the fact that students have lost a lot of secondary courses in their programs is a concern.

"A lot of program hours have been cut from 23 or 24 hours to 18, and most of those hours were taken from secondary course programs," said Begg. "Students aren't getting the economics, political science or psychology courses that they once were."

Faculty Union President Maureen Wall said this year could be a difficult one for both students and faculty.

"Last year was the crisis period when we were trying to deal with the cuts, but this year we have to live with it," said Wall.

Antanas Sileika, a liberal arts and sciences professor, said his classes seem larger this year. However, he was more concerned about how the cuts have affected Humber's remedial program.

"About 40 per cent of students need remediation in English, and the unique thing about English is it needs a hands-on involvement by the teacher," said Sileika. "If the student population in those classes gets too high it will become physically impossible for the teachers to mark everyone's work."

Hook admitted that remedial training is one area of the college



The faculty union is worried that overcrowded classrooms like this one could become more common if layoffs continue.

that has been greatly affected by the cuts.

"We do much less remediation than we used to," said Hook. "We still run some but only those who need it will get it."

The reduction in the number of students was accomplished by taking in fewer first-year students.

Martha Casson, the dean of registrarial services, said there was almost a 10 per cent reduction in new students this year, which adds up to about 600 seats.

College President Robert Gordon said he hopes cuts will be less this year, but noted the government did commit to a two-year plan to cut costs.

"I don't think we'll have to cut 15 per cent, which is what we did last year," said Gordon. "We're looking at less."

Hook agreed. "I don't believe that my colleagues are expecting a significant cut, but I'm not sure what everybody is using as a definition of the word 'significant,'" he said. "I think the college has to expect some kind of further downsizing."

A wait-and-see attitude has gripped most of the college community over what the government plans to do this year.

"There's still a great concern about what will happen this year," said Begg. "I hope current levels stay but no one's sure."

The fact the college administration isn't expecting as significant a cut as last year doesn't encourage Sileika.

"It's like the doctor's reassured us but the biopsy hasn't come in yet," said Sileika.

Association of colleges unfair to larger schools: Gordon

by Sean Hamilton
BOG Reporter

College President Robert Gordon told a Sept. 16 Board of Governors meeting that the Association of Colleges of Applied Arts of Ontario is unfair to Humber.

Gordon asked for BOG approval on a position paper to be sent to the consulting firm reviewing ACAATO's role.

One of the college's main concerns is that it pays ACAATO \$48,312 per year, while a smaller college pays less and yet receives the same services.

Humber's official view, set forth in the paper prepared by Gordon and his senior management team, is that if schools are paying larger fees then they should get more services.

"We pay larger dues but only get one twenty-fifth of the action," said Gordon.

The alternative to this is that all colleges pay the same fees. Colleges then could opt out of certain proposals, and colleges who opt in would pay extra.

Gordon said he is trying to offer constructive criticism, not wage war on ACAATO. "I don't want to

put Humber over a cliff," said Gordon, referring to wanting to wait and see what other colleges feel about the organization.

"I don't want to over-react, but the bottom line is they are doing a review so they must be willing to make changes," he said.

Gordon said the association has evolved in the 25 years of its existence, but not necessarily in the same direction as the colleges.

In the position paper, senior administrators asked some fundamental questions about what ACAATO does and for whom.

Administrators believe that it has taken on too much power and no longer fulfills its original mandate, which was to give support in the areas of providing information and raising public awareness, as well as other important support functions.

The paper stated that ACAATO may have moral authority over its member colleges, but it lacks legal authority.

"We don't particularly want ACAATO speaking for Humber. Humber feels it can speak for itself," said Gordon.

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Cars broken into on campus

by Dionne Francis
News Reporter

Parking and security officials are warning Humber students that their cars are not safe while parked on school property.

During the first week of school, three cars were burglarized at the North campus in broad daylight. The thieves stole stereo equipment and personal items. In two of the cases, car doors were left unlocked.

"Students have to be careful," said Donna Davenport, superintendent of parking. "People are leaving things in clear view, good stereo equipment, CDs and tapes, cases, purses."

A vehicle's proximity to the school has not been an effective deterrent.

"There have been thefts in each of the parking lots," Davenport said.

Despite these break-ins, security has not been increased.

"We are sticking to our same regular schedule," said Gary Jaynes, director of physical

'We are sticking to our regular schedule. Patrols are being done on a regular basis.'

-Gary Jaynes, director of physical resources services

resources services. "Patrols are being done on a regular basis."

Campus security has had an easier time patrolling since the closing of the Woodbine parking lot.

They can now concentrate

solely on the cars parked on school property.

Security recommends using common sense when leaving a car in the parking lot.

Don't leave objects out where a potential thief can see them. Put away purses, wallets and objects of importance. Don't leave CDs and tapes lying around. This also could alert a thief that you have expensive stereo equipment inside.

Security is requesting student help in solving these crimes.

"Report any suspicious behavior. Use the emergency phones. Let security know right away. If you personally know who is responsible, call Crime Stoppers," Jaynes said.

All incidents have been reported to police. Anyone with information concerning these break-ins is encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 222-TIPS.



Bob Salverda

Thieves broke into several cars at the North campus in the first few weeks of school. Security cautions drivers to lock their doors and keep valuables out of sight.

Prez plans eventful year

by Cindy Gombos
News Reporter

In keeping with the '90s theme of wanting more for less, Lakeshore Students' Association Council President Chris Redpath hopes charging students less for events will translate into larger crowds.

Redpath said students already pay for events in their student fees, so they should get a break when going to them.

"When we charge for an event, you'll get something for a similar cost, like a first-drink-is-on-us type of thing. If you go to an event and pay \$2 for a ticket, you get a \$2 drink for free and you'll end up breaking even," he said.

Cheaper events

This year Lakeshore's SAC budget is \$150,000. This is based on revenues received from student fees, the games room, the bookstore and the grad formal.

Cheaper programming is one way SAC plans to spend this money.

"We shifted costs," said Redpath. "We put it more towards programming so the students are getting more."

"For example, our pub director has a budget so we can bring in [radio station] Hot 103.5 or hypnotists, like Mike Mandel, and different comedians."

By working with other businesses Lakeshore SAC has found ways to save money.

"When we got our new pool tables this year for the games room," said Redpath, "we did not pay anything for the pool tables. We just get 50 per cent of the profits back."

Redpath said Lakeshore also

spent less on office supplies, the student handbook, T-shirts and hats.

However, SAC events need to be advertised more in order for students to realize what's going on, he said.

"Once you get involved with SAC you realize what SAC is doing. The students know what's happening but they don't know who's giving it to them. We have to make sure they know what SAC is doing for them," he said.

More signs at events

Redpath wants to see more event signs up to let students know about them. He'd also like a more visible SAC presence at events.

"All the events we have are fun. If you participate," he said, "you'll love it."

"People always come back from events saying 'That was so awesome.' It's just getting the people out there to get involved. It's getting the excitement up, the adrenaline up, getting students excited about the events," said Redpath.

Although he is kept busy juggling his SAC and class responsibilities, Redpath said he will try to

be around campus as much as possible.

After being vice-president of finance last year, he said he wanted to continue being a part of SAC.

"I felt I had enough experience and new ideas to have the job as president," he said.

Lakeshore changes

Some additions at Lakeshore are a new photocopier, located on the top floor of the "D" building, and new pool tables in the games room, to open by the second semester. Students may soon see microwaves in the cafeteria too.

"We're just trying to make it easier," said Redpath. "We're just trying to improve on the little things."

One thing that will be cut is the grad formal. Redpath said that although it will take place this year it will be on a much smaller scale.

"Not enough students came out," he said. "It would have been fine if we sold out the hall, but we didn't."

"The grad formal will be changing. It won't be as extravagant," said Redpath. "Last year it was open bar, but we are not sure we can cover it again this year."

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Humber station heard outside college

by W.P. Lahey
News Reporter

Digital audio radio has arrived at Humber, and the new technology means listeners can now tune in outside the college's hallways.

CKHC Station Director Jerry Chomyn said the new station format will not only enable students to familiarize themselves with the broadcast industry's newest medium, but also provide the Humber community with a reliable campus service.

"Last year we were confined to broadcasting in the hallways," Chomyn said. "This year we are able to broadcast across the entire campus on the FM frequency with total clarity. The advantage here is people who want to tune in can do so in their cars or in residence at their convenience."

With the introduction of digital radio into the broadcast industry, Chomyn says many of today's mainstream announcers may need to return to Humber for training.

"The possibilities are endless for the school," said Chomyn. "A lot of today's announcers, like people at Q107 or CHUM, are going to have to learn to use this system as more and more stations begin to use it. That means a lot of these people will be looking at Humber to get the necessary training they will need."

Along with the sound quality improvement that digital audio radio offers, there is also a signal increase for the station.

The increased signal boost came without having to go through the red tape of the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC).

Although Humber has tried to get an FM license in the past, Chomyn insists that having an FM license now would only hurt the radio program rather than improve it.

"The responsibility of running a 24-hour radio station by CRTC regulations would take up so much time that it would really distract the students and staff from the program itself," Chomyn said. "By having a closed-circuit station, we are able to focus on our curriculum, rather than worrying about who's running what."

While other schools, like York University and the University of Toronto, enjoy the benefits of having FM stations without radio broadcasting programs, Humber remains off the FM dial outside its perimeter.

Program Director Joe Andrews wants it that way.

"In order for Humber to have an FM license, we would have to open our doors to volunteer



Second-year Radio Broadcast student Mike Van Etten pumps out the tunes for Humber. Along with introducing the technology to broadcast outside the college, CKHC has also upgraded other equipment.

announcers," he said. "That would mean less time for our broadcast students to be in the studio. Our station has two functions. One is that it's a radio station; the other is that it's a lab for students to learn."

The Humber radio program has an advantage because of its ability to expand at a low cost and seek

out new mediums, said Andrews.

He pointed to the Internet and the worldwide broadcast web, a new form of radio the college is keeping a close eye on.

"As the Internet becomes more the norm in households around the world, so too will radio as a web site," he said. "As it becomes more accessible, we will pursue it

from a college perspective. Just think of the connections our students could make by broadcasting live on the Internet."

The new programming will be on the air at the end of September, at 91.7 on the dial. The station's format will be a mainstream approach, somewhere between the sound of Q107 and CHFI.

International students bring revenue, culture to college

by Sean Hamilton
News Reporter

The recruitment of international students to Humber College is more than a money-making scheme; it also means new opportunities for Humber students.

Dean of Registrarial Services Martha Casson acknowledged that international students are a good source of revenue, but guaranteed they will not take desks from Canadian students.

"My role is to protect the admission policy of this college," she said.

Casson said that the recruitment of international students has nothing but positive benefits for the college.

More international students could mean having a three-semester school year.

Casson gave the example of seven international students wanting to study interior design. The school could open the other 20 seats to Canadian students and offer the first semester in the summer.

This way, the school would make enough money to pay the teacher's salary, and the second semester could be offered in the fall.

"Moving the college to a trimester system has advantages to everyone. It also takes advantage of the school's down time," said

"We are in a global world now... we have to give our students what the world wants,"

- John Walker
chair of hospitality,
recreation and
tourism

Casson.

She added that working with a trimester is also an advantage for anyone who has failed a course. Students don't have to wait a year to make up a missed course since most programs don't offer third-semester classes during the fourth semester.

"It offers a lot of flexibility to the students. We can open up sections the school wouldn't normally be able to," said Frank Franklin, chair of international projects.

Casson said another advantage of having international students is the chance it gives Canadian students to work with people from around the world.

In addition to welcoming foreign students, a few Humber programs have also been offering field placements abroad.

John Walker, the chair of hospitality, recreation and tourism, started a program six years ago in which students go to Japan and work at a ski resort. Walker said participants come back with a working knowledge of the language, experience working in a resort, and the ability to step into any tourism business that caters to the Pacific Rim, such as those on the West Coast.

"We are in a global world now," said Walker. "We have to give our students what the world wants, whether it's in Japan, China, or Vancouver. We must provide them with a broad perspective of opportunities."

Walker is also involved in setting up a program in which students study the political aspects, tourism management and marketing of ecosystems in places like Peru and South Africa.

The School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism has also started a program in which students in Hong Kong can take a course via the Internet.

International students talk about their experiences at Humber
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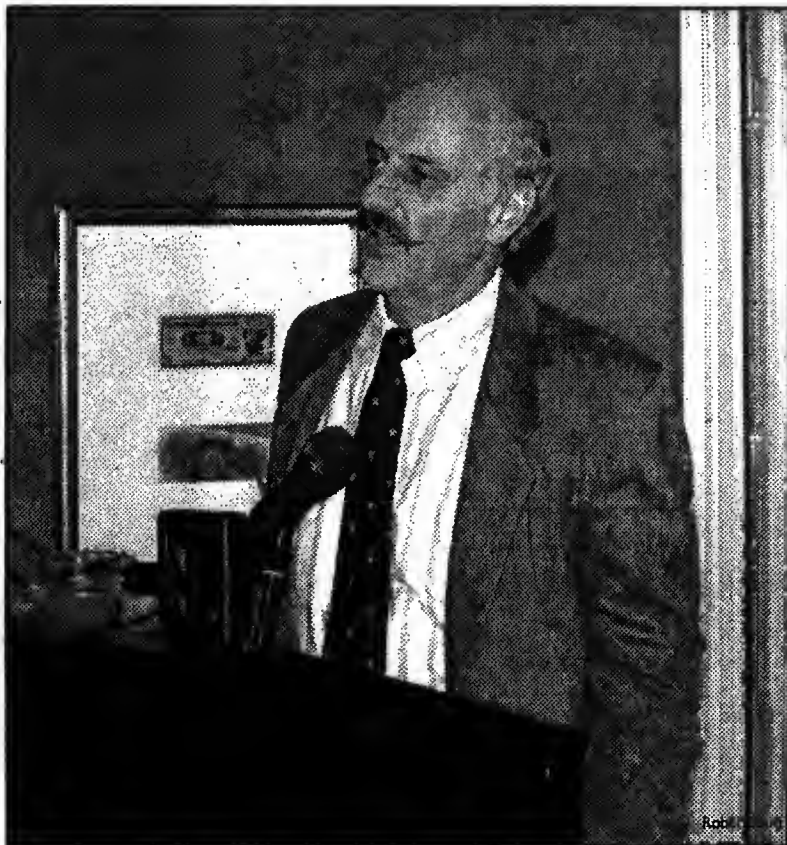
by Robert Dutt
News Reporter

Faced with a new banking environment, customer service representatives from the major Canadian banks are coming to Humber's Lakeshore Campus to upgrade their skills.

The launch of the new continuing education program was made at a reception for the Institute of Canadian Banking Financial Services program, which was held in the Institute's offices at Commerce Court downtown.

"It's good to have entry-level education at the community college level, but now we're turning it around and opening up an adult education stream for those already in the banking environment," said Rosaire Couturier, the executive director and chief executive officer of the Institute of Canadian Banking.

Catherine Hénault, program coordinator of the \$250,000 venture, said most customer service



Richard Hook, Humber's vice-president of academics, spoke to students at a reception announcing a new continuing education program.

representatives have little or no post-secondary education. Therefore, being a graduate of the Humber night school program would be helpful in getting promotions, and in avoiding layoffs at the bank.

"People don't go to a bank any-

more to deposit a cheque or make a withdrawal, they do that at machines," explained Hénault. "[The banks] realized that the people they had weren't equipped to talk to customers about mutual funds or retirement planning or any of the kind of financial issues

that people were increasingly coming to the bank to talk about."

Couturier's address summed up the banks' interest in developing employees for this new atmosphere.

"Quality up front means quality in the back," he said.

Humber is one of three colleges nation-wide that the ICB is working with. The others are Douglas College in Vancouver and Montreal's Bois-de-Boulogne College.

First-year students in the financial services program were also part of the reception.

Students heard from Richard Hook, Humber's vice-president of academics and Couturier.

Students were impressed by the effort the banks had gone to with the reception, and by the opportunity to speak to prospective employers.

"Things like this give you a chance to get some great connections," said Julie Sager, a first-year student.

Couturier said that after working out some initial bugs with staff and student selection, the program has developing into everything he and the institute had hoped for.

"The job market is picking up, and our students are in high demand," said Hook.

News in Brief

Caps ID policy causes fight

An altercation at Caps between staff and a customer on Sept. 20 has put the pub's ID policy in the spotlight.

The customer objected to being asked by a waitress to show ID before being served a drink.

"We don't single people out and everybody who's asked for ID feels singled out. People take it personally for a second, but then they realize we're just doing our job," said Sandy MacFarlane, assistant manager at Caps. "He took it way too personal."

Caps assistant manager Kenny Dimech explained that since Caps, Seventh Semester, the Humber Room and the teacher's lounge operate under the same liquor license, they have to enforce ID policies.

"We have to be strict," he said. "If one place goes down so does everything."

Maggie Hobbs, director of students activities, agreed saying that whenever ID is asked for it must be produced.

-Brian Rubinoff

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Book store kills student budget

For students grumbling in the bookstore line-up, shelling out hundreds of dollars for 'required' texts, a common question must be 'How can a such a little book possibly cost so much money?'

It wouldn't be so bad if the wholesale price of the book was close to what you paid, but it wouldn't be if administration didn't dip its hands into everyone's pocket.

In this case, a \$340,000 profit keeps the college happy and students poor. However, the big wigs will argue that they need the money to keep the budget balanced.

Well, whether the students swallow that or not, they definitely choke when they try to make a few bucks by selling back their used books.

If teachers haven't submitted their textbook list stating they are going to use the book the following semester, a textbook that originally cost a student \$80.25 when new would bring a whopping return of \$7.50.

But hey, if students are already on OSAP, what's another few dollars to keep the college in good shape? Maybe the extra cash is needed to pave the bookstore or something [Oops, they already used that excuse to cover the parking increases].

Students are being robbed from all sides. It doesn't seem like much for administration to give us a break on books. People may choose not to park here, but with required textbooks there are fewer choices.

If the book mark-up can't be adjusted, another system or a better buy back policy on used books should be instituted and soon. The idea of selling class booklets instead of whole textbooks is brilliant, but is yet to be adopted by most faculty.

A break on books might keep students having a hard time making ends meet from going over the edge.

Students don't want miracles, but a little help making it to the next semester from people who are supposed to be on their side isn't too much to ask.

Snobelen attacks education

Snobelen's current proposal will drastically change high school education, but he has far too many issues to deal with at once. Unfortunately education is something the government has sunk its claws into and is now beginning to slowly tear apart.

Education and Training Minister John Snobelen has announced that better high school programming will ensure all Ontario students have the highest quality of education possible and will prepare them to live and work in our changing society.

Starting in 1998, students will complete a four-year high school program. Students will see a more demanding curriculum and higher standards that will be consistent province-wide. Snobelen says the times have changed and high schools have to change as well. High schools need a more rigorous curriculum, and higher standards. That's good, and probably enough for the system to chew on for a while, but he doesn't stop here.

He wants courses to be more relevant to students' post-secondary education, should it be university, college, or work. Also, students will be given prior-learning tests which will let them receive a credit for a course if they show the required skills and knowledge. Students should feel both relieved and concerned. More focused courses certainly benefit students, but how and when will these courses begin? And why should a student be exempted or passed by a subject pre-test? Doesn't that demean the point of teaching, learning and the valuable in-class experience that students gain from helping and interacting with peers?

Teachers will also have to improve their measurement standards and have better student assessment records. But when will they have time to revamp their marking standards? Right now teachers have very little time to spare, and will have a hard time finding more time to devote to their work. Hey Snobelen, teachers don't have more hours in a day than anyone else. Perhaps they could slip that in between breakfast and planning their classes.

Snobelen says that student should have a teacher-advisor to discuss future educational plans. This seems absurd after the government just tightened the belt on the education budget. He also wants to increase partnerships with the community and schools, which involves some vague form of financial support.

And, last but not least on Snobelen's agenda, he wants clearer student transcripts that will show all attempts and results in each and every course taken throughout high school. As if it isn't hard enough for students to get into colleges and universities, but the government wants to show each student's blemishes.

Snobelen has kindly decided to invite public input. But not on everything. He is very specific about the information he wants: how many and which courses should be compulsory; how to integrate co-op education into a new high school program; the role of the provincial testing; and how grade nine fits into the new program. But what about all the other issues, is the public not allowed to comment?

The government should know by now that when it sets out to do so many things at one time, chaos and disorder is the only outcome.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Here's the scoop on teachers parking

In response to the "Baby, You can drive my car" editorial in the Sept. 12 issue.

There are a couple of extra points that perhaps should have been mentioned in your editorial.

First, unlike coffee or food services, parking is a necessity at Humber. If the price of coffee goes too high, I can simply brew my own coffee or not bother to drink it — I have a choice.

But with parking, I commute from Bolton, and there is no public transportation available, so I have no choice, I must be able to park a car, the college knows that. This leaves them with the ability to charge whatever they want for this commodity and I

MUST pay the price or find some other way of getting here. I personally have to have the reserved lot so that I can be guaranteed a parking spot close to easy access into the college [i.e., no stairs].

Second, please remember that students get a break on the parking. I have to pay for the parking privilege all year round. If I don't pay for the summer, my spot is considered to be available and I lose it for the fall semester. By the way I'm paying over \$600 a year.

Steve Gromacki, School of Information Technology and Accounting faculty

Humber Et Cetera attracts online attention

I logged onto the site and it looks great and runs terrifically quick. I was beginning to think I needed a faster modem but with a perhaps almost direct connection it loaded up much more quickly.

It looks great too. Your online version is very informative and bright. But I was on for only five minutes and didn't get

enough time to really appreciate the articles. As it reached "rush hour" the site slowed down in some sections, but that is to be expected.

I intend to check again early next week.

Bookmarking is so handy.

Sincerely,

Gordon Rigby, Elementary School Teacher



We welcome letters to the editor. Letters must include the author's name, phone number, signature and program. Letters of a libelous, racist or obscene nature will not be published. Bring letters to room L231 marked: Attention: Jason Hopps.

Do you remember way back when...

CONDOM CRAZE — So what's happened in 25 years at Humber College? On Friday, Nov. 5, 1971, condoms came to Humber. No, they weren't marching down the halls. Machines were being installed in men's washrooms, which were apparently the most travelled areas. Student Union president Skip Ferguson said the reason for the dispensers was to stop sexual diseases. "We're not encouraging the student



body to go out and get laid. We just want them to be careful when they do," Ferguson said.

The condoms that students had access to were called Altex.

At the time it was being tested by the Canadian Armed Forces personnel, stationed in Europe. "So if they don't work don't sue the Student Union. Sue the Western Rubber Company or the Canadian Armed Forces," said Ferguson.

Invented by Dr. Condom himself, the condom didn't flourish until the late 18th century.

In the early stages, condoms were made out of a sheep's skin and only the upper class could afford them. When condoms first arrived in Humber washrooms they were 25 cents, now they are about a \$1 [individually].

But with better technology condoms have been improving. Charles Goodyear not only affected the transportation world but had a profound effect on the world's sexual relations, with the invention of rubber.

So all we want to know now is where are those condom machines that were installed in the men's washrooms? According to the guys they are no longer there.

JAIL BAIT — Everyone has something hidden in his or her closet, especially Humber College's President Robert Gordon.

On Oct. 1, 1985, Gordon went directly to jail for charity. That's right: charity.

As part of a three-day fund raiser Gordon was tried and accused of an imaginary offence. He was then taken prisoner and remained in custody until his bail was paid [or raised]. The event had to raise over \$50,000 before "Squee" was free.

The imaginary jail & Bail event was a fund raiser for the Etobicoke General Hospital, in conjunction with the

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DR. ROBERT A. GORDON

Woodbine Centre and Maclean Hunter Cable TV. Students and faculty had their pictures taken with Gordon for \$2 while he was dressed in his jail suit.

Also rumour has it that Gordon might be sent back to jail in mid October for unknown charity crimes.

Varsity Rag

notable news from other schools

South Illinois State University

Are bars turning into meat markets? Apparently so in South Illinois. It seems that more and more people are using pickup lines in bars in order to meet people. This situation doesn't sit well with the students at SISU, one student says: "When I try to talk to a girl, I feel like a guy in a green polyester leisure suit with a gold chain around my neck."

San Diego State University

Billiards or tea party? According to school officials, there is talk about getting rid of the pool tables in exchange for a coffee house. If it is approved the coffee house will serve as a study hall for students. Perhaps the more relaxed atmosphere will allow students to get out of the house but still study. At least the students will be able to stay awake.

Arizona University

Burning down the house. That's almost what happened to one student after he left a candle burned in his dorm room. The candle was resting on a plastic dish which caught fire and burned part of the room. Luckily the fire was extinguished before it spread to the other rooms.

Centennial College

For those who have been losing sleep while trying to think of a name for Centennial's newspaper, your sleepless nights are now over. The paper has been named *The Courier*.

compiled by Shannon Williams

Q&A

This week with Jay Haddad, Humber professor of humanities, psychology, and deviant behavior.

Q: Is there such a thing as a normal person?

A: That's sort of like asking "Is everybody from a dysfunctional family," because once you scratch the surface you never find a functional family. I suppose when you scratch the surface of each person nobody is normal. Therefore, it's a normal state to be abnormal ... Most people's abnormalities, though, range from Idiosyncrasies, different little fears, and so on. When they become more exaggerated, then you might be into

obsessive-compulsive, panic, schizophrenia, [and] psychosis. So is everybody normal? No." And thank God for the human condition that nobody is normal.

Q: Why are people so interested in deviant behavior?

A: The thing that appeals to students almost across the board in terms of liberal education is to look into the mind of people who are on that fringe, and that's why deviant behavior and abnormal psych are so popular and so exciting is because students are so curious about the "why". What would make someone do this?

Q: If you could interview Paul Bernardo, what would you ask him?

A: I would love to meet Paul Bernardo, and I would love to meet Karla Homolka, and have an hour with each one. I would want to know if Bernardo was always aroused by sadistic imagery ... if he was always turned on by aggression and violence

... I don't think it was something that was just random or happenstance. And I'd also want to know if he contrived to develop Karla as the accomplice, and if he did to her exactly what [Charles] Manson did to his "Family" — if he sort of brought her along that way so he had a co-conspirator and so he could get by. I'd be fascinated to ask questions like that, more of a personal nature, about how he felt growing up, how he felt with his sibling, how he felt with his mom and dad, and sort of, "How did this personality evolve?" That's an interesting area.

Q: John Douglas, the FBI's top psychological profiler, says that if Manson were released, he wouldn't kill. What do you think?

A: These are people who've studied it. [Douglas] is probably right. I know a psychiatrist very well who studies all children who commit homicide, and he says these kids will commit one act of homicide and they'll never do it again. It's just the way they are.

It's almost like a binge, and then there's this purge, and [it's] over, and they'll be quite safe. And yet he said society simply isn't comfortable letting them out ... That might be true, but society isn't going to sit back and say "Charlie, you've been in jail for 25 years, and you can go free now". I think they want him declared dangerous and kept incarcerated for life. I mean, theoretically [Douglas] may well be right..

Q: So it's more of a punishment rather than a preventative measure.



A: Absolutely, absolutely. But here's the other thing. He's probably right, but what if he's wrong? Do you wanna be the one who says, "Oh gosh, shucks, sorry!" to the mom and dad whose daughter gets carved in pieces?! Do want to say, "I coulda sworn Manson would be just like a baby when he was out of prison. I'm really sorry my theory was full of holes!" So by the same token, who's going to test it, and at whose expense? That's dangerous.

- Interview by Luke Hendry

THE BOTTOM LINES

Canadian humorist Stephen B. Leacock gets his university priorities straight in Harper's Magazine May, 1922

If I were founding a university I would found first a smoking room; then when I had a little more money in hand I would found a dormitory; then after that, or more probably with it, a decent reading room and a library. After that, if I still had more money that I couldn't use, I would hire a professor and get some textbooks.

 Bouquets	 Bombs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 5,000 supporters turned out at the Terry Fox run. • Mike Harris decides to cut the number of MPs in parliament. • More people can tune into Humber's radio station. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six-year-old boy removed from class for kissing classmate on the cheek. • Snobelen's plan to cut millions from the education budget. • Fall has officially arrived.

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TECH TIDBITS

New this week:



SonyPlaystation celebrates its first anniversary with the release of *Crash Bandicoot*. Yes kids, just in time for Christmas

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Time running out in fight against "Year2000" virus

Experts predict financial chaos unless systems vaccinated

by Mike Trus
Tech Reporter

A computer virus inadvertently built into all systems will cause world-wide financial chaos in less than four years if governments and businesses don't start vaccinating their machines now, according to Year2000 Information Network Spokesman Precana Thompson.

"Global estimates for [the antidote]-reprogramming or replacing the computers-are anywhere from \$600 billion to \$800 billion," Thompson said.

"Computer systems operate on a two digit date code [96, 97]," he explained. "When we reach the year 2000 [00], computers won't be able to read the four-digit date code and will confuse it with the year 1900."

A two-digit date code was chosen to conserve memory storage space and speed up the entry of data. As a result, computer systems will not be able to calculate

proper dates.

Thompson said the virus will affect critical computer systems which control payrolls, benefits, pensions, bill payments, accounting, purchasing, inventory, sales and finance. The resulting disruptions in production, loss of income and market shares could result in bankruptcies, loss of insurance coverage and class action lawsuits. It could lead to the breakdown of the social system as we know it, he said.

The Year2000 Information Network has been warning people of the problem for six months now, trying to get across to as many businesses as possible.

"People are working on it, getting ready, but not nearly enough," Thompson warned. "Banks and financial institutions are already experiencing problems. A lot of their forecasts are seven years into the future. They are the most active in addressing the problem."

Thompson said the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) has allocated \$87 million for 1997 to deal with the "2000" virus.

"The U.S. Navy has been work-

ing on their Year 2000 problem since 1988-and they're only halfway done," he said. "It costs about \$1.50 per line of code to fix each computer system [and] with the U.S. Navy, you're talking about close to 100 million lines of code."

"Most businesses don't even realize they have a problem," said Thompson. "Managers don't want to listen because [of] the cost. They say we'll leave it until 1999 to fix, not realizing how time consuming it is to repair."

Thompson said some business are getting prepared and, "a lot of companies are opting to replace their systems entirely instead of spending hundreds of thousands-if not millions-to reprogram all their systems and still wind up stuck with their old computers," he said.

Programmers have been aware of this built-in problem since 1960, "but they never thought their software would still be in use," said Thompson.

"It's not a difficult problem to fix. It's time-consuming and expensive and if it's not addressed now, we are going to run into more and more problems as we approach the year 2000."

Internet lecture crashes in Caps

by Chris Attard
Tech Reporter

Even with 12 months of free Net access as a door prize, attendance and interest was low during an Internet demonstration in Caps last Thursday.

But University of Toronto student Ed Apostle, hired by ACC TelEnterprises to perform an information session, took it in stride as he tried to speak to Humber students, even while his computer failed to work for the hour-long session.

"Have you ever had to lecture in a pub?" said Apostle.

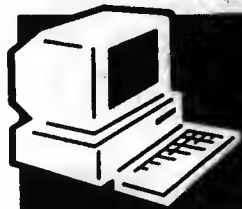
Apostle showed the crowd how to use and install their "ican.net" Internet software package. The company helps colleges and universities across Canada by setting up the Internet and e-mail addresses for students.

Because of a few bugs in the system, Apostle was forced to deal with entertaining the uninterested crowd.

"Even though we were feeling our way through the whole demonstration and was dealing with a non-attentive crowd, if I've gotten through to one to 10 people, I feel I've done my job," Apostle said.

At one point, Apostle tried to access breweries on the Internet, and asked Caps attendees if anyone liked beer in an attempt to have the audience participate in any way.

"We'll definitely come back again," Apostle said. "But we would have probably had a better response if we had information telling students to meet us in a specific room."



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Bandicoot spins into T.O.

by Sean McGrillen
Technology Editor

More than 600 people attended the launch of Sony PlayStation's newest title, *Crash Bandicoot*, at the Montana Bar & Grill in Toronto on Tuesday, Sept. 24.

The release, which coincides with Sony PlayStation's one-year anniversary, was a chance for retailers and suppliers to check out what is being dubbed the "latest in next-generation video software".

"It's great software, and the PlayStation itself is dominating in a field we [Sony] have never been in," said Butch Freedhoff, general manager of Sony Computer Entertainment Canada.

"Since Sony is known for TVs, our competition was saying 'You can't do that, you don't know what you're doing'. Well, this first year proved them wrong," he said.

With 3-D graphics and real-time movement, Sony has shipped two million units of the station with another nine million pieces of software in its inaugural season, making it, according to retail sales, the best-selling video game platform.

"We're very happy, and *Crash* has been getting a phenomenal reaction," said Freedhoff.

Freedhoff hopes it will become

their trademark character and take on *Mario* and *Sonic*.

"There's been no official statement yet, but all indications are leaning that way," he said.



Courtesy graphic

Crash to take on Mario & Sonic?

While the evening was Sony's night, the event was also a fundraiser for the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). Since *Crash Bandicoot* is an Australian marsupial, and marsupials are endangered, said Freedhoff, the WWF was a

perfect fit.

"This is great. Sony is a big name and we're [WWF] proud to be part of it," said David Love, head of communication and fundraising for the WWF.

The WWF used the gathering to announce their new campaign to save migratory birds, killed by crashing into the bright windows of office towers.

"More birds are being killed by these towers on a regular basis than were killed in the Exxon Valdez disaster. It's severe, and we want those in the buildings to turn off the lights," said Love.

While there was a serious side to the night, the party began and continued into early morning.

Crash himself made an appearance, and music was supplied by Starkicker.

Over 10 PlayStations were spread throughout the Upper level of the bar and were open to a constant flow of curious players.

The evening was two months in the planning and Sony is hoping this launch party will enable them to continue leading the industry.

"Christmas is coming up and were hoping for it to carry us through the next year," said Freedhoff.

PlayStations sell for around \$200 with games averaging between \$80 and \$100.

LGB club set to shock Humber

by Lauren Buck
Tech Reporter

A website at Humber is going in a new direction this year with the hope of creating awareness and understanding.

Created by Kirk Lee Banjoko, the Lesbian Gay Bisexual home page is designed to shock people into taking notice of Humber's gay community.

"Just wait until I get the pictures of two women kissing—oh boy, then we'll have trouble," said Banjoko.

Since he set up the home page last winter, people from as far away as the Bahamas, the United Kingdom, and Australia have sent e-mail congratulating his efforts, he said.

"People write to me and say, 'Oh, I wish my school did that sort of thing here, or I wish we were that liberal,'" he said.

Originally, the LGB home page was set up to give information about the club. Now it includes

links to other interesting lesbian and gay pages on the Internet, and a feedback page.

He is hoping to take things further this year by posting advertisements around Humber for the home page, depicting same-sex couples in intimate settings. The posters, he said, will force people to realize that, "Oh my God, they [gays] are everywhere."

The LGB homepage has recently received an award from a group in the United Kingdom,

called 3WK. They happened across the website last Spring and gave Banjoko the Freedom U.K. award for helping promote lesbian and gay issues around the world.

The LGB club was the first independent organization at Humber to own and run a home page, clearing the way for other Humber groups to do the same.

The Lesbian Gay Bisexual homepage can be reached at <http://hcol.humber.on.ca/html/lgbclub>.

"People say... I wish my school did that..."



Caps employee Andrew Solomon takes a look at the pub's new Web Site, one of a growing list a Humber

Gaining Net exposure

Caps and Athletics hope to remain competitive on the information super-highway

by Kristan Jones
Tech Reporter

Surfing through Humber College has just become double the fun. With the addition of the Caps and Athletic Department Web sites, students can now find out what's going on in these areas of the school.

To gain more exposure, both Caps and Athletics decided that creating web sites was the way to go.

"We have to recognize that

Internet access and web sites are a big part of society. To remain competitive, we had to get with the program," said Assistant Athletic Director Jim Bialek.

He added the major reason for the Athletic Department's involvement is to create awareness that Humber College exists and that it is capable of offering its facilities to outside organizations.

The Athletics page offers information on Humber's varsity teams as well as a list of their schedules, stats, players and team photos. Results of each game will be added weekly along with updates about the sports injuries clinic, campus recreation, aerobics, tournaments, leagues and rental rates, with a layout of the facilities and equipment.

"The Caps home page was created to gain exposure, but also as a novelty idea," said Steve Portt,

manager of Caps.

The pub's site isn't up and running yet but there is a list of events and a section called "Ask QWA", where visitors can place their vote for the worst song (to be played on Bad Music Mondays), ask questions, or just make suggestions about what they would like to see on the page or at Caps in general. In the future, Caps hopes to add coupons and contests, as well as an area to apply for a job.

"I hope people check it out. It's great," said Portt.

Both Bialek and Portt hope their web sites will eventually be added to the Humber College home page.

You can check out Caps at <http://www.webwurx.com/caps> and the Athletic Department at <http://www.webwurx.com/humberathletics>.

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October 6 - Humber Arboretum's Walkathon

A 5 km leisure walk to raise money for Humber's horticulture and nature studies programs.

Time: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Assault: Don't be a victim

by Denise Lockhart
Lifestyles Reporter

According to the sexual assault team from the Mississauga Hospital, many women still believe that rape only happens when an unknown, shadowy figure jumps from the bushes and forces sex upon them.

Statistics show differently. Almost 70 per cent of attacks on women are by men they know.

Sarah Heyink, a first-year interior design student at Humber, thought Etobicoke was a "safe" place to live until she was followed home one night.

"I felt safe until a man I did not know followed me home from one of the local bars. I realized then that I should not have walked home alone," said Heyink.

According to the University of Toronto's counselling department, one in six women will be sexually assaulted while in college or university. Date and acquaintance rape is the most common type of rape on campus.

Women must be aware of what they are getting into when they agree to a date. Meet in a public place or plan a group activity for the first date. Have your own transportation home or enough money for a cab. Also be aware of how many drinks you are having with dinner or in a social atmosphere; drugs and alcohol lessen your ability to make the right decisions.

"Humber has adequate security for the activities that take place," said Gary Jaynes, the building and plant manager.



Emergency phones are located throughout Humber's parking lots.

There are 10 emergency phones located throughout the parking lots. In addition, security patrols the school and parking lots 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"It is best to report an incident right away," said Laurel Henning, a registered nurse in Humber's Health Services office. "Men that assault will probably do it again."

Henning added people should not be afraid to seek help in the Health Services office; all appointments are confidential. A person can wait until he or she is privately in a room with a nurse before

letting the nurse know what the visit is for.

Humber's counselling office offers guidance to victims of assault.

"The most important thing you can do is give the victim control back by listening carefully; repeat what they are saying so they know you are focused on their needs," said Vinnie Mitchell, a counsellor at Humber.

"Some other things you can do are to establish safety, let them do what they want as long as it is safe. As a helper try not to be dismissive."

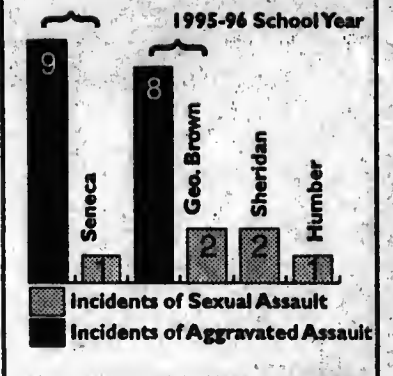
Sexual assault is a crime of violence used to control and dominate through sex.

For more information or in case of an emergency phone:
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Assaulted Women's Helpline: (416) 863-0511

To help prevent yourself from becoming victimized:

- ✓ Travel in a group.
- ✓ Know the city.
- ✓ Stick to well-lit areas.
- ✓ Trust your instincts.
- ✓ If you think someone is following you, switch direction abruptly.
- ✓ Do not be afraid to make a scene, run, scream.
- ✓ Use the escort service when going or coming to the school.



Spaces open in Humber's daycare

Parents can't afford childcare until gov't loans come through

by Sarah Birrell

Lifestyles Reporter

Space is still available in Humber's daycare program, but the list of parents waiting for government subsidies is long.

"The waiting list is huge, something like 2,500 people," said Lorena Seabourn, director of Humber's child care centres. "Approximately 87 per cent of people who use our full-time services need government assistance."

tance."

The cost for full-time daycare for infants is \$950 per month; for toddlers (18 months to 30 months) it's \$766 per month; and for preschoolers (30 months to 5 years) it's \$665 per month.

Humber also offers a part-time daycare service that costs \$5.50 per hour. Students who use the part-time daycare service used to be granted a government bursary. Starting this September students receive assistance through OSAP.

"Students used to be granted a bursary of approximately \$85 per week to help with costs of part-time daycare. Now the money is only being loaned to students, and attendance at the child activity

centre has decreased slightly from last year," said Nancy Roscoe, supervisor at the development center.

Humber's daycare program is

"87 per cent who use [Humber's daycare] need gov't assistance."

-Lorena Seabourn

divided into three sections. The child care centre and the child development centre both provide full-time services for children of Humber students and the Rexdale community. The child activity

centre is a part-time service that is for children of Humber students only.

"The child activity centre is for students who are looking for one or two days a week. We open at 7:45 in the morning and stay open until five or six at night. We're very flexible for students with late classes," said Rina DeAngelis, an early childhood educator.

The activity centre accepts children who are 16 months to seven years old.

"We're fortunate that SAC granted the activity centre some money for new toys and equipment," said Seabourn. "The activity centre is on a shoestring budget and is usually in deficit."



Richelle Cyrus lives it up in Humber's child care centre.

Humber grad makes waves on air

Radio broadcasting student becomes star DJ in Holland

by Tomislav Strgac
Lifestyles Reporter

Robert Jensen had five things going for him as a radio broadcast student: he had the right attitude, good skills, timing, lots of luck, and, most of all, persistence.

All traits that make him such a popular disc jockey in Amsterdam, Holland.

Jensen graduated from the cer-

tificate program four years ago, and is now one of the most listened to DJs on Radio Veronica, a radio station that plays a mix of music and news.

"Robert is a huge star in Amsterdam now," said Joe Andrews, the program coordinator of Humber's radio broadcasting program.

"He communicates to somewhere in the vicinity of three million people every afternoon."

Jensen, who is originally from Holland, started at Radio Veronica two years ago working part-time and doing a little on-air.

Soon after he was put on the afternoon show and given free range to do what he wanted.

"He has a dual citizenship, so he was allowed to come here and take his academic studies," said Andrews.

Which was a good thing for Jensen considering he was influenced by the North American style of radio.

"He has taken North American radio ideas and applied them to his show... a lot of calls, a lot of interviews, lots of hot music and a lot of special effects," said Andrews.

Jensen is not the only graduate to become a success in radio.

Teri Hart, who graduated three years ago, is now working for The Movie Network and was formerly part of the Q107 team.

Sheila Walsh, who graduated six years ago, is now a permanent fixture on CFRB 1010.

Jensen has also benefited by being trilingual in Dutch, French and English.

"He is a naturally talented fellow," said Keith Elshaw, a former instructor at Humber.

"You look at him and you know he'll make it."

"He's good looking, bright and intelligent, yet never used that to his advantage," said Elshaw.

"He knew what he wanted and had a great attitude, that's what made him a success!"



Jensen tops the charts as an afternoon DJ in Amsterdam, Holland for Radio Veronica.

Humanitarians hailed

Celebration of Humanitarianism draws awareness to refugee support groups

by Monica Dogra
Culture Reporter

A Celebration of Humanitarianism launched Healthy City week last Thursday, raising awareness for refugee support groups.

"We're here today to celebrate the humanitarian spirit of the good deeds performed by these individuals and organizations," said Toronto Mayor Barbara Hall, addressing the crowd gathered at Nathan Phillips square.

"We're also here today to recognize that yesterday's refugees are today's Canadian citizens."

Hall, who is also the chair of Healthy City week, received a painting from eight-year-old Tamia Mayorga from Guatemala.

Mayorga had been involved with the Quaker Committee for Refugees, which is a Creative Arts Project for Refugee Children run by Dr. Nancy Pocock. Her group realized that in the work done with the families, the children were forgotten.

"The children have suffered terribly within these countries and they've seen their parents killed. Sometimes they've seen them beaten; they've seen terrible things," said Pocock.

Mariana Benitez, the programs co-ordinator, agreed.

"Many of these children have experienced traumatic events. Maybe they had to leave their country very fast, maybe not being able to say goodbye to people or [they] may be witnesses to killings or tortures."

Pocock said the children have no way of coping. But, through art, painting, and making masks, they can express themselves.

The Quaker Committee also

provides therapy and counselling for refugee children.

"I find the program to be really good in terms of helping the children build self-esteem, to express themselves and to have a space for them where they can create ... and validate what they're thinking and feeling," said Benitez.

Pocock agreed these children could truly express themselves through art.

"They're reaching for beauty and a good life."

According to Benitez, "Sometimes for children it is hard to talk. Through a creation of artwork they can express themselves."

The Quaker Committee members meet on Saturdays for the entire day and work on paintings, drawings, puppetry, masks, and theatre. They have many children from Central America but they would like to expand to include refugee children from other places.

Sharryn Aiken, president of the Canadian Council of Refugees and co-organizer of Healthy City Week, also spoke at the event.

Aiken described the \$975 fee that is imposed on refugees entering Canada as a "racist fee".

"For refugees coming from the south, \$975 very often represents three years salary," said Aiken.

"Some 14,000 refugees are still being denied any landed status in Canada because they have failed

to meet the government's rigid requirements on identity documents."

Display booths at the event included exhibits by the Quaker Committee for Refugees which displayed paintings from the refugee children.

The Croatian Community Services display included paintings illustrating Croatia's political turmoil. The Kurdish Community Information Centre performed a cultural dance where youths dressed up in traditional costumes.

Healthy City week continues until September 29.



A child from the Kurdish community poses in traditional costume.



The Celebration of Humanitarianism featured a traditional dance performed by a Kurdistan group which closed the event.

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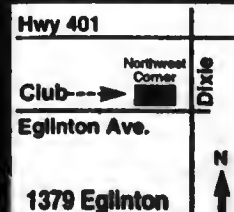
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Humber's international students speak out

Canadian education receives high praise

by Theresa L. Vokey
Lifestyles Reporter

Canada's post-secondary education is one of the world's most distinguished, according to the Council of Ministers of Education. This explains why many foreign students take advantage of opportunities not available to them in

their native countries.

Such is the case of Bajan-borne, Sharon Horne, a first-year international student at Humber.

Horne, who is taking an air-conditioning refrigeration engineering course said while this course is recognized in Barbados, a Canadian education is more substantive.

"My manager at the company I work at in Barbados recommended Humber College."

"In Barbados, we don't have a very detailed course in air-conditioning and refrigeration engineer-

ing," said Horne.

The reasons for choosing Humber are as different as the students themselves, said Dalcyce Newby, Humber's international student advisor. "Some students are here because of word of mouth ... some have family here ... some are here because Humber is a leader in the particular program they're interested in, and some are here due to the marketing and advertising that Humber College does."

In any case, Newby said "it's not cheap. In a year these students

could be spending over \$12,000."

Ludovic Lesoile, a business administration student from Lyon, France, said although he had options, he chose Humber "to improve his English.

"I had other countries to choose from like Germany, Spain, Greece and Italy. I had two choices in Canada ... Montreal or Toronto," said Lesoile. "I chose Humber because there is more English spoken here. If I went to Montreal, only French would be spoken."

Some international students,

like Lesoile, are currently enrolled in Humber's exchange program. While enrolled at the post-secondary institution in their native countries, they complete some of their education in Canada.

At the same time, Canadian students go to designated countries to complete some of their education. There is a six-month exchange for international marketing. Students can also take a one-year business course.

With files from Beatriss Danso.

Making the grade to remain in Canada

by Beatriss Danso

Lifestyles Reporter

While some students worry about making the grade to impress their friends and family, students like Brandon Harris have to worry about making the grade to impress the officials at Canada's Immigration and Naturalization Services. (If he doesn't he may have his Student Authorizations - sometimes referred to as student visas) revoked and lose his eligibility to remain in Canada.

Harris, a second-year business administration student, is one of more than 150 international students here at Humber under the exchange and the international projects program.

Why would Harris, a native of Bermuda, leave his home for the hectic, fast-paced area known as Metro?

"Everybody who wants to get a decent job has to go away to school."

-Brandon Harris,
Business Administration

Unless their family is well-connected, it is hard for young Bermudians to rise above the service industry in terms of a career, explained Harris.

"Everybody who wants to get a decent job has to go away to school," said Harris.

"We have a college in Bermuda, but it is not very recognized. I mean, nobody really famous has come out of there. Come to think of it, have you ever heard of a really famous or successful Bermudian?"

Canada was an easy choice when Harris was deciding where to go to school. He has older brothers and sisters in the country and the Canadian government allows people to enter the country fairly easily to obtain an education.

Once here, international students face the same pressures as any other student. Even though he has travelled hundreds of miles to be here, Harris found he couldn't focus on academics. His first love, music and the business of it, took most of his time and energy.

"I don't want to seem like this highly-educated, 'A-plus' Scholar. I haven't really been concentrating on school. I'm struggling just to stay a full-time student." With his unstable grades and his program-standing in peril Harris admits, "The real reason I'm still at Humber is because I can't stay in Canada without going to school."

Teresa Cambridge, a second-year business management student from the Bahamas, has some advice for other international students. "The thing you must do is concentrate and try to remember what we came here for."

Cambridge knows it's easy to get caught up in the bright lights and fascinating sights of big-city life.

"At home it was so limited," said Cambridge, "but up here there is always something going on, something to do."

She says she was lucky to have found a friend from her country to share in all the new experiences.

International students don't get any exemptions because they have travelled so far or are paying so much money, said International Student Advisor Dalcyce Newby. "When they, (international students), come here to Canada, they are treated like any other student. They have to be in full-time studies and if their grades are in jeopardy they will be placed on academic probation.

"Hopefully if they have any

problems they'll come find me and we'll try to resolve it instead of leaving it to the last minute," said Newby.

Between trying to organize his new schedule of night classes and filling out his immigration papers, Harris remains optimistic about his position here at Humber and in Canada.

"I'm facing my obstacles every day. I don't want to leave here without accomplishing something."

Modern technology attracts Malaysian exchange students

by Anthony Atakerora

Labour Reporter

Excellence in education, respect, and openness of the society-especially in Humber College, are the messages many international students take home with them, said a second-year mechanical design student.

"The programs are well-knit and the modern technology tools which are rare in my country are in abundance here," said Wan Moib-Sufia. "The skill of the teachers and conduct of classes are of the highest excellence in my judgement."

There are 35 Malaysian students in the college on government scholarship. Malaysia is a commonwealth country like Canada and because the second-most widely spoken language is English, this country appealed to many Malaysians in educational training.

"When I won the scholarship to study here, I was really excited and and I felt confidence in my English language," said Shah Budin, a second-year mechanical

design student.

"But I soon found out that the way pronunciation and written style is done in my country is not as good as the one here. I have since retooled my English skills at the Open Learning Centre."

Most international students are those who dreamed of studying abroad when they were at the high school level. Many say they end up in Canada because of the democratic nature of the society.

Malaysian society is still male-dominated, hence the majority of the students in the college are males.

But, Azzu Abdullah, a second-year communication engineering student said his views on male dominance are beginning to change because of the influence of Canadian society and because of the education he is receiving from Humber.

"I have come to appreciate the way couples support each other here and that is making a great impact in my life," said Abdullah.



Like other international students Brandon Harris, second-year business administration, is managing to adjust to his new surroundings -- which includes a different education system.

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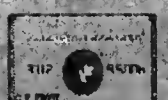
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Ethnic blood in short supply

Red Cross encourages people of color to donate blood

by Nadine Carty

Lifestyles Reporter

Five-year-old Matthew Rodrigues, who spent much of his infant life at The Hospital for Children, has been diagnosed with leukemia and needs a bone marrow transplant. His family and friends were devastated to find out he had basically no chance of finding a match through the Red Cross because of the lack of donors from his race.

According to Red Cross representative Chris Meyer, non-white patients have "little or no chance" of finding a potential blood match. Statistics show people of color have a less than ten percent

me. Statistics like that should not exist in such a richly ethnic city like Toronto," Clarke said.

In addition, the task of finding a match is also very costly.

"It costs \$50 per person to receive a blood sample. Each blood sample requires 72 tests and each test takes seven hours. It is very expensive and takes time," Clarke said.

To raise funds for Matthew Rodrigues, Clarke is holding an auction at the Sports Cafe in Mississauga on Friday, Sept. 27. Viewing begins at six and the auction starts at 7 p.m. The bone marrow clinic itself will be held Sunday, Oct. 20, at the Clarkson Community Centre located at 2475 Truscott Rd., Mississauga at 1 p.m.

Although Matthew has a better chance of finding a match from someone with the same ethnic background, people of all colors and races are encouraged to participate.

"The focus for the future is on acquiring a donor base to reflect the ethnic diversity of Canada."

-Chris Meyer
Red Cross representative

chance of finding a bone marrow match.

Bone marrow is the pulpy tissue found inside long bones. In a healthy person, bone marrow produces blood components such as red and white cells. Life-threatening problems result when the bone marrow is no longer able to replace the normal supply of blood cells. Transplanted marrow will produce new life, saving blood cells that were damaged during illness.

The already bleak odds of finding a compatible donor range from one in 450 to one in 750,000 for Caucasians. For people of color the odds are much, much lower.

Meyer said the Red Cross is trying to change these statistics through an ongoing program of donor recruitment at 13 of its 17 blood centres across the country. "The focus for the future is on acquiring a donor base to reflect the ethnic diversity of Canada," he said.

The Red Cross has coordinating links with international registries in the USA, Great Britain, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Israel, Australia and Belgium to increase the odds of finding a match. However, for patients like Matthew, links to these countries will not help.

Long-time family friend Debbie Clarke believes the only thing that can help is convincing people of color to become donors.

"The statistics really shocked

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Entertainment

Music Movies Theatre Fashion

Disturbed folk from Down Under

by Trish Ragbirsingh

Entertainment Reporter

Jeff Lang, an Australian blues musician, assaulted the patrons of Caps with his sultry sounds on September 23, as he promoted his Canadian debut album *Native Dog Creek*.

Lang, in Canada for the second time, is on the tail end of his Toronto dates with shows still to come in Victoria, Vancouver, the States, and England.

"I started out playing blues and got into song writing and folk music. I got into all sorts of stuff,"

said Lang. "I heard someone describe my music as 'disturbed folk' once."

Lang has been "troubadouring" around the Australian country side, stopping at many crossroads and picking up stories and folklore along the way.

Raised in Geelong, Australia, Lang began his musical career playing the clarinet, but stopped when he realized there wasn't an abundant need for clarinet playing on his favorite records.

Lang's biography states that at the age of 14 he began playing an out-of-tune guitar that his sister had discarded. Playing by ear he used unorthodox fingering to approximate what he heard from his father's Roy Buchanan, Eric Clapton, and Ry Cooder records.

Lang first began recording his own material in 1990, when he released a five-track instrumental cassette, *Cramp Your Style*. It clearly showed his evolving guitar style. The cassette received some air play on Melbourne FM radio stations and even attracted the attention

of America's *Guitar Player* magazine.

In 1991 Lang performed and recorded with Australian blues band Chain. Impressed by his guitar skill, Matt

Taylor introduced Lang each night as "the most impressive young musician in the country".

Now with his Canadian debut, *Native Dog Creek*, he shows his talents as a writer. Lang wrote or co-wrote all the songs on his new album, with one song by fellow blues musician Chris Finnen. The

album is a collection of original songs and stories put to music that he collected from around Australia, released through True North Records.

The last-minute show, with little advertising meant a small

crowd which was for the most part unresponsive for much of the performance.

However Lang played as though he were surrounded by an audience full of blues-loving fanatics.

"I had fun. The thing is you can't make people like you. I just get up there and do what I do, and if enough people can dig that, then that's cool," Lang said.

With songs like "Burn That Bridge" and "In a Town Like This" from the new album, it was easy to hear his blues and folk roots. The sound was riveting and electrifying. His performance was powerful and showed that he is a solo artist who knows his craft and continues to push the limits.

Having opened for acts such as Jeff Healey, Junior Wells, Edgar Winter, and Canned Heat, Lang finds that he prefers playing solo. However, he is known to play with Australian blues band Third Degree and Chris Finnen.

Jeff Lang

at Caps
Mon., Sept. 23
Native Dog Creek
on True North Records



Australian Jeff Lang unleashes his blues guitar on Caps audience.

Dionysian Smile rocks the Cameron

by Adam Cox

Entertainment Reporter

Dionysian Smile has an unrefutable reputation of being a kick-ass live act. A cross-Canada tour and a strong showing at music festivals, like this summer's North by North-East in Toronto, have garnered them a respectable fan base.

Judging from their performance on Friday at the Cameron House, it's not hard to see why.

Blistering guitars, a tight rhythm section, and hooks so contagious you'll go into withdrawal the next day.

Frontman Paul Lahey, a second-year Humber journalism student, demands the audience's attention with his energetic stage presence.

The band sped through a couple of tracks from *Happy Since the Accident*, their latest offering through Daisy Chain Records.

However, a majority of the set list included new material from a recent cassette-only release.

D-Smile encored with the Smith's "London" and sent the small crowd home smiling.



Dionysian Smile performed at the Cameron House last Friday.

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Edward's Record World

A little Pearl Jam goes a long way

by John G. Williams
Entertainment Reporter

It was the kind of evening last Saturday that was well-suited for Maple Leaf Gardens: flying objects, beautiful saves, and a thunderous crowd reacting to every move. But on this night it was Seattle superstars Pearl Jam, not the Maple Leafs, who had the sold-out audience of 15,000 in a frenzy.

It is a tour that has been long-awaited for the Pearl Jam faithful. After being immersed in a relative clash of the rock titans' with Ticketmaster, as well as sporadic side-projects, the band is finally back on the road, and it seemed as if they didn't miss a beat.

Eddie Vedder and the boys set a torrid pace early on with blistering versions of "Habit" and "Hail, Hail", two of the better songs off their recent *No Code* disc. They were able to slide gracefully into favorites such as "Jeremy" and "Alive" with ease, and at one point Vedder did his best Felix Potvin imitation by snagging one of many flying sneakers that was aimed right for his head, without breaking stride.

When Vedder wasn't singing, he was off to the side and out of the

spotlight with his arms locked behind him, eyes closed, taking in the music almost therapeutically.

He seemed right at home, and even donned a 1978 Neil Young & Crazy Horse tour T-shirt given to him by a fan prior to the show. "See, we do have friends that are Canadian," said the smiling Vedder to the screaming crowd. "We may have more than we thought!"

The band was ready to pack it in for the night, each of them exiting the stage one by one, except for Vedder. The

frontman stood at the microphone in astonishment, wondering where his bandmates had gone. It seems Vedder just couldn't get enough of the Toronto crowd. "Turn the lights on," said Vedder. "I wanna see who's out here tonight." With the houselights illuminating the throngs of people in the Gardens, Pearl Jam finished off their two-and-a-half hour set with memorable versions of "Leavin' Here", and "Alive", with the masses singing in unison.

Pearl Jam may get slack for their doom- and- gloom attitude toward their own fame, but once they step on stage, they know how to cut the crap and have fun.

Pearl Jam
at Maple Leaf Gardens
Sat, Sept. 21
No Code Tour
★★★★
out of five



Eddie Vedder inspired the capacity crowd at Maple Leaf Gardens with an onslaught of Pearl Jam classics and new songs from *No Code*.



New Edition returns with *Home Again* after solo career ventures.

Brand New Edition

by Carl Mitchell
Entertainment Reporter

It seems that after years of talking about a reunion album, the members of New Edition have finally gone back to doing what they do best: singing as a group.

Like the chorus in the title song "Home Again" states, "People who know/ they say you can't go/ home again/ but if you ask me/ I'm happy to be/ home again."

Group members Bobby Brown, Ralph Tresvant, Johnny Gill, Ronnie DeVoe, Ricky Bell and Michael Bivins have had success from their respective solo careers, but they have always wanted to do another New Edition album.

The 13 tracks on *Home Again* show that New Edition still know what their fans like to hear. The tracks are produced by some of the best in the business right now

like, Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis, Sean "Puffy" Combs, Jermaine Dupri, and Gerald Levert.

New Edition are at their best when doing harmonious, soul-filled ballads like "Hear Me Out", "I'm Still In Love With You", "Thank You" and "Home Again."

The standout tracks on the album are the ballads. However, don't overlook cuts like "Hit Me Off", "Some-thing About You" and "Shop Around", where New Edition show that they can still do it.

New Edition's style spawned many copycat groups like NKOTB, Immature and Intro, but few groups have had the longevity and popularity of New Edition has had.

If this album maintains the firm grip they've had on success, maybe this time noone will leave home.

New Edition
Home Again
on MCA Records

Reviews

Film

Last Man Standing Alliance

Anyone looking for a three-dimensional portrayal of reality will be disappointed with *Last Man Standing*, which is as flat as the Texas desert it portrays.

Last Man Standing is an adaptation of Akira Kurosawa's *Yojimbo* (as was *A Fistful of Dollars*). Writer-director Walter Hill (*48 Hours*, *Streets of Fire*, *Wild Bill*) delivers his well-known pristine cinematography, yet he fails to supply the same excellence to the rest of the movie.

Bruce Willis plays an anonymous gun-for-hire during the prohibition era. On the run to Mexico, he stops in the town of Jericho, Texas. There he plays two rival crime families against one another for his own profit, resulting in piles of dead bodies.

Unfortunately, violence and action don't save the movie. Lacking its predecessors' humor, Hill's version is played so deadpan-straight it's like watching cardboard cutouts.

Fans of Christopher Walken and Willis will wonder why the actors weren't given free reign to play the insane villain and the jaded hero they have played so well before.

If you like action with no substance, *Last Man Standing* may be worth your money. Otherwise your money is better spent renting *Yojimbo* or *A Fistful of Dollars*.

-Bernice Barth

Sweet Nothing Warner Bros.

Sweet Nothing, hit theatres on Friday Sept. 20, and if you haven't seen it yet, dish out the eight bucks. It's worth it.

The movie stars Academy Award-winning actress, Mira Sorvino opposite Michael Imperioli, of *Basketball Diaries* and *Dead Presidents*.

Based on the real-life diaries of a crack addict, the film tells the story of a husband, played by Imperioli, who is drawn into the easy money of selling crack cocaine. It's not until he faces losing his wife, played by Sorvino, and his own life that he decides to stop using, and tries to escape the circle of crackheads, dealers and users.

The acting in this movie is reason enough to go see it. In his first leading role, Imperioli's emotional and intense portrayal of Angel, is impressive. Sorvino does a great job playing his loving wife, Monika.

This movie marks Gary Winick's feature-film directorial debut. He also co-produces alongside, Rick Bowman.

-Rita Salerno

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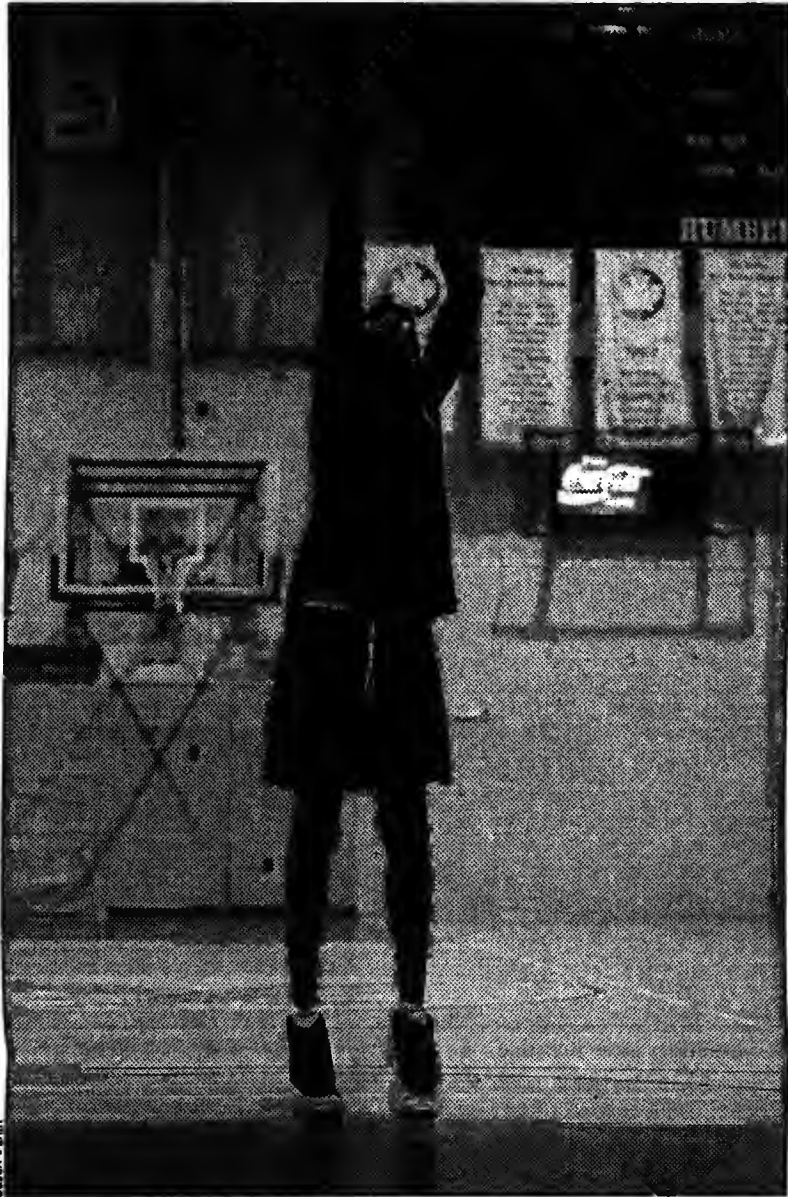
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Soccer Volleyball Basketball



Men's soccer plays first regular season game Thursday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. against the George Brown Huskies at Valley Field. Also, the Hawks host the Redeemer Royals Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 4:30 p.m.

Women's soccer start regular season action Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. They play their home opener against the George Brown Huskies.



Adrian Clarke takes a shot from the free-throw line during Monday night's tryout. Clarke is returning for his second season with the Hawks.

Sizing up the speed

by Vince Versace
Sports Reporter

Speed. It can be the deadliest asset of any team. The Edmonton Oilers of the '80s had it. The Canadian Olympic 4 x 100 m relay team had it. Now, this year's version of the Humber Hawks men's basketball team has plenty of it.

Last night's basketball tryout was fast paced and energetic from beginning to end. The 49 players who came out ran the floor with an incredible pace and didn't let up for a second.

The whole reason for the team's need for speed is to make up for the lack of size the Hawks are missing in the backcourt.

However, the 6'7" Dave Dobric may be the big man the Hawks have been looking for to fill that centre slot. Dobric is a first-year civil engineering student who attended the tryout Monday night.

"[The practice was] all right but it's kind of hard when you don't know who you're playing with," said Dobric.

Veterans from last year's team,

like Al St. Louis, Adrian Clarke, Jason Daley and O'Neil Marshall distinguished themselves at the tryout and will provide this team with a very talented and speedy nucleus.

"This team is really quick," said newcomer, Revi Williams. He pointed out the good things he likes about this team.

"Every player is interchangeable and there isn't a lot of attitude," he added.

No one said that it was going to be easy to win the provincials again this year and Assistant Coach Dave Deavieiro realizes that.

"This year's team is a little shorter. But you can do a lot of things with a small team," said Deavieiro. "There are some tough teams like Durham, Seneca and Sheridan, but we have a tradition of winning here at Humber."

Overall, Deavieiro figures that the team will be good.

"There will be some rough edges early in the season just like last year. By January we will be okay. We'll peak by then," said Deavieiro.

Ready to bounce back

by Shalene Holley
Sports Reporter

The Humber women's basketball team is preparing for the new and exciting season ahead, despite a disheartening end to last year as the Hawks lost their last few games by small margins.

"We're definitely going to be much more effective as a pressing team and a breaking team, with a much better perimeter-shooting game. There are definitely things that we'll be able to do differently because of the type of players that we have," said Coach Jim Henderson.

This year Denise Perrier will be coming back as the only assistant coach. Perrier, who played for three years and assisted in coaching for four, said she is nervous but excited about her new responsibility as the only assistant coach this year. Now she'll be able to get to know the girls better one-on-one.

Aman Hasebenebi is a recruited point guard from London and a fairly advanced player who the Hawks hope will "take our point guard position

and make it stable for a couple of years," said Athletic Director Doug Fox.

Hasebenebi said she came to Humber for advertising media sales.

"By the looks of it, it's going to be a great team and I think we're going to do well," said Hasebenebi.

How she feels about playing for the Hawks?

"Totally honored because I see Denise and she's an awesome assistant coach. I'm happy to be here," she said.

"Hasebenebi looks like a real big-time player that is going to step in and contribute right away," said Coach Jim Henderson.

Another fresh face, Tina Botterill, brings experience from playing a year of college basketball in Chatham, Ontario. She has the ball-handling skills to make a difference on this year's team. Botterill came to Humber to take the recreation leadership program.

"They had a good season and a good team, [so] I'm looking forward to playing with the [other]

girls too," said Botterill.

Tanya Sadler, another new player, has also played a year in college out west. Sadler was recruited from Mount Royal College in Calgary.

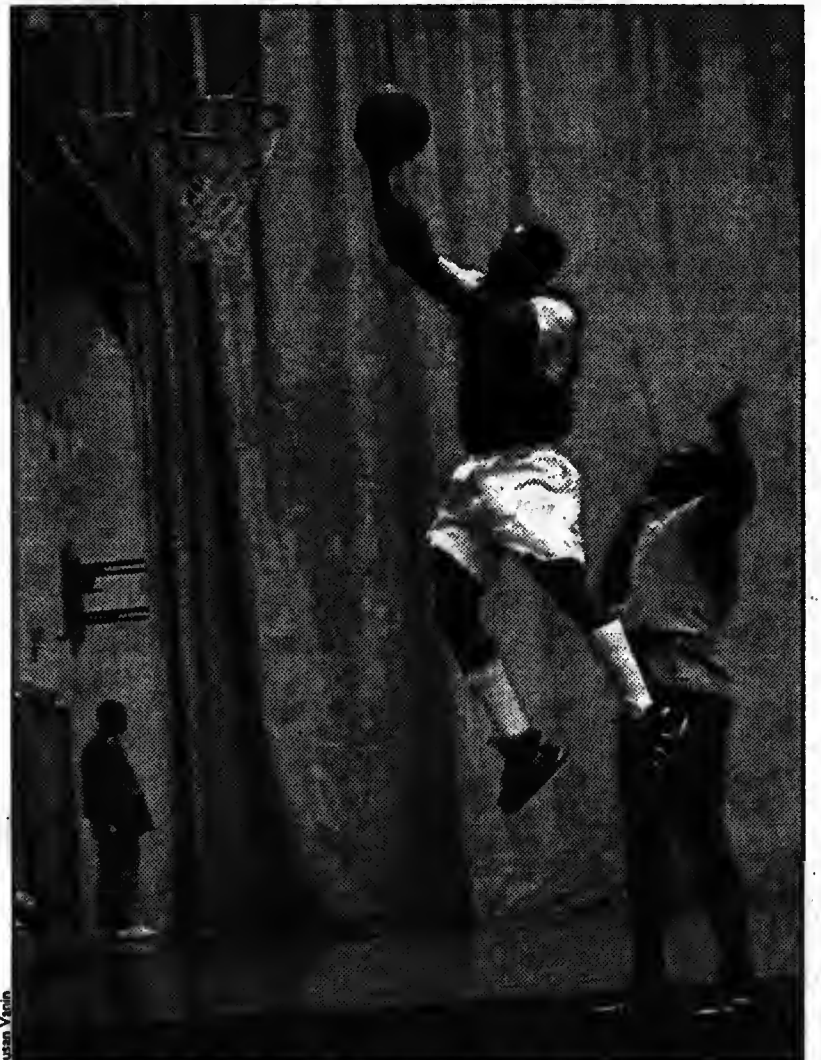
"Tanya could probably play our three-man shooter, plus a small forward. [She's] a solid girl, [who's] really strong, and can really jump, so we were excited about that," said Perrier.

Returning to Humber's line-up for another season is OCAA All-Star Heather Curran.

"I think it's gonna be great. I think all the girls are really nice. They have no attitudes, they just want to play ball," said Curran.

Henderson believes the Hawks' skill level is the highest that it's ever been with this new group coming in. Although few players stand out from the crowd, Henderson said that he'd "rather have a team that has a great team-concept than have all-stars anyway."

"As always, we're going to be competitive, we're going to be tough, and nobody is going to look forward to playing us," said Henderson.



CLEAR FOR TAKE OFF: Returning veteran Al St. Louis goes up for a lay-up during the Hawks basketball tryout Monday night.

Katz: Houdini of Humber dynasty

by Blair Sanderson

Sports Reporter

In the '60s and '70s, John Wooden was nicknamed the "Wizard of Westwood" for his masterful coaching of an American university basketball dynasty at UCLA.

With the success of Humber's men's basketball team in the '90s head coach Mike Katz might be appropriately dubbed the "Houdini of Humber".

After six straight Ontario college basketball championships, including four national titles, Humber's men's basketball program has become something of a mini-dynasty in Canada.

"Humber is Mike as far as basketball goes. Mike created basketball at Humber," said former Hawks' star George McNeil, summing up Katz's contribution to Humber basketball.

McNeil and Katz both came to Humber as rookies in 1983. While Katz has turned the basketball program around in his 11 years as coach, McNeil, now an assistant coach with the team, went on to become the second leading scorer in Hawks history, and the ninth best in Ontario.

"We learned the game at [the college] level by the seat of our pants," recalled Katz of the first year.

The team, composed largely of rookies the first few years, persevered through many heartbreaking playoff losses to finally win its first Ontario championship in 1987-88, before losing in the national championship game.

"I think those early, painful years made me more ambitious, more desirous," said Katz.

Katz's passion for the game is clearly evident, both on and off

the floor, although coaching has never been all-consuming for him.

Katz is a people person, who teaches at Humber and counsels players academically.

Centre-forward Kevin Shand, who was with the team for two years, said a large part of the reason he came to Humber was because Katz's player relationship goes further than coaching.

"I'm sure he got frustrated to the point where he didn't want me on the team, but he stuck with me," said Shand. "That's the thing

In high school, Katz remembers going to University of Toronto games (where he later played from '68-'71) and thinking, "This looked like the NBA to me."

Katz also tracked the better high school teams around Toronto, while playing for Oakwood, a low-profile school.

During the '50s and '60s, Katz watched his Boston Celtic heroes, Bill Russell, Bob Cousy and Tommy Heinsohn, through the black and white lens of NBC's television cameras. Watching those idols fostered a love for the game.

McNeil can still see the dedication that Katz brings to the game, that other coaches don't. McNeil recalled the difference between Katz and his head coach at Seneca, where he was an assistant to the women's basketball team before returning to Humber this past season to coach under Katz.

"At Seneca, when practice was over, everybody went their separate ways and that was it," said McNeil. "Here, at Humber, the coaches had meetings after practice."

He added that Katz scouts his opponents and watches any available videotapes that will help him prepare for a coming game.

"One of the things that a Canadian basketball coach has to struggle with is the lack of training in the basics and fundamentals of basketball at a young age," said Katz.

"One of the hardest things in Canada is that if you want to run a somewhat complex system, you have to teach the execution of fundamentals much better," said Katz. "That's a challenge. You have to devote the time."

Although Katz credits the team chemistry and execution of fundamentals largely to the character of

"I think [Katz] is ready to be the head coach of the national team. It's just a matter of being given the opportunity."

George McNeil, assistant coach of the Humber Hawks men's basketball team

about him. He'll wait until the last straw" before giving up on a player.

Two of the players Katz is most proud of were from last year's team — his veteran guard duo of Stephen Nelson and Warrick Manners. Nelson was cut his first season, but convinced coach Katz that he'd worked on his game in the summer and deserved the chance to start — Nelson started the first pre-season game and never lost the job all season.

"Coaches are too quick to label players, to give up too soon," said Katz.



Mike Katz led his team to its sixth consecutive provincial gold medal last season. Humber has won four national titles in the last six years. Katz is entering his 13th season with Humber's basketball program.

the players he's had over the years, it's more than a coincidence that when Katz took over as coach the team went from a seven and 17 record the previous year to a 19 and five record and an Ontario silver medal during Katz's first season.

"That's what you do as a coach. You try to foster chemistry," said Katz.

In Ontario league play, Katz's teams have won over 85 per cent of their games. In Canadian and Ontario college playoffs, Humber went an equally impressive 35 and seven. Even in exhibition play against universities and in recent years, American schools, Humber's winning percentage is .561. Overall, Katz has won 318 games, putting him exactly 200 games over .500, good for a winning percentage of .729.

Katz recalls the turning point

for Humber's basketball program being in 1991. That year Humber erased a 22-point deficit with eight minutes to go to capture the Ontario championship on home court. They then went on to win the first of three consecutive national championships, a run that, according to Katz, included 24 straight playoff wins.

Other important moments include the first Ontario title in 1988, and the sabbatical Katz took to be an assistant coach with the national team in '93-'94, where he was exposed to top level coaches and players. Katz still works with the national program, and was the head coach with the youth national team at the Jones Cup in Taiwan.

"I think he's ready to be the head coach of the national team," said McNeil. "It's just a matter of being given the opportunity."

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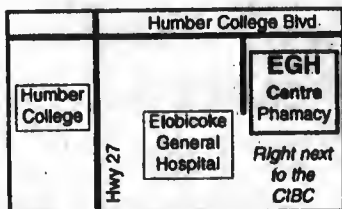
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Women's soccer can't find the field

by Jeff Allen
Sports Reporter

The women's soccer team was all dressed up Monday night with no place to play.

The Hawks bused their way across Toronto to Centennial College in Scarborough to play the Colts in exhibition action. But Humber's first-ever game was postponed because the teams couldn't find a field to play on.

The Hawks were disappointed about the cancellation because it was their only opportunity to play an exhibition game before the season starts.

The cancellation hurt even more because the Hawks play their first league game on Friday against the George Brown Huskies.

"We haven't played any games, not even in practice, whereas some teams, like Centennial, have played exhibition games and two league games as well," said Coach

Vince Pileggi. "We're very disappointed."

The Hawks are now faced with the prospect of opening their inaugural season without having played in as much as a scrimmage.

"It's important we play a game so we can get used to each other and find out who our leaders will be," Pileggi said.

A team of 22 players was chosen earlier this week to complete the women's team.

Pileggi and Co-coach Mauro Ongaro are relying on a tough defensive system to win games.

Both coaches said they have high hopes for the team's first season in Ontario Colleges Athletic Association play.

"Obviously we're not saying that's all we expect, however, realistically we've set our goals on making the playoffs," said Pileggi.

The Hawks open the regular season 4:30 p.m. Friday afternoon at Valley Field against the Huskies.

Venues improve access

by Marcel Watier
Sports Reporter

Toronto's top sporting facilities are overcoming their handicap by making better access for physically challenged people.

Since most of the older sporting venues were built for people without disabilities, many facilities are now working to change that situation. At Maple Leaf Gardens there is a drop-off area on the building's east side.

"The real problem with a 65-year-old facility is that it was built before escalators were used, much less elevators," said Bob Stellick, public relations director of the Gardens.

In order to get tickets for the game, people are asked to call the Gardens ahead of time and reserve.

"There are no waiting lists yet, when you call ahead," said Stellick. "But if you want tickets for the Montreal game, there may be a problem."

At the Gardens there are four complimentary tickets for disabled guests.

The tickets are available on a first-come first-served basis.

"We try to spread them out so that everyone can use them. Because they have been growing in popularity over the last few years we limit it to one game per season," said Stellick.

SkyDome has a number of services available for the handicapped. All the washrooms are

equipped for wheelchairs, the public levels are accessible by either a ramp or an elevator and everything in the Dome is barrier free. The disabled seating at the Dome is usually sold-out for all events.

"A lot of the disabled want to be treated normally. They don't want to be treated like they can't do something themselves," said Sharon Dykstra, co-chair of the SkyDome Accessibility Council.

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- Sharon Dykstra, co-chair of the SkyDome Accessibility Council

the Dome to make getting around easier, better lighting on the various levels, a phonic ear system for the hearing impaired and designated hotel rooms for the handicapped.

"We also have an annual open house for organizations from the disabled community," said Dykstra.

"The members represent various disabled groups from within the city," said Dykstra. "They deal with issues such as costs, TTC drop-offs and disabled seating."

The special seating at SkyDome varies depending on the event. For a baseball game it can seat up to 276 people. For football, 190 spaces are available.

The Dome has 50 parking spaces that are accessible with a reservation. The TTC has a drop-off system that lets off disabled visitors at gate seven and is there to pick them up at the end of the event.

The Dome has created an escort service to help those who are unsure of their way around the building.

eight volunteers. They meet twice a year and discuss issues about the Dome to make it more accessible for the handicapped. The council's recommendations have included an automatic door at gate three, an improved walkway area outside

From the Horse's Mouth

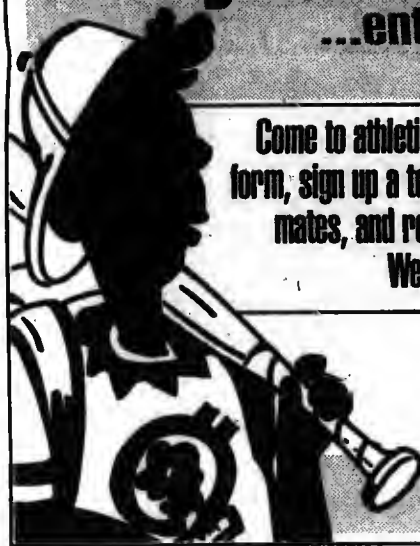
"I'll get a note from my doctor."

- Vancouver Canucks forward Esa Tikkanen after new head coach Tom Renney said there would be no more beer on team flights.

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The who's
who of the
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A Special Report

Russell Simins

drummer for Jon Spencer Blues Explosion



Just look at him! The hair, the eyes, the arrogant little smirk. His band is on Matador Records - a matador's cape is red. Red, as we know, is the predominant color in hell. It should not then surprise you that the beloved drummer of the Jon Spencer Blues Explosion is Satan's friend.

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Humber's book store is amazingly over-priced. You may find someone in they're saying, "Dammit all to Hell!" because they can't afford to buy their philosophy textbook. Plus, the store is owned by an American firm. We all know that America is the number-one producer of Hell's occupants.

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Bob Dole

Presidential Candidate

Bob Dole is a politician. Bob Dole wants to be president. Bob Dole is from Kansas. Bob Dole accepted campaign money from tobacco companies. Bob Dole is near death. Bob Dole is a Republican.

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Humber's Index

Since 1970, approximately how many people have died from cyclones in Bangladesh? **511,000**

What is the population of North York? **515,000**

What is the population of Iceland? **259,000**

Strangest name of park on the list of Canada's national heritage sites in the Cambridge Factfinder book: **Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump**

How many tonnes of sewage sludge does Canada produce a year? **500,000**

How many tonnes of sewage sludge does Hungary produce a year? **30,000,000**

How long can a Bootlace worm get? **131 feet**

How long can the tentacles of the Artic Giant Jellyfish get? **115 feet**

What is the average gestation period of a hamster? **16 days**

What is the average gestation period of a human? **266 days**

What is the average gestation period of an African elephant? **640 days (23 months)**

According to the Jewish calendar what year are we in now? **5757**

sources: Cambridge Factfinder, 1993 Guinness Book of World Records

Hot off the wire

Thief returns stolen wallet

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) - A pick-pocket who took a 90-year-old woman's wallet apparently had an attack of guilt and returned it.

The thief took nothing except the 25 cents he used for a phone call to tell the victim what he had done.

Student returns \$35.6 million

SULMONA, Italy (Reuters) - A young Italian found himself rich beyond his dreams when an error added 40,000,000,000 lire (\$35.6 million Cdn.) to his post office savings account.

Francesco Caccavella, a 23-year-old university student from Sulmona in eastern Italy, did the honest thing and pointed out the error.

-compiled by Matt Blackett

Waiting for next tragedy



The general public needs a tragedy. It's the only way we can survive.

In today's "I-need-instant-information" age the need for a tragedy, an FBI statement, and a quick conclusion are becoming a formula. Nothing seems to captivate and tantalize us more than a dysfunctional family gone berserk or some crazy murder trial.

It's been a year less a month since the infamous O. J. Simpson verdict. Some of us watched the decision down at Caps, some of us at home while the best of us went to class. Most of us will remember for some time where we were when we heard that the Juice was Loose. Therein lies one of society's major problems - the fact that we know exactly where we were at the time of a truly non-significant event.

We all had an opinion whether O. J. was guilty. We all watched the courtroom dramatics. We all saw the tabloid shows about O. J.'s

"friend" claiming this or that. But what was it that drew us into the tragic story? Did we need to know all the details of how Nicole was almost beheaded?

Huge events covered by the media, like the murders of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman, give us a new small-talk subject at parties (rather than talking about the great weather we've been having).

Canadians were slightly distracted from the O. J. case while the Paul Bernardo trial took place. Every day, courtroom sketches of Bernardo sitting in the prisoner's box were splashed across the covers of the *Star*, *Sun* and *Globe* and were broadcast on every Canadian TV station (and some American newscasts, by the way).

We got the blow-by-blow details of what Karla Homolka and her better half did to Kristen French, Leslie Mahaffy and other anonymous young women. It was like listening to a commentary on a porno, yet you didn't have to be over 19 to read this story, they argued.

CBC and CTV, among others, fought for right to televize the twisted videos of Bernardo's victims. Supposedly, it was our right to

see this.

The recent TWA Flight 800 disaster near Long Island has yet to really grab us by our lapels because a suspect or suspects have yet to be found or identified. Hell, they haven't even identified what caused the disaster. But we'll watch every second of footage once the FBI finds its person or people.

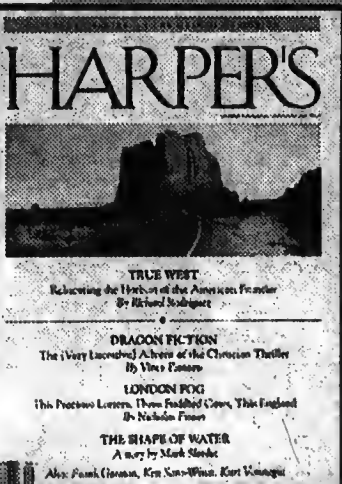
The media pulls us into their control when something horrific happens. Sometimes we need to be pulled in so we can have our eyes opened for us. Other times, when the public has no business being around, the media gives us the bait and we never seem to miss biting it.

Is it our fault we that we find ourselves in this kind of situation? Did we ask newscasts to report on the way a murderer used a chainsaw to cut open a victim? Or are we simply accepting what the media is telling us that we want to know? Probably a combination of both.

We find ourselves in a lull between tragic stories. Between a Susan Smith or a massive earthquake. Between a missing child and a bomb exploding.

It's hard to point a finger when both parties are equally guilty.

Quote of the Week



"...I've had a hell of a good time. I tell you, we are here on Earth to fart around, and don't let anyone tell you different."

Kurt Vonnegut, in *Harper's Magazine*, on his feelings about living in an increasingly computerized world.

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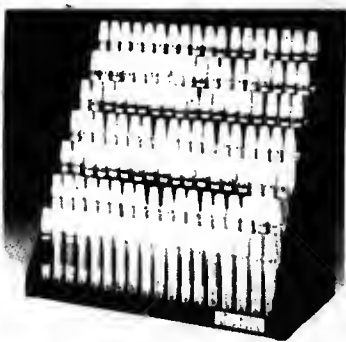
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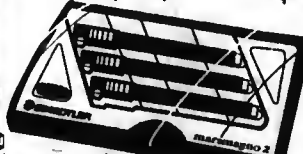
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