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Stopping trashy criminals

Humber gets tough on junk-jettors

by Ashley Kulp

Humber College has called in Crime Stoppers to deter students from throwing garbage out residence windows.

Crime Stoppers is now offering a reward of up to \$1,000 to anyone who knows any information about trash and bottles littering the south-east side of the residence buildings.

"I don't think it's as big a problem on the side of the building facing the school, but I know it happens on the other side because I've heard the bottles smash on the way down," said Kelly Slater, first-year occupational therapy assistant student.

According to Residence Life co-ordinator, Peter Lem, students don't realize how serious this is.

"Students who throw objects from their windows will face severe disciplinary action"

- Notice in rez

"We have caught a few students, and when they are caught they face probation, possible eviction from residence, or they will have to put in five or six hours of community service in the residence," he said.

Humber is taking a no-nonsense approach to the situation. Notices in residence state that "students who throw objects from their windows will face severe disciplinary action."

If Crime Stoppers receive an anonymous tip about someone littering out of the residence windows, they hand over the information to the residence administration who then deal with the individual as they see fit.

It is hoped that by involving Crime Stoppers, Humber College can curb the littering problem.

"Everything that's given to Crime Stoppers is in total secrecy. Whether there are one or 100 calls in, we're not going to say. Humber isn't the only school with a trash problem, but with problems such as this, the school can put out a notice on paper telling students to call Crime Stoppers," said Police Const. Luciano Zeni, Student Crime Stoppers co-ordinator.

Students have been aware that Crime Stoppers are involved in the situation since early December.

"Earlier in the first semester, it was a big problem. We had a map of the residence, and problem areas were circled. We sent out a Crime Stoppers notice in students mailboxes on Dec. 7 as it was becoming an issue of lack of respect," Lem said.

However, it isn't just about lack of respect anymore. It's becoming an issue of safety in the residence, not only for the students living there, but for the people who work there as well, he said. Lem added that a few workers in the residence have refused to work at certain times because of the dirty conditions and trash always lying around.

"One cafeteria worker, while emptying garbage into a bin outside, was almost hit from a glass bottle being thrown out of an above window. So, it's become an issue of safety. I know that the residence doesn't have much of a recycling program and that is something that we could use, but that's no excuse for the trash being thrown out," said Lem.

He believes, however, that the issue isn't proper garbage disposal, but student's lack of respect for

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CHAD HEARD

Mmm, Beer. Andrea Petuzella, second floor RA, hides behind the collection of bottles in Rez Central.

Rewriting the books of matrimony

by Jesse Kohl

History was made on Sunday when a downtown Toronto church hosted its first same-sex wedding despite disruptions by protesters.

At the Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto (MCCT), Senior Pastor Rev. Brent Hawkes joined gay couple Joe Varnell and Kevin Bourassa and lesbian couple Anne and Elaine Vautour in holy matrimony while police kept watch for protesters on the street outside.

"Over the years, we have had threats to the church," Hawkes said. "This is not new to us."

In the afternoon, about 600 guests and supporters lined up outside the MCCT, laughing and singing, "going to the chapel and we're gonna get married," and later, "Amazing Grace."

A small group of protesters, some wearing devil masks and

cloaks, picketed across the street from the church, waving signs with messages scrawled in red and black letters: "Union of men and women is the only right way," "Verdict: Guilty. Burn in hell," "Concerned Canadians demand national referendum on same sex marriage before considering any request from Rev. Hawkes."

"The only thing holding back the gay movement is the government."

- Viviana Lauretano

Police officers scattered themselves throughout the street between the guests and the protesters.

"This is tantamount to racism and it's ... unacceptable," said Mary Dison, who was formerly part of a local gay and lesbian counselling program. "It's horri-

ble that my children have to listen to these people."

Later, Dison confronted the protesters. "Do you know that I have daughters?" she asked. When one protester argued, Dison replied, "We were born this way asshole."

"Ask them to take their masks off," shouted one guest from the line, "and show us their real faces."

One protester pushed a baby carriage with a white coffin placed inside and a plastic pitchfork stabbed through it.

"This is going to destroy our society," said Yannick Bulloch, a father of three, from behind a black devil mask. "We believe this is brainwashing ... There's a possibility my children will believe in this."

After he was asked several times by reporters whether he

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News *et cetera*

Long lay-off for York students finally over

York students have to make up 22 days of classes in order to complete their fall semester due to the 78-day strike

by Cleo Porter

The longest strike in Canadian university history has ended with a deal between York University's management and 2,100 striking members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3903.

"It's a great relief to everybody here that we have an agreement," said Susan Bigelow, director of media relations for York University. "It's business as usual and we're grateful for that."

The strike began Oct. 26, after talks broke off between both sides. Union members voted 95 per cent in favour of accepting the two-year contract by management last week.

CUPE Local 3903 members, consisting of teaching assistants, graduate assistants, and contract faculty, received a two per cent wage increase over the life of their contract, after demanding a 3.75 per cent wage increase when talks commenced last summer.

"I'm very happy that the strike has been settled," said Joe Kispal-Kovacs, union president.

"I'm disappointed that the university waited 11 weeks to make an offer to settle

this strike," Kispal-Kovacs said. "We made [this] offer before we went on strike."

The main issue that kept union members on picket lines for 11 weeks was the right for teaching and graduate assistants to receive tuition indexation that would allow members of the union to receive a rebate for the school fee they pay. Management agreed to offer them the tuition rebate, but decided to change the wording in the contract.

The union is unsure why the wording was changed.

"They are not very nice people and they want to get rid of it next time," Kispal-Kovacs said. "They call it Gradual Financial Assistance."

"It's a great relief to everybody here that we have an agreement...it's business as usual and we're grateful for that"

- Susan Bigelow

The gruelling 78-day strike disrupted the majority of classes on the campus, causing inconveniences for students. The students will have to make up 22 days of classes to complete the fall semester.

The strike has also soured the relationship between some students and union members.



CLEO PORTER

Angry York students stand up for their rights for almost 11 weeks, in the end resulting in losing their reading week to compensate for lost time in the classroom

"We're the ones that teach them and give them our blood and guts that we have spent many years to do," said Carlos Neves, a teaching assistant at York University. "Not the York administration, they don't give a damn about students."

The extended fall semester means that the students will lose their reading week to make up for the lost time.

"I'm a student, I have missed time as well as having been on the line for 11

weeks," said Janne Cleveland, a student and teaching assistant at York University. "It wasn't about shutting out the undergraduate student."

Graduate assistants were new members in the CUPE bargaining team, negotiating for their first contract. In the agreement, they received a wage increase and health benefits.

Teaching assistants make just under \$10,000 per year.

New 10-digit number causing frustrations

by Caroline Grech

The switch to 10-digit dialing got off to a slow start for students and staff at Humber as a system failure last week caused phoning frustrations.

Sharon Drebnicki, telecommunications manager at Humber, explained that despite making successful test calls at the end of last semester to ensure a smooth transition to 10-digit dialing, once the system was up and running, it malfunctioned.

"Despite staff adding the area code when making local calls, the system was eliminating those extra three numbers resulting in Bell's automated message coming on after every phone call," Drebnicki said.

Although the glitch did not cause any major problems, it did result in irritated staff members trying to make phone calls.

"It was a bit of a pain but mostly annoying because the college wasn't set up to dial 416 and the message would come on. I found myself telling the computer message that I dialed the area code!" said Marion Sweeney, assistant for student recruitment.

Despite the annoyance faced by staff members, Drebnicki was quick to add that Humber staff are courteous and that she only received about three or four calls which were 'heads up' calls rather than complaints.

Drebnicki sent out a broadcast message to all extension



CAROLINE GRECH

The 10-digit phone numbers got off to a slow start at Humber College making many irritated.

holders after two days of disrupted calling, informing staff that the problem was being fixed.

Humber staff weren't the only ones frustrated with the new system. Students also said they were irritated at the inconvenience. "It is annoying. Even when you dial properly it doesn't work," Maria Gournias, a first-year civil

engineering student explained.

Despite the irritation, some students took it in stride.

"It is kind of annoying, but it's not a big deal - I just have to change all the memory dials on my telephone,"

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- Marion Sweeney

said Lucille Van Dam, a second-year nursing student. Drebnicki said that once the call was made to Williams, the company in charge of Humber's telephone lines, the problem was quickly solved and all telephone lines were functioning normally by Thursday morning.

The new 647 area code does not come into effect until March 5, but Bell Canada wants to prepare Torontonians for the 10-digit dialing system.

All calls made without adding the area code will hear an automated message reminding them to use the area code next time around.

Security worries on back burner after charges laid

by Deena Thakib and Caroline Grech

A decision to hire a private company to assess security measures on campus has been put on the back burner, according to Dev Chopra, vice-president of administrative services at the North and Lakeshore campuses.

The reason, Chopra said, is that thefts have considerably decreased since charges were laid against two part-time security guards allegedly connected with the theft of \$40,000 worth of goods from Humber's North campus.

Security measures came under fire early this year when according to Chopra, a total of \$80,000 worth of computer equipment was stolen from labs on campus.

This growing incidence of theft at Humber made Chopra question security practices around the College campus.

"After the thefts we wanted to get to the bottom of what was going on. So we started asking about security measures. One of the things we're looking at is whether to upgrade security or bring in more external help," he said.

Chopra said an outside company hired by Humber would review security measures using a risk management approach. The company would suggest areas in the school where there may be risks and exposures and would advise on how to manage potential damage.

Humber is seeking reimbursement for the lost money from Provincial Security Services, the company that contracted the two guards, said Chopra.

"We took extraordinary steps by increasing security tremendously to apprehend those who might have been involved. The result was we apprehended an individual while in the process of removing stuff from the college and there have been no recent thefts since," Chopra said.

Currently Humber's contract with Provincial Security Services has expired and Chopra said they're seeking bids from other security companies.

Although security is a priority issue at the college, Chopra said he wants to make sure that the \$125 million budget is distributed fairly to all departments.

"Budget is always an issue, but if we need to spend the money we will in the most cost-effective way," Chopra said.

Gary Jeynes, director of public safety at Humber College, said that in 1999 a total of 198 crimes were reported to campus security. Of these, theft was the most prevalent. Of the 135 thefts, 92 were "personal property" crimes.

There were 33 thefts of college property under \$5,000 reported and five thefts over \$5,000. There were also three motor-vehicle thefts and two break and enter reports.

Chopra says that although Humber is a "reasonably" safe campus it's important that security measures are constantly reviewed.

"Given the kind of institution we are we have reasonable measures in place. But we shouldn't sit back and relax because we need to continually evaluate security".



COURTESY PHOTO

Nancy Montagnese, an advertising media sales student, was killed in a car crash on her way home from visiting some friends.

Humber student killed in car crash

by Mark Nonkes

Three weeks before Christmas a 19-year-old Humber student was killed in a car accident in Woodbridge.

Around 2:30 a.m. on December 5, first-year Advertising Media Sales student, Nancy Montagnese drove home by herself after spending time with friends at a coffee shop.

As Nancy Montagnese drove in a rural area she entered a valley where her car hit black ice. The car left the road and slammed into a hydro pole at Rutherford Road and Pine Valley Drive, five minutes from her home.

There were no witnesses to the single vehicle accident. According to Maria Montagnese, Nancy's mother, a passerby spotted the car about 15 minutes later and called police.

The car was ripped in two, the front and back ended separated, police said. The Humber student was rushed to the hospital where she succumbed to her injuries.

According to her mother, Nancy was excited about a vacation she was planning with friends to Acapulco over the Christmas break.

Friendship and independence were very important to Nancy Montagnese. Maria Montagnese said her daughter was a bubbly person who made herself noticed.

"When she came in the house we knew that she was present. She made it known that she was home...She always gave us a kiss when she came home and when she left," Maria said

Classmates remember Nancy Montagnese as outgoing and always willing to help other students.

"She was a really sweet person, she would go out of her way to help somebody," said classmate Cristina Albanese.

Nancy Montagnese enjoyed

"She always gave us a kiss when she came home and when she left"
- Maria Montagnese

meeting new people and had a cheerful personality, Albanese said.

"I'll always remember her as a caring person, helpful, and all around good person," she said.

"She was always very bright, very happy; an excellent student," Donna Lloyd, one of Montagnese's teachers at Humber, said.

Lloyd described Nancy Montagnese as an enthusiastic and dedicated student.

"She worked very hard. If she didn't get something, she applied herself until she got a hold of the material," Lloyd said.

Possibility of recession may not be unthinkable after all

by Patricia Lima

The possibility of a looming recession has been front-page news for the past few weeks, but will it actually happen?

"It could happen, nothing is impossible, but there are no signs showing that it will," said Jack Carr, an economics professor at the University of Toronto.

He added that although the economy has slowed down in recent weeks, there is no need to worry because slight dips are natural in a booming economy.

"When the economy grows, it never grows steadily upwards. There's always highs, there's always lows," Carr said

His main piece of advice to those who have recession worries is not to panic.

"There are no signs that we are going to hell in a hand basket," he said.

Karen Fast, co-ordinator of Humber's Career Centre, echoed Carr's sentiments.

"Quite frankly," she said, "I'm not anticipating this recession to be as bad as the ones we've seen in the past."

Fast used Humber's job posting results, which are provided through a national service called Campus Work Link, to illustrate her positive stance. The results show the total number of job postings at Humber for 2000 dipped by only 16 from 1999's results. Although there were less contract and part-time job postings in 2000, Fast said, the number of full-time postings increased by 10 per cent.

According to Fast, students face a very bright

future because as the baby boomer generation begins to retire, a company's demand for employees will increase.

She added, however, that although post-secondary students should not expect to encounter a dismal job market upon graduation, they should be prepared.

"It could happen, nothing is impossible, but here are no signs showing that it will."

- Jack Carr

"Students could certainly do some research around alternative careers and, you know what, that can't hurt you anyway," Fast said. "You could do research into which industries are doing some of the hiring right now, start networking, collecting lists of potential employers, and take full advantage of getting related work experience."

Students can also make economic gains by pinching pennies.

"Nobody likes doing it," said Margaret Antonides, manager of Financial Aid, "but [students] find it a good experience when they're actually forced to do it because it gives them a better idea of what's happening with their money."

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Red sign, green sign, yellow sign, food sign

by Sarah Robson

By the end of the year, all of Toronto's 9,400 restaurants will have a colour-coded inspection sign posted in the front entrance by a health inspector.

The new Food Premises Inspection and Disclosure System began on Jan. 8. Depending on the results of the inspection, a green sign, which is a pass, a yellow, which is a conditional pass, or a red, which means closure, will be posted.

With a yellow sign the restaurant has 48 hours to fix the problem, and if they do they will be rewarded with a green sign.

Ike Nwachukwu, manager of the Ackee Tree, hasn't decided whether the new system is fair or

not. He explained that even if a restaurant had only a minor infraction and got a yellow sign, it could take away a lot of business.

"It's a harsh penalty," he said.

According to Don Henriques, Humber's food services manager, the facilities here are prepared for the inspections, which he estimates will happen before April.

"We learned what we need to do to prepare for inspection, and some of the components to getting a pass."

- Don Henriques

"Other managers and myself attended information sessions back in December. We learned what we need to do to prepare for inspection, and some of the components to getting a pass," said Henriques. "Basically there are eight steps to pass and we have this information posted in our areas. But these were things that we were doing anyway. So there's no fear of not getting a pass."

Henriques also explained the essentials of the inspection have not changed, but it has become more strict and now enforced.

Eventually, the restaurant information will be available on the Internet at:

www.city.toronto.on.ca/health.

Eight Steps to a Pass

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6. Maintenance and sanitation of washrooms
7. Storage and removal of waste
8. Pest control

Court battle looms on horizon

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would take off his mask, Bulloch replied, "We are just concerned Canadians. We are concerned about our children's futures."

The protesters left the scene as guests filed into the building.

An incident occurred at the church earlier on in the day when an individual caused a disruptive scene.

Hawkes would not comment on the incident but, he said the woman was charged for the interruption.

The MCCT has received letters and e-mails objecting to same-sex marriages. The church also received a bomb threat.

"Marriage is a sacred institution, and we are going to honour that institution," Hawkes told reporters following the ceremony. "There's not a single law that says only male to female ... It's wrong to discriminate against gay and lesbian couples in this country."

The two couples still have to fight to get their marriages registered with the government, but according to Hawkes, "they are still married." And he insists the marriages are legal. If the government registers the marriages, added Hawkes, it would show support for the gay and lesbian communities. If not, the two couples are prepared to take the battle to court.

When asked what they thought of the fight ahead, Varnell and



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I do. The couples tied the knot on Sunday, making worldwide news

Bourassa agreed that "today has been an excellent training exercise."

"We hope this will open the flood gates," Hawkes told reporters. "There is nothing in Ontario law to say these marriages should not be registered."

"In Canada, we want full equality."

- Rev. Brent Hawkes

Several other Toronto churches have performed gay and lesbian "holy unions," where couples are issued certificates, but they are not considered legal marriages.

Governor-General Adrienne Clarkson wrote a letter expressing her good wishes, and Provincial NDP leader Howard Hampton showed up to offer his support.

"We're calling on the government today to recognize these

marriages," he said.

Hampton said he could see no legal impediment to the registering of the marriages and called on the Harris government to do so in light of "growing public acceptance of same sex relationships."

"In Canada, we want full equality," said Hawkes. "Not separate, but equal."

Hawkes said there have been many other gay and lesbian couples asking to be married. He said the MCCT will be meeting with same-sex couples over the next few weeks and the church hopes to host one to two same-sex marriages per month in the future.

"I'm happy that they were able to get married in a church," said Viviana Lauretano, president of the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender club (LGBT) at Humber. "The next step is for it to be legalized by the government."

"The only thing holding back the gay movement is the government," she added.

Trash becoming serious issue

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their school and Rez. "If students have a problem with the overflowing garbage then we would increase the emptying of garbage bins if people complained about it more," he said.

Ultimately, Lem said it's just a few students who are setting a bad example for the 720 students who live in residence. The key is to raise awareness about the issue, he said.

The residence is attending to this by introducing a new beer bottle collection program for students.

"The trash problem was exactly why we did the bottle drive, [and] so that students can get laundry money," Lem said.

Resident Assistant on Floor R8, Amanda Claassen, headed the idea after successfully raising money to paint her floor by collecting beer bottles. She talked to

Lem and the other RA's, and the current bottle drive started on Jan. 8.

"Originally, I started collecting beer bottles on my floor, and that's how we funded the painting of our floor. Another bonus was that if we did this, it would maybe decrease the number of bottles being thrown out windows in residence, and deter students from doing that," Claassen said.

The drive operates with an RA from each floor taking a shift in Rez Central for 15 minutes, starting at 7 p.m., and they hand out money for empty beer bottles.

Six bottles gives students one quarter, 12 bottles, two quarters, and so on.

This service can help ease those laundry woes. It allows students to collect coins for the washers and dryers that only accept quarters.

Some Humber students, like Claassen, are not happy about the

school grounds being trashed.

"It makes me mad. I mean, it takes an idiot to throw a beer bottle out a window, and it could potentially kill someone," Slater said.

Adam Cottreau, in first-year theatre arts production, has seen the damage being done first-hand.

"I've been outside and I saw someone throw a chair out the window, so that could be bad if someone was under it. As far as the garbage goes, it makes the school look awful and disgusting," he said.

Const. Zeni hopes students will be deterred from throwing trash out of the windows with the strong repercussions Humber will enforce for students who are caught.

"When people throw things down from the window, that's assault. Aggravated assault. They can get a criminal record for doing something like that," he said.

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Humber beauty on the world stage

by Desmond Devoy

Cissy Wang, a 19-year-old first year journalism student, will be competing in the International Chinese Beauty Pageant in Hong Kong, later this month, against 20 other young women from around the world.

This will be her second time as a beauty pageant contestant. Her first time came last December when she won the titles of Miss Chinese Toronto, Miss Perfect Figure and Miss Vitality.

"It's not a hobby," Wang said in an interview before she left for China. "I wanted to try something new. I wanted to meet people and to feel how the entertainment business is I had confidence. A lot of this year's contestants are really top notch."

After winning her crown, she was further rewarded with offers of commercial endorsements from Bell Mobility and Rolex watches among others.

"I feel good already because I'm a champ at something and I'm up against the best," she said. "I'd be happy with second or third."

Wang said that her journalism

course was also of help to her in pursuit of the crown. When she had to answer a question about Toronto's bid to host the 2008 Summer Olympics, she said "It was good that I had read the paper for my class."

As a result she knew about the issue and was able to answer the question.

"I've always wanted to model,"



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Humber's queen-Current Miss Chinese Toronto- now competing in International Chinese beauty pageant in Hong Kong.

Wang said. "I also enjoy writing."

The world of beauty pageants helped her understand the field of journalism. "In order to be in the entertainment business, you need the media. You can't do it alone."

According to Wang, her experience with the Chinese language media in Toronto will be good training for dealing with the tough Hong Kong paparazzi.

One of the unexpected benefits of her win is getting recognition from people on the street. "I'm so happy when they recognize me," she said.

She's easy to recognize since, at about six feet, her fans comment to her that "For an Asian girl, you're really tall!"

Wang was born in Hong Kong, but left when she was two to live in Lima, Peru. She came to Canada when she was eight. As a result, she can speak English, French, and Spanish and three dialects of Chinese (Cantonese, Mandarin, and Shanghaiese.)

When not working at People's Jewellers after school, she frequently volunteers at retirement homes, and Salvation Army clothing drives.



SANGITA IYER

Meet and greet- International students pose for a picture at a function put on by student services at the North campus residence last week.

International students are welcomed at Humber College

by Sangita Iyer

To assist Humber's incoming international students adjust easily to Canadian lifestyle, Student Services organized a 'meet and greet' session last week at the North campus residence.

According to student services personnel, such sessions are necessary to make the students feel welcome and part of the Humber community.

Mike Kopinak, manager of International Student Services, told the group of new

result, he said he was just grateful to be here.

Business student, Tara Howard, has sacrificed warm tropical weather for one of the coldest blustery winters in Canada, because in the end, she said, it will be worth it.

"The weather is very different from Trinidad because we live in the tropics and up here it is freezing cold. But I am doing well in my courses and I have been enjoying it altogether," she said.

But foreign students are not the only ones to benefit from their stay in Canada. Native born students also learn a lot because they bring diversity to the resident environment says Peter Lem, residence life coordinator.

"The weather is very different from Trinidad, because we live in the tropics and up here it is freezing cold."

-Tara Howard

the students out to meet other students, so they get to know each other and feel comfortable in a new country. I want them to have a good academic and social experience," he said.

The room buzzed with the mix of excited chatter of languages from at least a dozen countries.

One of the most excited students was Ernest Ashikwe from Ivory Coast, a small country on the west coast of central Africa.

The Ivory Coast has experienced civil and military unrest in the past two years. As a

"They are an important part of the residence. It makes a unique experience not only for them, but for all the other residents living in the building that don't know too many students from other countries," Lem said.

Kopinak and other members of International Student Services have organized many social activities, the highlight of which will be a trip to Montreal in March.

Other events include a ski trip, trips downtown, and movie nights.

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Talking and driving may soon be illegal

by **Brianne Thom**

Ontario motorists may soon have to hang up their cell phones while driving in exchange for headsets or phones with voice activation.

Constable Andree Vincent of the York Regional Police said that the government has brought forth a plan to ban cell phone use in cars unless headsets are used to free the driver's hands.

"The idea is still on the table," Vincent said. "They brought the idea up because it's distracting to hold a phone while driving. Once you tie up one hand your focus is not on the road."

Police believe a cell phone may be the cause of last Friday's accident in Mississauga involving a 2000 Audi and a Toyota Corolla. The crash left Helen Kantzavelos in critical condition and her 27-year-old daughter Poraskevi seriously injured.

Witnesses say the Audi driver failed to stop at a red light, running into the Toyota while talking on a cell phone, said Sergeant David Plant, Peel regional police.

In an effort to curb cell phone use while driving, Durham PC leader John O'Toole introduced Bill 102 on June 20, 2000.

"I'm going for hands-free, voice activated phone use, that way the driver's hands are always free," he said.

The Bill would allow police officers to specify the cause of reckless driving and possibly enforce the use of hands-free voice-activated cell phones.

Although the Bill has only had one reading, O'Toole said that it has received a lot of attention since it was brought forth with the Highway Traffic Act over six months ago.

"We've talked to Canadian Wireless Telecommunications, the Medical Association, New York

and Chicago," he said.

O'Toole believes cell phones are necessary tools but motorists should be educated on appropriate use by not



BRIANNE THOM

Cell phone ban- Bill 102 would make it illegal to hold a cell phone while driving

having extended conversations while driving.

Under Bill 102 motorists would not be pulled over for operating a cell phone but for driving recklessly.

"It would work the same way as when a drunk driver drives carelessly, but instead of the officer checking off alcohol as a factor, he would check off a cell phone as a factor," O'Toole said.

Although not against cell phone use O'Toole believes there's a time and a place for everything.

"To ban cell phones entirely is prehistoric," he said.

The Mississauga accident is a very serious reminder of why the Bill should be passed, he said.

Newmarket Rogers AT&T sales person, Susan Doyle, said that there weren't many kinds of headsets available for cell phones at first, but now Nokia, Motorola and other non-cellular phone companies are selling headsets.

Doyle has heard that the headset law was passed in some places in the United States, and said sales have jumped a lot since last winter because of family members being concerned.

Mireille Artine, a first-year interior design student, said that she has heard of the possible headset law being enforced.

"I use a headset while I drive and while I'm in class," Artine said. "I find that I can hear better out of the headset."

First-year Advertising and Graphic Design student, Frances Duay, said that she finds it distracting and hard to concentrate while driving with one hand and talking on a phone.

"I'd probably talk while driving if I had a headset because both of my hands would be free," Duay said.

Duay also said that she doesn't take calls while driving unless it's an emergency.

Summer jobs abound, now is the best time to start looking

by **Janet Gibson**

Is your stomach grumbling? Is your landlord banging down your door? Perhaps it's time to find a job. One actually in your field. Humber's College Career Centre can help.

Karen Fast, co-ordinator for the Career Centre, recalls the day last summer when 79 landscaping companies were looking for students. "Now is not too early to start looking for summer jobs," she said.

Located in North campus kitty corner to Java Jazz, the red-hot centre already has 400 jobs posted.

"To get jobs related to your program and to get some of the more senior positions, you've got to start looking early and you've got to do that more targeted job search," Fast said. Ann Tsirgielis, employment advisor at the Lakeshore campus, agrees.

"After the students have done their research, they don't have to go to every single company," she said. "They target the ones they really want to go to. Smaller companies, larger companies, it all depends on what they want."

"The market is fabulous right now for a summer job search, definitely start early."
Corey Hulowski

Fast said last year students found jobs on golf courses, in law offices, yacht clubs, the hospitality sector, the federal government, and Tennis Canada, to name a few. They made \$7 to \$16 an hour or more.

To help students narrow their search, both centres have full-time staff as well as specially trained peer tutors who guide them to the resources and to the many job Web sites. Staff also run mock interviews to help students understand where their skills lie and how to promote their qualities, skills and accomplishments in a

Humber College Career Centre helps students to find jobs within their field.

competitive environment.

Students get free resume aid and can pay \$2 for a disk with sample resumes geared to their school of study.

Tsirgielis helps students with no work experience promote what they've done during their career at Humber.

The career centres are hosting Work Week 2001 on Mon, Feb 5 at the Lakeshore campus and Feb 5 thru 8 at the North Campus. The Feb 8 date features summer jobs including positions at Canada's Wonderland, CN Tower, City of Toronto, Club Link and many others are coming to talk to students and take resumes.

Off-campus, Scarborough-based Youth Job Action Centre is open year-round and is home to one of Human Resources Development Canada's (HRDC) student job programs in the summer.

Corey Hulowski, 24, has worked at the centre for three years now.

"The market is fabulous right now", he says. "For a [summer job search], definitely start early. You do have to be informed. You have to be out there and active. A lot of people kind of assume, 'No problem. I'll get a job as soon as I go out there!'"

The Youth Job Action Centre is open 9 to 5 on weekdays and is accessible by subway. It has fax machines, photocopiers and Web access.

Locations of other Metro student job offices to open in the spring will be posted on HRDC's Web site.

Hulowski says just last week, a university grad who had visited the centre several times landed an IT job with Toyota Canada starting at \$20 an hour.

He laughs and says, "I'm thinking about applying there myself."

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Humber College Career Centre
North Campus 416-675-5028
Lakeshore Campus 416-675-6622 ext 3431
Web www.humberc.on.ca/~careersc

Youth Job Action Centre
Scarborough Civic Centre (main level)
140 Borough Drive, Scarborough
Corey Hulowski 416-279-1963
Web youthjobactioncentre.org

JOB WEB SITES:

campusworklink.com

Get password from Humber College Career Centre. Ask to have list generated of all employers in your field.

mazemaster.on.ca

jobs.gc.ca

Federal government site which lists student internships. No age limit.

possibilitiesproject.com

Includes info on job fairs and agency workshops, etc.

gov.on.ca/mbs/english/summer

Provincial government summer job site

canadas-wonderland.com

Check this site for date of Wonderland's job fair

Editorial

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Some are more equal than others

This week Canada made international headlines when the world's first two legally binding same-sex marriages under the bans took place in Toronto's Metropolitan Community Church. Media representatives from as far away as Japan, Europe and the United States trekked to Toronto to chronicle the ceremony. News organizations ranging from *Newsweek* and *The New York Times* to *Mother Jones* grasped the significance of the event and sent representatives to file stories. A truly historic moment unfolded on Canadian soil.

The Harris government failed to register the marriages of Elaine and Anne Vatour, and Kevin Bourassa and Joe Varnell, demonstrating once again how out of touch they are with the people of Ontario.

Recognizing these same-sex marriages is a logical step in our ever-changing World. According to a 1999 poll conducted by the *Globe and Mail*, 53 per cent of Canadians were in favour of same-sex marriages. (Conversely, 43 per cent were opposed while 4 per cent had no opinion on the subject).

If that same poll were taken today,

surely the number of supporters of these non-traditional unions would be higher.

Undoubtedly, society now accepts gays and lesbians more openly than in the past. In fact, the rate of change in attitudes is occurring much quicker than most could expect. Remember back to 1997 when Ellen Degeneras 'came out of the closet' on her TV show *Ellen*? It was huge news that dominated tabloids and dailies alike for weeks. Today, a gay character on a television show is so common that it's almost become a bad cliché - like the fiery old lady with the sharp tongue, or the lippy little cute kid.

Canadians have spoken on this issue, and the message is clear. On balance, they don't care if a person is gay. More important than one's sexual orientation is their strength of character. This has been proven many times over with the election of openly gay people into positions of power, such as Toronto city councillor Kyle Rae, and Winnipeg's out of the closet mayor, Glen Murray. Although gay culture certainly hasn't achieved the same level of acceptability as heterosexuals, it is moving into the mainstream and faces far less opposition and condemnation than ever

before.

Like the abortion issue, two deeply entrenched and fundamentally differing opinions exist. Many opposed to legalizing same-sex marriages argue from the basis of their religious faith. Some, genuinely convinced that gay equals immoral, are backed up by the positions of their churches and other religious institutions. These cornerstones of values for many are held as morally infallible by their followers.

Others simply hide behind the rhetoric of religion. The concept of gays living together as married couples is an uncomfortable one for many. Trying to explain gay life to their children, or even trying to wrap their own heads around the idea is confusing and difficult for many. It's much easier to toss the whole notion in the 'wrong' garbage can than to try to come to grips with something that exists outside of one's comfort zone.

For these, religion and 'traditional family value' proponents who brush all gays and everything that surrounds them with an 'evil' brush offer an explanation they can understand. A convenient moral judgment based on ignorance and a short-cut to thinking all in one.

The Ontario Government clearly falls into this camp. Ironically however, this opposition may very well propel the cause of securing equal rights for gay couples. The newlyweds will join other gay activists from B.C. and Quebec fighting for their rights in provincial courts. As Rev. Brent Hawkes, the minister who performed the ceremonies and a gay activist, said "we will go to court, and we're confident we'll win."

Whether you approve of same-sex marriages or not, it's time they were recognized.

The arguments of being uncomfortable with gay marriages, judging gay people to be immoral, or suggesting that society will break down as a result of recognizing gay, married couples as life-long partners, pale against one argument that's tough to beat.

The issue here is human rights. Gays should be recognized by our governments as having the same rights under law as non-gays. To deny them this is a violation of everything that Canada was founded on. As Canadians, regardless of gender, race, religion, age or sexual orientation, we all must be guaranteed the same rights and privileges. It's worrisome to think that the government has yet to grasp this idea.

Just a load of garbage

The general consensus towards garbage in residence seems to be 'out of sight, out of mind.'

Rather than walking down to the end of the hall to the garbage bins, or even using the trash cans in their rooms, some residents are throwing their garbage out the window, assuming that the magic garbage fairy will clean it up.

The ground outside is littered with beer bottles, pizza boxes, pop cans, and even clothes.

Maybe Toronto should have considered the Humber arboretum as a site for the overflow of garbage instead. It's already part-way there.

The problem appeared to reach a climax just before the Christmas holidays when residents were warned that Crime Stoppers had been called in to help.

Students seem to have an overall lack of respect for the place where they live for eight months.

The garbage situation doesn't seem to be solely outdoors. At the end of every hallway is a garbage bin that is supposed

to be emptied every day.

Students use the bins to empty their trash cans. Simple? Well, some feel that the bin is never full and they pile the garbage on until it either overflows onto the carpet or the bin falls over. They leave the mess in the hallway for someone else to clean up.

It may be different at home with your parents but here in the city we use the garbage cans. Your mother doesn't live here and it can't just be left for the next person to pick up.

The idea that everyone in residence is one big family is a myth. Would you throw garbage at your brother or sister?

Has your laziness really reached that extreme that you would risk a fine or expulsion because you won't walk to the end of the hall to use the garbage bin?

Crime Stoppers may not be the solution to the problem, but it definitely helps. As soon as students see that it's no longer just a residence problem, maybe it will scare some into using the trash can in their rooms.



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Sex in the army barracks

by Noel Boivin

Tired of spending those long lonesome afternoons at the shooting range?

At recruiting stations across the land, the answer to your militant loneliness awaits. Sign a few forms, flash some identification and a clean-shaven doorman will give you a golden key to the top up-and-coming social mixer in the land: the Canadian Armed Forces.

The army puts men and women together in cramped quarters and as common – if not military – logic would have it, love or maybe just a claustrophobic grab-it-while-you-can sex has made its way into the otherwise soul-crushing, charmless confines of service life.

Despite this ray of sunshine, anybody caught with his or her fatigues down risks being charged with a criminal offence – the army views such behavior as having a deleterious impact on soldier morale and proper order.

Trek back to 1992 and another peccadillo for our armed forces. No women were involved, just a group of airborne soldiers with good morale and respect for authority.

Videos taken of their initiation session at a base in Petawawa showed these grown men reveling in their own fecal matter and bodily secretions and blurting out racist garbage.

The army's insistence that conventional means

of sexual release will ruin its fine ordered fabric persists.

Take the case of Corp. Montgomery, who was recently acquitted of having unlawful carnal knowledge of one Sergeant Ubell.

Concerning his own case, Corp. Montgomery offered an interesting defence. He was not, he said, having sex with Sgt Ubell in his barracks room. Rather, he says he was watching porn with Sgt. Ubell and he sheepishly admits that "maybe it was loud," and the witness mistaked it for the real thing.

The trial of Corp. Montgomery is a first step in what could be the greatest military campaign of all time: the push to get Canadian GI Joe laid.

Making the place as socially desirable as a Catholic priesthood does not create an image around which thousands of able-bodied young people are going to flock.

The army is blindly irrational if it thinks that allowing the odd coupling to go by unpunished will turn our service into a uniformed Club-Med with all of its women preppers and your average male soldier turning into a whoring Caligula.

Regardless of their costume, men and women alike will follow natural impulses.

Let's not threaten consenting adults if they choose to do so.

Onward horny soldiers marching as to bed.

The horror, the horror of being the chosen one

by Jason Dean Spence

Christopher Lee, arguably the best actor so far to portray Dracula and Frankenstein's monster, once said of horrors:

"When evil meets good it must fall. This is one of the reasons the church doesn't object to [horror] films."

He should've said, 'when evil meets the chosen it must fall.'

Lee goes on to say, "I have travelled all over the world and spoken to cinema-going people everywhere, and I have no doubt that, of all types of films, this type of fantasy or adult fairy-tale is the most popular."

I smiled the first time I read Lee liken horrors to fairy-tales. It's a good comparison.

Within most fairy-tales is found the Protestant work ethic and the spirit of Calvinism. One of the tenets of Calvinism is the idea that some people are born God's chosen ones. During life, the only way one knows if he or she is chosen is by achieving success through hard work.

Think of the predicaments that Snow White, Cinderella and Hansel and Gretel find themselves in.

Think you could have survived?

Fairy-tales are about special people who overcome next to impossible situations. Horror is the same.

There is something akin to Calvinism; only the chosen succeed. Granted it's not completely the same (what with all that acrobatic sex and foul language found in horrors), but it is usually the purest characters who survive in horror movies. That is, those who display the spirit of Calvinism: courage, perseverance, and resourcefulness.

Only the chosen succeed.

Think of Tom Savini's *Night of the Living Dead*, when Johnny (Bill Mosley) disrespects the dead – you know the zombies are coming after him first.

Johnny's sister, Barbara (Patricia Tallman) is a survivor. Barbara survives the night by getting stronger as the ordeal unfolds. She stays alive by finding resourceful ways to defend herself from the zombies. Barbara is chosen.

Watch *Snow White: A Tale of Terror*, it's not the greatest horror, but it shows how easily the Brothers Grimm are transformed into horror.

Take any good horror and write out its entire plot in simple language. I assure you the result will be a fairy-tale.

Guess which famous horror I have begun to transcribe.

There once was a famous actress named Chris MacNeil. She had a daughter named Regan who, one day, began to act horribly. Very horribly, indeed. No doctors, though, could help Regan. So Chris turned to Father Karras for help. Meanwhile, as Chris was looking for help, Regan, with the strength of a rabid cur, twisted the neck of Chris's boss and threw him out of her window. And Regan was only getting warmed up. (The Exorcist)

The cruel irony of Calvinism is that one can only know if he or she is chosen in retrospect, after surviving the moment of truth.

So, if you think you're a chosen one, by all means take a walk in an enchanted forest or through a graveyard when the moon is full.

When you're waiting for something to happen, don't cross your fingers because you're special ... right?

Dirty deals in the apartment hunt

by Derrick Milburn

The old axiom states: 'If something seems too good to be true, it probably is.' Just a few short months ago, I found this age-old bit of wisdom to be true.

I had arrived in Toronto from Halifax in late August, believing that I would have little difficulty finding a place to live. You see, I was fresh from five years in Halifax, the Camelot of student housing and was, I suppose spoiled.

However, I would soon learn that finding affordable and livable housing in the 'Big Smoke' was a very different animal indeed.

In my hour of need I stumbled upon an ad in the classifieds for a company which promised to find housing for those in need.

I was skeptical, especially upon entering their office where a large, greasy, toothless man known only as Don greeted me. But I knew no other option.

Don explained the service he would provide, making numerous references to other satisfied customers.

For a nominal fee this rather unsavory character guaranteed to find me a home, or my money

would be refunded in full. Reluctantly I signed a contract with Don's company.

It wasn't until much later that I learned I had made a deal with the Devil. Don did indeed provide listings for a number of properties, many of which were no longer available and still others which were absolutely deplorable.

One particularly charming apartment had no door separating it from the rest of the house and boasted no oven or shower. All for the low, low price of \$800 a month. And did I mention that it was filthy and smelled like cabbage?

This was the last straw. Maybe it was the stench of cabbage, or perhaps the pent up frustration of searching for an apartment, but I lost it. I went to Don and demanded my money.

He feigned sympathy and directed me to his customer service representatives who he assured would provide a full and prompt refund.

In lieu of providing customer service, the representatives chose instead to curse, be rude and tell me in no uncertain terms, that I had no chance of receiving a refund.

At this point I was choking on my own rage and demanded only that I be able to speak with the owner of this company.

This however, has proved exceedingly difficult.

Since this debacle began in September, I have faxed the owner twice and have called him more times than I care to remember. I have received no reply or refund.

I was taken by a bulbous man in a polyester suit.

I come to you with my rather embarrassing story in hopes that it may prevent others from falling prey to these snake-oil salesmen.

Certainly there are reputable organizations offering similar services, but just as many exist to take advantage of unsuspecting customers.

Keep this in mind as you search for a new apartment now or in the summer. Be smart and read the fine print before signing anything.

As I think back over the past few months I am reminded of something my father is fond of saying, "A fool and his money soon part." There just might be something to that bit of old age wisdom.

Please send your letters and comments to the Et Cetera newsroom in L231 or email us at etc@admin.humberc.on.ca. All submissions must include your name and phone number for verification.

Student Federation renovation costs \$15,000

by Amy Whittingham

The Humber Students' Federation is spending an estimated \$15,000 to renovate their offices in an effort to create a new image.

Cindy Dragic, business manager of HSF, says changes to the front office will make the reception area more official and inviting.

"We've changed the layout so that it was more open and so that the customer service reps will be facing the students when they walk into the door rather than coming around the corner."

Along with the renovations, Dragic said HSF is going to have part-time students working at the reception desk instead of full-time employees. She said they'll probably need about eight students to cover a full week.

The new staffing is part of improving the image.

"Having more student jobs means students know more about us because then their friends or class mates know about them working here," she said.

The money for the image change is coming from HSF's operating budget. Dragic said they put some money aside for an image improvement to go along with the creation of

the federation.

"So (the money is) just to improve the look and service that we provide to go along with the theme of getting

incorporated and being independent and more representative to the students," she said.

Mike Balaban, a first-year Marketing student, said he thinks the renovations are a good idea.

"As long as the tuition rates don't go up. It's going to appeal to more students."

First-year Occupational Therapist Assistant student, Renee Somerville, disagrees. She said she hasn't even noticed any changes being made.

"I would think it would be kind of a waste (of money) if I walked by it 20 times and not even notice that they've done anything."

Somerville said she'd rather see faces from HSF around the school, making themselves known.

The renovations should be done by the end of next week. They began the third week of December.



AMY WHITTINGHAM

Facelift... the renovations are part of the HSF's image improvement

Lines will ease soon Blues Week's daily activities start Monday

Director of Consumer Relations said wait times at Registrar's should slow down by next week

by Maxim Ivanov

Lines in the customer service and registration office can be avoided if students go there at the right time.

According to Barry Hemmerling, associate director of consumer services, the best times to come would be close to 7:30 a.m. when the Registration office opens, or after 4 p.m.

"In the mornings the wait times are shorter because the people are just arriving. Typically the busiest time of the day is that 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. period. It's impacted partly by lunches - it's just the fact that we seem to hit the peak of our activities - while by mid afternoon, the activities start to tail off."

Hemmerling said long lineups are typical for each semester's beginning, with most students rushing in to either

register or to make time changes, but whether they're typical or not, they still leave some students frustrated.

"Estimated waiting time is one hour and 12 minutes, which is a little ridiculous," said Victor Raba, 3rd year Electronics and Engineering student, "I came here a week late thinking, OK everyone is going to come in the beginning of a year. I think everyone did the same thing I did."

According to Hemmerling, over 2,700 students were served by the registration office on the first Tuesday and Wednesday of the semester. The numbers are high even now, but it won't last more than for another week.

"We like to believe it's slowing down now and it will taper off over this week," said Hemmerling. "I guess it will pick up this Friday, as a result of Friday being the last day to withdraw."



MAXIM IVANOV

Falling Asleep... students had to wait more than an hour in line

by Nadia Ranieri

There are almost two more months left to endure until we see the budding blossoms of spring, but Humber College has created the perfect remedy to cure the curse of Old Man Winter.

Beginning Monday, January 22, Humber will be kicking off Blues Week 2001. It's a week-long event filled with fun activities to help students survive the winter blues.

"The idea came basically from Humber's programming crew," said Humber Student's Federation President, Toby Warnell. The objective is to reorientate students to the new year and it's also an orientation for students beginning in January.

Different activities are scheduled for each day of the week.

On Monday, students will be wisked away on a candy count. Mason jars filled with blue coloured M&M's will be placed throughout a variety of settings on campus.

"If you can guess how many M&M's are in the jar, you'll win the candies plus a prize pack," said Stephen Anastasi, vice president of campus life.

"I've been sick twice this winter. I'm just not a skiing type of guy."

-Toby Warnell

The Blues theme continues throughout the day where you can receive free drinks and popcorn, all of which are blue, of course.

"The whole program is a good way to enhance social life, meet new students and break free from the rush of work and school," Anastasi said.

The winter season can be depressing, especially when you don't like the snow.

"I've been sick twice this winter. I'm just not a skiing type of guy," admits Warnell.

For Tuesday, expect the campus scene to be buzzing with activity. You can win a lay, a Hawaiian floral wreath lei, that is, if you provide the right answers to some tricky trivia questions.

"If you get the answer right, you get laid," said Anastasi.

If coconut bowling doesn't bring out a few snickers from the crowd, the Blue Jello Eating Contest just may very well do so. The person who is able to eat the most jello in the least amount of time will be the lucky recipient of a

"The whole program is a good way to enhance social life, meet new students and break free from the rush of work and school."

-Stephen Anastasi,

cool prize pack.

"Stuff like this makes students happy, and as a fact, happy students learn better," Anastasi said.

"I think it's a great idea," said Lisa Alcantara, a third-year Interior Design student. "It gets the school and students active, because besides the pub and going to class, there's not much else to do."

The Blues Week ends off on a musical note with an exclusive performance by the Canadian band, 54-40, at CAPS on Friday.

Anastasi hopes the event will help students learn more about the Humber Community. The best advice he could offer to students who are suffering from the winter season blahs is simple.

"Chill out and have fun," he said.



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Books on recycling block sold for only pennies

by **Brianne Binelli**

The library kept with tradition this week by holding its annual book sale on the first floor of the library.

The sale dates back to 1981 when other Humber campus libraries were closing down and library staff needed to find a home for the unwanted books.

"We used to advertise a bit," in the school paper and on the radio, said Doug Wilford, senior reference library technician. But as time went on that kind of

promotion died down.

This year's novels, magazines, and textbooks were on sale for as low as five cents from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. to give day and night students the opportunity to take advantage of the sale.

The material for the sale came from various places around the college such as donations from professors.

"Some of them [books] weren't that good for the shelf," so they decided to sell them, said Joanne Merigliano, book sale organizer and library clerk.

The sale was held on the first floor of the library in the private study area, "Putting it somewhere else would be hard to monitor," Merigliano said.

She kept the sale to two days, Monday and Tuesday, so students would not be inconvenienced for long.

The unsold books were sent to recycling and the money from the sale was put back into the library where it can be used to provide more services and or books for the college.



BRIANNE BINELLI

Searchin'... A couple of students check out the books at the library

No price for grad portraits

Student Image will not post prices for photos, while nearby studios are offering better-budget prices for Humber's graduate students

by **Lindsay Bruce**

It's time again for Humber grads to smile and say cheese, for a price that is.

Photographers from Mississauga based Student Image will return to Humber on January 22 to 26 to take pictures by appointment only.

Andy Ferenc of Student Image says that he would rather not give prices to students before the photos have been taken.

"I don't want prices to be a problem, I just want students to come down," said Ferenc.

After paying a \$10 sitting fee, students have no obligation to buy the proofs that will be sent to them. The fee goes to the Humber Students' Federation's (HSF) budget.

Ferenc says he doesn't want to scare people off by quoting a price that may seem high before students know what they are getting for their money.

After paying the sitting fee and having the portraits taken students have the option of having new proofs done if they aren't satisfied with the original set free of charge.

"If you call me and say you didn't like your hair or something along those lines, we can usually help you out without charging another sitting fee," Ferenc said.

The Et Cetera has learned basic prices for Student Image's service. A source at the company said that the cheapest package through Student Image starts at \$32. You would receive one 8x10 photo or

two 5x7 photos.

The most common package is called their Maxi-Package, costing \$149. You get two different poses with this package. The pictures you get are two 8x10, four 5x7, eight 4x5 and two sets, one of each pose, of six 2x3 photos.

Student Image comes prepared with lots of props.

"We have grad caps, gowns, nursing caps, a stethoscope if you want to wear a stethoscope, and flowers for the ladies," Ferenc said.

Appointment slips are available in the HSF office in room KX105.

"I don't want prices to be a problem, I just want students to come down."

-Andy Ferenc

Sears and Zellers located at Woodbine Mall also have packages available for grads that may be looking to get their portraits done on a budget.

Sears offers a grad package that includes 10 sheets of portraits and one 10x13 frame for \$89.95 plus taxes.

They also have another package that consists of one 8x10, two 5x7, and eight wallets for \$24.95. Any additional sheets of photographs cost \$12. Photographer Wanda Carter of Sears Portrait Studio, said that they don't have many props for grads, but they

can accommodate any props students bring in.

"We have one black gown, but it is a little small," Carter said.

Carter says to make sure an appointment is made before coming down to the portrait studio.

"You don't want to hang around here for two hours," Carter said.

Zellers Portrait Studio also has some packages available for grads. They carry a few more props, including the gown, hat, sash, and they also have a library background.

Ghazala Ali is a photographer at the studio, and she said her prices have been bringing Humber students in to her shop for the past few years.

"Students tell me what they need, and I can usually accommodate. I'm very flexible," Ghazala said.

Zellers offers a standard package for customers that includes two 8x10, two 5x7, and 16 wallet pictures for \$40. This package consists of one pose with choice of background.

If the student purchases this package they will also be able to buy two other packages.

One 10x13, 8x10, 5x7, and four wallets also for \$40, and one 8x10, 5x7, and four wallets for \$30. Ghazala also offers Humber students two instant I.D. pictures for \$10.

"If they come to me and say they are Humber students, I'll offer a discount of 15 per cent," said Ghazala.

Drivers stress on first days back

Crowded parking lots are rammed this week with new student schedules and parking spaces are oversold

by **Ryan Paxton**

Students at Humber's North Campus were welcomed to the new semester with long line ups and wait times for parking.

The first week of the Winter 2001 semester was full of parking delays, with Monday being the worst. Some students reported 30 minute wait times to get into the some of the pre-paid permit lots after they filled to capacity.

It is the practice of Humber College to sell more parking permits than there are parking spots available, according to Marilyn Bee, manager of client services. She says it normally poses no problems.

"The lots are oversold typically by a small amount," Bee

said "It only makes sense that we oversell them to a certain degree because students start classes at different times and one would not be in the parking lot all day."

But according to Gary Jaynes, director of public safety, there is often an unusually high volume of students coming all at once on the first days of any semester. He says that the delays should clear themselves up once the semester gets rolling.

"Monday was the first day back. We always get crowded on the first day back," Jaynes said. "Once people get their schedules worked out, I would suggest that you won't find many problems."



RYAN PAXTON

Packed... The lots have been filled more than usual this week

On Campus *et cetera*

Drinking and Driving targetted at Caps Event

Molson, Labatt's, Bacardi, and even Peel Police were on hand to promote Alcohol Awareness to Humber Students

By Lama Nicola

“And they don't know each other well enough to discuss using a condom?”

This message underlies a photograph of a couple in an intimate position from an ad put out by BACCHUS Canada, one of the sponsors at Tuesday's Alcohol Awareness Fair held at CAPS. The ad was distributed in attempt to illustrate the consequences of drinking irresponsibly.

Alice McKee, student manager of CAPS organized this CRASH event in conjunction with Humber Student's Federation. She made free 'mock tails,' alcohol-free pina colodas and margaritas, to go along with some of the free heures d'oerves and popcorn. The goal is to show students how to be social and have fun without having to drink.

“And they [mock tails] taste better, if you ask me,” she said.

CAPS plays an active role in promoting responsible drinking all year round. They have a designated drivers' program, where DDs leave their keys at the bar and get free pop all night. They also have a walk home program if you live in the vicinity, if not, they'll call you a cab.

“We make it a habit to never over-serve our customers and we try really hard. We're a strict bar, especially when it comes to ID and being under-age. We just want to promote responsible drinking and everybody having a good time in a college environment,” said McKee.

Representatives from Molson's, Labatt's, and Bacardi were on the scene to promote awareness from the alcohol industry's perspective. There was

no free alcohol, but they did give away various gifts, such as sweaters, t-shirts, key chains and day timers.

If you filled in a ballot at the Bacardi station – their slogan is “Enjoy our good taste with your good judgement” – you could have won a hammock, or a really cool 'solar crank radio' – a ghetto blaster without batteries or plugs.

“Kids are not as foolish as they once were. They know that they don't have to drink alcohol to have fun,” said Chris McAleer, corporate account manager at Bacardi.

I know that it [drinking and driving] happens, it happens a lot more than we actually realize, but hopefully we'll have some people make the right decision,” said Brain Bolton, one of Humber's RAs, as he gave away free kisses. (Hershey's kisses that is!)

“The key here is for young people to develop good habits, and responsible habits, and that goes with alcohol of any form. So, this is why we're trying to increase the awareness,” said Mike Costello, Territory Representative for Molson's.

“Plan ahead. Don't drink and drive,” was Molson's message.

Costello travels to campuses across Ontario to promote planning ahead, and to endorse Molson's non-alcoholic beer, Molson Excel, which can be bought at your local convenience store. It's for those of you who like the taste of beer for what it is, and not for the purpose of getting 'smashed.'

Peel Police attended the event as well. Constable Chris Pero and Constable John Murphy were more than happy to inform students about their 'Zero Tolerance'

campaign and about the various penalties that could come from driving under the influence of alcohol.

“Any amount of alcohol when you're driving a vehicle will not be tolerated, and we'll enforce any powers that we have within the law to prevent you from driving,” said Murphy.

For those of you who missed the event, you might want to know that the minimum penalties for impaired driving in Ontario have changed. Under the Criminal Code, a first offence will get you a one-year licence suspension and a \$600 fine. A second offence could lead to a two-year suspension and 14 days in jail, and a third offence leads to a three-year suspension and 90 day jail sentence. Any other subsequent offences could mean a lifetime without ever driving again.

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A brief chronology

Beginning of Time:

Strategically placed leaves.

The Flintstones Era:

Cavemen begin wrapping leaves, furs and skins around their waists and between their legs to stay warm and keep off bugs.

Egyptian Era:

Queen Cleopatra of Egypt takes to wearing a loincloth to cover herself.

2500 BC: Minoan women, from the Greek island of Crete, wore bra-like garments that lifted their bare breasts up.

2000 BC: In early Crete, depictions of the Snake Goddess show her wearing a corset-style outfit.

Middle Ages: The "codpiece" undergarment, which accentuates the male genitalia, becomes popu-

lar among aristocratic European men. Meanwhile, many women put up with chastity belts. Made of cold, heavy metal, they were essentially iron underwear with a lock on them to keep young maidens chaste and virginal while their men were off fighting in the Crusades.

18th Century: The introduction of linen helps bring peasants

onto the undergarment scene. Before, only the wealthiest of nobles could afford real underwear.

1750: A corset is made featuring 169 whale bones.

1800s: Advertising for underwear begins, first in France and then the U.S. Prudes want them banned, calling them pornographic.
Victorian Era: Corsets whit-

tle waists for both men and women.

1893: A U.S. woman named Marie Tucek patents the first 'bra' called a 'breast supporter.'

Early 1900s: Men begin wearing one-piece outfits known as 'Long Johns' or 'Union Suits.'

1914: Mary Phelps Jacob, a New York socialite, patents her 'backless brassiere.' It was the first bra

Humber students speak out on a topic very close to home

A word on the street special

Men were asked, "What type of underwear do you wear?" And Ladies were asked, "What type of underwear do you prefer men to wear?"



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Humber Student Federation President, Toby Warnell:

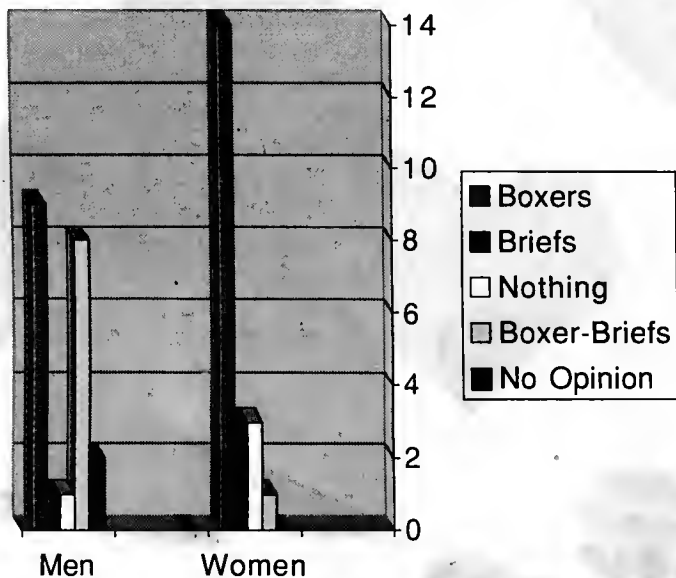
"Nothing. It's true. It's comfortable. It allows freedom."



PATRICIA LIMA

Humber graduate, Human Resources Councillor, Toby Ferguson:

"Boxers. Definitely boxers because I don't want a man in no Tarzan brief."



PATRICIA LIMA

Business Management applicant, Michelle Downey (right):

"It depends on the moment."



PATRICIA LIMA

Second-year Computer Engineering student:

"Nothing. Plain and simple."

Your personality's inside your pants

by Patricia Lima

A lady's undies can sometimes say just as much about her as a psychological assessment by Freud himself.

"Underwear does definitely say a lot about who a woman is," said Kathy Pehar, a recent graduate from the Fashion Design program at the International Academy of Merchandise and Design.

"You get prissy women who like the pinks and the pretty colours and the little ruffles. Then you have the more sport-like women who wear just comfortable plain cotton, even boxers," she said.

UNPREDICTABLE WOMEN

But Shana Tilbrook, part owner of Secrets From Your Sister, a lingerie store in Toronto, said there are times when a woman is not so predictable.

"I can never tell who's going to buy a thong or who's going to buy a full brief," Tilbrook said.

However, Tilbrook added that there are times when underwear imitates personality.

"Sometimes there's the earthy girl who will wear a cotton half-cami rather than a pretty bra because they don't want to restrict their body at all."

Another thing is for sure - underwear should always be fun to wear.

"Nobody has to see it," Tilbrook said, "so you can wear something really fun that doesn't necessarily match your outfit and that you wouldn't wear as an outer garment. You can go wild."

Pehar said a woman should also keep the interests of her lover in mind when panty-picking.

"It's sexual appeal, you want that, you're human, and you should definitely keep your partner in mind."

But underwear wasn't always so important to a woman's love life. When people wore it in pre-historic times its main purpose was purely functional. It was meant to simply keep someone protected, clean and warm.

Underwear is a major money-maker for clothing manufacturers who followed Calvin Klein's lead in promoting it as an important fashion accessory, Pehar said.

"Calvin Klein really helped to make underwear, outerwear," said Pehar.

"He made it cool by having sexy models like Marky Mark (Wahlberg) and Kate Moss show it off...and basically underwear's now another place to stick a label."

As all the major contemporary fashion designers continue to make underwear an oh-so public matter, it seems that your private parts aren't very private anymore.

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History of our underwear

design to be widely used.

Circa World War (1914-1918): Women give up corsets to help the war effort – and save 28,000 tons of metal.

1935: Jockey shorts are first introduced to the buying public in Chicago, causing a sensation.

1950s: The seemingly magical strapless bra is invented.

Late 1950s - Present:

Well-oiled college fraternity boys continue to torment their nerdy classmates by giving them 'wedges,' swiftly hoisting their underwear up into a 'wedge' between their legs. Bill Gates though would later get his revenge.

1980s - Present: Fashion designer Calvin Klein is a key play-

er in making underwear, outerwear.

1984: Madonna makes the metallic cone-shaped bra fashionable.

1985: The U.S. Secret Service confiscates 1,000 pairs of Joe Boxer shorts, emblazoned with \$100 bills, since they violate forgery laws.

Present Day: A museum in St. Petersburg, Russia displays a collection illustrating the history of

Communist-era underwear, which, to say the least, emphasized the cheap and functional over style and comfort.

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Whether it's boxers or briefs skivies are wedged in fashion

by Desmond Devoy

Men's underwear; it's not just for wedgies anymore.

Even though it's the one piece of clothing people are least likely to see you wearing, it has become an important part of the fashion industry and our social fabric (no pun intended).

"Underwear used to be less important. Now it's more important with its constantly changing styles," said Ania Czerwoniec, a first-year Fashion Arts student. "It's an important part of the fashion industry. Now it's purchased as a fashion item, something to make you look nicer."

JOCKEY TRENDS

One trend Czerwoniec already sees as a new development in the underwear world is uni-sex underwear. It can be worn by, and is marketed to, both men and women.

"That was our revolution," she said. "That's something new. I think it's a good change. I'm a feminist. I like sexy underwear."

Though uni-sex underwear is popular with both men and women, the two sexes' underwear buying habits are still a little bit more gender-specific. Typically, women tend to buy more underwear than men do.

"If you're a guy, usually [you buy it] once a year. But if you're a

girl, it's usually more. No offense guys, but we need more!" said Czerwoniec. "When I buy underwear, it usually lasts for half a year. After washing it often, it loses its colours. I usually buy new underwear every half a year."

For Czerwoniec, herself a former model, men's underwear isn't just a comfortable piece of clothing, it's a state of mind, and even an indicator of one's personality.

"Anything you wear is going to reveal your type of personality," she said. "The conservative ones are more conservative. The more outgoing ones wear the more revealing underwear."

Whenever shopping for underwear, Czerwoniec is partial to the designs of Calvin Klein, who helped revolutionize the underwear world, often through ground-breaking use of advertising from their infamous poster boy of the early 1990s, Marky Mark. And even though Klein came under fire a few years ago about some of his edgier ads, the Polish-born Czerwoniec has no problems with underwear advertising. "Europe is more liberal about that so they pretty much show everything," she said.

Another place that appreciates a lot of exposed underwear is the La Senza lingerie store. Even though it mostly caters to women's intimate apparel, they

have branched out lately into boxer shorts and other types of men's underwear, for women to pick up for their special guy.

"We opened 10 years ago. We never used to have specialty stores. Now we're just booming because there's a need for it," said Kristy Fletcher, a lingerie consultant at the La Senza store at the Bramalea City Centre in Brampton. "People are just coming out I guess."

BOXERS VS. BRIEFS

Since she sees more men and women's underwear every day than do most young women her age, Fletcher has noticed what women want on their men (and what their men like to get).

"Most guys prefer boxers to briefs right now. Most guys say that boxers are like thongs. I've heard a lot of guys come on and say it. Personally, I don't want to know!" she said. And even among boxers themselves, men have a clear preference as well. "A lot of them [men] prefer the cotton to the silk [boxers] because it's a mix of boxers and briefs." Fletcher added, "I guess they think they are more sexy."

When asked why briefs aren't as popular as boxers, Fletcher said, "They're more constrictive. I know a lot of guys, they make fun of them and call them 'tighty whities.'"

In parting:

As the history of our undergarments developed, the miracle of language ensured that our terminology and slang changed along with it.

Courtesy of the Oxford Dictionary of Slang, this is a list, in chronological order, of colourful verbatim to describe your knickers, or your panties, or your drawers, etc...

Undies (1906) Applied to girls' or women's underwear; from *und(erwear) + ies*.

Underfug (1924) British public schools' slang; applied to an undervest and also to underpants; from *under + fug* stuffy atmosphere.

Winter woolies (1926) Applied to warm underwear (not necessarily made of wool).

Skivvy, scivvy, skivie, skivie (1932) North American, orig. nautical; applied to a vest or undershirt or, in the plural, to underwear.

Trollies, trolleys (1934) British, mainly schoolgirls' slang; applied to women's underpants; perhaps from *trolly* type of lace.

Gay deceivers (1942) Dated; applied to a padded bra or to breast-pads; compare earlier *gay deceiver* deceitful rake or dissolute person.

Falsies (1943) Orig U.S.; applied to a padded bra or to breast-pads; from *false + ie*.

Long johns (1943) Applied to underpants with long legs.

Passion-killers (1943) Applied to sturdy, practical, and unromantic ladies' knickers, originally those issued to female service personnel.

Smalls (1943) British; applied to underwear; compare earlier sense, breeches.

Jock (1952) North American; abbreviation of *jockstrap*.

Pasties (1961) Applied to coverings worn over the nipples of a showgirl's or topless dancers breasts, especially to comply with legal requirements for entertainers; from *paste apply* (with *paste*) + *ies*.

Cockrag (1964) Australian; applied mainly to a loincloth worn by an aboriginal; from *cock* (penis) + *rag*.

"In the past, aerobics was held in the gym. The hardwood floors are hard on the body."
-Leanne Henwood

Diabetes, can you detect it?

Diabetes awareness is a growing issue with over 16 million people in Canada and the U.S. suffering from the disease.



CHARLOTTE BROWN

It only hurts for a second Diabetics have to test their blood sugar levels on a daily basis in order to see how much insulin they need to give themselves.

by Charlotte Brown

Beware! A person's family history, weight and age can lead to the development of diabetes.

According to the American Diabetes Association (ADA), diabetes occurs when there is too much glucose in the blood.

Glucose is used by the body's cells as fuel. When glucose builds up in the blood instead of going into cells, it can cause two problems.

Initially, your cells may be starved for energy, and over time, high glucose levels may cause complications.

"People need to be aware of the warning signs," Jeff Martin, a communications expert at ADA said. "Such things as blurry vision could really do harm if it is not checked out immediately."

"It is also important to eat about the same number of calories each day, to plan meals and snacks for the same time each day, and to never skip meals."

-Jeff Martin

The Canadian Diabetes Association and the ADA both conduct research on the disease. For the general public, ADA provides information on the two types of diabetes. Type 1, or insulin-dependent diabetes, is caused by damage to the beta cells of the pancreas. These cells make insulin, a hormone that helps other cells in the body take in the glucose they need.

People with Type 1 diabetes are either born with it, or develop it very early in life.

Occasionally, the beta cells get wiped out and cannot produce insulin. Without

insulin, glucose stays in the blood instead of going into the cells. This leads to diabetes.

Some symptoms of Type 1 diabetes include; weight loss, frequent urination, hunger, extreme thirst, fatigue, and sight problems.

The glucose level can be lowered with insulin shots, diet, and exercise. Injections restore the insulin that your body is no longer able to produce and allow cells to absorb glucose. A diet that is low in fat, containing only moderate amounts of protein, and is high in complex carbohydrates such as beans, vegetables and grains, should be followed.

"It is also important to eat about the same number of calories each day, to plan meals and snacks for the same time each day and to never skip meals," Martin said. "Exercise is also an important factor because it helps the cells take in glucose and therefore lowers the glucose levels in the blood."

Type 1 diabetes can cause ketoacidosis (high blood glucose levels), hypoglycemia (low blood glucose levels), and other complications including damage to the eyes, kidneys and nerves.

According to ADA, the most common problem in children with Type 1 diabetes is hypoglycemia, or low blood sugar. This occurs when the body gets too much insulin or too little food.

The symptoms include hunger, dizziness, trembling, pale skin, clumsiness and headaches.

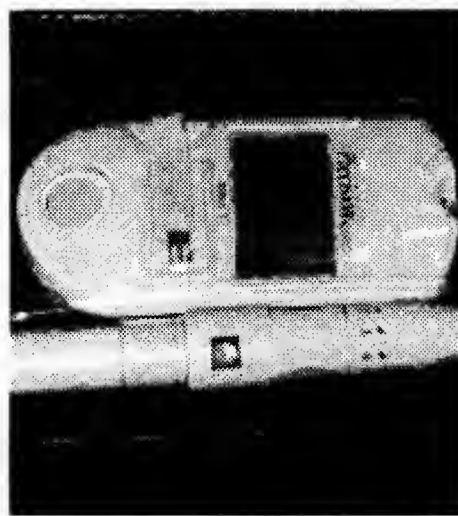
This can be treated by giving the diabetic carbohydrates such as fruit juice, regular soda or hard candy followed by a snack of cereal with milk, half a sandwich or crackers with cheese or peanut butter.

Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes. In fact, 90 per cent of all diabetics have Type 2. In this case, the body is either not making enough insulin or the cells are ignoring the insulin. Meal planning, exercise and weight loss is usually necessary to bring the blood glucose levels back down to a normal rate.

Nadeem Sawaged, 48, a Type 2 diabetic said that his diabetes was discovered during a routine blood test to check his cholesterol level.

"I have a family history of diabetes, but I never really had any of the problems," he said. "I haven't really changed my lifestyle, but I do watch what I eat," Sawaged said. "I won't sit down and eat a cake though."

Martin said that people who are over the age of 45, or overweight, or have a history of diabetes are the most susceptible to Type 2 diabetes. Recent research by ADA stated that 8.2 per cent of the population have diabetes.



CHARLOTTE BROWN

High-tech machinery New technology helps to make a diabetic's life hassle free when checking their blood sugar.

A meal plan that is low in fat, has moderate amounts of protein and contains starches is necessary. Losing weight is also important because it allows your body to use the insulin more efficiently. Blood sugar checks are still necessary. However, sometimes these measures are not enough and a doctor might need to prescribe medication.

"Although a healthy diet may help prevent diabetes, it's not 100 per cent safe. More than 16 million people who suffer from diabetes can certainly attest to that."

-Jeff Martin

Problems related to Type 2 diabetes are high or low blood sugar, and other complications including increased risk of heart and blood vessel disease.

Sawaged believes that he is very lucky, "I haven't had any other problems, but my sister has really bad eye sight. I didn't get any of that," he said. "Joe (my son) has to be careful though because there's a family history of it."

The ADA has a complete guide for diabetics about testing their blood at home and keeping track of their glucose levels. This can be done with a home kit, which includes a special needle to prick the finger and a small machine to test the blood for the glucose level.

People really do need to be aware, Martin said. "Although a healthy diet may help prevent diabetes, it's not 100 per cent safe. More than 16 million people who suffer from diabetes can certainly attest to that."

By age 43, 46.1 per cent of men with Type 1 diabetes experienced impotence (erectile dysfunction), according to some studies.
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Toronto is lacking in the sperm department

by Patrick Maloney

Toronto is looking for a few good men.

If you are interested in helping others, and making a little extra money for yourself, then you may want to consider donating sperm to Xytex Corp.

"Money is usually one of the reasons that gets people into the doors," explains David Towles, who works for Xytex's Toronto office.

"But it is not the only reason. In fact, we have some donors who participate specifically because they want to meet the children when they reach majority age."

While the thought of being found 20 years after the donation is attractive to some men, others may find it unappealing.

Dave Baranowsky, a second-year Architecture student said, "I wouldn't want the child to find me. It's not like I had a real part

in that, I was just helping someone fulfill her life. If I had actual input into the whole process, then maybe yes, but I don't even know who [the mother] would be."

"We have to screen hundreds of candidates to get a handful of acceptable donors. The whole process takes about four to eight weeks."

-David Towles

Xytex has set up a program to allow donors to keep in contact with the offspring. However, a donor may also remain anonymous if that is their wish. "Your information is only released with your authorization. It's up to the individual," Towles said.

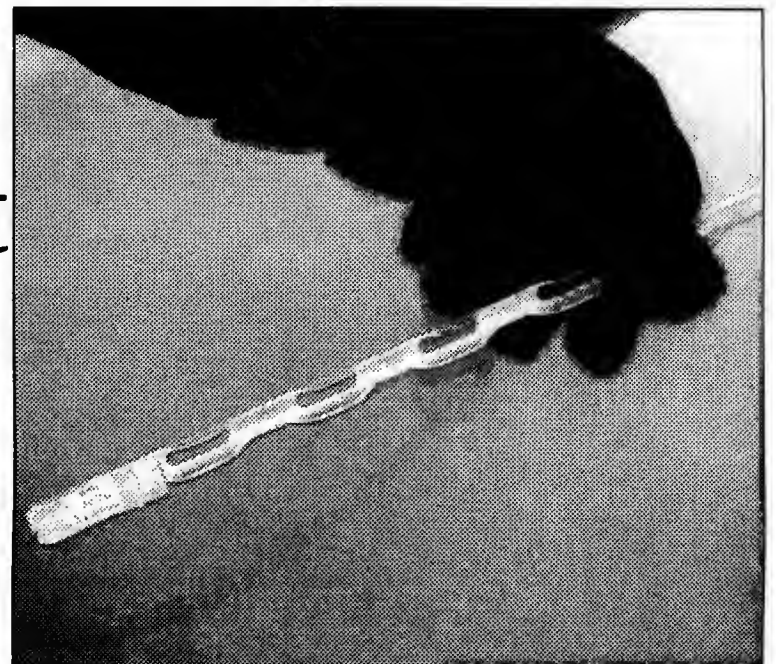
Now, what about that money? "Donors who are accepted

receive \$65 per acceptable sample," Towles said. Not bad, especially when donors can visit the Xytex clinic up to three times a week. However, you have to abstain from ejaculating for at least 48 hours between each collection.

Cathy Ruberto, assistant clinical director at Repromed Ltd., an Etobicoke based sperm clinic, stresses that money is not, and should not be the main motivation.

"We're helping people build families," she said. "A lot of our donors are already blood donors. They have that mentality that they want to help people, and that's nice."

Although there is a "high demand" for donors, Ruberto is quick to point out that it is not easy to become one. In fact, the screening process is very involved and deems most applicants as unacceptable.



PATRICK MALONEY

Where does it all go? Right into this sperm collecting device where it gets frozen until the sample is needed.

"Sperm banking is legislated by the federal government and there's very strict exclusion criteria as to who can be a donor and who can't be a donor," Ruberto said. "A donor needs to have a healthy family medical history and what that means is that he can't have medical illnesses or hereditary illnesses, or major medical disorders. We don't accept any donors that have been convicted of any federal offence."

"We have to screen hundreds of candidates to get a handful of acceptable donors," Towles said. "The whole process takes about four to eight weeks."

To donate, you must be between the ages of 18 and 40, and have some form of post-secondary education. For more information please call Xytex Corp. at 905-478-1546 or call Etobicoke based Repromed Ltd. at 416-233-1212.

Humber's new aerobics floor adds bounce

Fitness will be made easy as the new and improved athletics centre gets the finishing touches for its grand opening this winter.



LINDA KANG

Boing! Students will be getting a spring in their steps with the new sprung floor.

by Linda Kang

Aerobics enthusiasts at Humber College are jumping for joy— or bouncing, at least.

The new aerobics studio's completion marks the end to renovations of the Humber College Athletics Centre, following a five-week delay because of missing windows.

"They could not complete the aerobics studio without windows because exposure to cold air would warp the wood floors," Doug Fox, Humber College director of athletics, said.

The aerobics studio is part of this year's \$2 million dollar Athletics Centre expansion plan.

Aerobics enthusiasts are eager to get back into the spring of things and with good reason.

Leanne Henwood, fitness co-ordinator at Humber College said the floor acts as a shock absorber making it bouncy, protecting joints against injury.

"In the past, aerobics was held in the gym. The hardwood floors are hard on the body," Henwood said.

The floor of the aerobics studio has four layers: a rubber base topped by two plywood layers, angled to give the floor its bounce. The top layer is wood.

Henwood said the separate aerobics room is a relief to many aerobics participants who felt out of place sharing the gymnasium.

Henwood said, "This was bad for two reasons. One was

that it was noisy. Sound carried regardless of the curtain divider. Also, it was intimidating for the women. There were many people on the other side of that court, mostly male students playing basketball."

Joanne Merigliano, from Humber's Library Services said "[A lot of the time] when there were events, we would always get kicked out. A lot of the times the classes were cancelled, or sometimes they would move [the aerobics classes] into the squash courts."

Aerobics schedules are available in the Athletics Centre.

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Entertainment

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Big Sugar gives sweet guitar lessons

Lead singer Gordie Johnson shows off his noodling abilities to fans at local music store

by Kristina Koski

How sweet they sounded. How sweet it was. Gordie Johnson and Kelly Hoppe, also known as Mr. Chill from the legendary Canadian rock band, Big Sugar, recently performed and chatted with a captivated audience for what seems to be an annual tradition at the Long and McQuade Musical Instruments' Bloor Street location.

The guitars the boys brought along included Johnson's acoustic, banjo and a black double-neck guitar, all from Gibson, and Hoppe's arsenal of harmonicas and a melodic (a small keyboard instrument with a mouthpiece attached).

"Music is something someone should do because they love to do it, not because they have to."

-Gordie Johnson

Instead of being held in the store's guitar department, it was held in the church behind the store to accommodate the number of people attending. The performance/guitar clinic, held in late November, entertained many guitar players and Big Sugar fans.

"The key to good guitar playing is having fun," said Big Sugar's frontman, Gordie Johnson at the guitar clinic. "You have to have fun doing it. Pick it up when it's fun," he added.

"Music is something someone should do because they love to do it, not because they have to." In Johnson's opinion, if practicing is a chore than an aspiring musician won't want to practice.

The voice behind Big Sugar said there are many things a player can do to a guitar to manipulate its sound, like making it seem louder and heavier while creating

effects without the aid of pedals.

Johnson is an advocate of open tuning as opposed to standard. A member of the audience commented that open D tuning made it nearly impossible to solo. Johnson tuned the six-string of his black Gibson double-neck and instinctively began to noodle.

"Hey, I guess I just proved it. It can be done, I just did it!" he said.

In a requested repeat of a demonstration he did at last year's guitar clinic, Johnson created an incredibly cool ghosting effect on his double-neck.

He found that if he flicked his guitar to play the six-string, and cranked up the volume on both guitars, an eerie echoing could be heard from the vibrations of the 12-string.

"I'm afraid to mention this to Gibson because I'm afraid they might go and fix it," he said.

"I get paid to make it do this mistake."

Surprisingly, Johnson doesn't use pedals or effects of any kind. The power and heaviness he gets in his sound is created purely by "metal on metal," as he likes to put it.

Instead of generic plastic picks, Johnson uses steel finger picks and, quite often, a slide.

If trying metal finger picks for the first time, he recommends using a cheap guitar to practice on.

Using metal on metal, a guitarist can create a sound that is twice as big and bold as with plastic picks.

If experimenting on a loved and cherished guitar to perfect the metal finger-picking technique,

"You will chew a big 'ole Willy Nelson hole in your Les Paul," Johnson said.

He also uses extraordinarily heavy strings, but he warned against this practice since a beautiful guitar can wind up



Big Sugar... one of Canada's leading rock bands performed and gave tips at a local music store.

becoming a very expensive banana.

Of course, there is also the issue of personal safety.

"You break one of those, baby, lookout! You'll draw blood," he said.

He also mentioned that most guitarists commonly forget about their tone control knob. Much of his fat tone can be attributed to the effective use of his tone control.

"The key to good guitar playing is having fun. You have to have fun doing it. Pick it up when it's fun."

-Gordie Johnson

Aside from being a talented musician and songwriter, Johnson is also a wonderful storyteller. He looked back on all the gear he'd blown up over the years (and what a lengthy list it is), in search of the most and best sound.

He reminisced of being on his aunt's land in Alberta and being told to herd the cattle she owned. He had no clue what to do so, intuitively, he began to sing.

For some reason that still boggles him to this day, when he sang, the cattle came.

He joked of how he preferred a human audience to the cattle since the cows just grunted and stared blankly at him.

"So just continue to chew your cud while I play you another song," Johnson joked.

Although the Sugar buzz has been quiet over the past few months, Johnson and Big Sugar have been keeping themselves busy.

Alkaline, released in the summer, was a compilation of circa "1970s-analogue-Jamaican remixes" of the more obscure Big Sugar tunes.

This project was originally a simple club gig but A&R Reps, as well as Big Sugar fans, took a heavy interest and shortly after, it was released as an album.

Johnson also produced Wide Mouth Mason's latest album, *Stew*, where the raw sounds that come from WMM frontman Shaun Verrault's guitar make Johnson's



KRISTINA KOSKI

Gordie Johnson... Big Sugar lead vocalist and master guitarist

presence obvious.

Since then, Johnson has spent time in the States spreading the word of the Sugar that is Big, playing with the likes of the Black Crowes and the legendary and greatly missed blues man, Stevie Ray Vaughan's old band, Double Trouble.

Johnson and Hoppe gave fans a little taste of their upcoming album with a song called 'Lost and Found,' featuring the lovely phantom guitar technique mentioned earlier.

Big Sugar is currently working on a new album that is expected out sometime this year.

The closest to a real release date Johnson could give was "sometime after February."



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Lindy releases new album

by Kristina Koski

For independent Toronto band, Lindy, musicality and camaraderie have come together in their latest release, *The Humorous Years*.

Frontman Lindy Vopnfjord (guitar/vocals/song-writer) said the band is on the same musical level technically and a special mental connection exists between them.

"The thing I always loved about Lindy's lyricism is the fact that he writes from a very personal place."

-Rich Ragany

Vopnfjord reformed the lineup of his mellow, acoustic-based rock band in the fall of '99, by recruiting Jim Hobbs, the drummer from Vancouver band, Pure, guitarist Rich Ragany and bass guitarist Jackie Duncan, both from Calgary's Red Autumn Fall.

"When I get up on stage with these guys, when I get into the rehearsal space with these guys and I play music, or when I'm making love with somebody, that's when I feel most alive," said Vopnfjord.

"That is when I feel like I'm in a place...a place of power."

Lindy packed the Legendary Horseshoe Tavern on Queen Street for their CD release party in early November, and

Vopnfjord recently returned from a two-week solo tour in Ireland.

Vopnfjord and Ragany agreed that their musical and personal "click" was instantaneous and a probable cause for the successful recording of their live album.

"The synergy is unbelievable. It's gonna go. It's gonna fly," they said.

There is a great amount of respect and awe between all members of the band, creating a unity that is reflected in their music.

"The thing I always loved about Lindy's lyricism is the fact that he writes from a very personal place," Ragany said.

"We are literally going through the same things and it's a very, very special time for us. And we realized that we can find some kind of joy out of these kinds of things that we're going through."

He said fulfillment in life reflects the fulfillment a musician has when knowing his role in the band, and understanding that one single part will make the whole even stronger.

"I'm so happy right now. I couldn't be happier."

If there is one word people use when thinking of Lindy, Ragany hopes it is "timeless."

And with their complete dedication, both physical and emotional, Lindy's music has a likelihood of being just that. Timeless.



KRISTINA KOSKI

Lindy's guitarist in action at the Horseshoe Tavern

Are you gonna go his way?

Lenny Kravitz releases compilation album

by Carcia Campbell

If there is one artist who will be remembered for his diversity and musical creativity it will be Lenny Kravitz.

The songwriter, producer and Grammy award winner has released his Greatest Hits, a collection of his most memorable hits tracing his ten year career.

For those who are not familiar with Kravitz's sound, his music is distinctive. He makes each song different in sound and mood. Most would never know 'Believe' and 'Rock and Roll is Dead' are from the same artist.

The first song on the CD is 'Are You Gonna Go My Way', a song which depends on a heavy beat like an R&B tune but carries a rock sound through a rich guitar riff.

'Fly Away', a song that won Kravitz a Grammy award for best rock vocalist, is also featured on the CD and when you listen to the song it makes you feel as if you are flying as Kravitz swoons through the lyrics with much care, keeping his voice smooth and modest.

Kravitz's latest hit, 'Again', which shows off his poetic writing style, gives off the warm, comforting elements that have made his ballads, like 'Stand By My Woman', memorable and liked by everyone, even if rock isn't their style.

One of the songs that puts Kravitz's name in lights is titled, 'It Ain't Over Till It's Over'. This song displays Kravitz's talent for going back in time and presenting old sound of 70's Motown R&B to a different generation.

Kravitz is now in the studio recording new material for a new album.



LENNY KRAVITZ GREATEST HITS

The Humorous Years

by Kristina Koski

Lindy's latest release is a 13-track masterpiece. *The Humorous Years*, was recorded live at Umbrella Studios in Toronto, and one would expect the sound quality would be a little under par, especially for an independent release. However, on this album, most listeners aren't aware that it was a live recording. The sound is studio-crisp while maintaining a mellow, soft tone.

The album itself is quite radio friendly, in a style that is somewhat reminiscent of early Radiohead. *The Humorous*

Years features lovely melodies, and simply structured music. The songs may seem repetitive to some, but *The Humorous Years* is a wonderful album boasting top quality musicianship, fantastic lyrics and proves that sometimes simplicity is beautiful - and quite often harder to pull off than the seemingly complicated.



Dreamworks 2001 films



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Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts star in *The Mexican*.

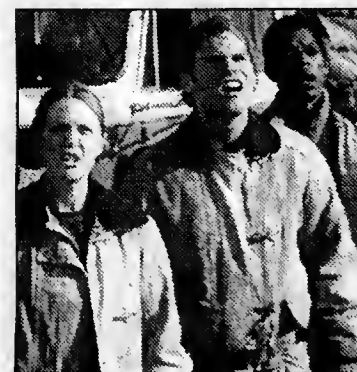
Shrek

Shrek the ogre (Mike Myers) and his wisecracking donkey (Eddie Murphy) embark on a quest to rescue Princess Fiona (Cameron Diaz) from the evil Lord Farquaad (John Lithgow) to save their kingdom. Alongside the all-star voice cast, animation wizards from PDI/DreamWorks (*Antz*) bring this comedic fairy tale to life in theatres this May.



COURTESY PHOTO

Mike Myers stars as Shrek.



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Can they save Earth in time?

The Curse of the Jade Scorpion

Woody Allen writes, directs and stars in his latest comedy, along with an all-star cast including Helen Hunt, Dan Aykroyd, and Elizabeth Berkley, destined to hit theatres this summer.



COURTESY PHOTO

Woody Allen writes, directs and stars in the *Curse of the Jade Scorpion*.

- D.C.

"I love deadlines, I especially like the whooshing sound they make as they go flying by."

-Douglas Adams

"Cooking is like sex, you do the best you can with what you've got."

-James Barber

Book Review

The blonde & the beautiful

by Ann-Marie Colacino

Seductive, manipulative, successful, materialistic, lonely, and miserable: these are just a few traits the blonde bombshells in Candace Bushnell's new novel "4 Blondes" are known for.

Former sex columnist for *The New York Observer* and author of *Sex and the City*, Bushnell's new book is a collection of four novellas about four women who suddenly realize the life decisions and dreams they once believed in have led them to dead ends.

Told in Bushnell's famous satirical yet all-too-real look at the inside lives of New York's rich and fabulous, these hilarious stories seem a little bit silly at first but are carefully laced with serious and moralistic undertones.

The first story is of Janey Wilcox, a B-list model who spends her summers searching for wealthy men who will shelter her with a summerhouse in the Hamptons. Janey's downfall begins when she discovers it's easy to find a man to provide her with financial support but

discovers that that's just not enough anymore.

Next is a narrative of the disintegrating marriage between a successful magazine columnist and a literary journalist. Tension between them slowly escalates until the story's climax when one night's actions transform their lives forever.

Platinum is the story of a self-pitying pill popper who is married to a real life prince. After only two years of marriage she begins to realize that just because the glass slipper fits, it doesn't mean it's a perfect match.

The last story, *Single Process*, which seems most likely of the four to mirror Bushnell's own life, is a short but sweet one about a single 40-something cynical writer who is sent on assignment overseas to write about English sex.

Every story is full of addictive and juicy details that can easily carry a reader from their quiet, comfortable surroundings to a sweaty and crowded Manhattan bar, cradling a martini and eavesdropping on the latest A-list news.



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Canadian actress is one lucky girl

by Jeff Russell

Eighteen-year-old Elisha Cuthbert likes to gamble. Well, actually, she pretends to like it.

Cuthbert plays Katlin Palmerston, a straight-A high school student, in the made-for-TV movie *Lucky Girl*, airing on CTV this spring. Her addiction to gambling becomes more than just a hobby when it forces her life into a downward spiral. From scratch cards and poker, to sports pools and even the Internet, Cuthbert's character — who makes Pete Rose look like the Pope — becomes obsessed to the point where she's out of control.

"I'm sure her problem is not a familiar one," said Cuthbert.

During a telephone interview from Montreal, Cuthbert said, "I'm sure a lot of people have the same sort of problems that she goes through. You hear a lot about kids and drugs, kids and



Elisha Cuthbert gets dealt a luck hand in the game of life

alcohol, kids and smoking. No one really talks about kids and gambling, and I think it's an issue, and it's not talked about a lot. I think it is great that this kind of shows

people the issue is out there and we should be looking at it."

Born in Calgary, Cuthbert recalls her teacher banned playing cards and exchanging money

in her class. She doesn't remember anyone having a gambling problem, but she says, if the rule was there, it was affecting someone.

"It's a dark film, it touches a lot of different areas on the addiction."

Having starred in such kiddie fare like *Popular Mechanics for Kids* for the past four seasons, and occasionally as an extra on *Are You Afraid of the Dark?* since she was 12, the role of Katlin was obviously a new challenge for Cuthbert.

"I'm at the point of my life where I'm done with school and I really, really pay a lot of attention to what I want to be doing next, and *Lucky Girl*, I think, is a great start because it was really different. It was really interesting, really complex, but yet, it also opened the doors to a lot of different things," said Cuthbert.

Like many actors who try to break into show business,

Cuthbert recently moved to Los Angeles. She has a locked network deal with Fox until June, and might be starring in a yet-to-be-produced show for them.

"I wanted to focus more on acting and this is something at the time that I felt really strongly about," said Cuthbert.

"L.A. is basically a big step towards that, and, I see myself doing great films and being part of great movies with great actors and actresses, that's where I want to be five years from now."

Cuthbert discovered as far back as she can remember, that she wanted to act.

She was mostly tutored on-set and tried to attend high school as much as possible, but Cuthbert said she missed around 500 classes during her last two years of school. Many actors who start in the business when they are kids feel they missed out on their childhood and growing up as a teenager, but not Cuthbert.

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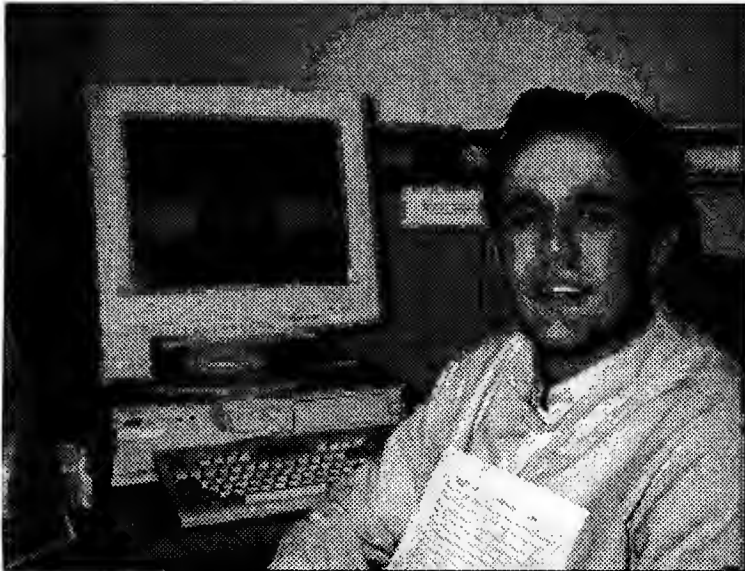
"78 per cent of companies perform some kind of surveillance on their employees"
—See "Smile"

Catch a wave with HSF

Humber Students' Federation invites you to visit their new and improved Web site, made especially for you

by Jen Caldwell

A new Humber Students' Federation Web site is making the Internet a friendlier place for students.



JEN CALDWELL

Stephen Murdoch proudly displays HSF's new Web site

The new site, at www.hsfweb.com gives Humber students quick access to information on all the services that HSF provides, said Stephen Murdoch,

HSF's marketing and communications co-ordinator.

"I am extremely excited about the final product. I can seriously say our Web site is so user-friendly, its got so much information on it and every link you click onto you're going to find new and more exciting information," Murdoch said.

The Web site offers access to information on HSF's health centre, the games room, legal advice, competitions, college clubs and associations.

It also has links to traffic updates, weather news, sports pages, radio stations and pubs.

"Why all the extras?" Murdoch asks, "[the extra links] are to help students. Students are very, very busy people. Living lives, going to school, going to work — we sat down and said what information would stu-

dents need today."

The site was designed by Toronto's Crossover Communications, at a cost of \$7,000, Murdoch said.

"This Web site is a lot more user-friendly now, student's should be able to navigate the site with no problems," he said.

Although there wasn't any

"... our Web site is so user-friendly ... you're going to find new and more exciting information"

— Stephen Murdoch

student collaboration in the site's creation, Murdoch said Humber students can still help-out.

"I would encourage students, who maybe want to get some volunteering experience, or maybe

we could take students in a paid position, and have them update the site. It would be a win-win situation," he said.

The site has a huge fan in Toby Warnell, HSF's president.

"It's just another tool of communication. We know that 80 per cent of students have access to computers. It's got the pertinent information that we want to have, but it also brings other stuff that could attract students to go there," he said.

"Most people seem pretty impressed and happy about it and we're pleased to hear that," Warnell said.

The site will be the homepage for all the computers in the SAACnet labs.

The HSF plans to update the site every week, and hopes to add links to the bookstore site and the college's sports team sites.

Say cheese Humber, the college is watching

by Desmond Devoy

Like it or not, Big Brother is watching.

He's also watching what you write on Humber's computers, and what you send on e-mail.

"In 67 per cent of cases, it's not business related stuff being sent. [It's some] form of questionable graphic material," said Professor Bill Wright, a database instructor at the North campus.

Speaking of his own bosses, Wright said "administrators can watch anything they want," since school related e-mail goes through a main portal.

But it's not just college profes-

"I'm not sending stuff on e-mail. You're never safe on the Internet."

—Betania Deazevedo

sors who have to watch their e-mail accounts. Much of what students send to print at school can also be intercepted.

"The computer students would probably know [that printing is being monitored], but I don't think that the majority of students would know," said third-year Computer Information student Betania Deazevedo, who works at the SAACnet.

"We can see and tell what

they're printing. The monitoring that I do can see the whole school," she said.

But monitoring students' work, to make sure that no pornographic or non-school related materials are being sent to the printer, is not an exact science.

"We can't tell who sent it...[only] the entire lab it is coming from. We don't have the resources to do that. To be actually able to see what they're typing would be way, way sophisticated," said Deazevedo.

But some people already have that 'sophisticated' technology at their fingertips. According to a front-page story in Vancouver's *The Province*, Great Britain's MI5 spy agency spent about \$62 million developing an e-mail monitoring system. The system is capable of tracking all of the e-mail messages coming into or leaving the island.

There are other programs available to anyone that can be installed undetected onto any computer, relatively hassle-free. The Investigator program, for example, sells for \$150 and can monitor any e-mails sent on it.

This past August, the company that makes the Investigator program launched a new program that also monitors chat rooms.

The former of the two programs already has about 8,000

American users, and while there are only about 100 users so far in Canada, it is still a cause for concern for Wright.

"What if someone else went and used my computer? How do I prove it wasn't me? That's why they got rid of photo radar," Wright said. "That kind of thing is just a little too unsettling."

But Wright has no problem with police forces and other law enforcement agencies using this technology to fight crime, as long as they stay within the lines of proper conduct.

"If they have cause to do so I'd

say, yeah. But they have to have just cause. They couldn't just go in carte blanche," he said. As for the privacy of people's workplace accounts, Wright noted, as long as companies inform their employees that anything they write on the company's computers can be viewed by the company, everything is ethical.

"By virtue of that [warning] alone gives them a fair chance. That's fair. That way you'll always be mindful of what you're doing," he said.

Wright only uses his school computer when absolutely neces-

sary. Otherwise, "I do all my work at home."

Wright should know about the dangers of the wired world. When he used to work at Sheridan College, a password list was stolen and codes were cracked. Now, he tells his students to use both upper and lower cases and numbers on their passwords since "they're harder to crack."

Still, if someone or some group is determined enough, "they can still recover what was on your hard drive even if you deleted it. They have experts who can crack it and re-create it," he said.

For those concerned about safety, the law is vague if well intentioned. Under the 1998 *Policy on the Use of Electronic Networks*, issued by the Canadian Treasury Board, both private and public employees should have a "reasonable expectation" of privacy in the workplace. Those who feel they have a legitimate gripe with their company over this issue can contact the Office of the Privacy Commissioner in Ottawa.

So with the eyes of both bosses and bureaucrats watching every word that comes after your flashing cursor, be wary.

"The Internet safe? Of course not. I'm not sending stuff on e-mail," said Deazevedo. "You're never safe on the Internet."

Eyes in the sky

If you're sending e-mails on your computer, it's possible the government can read them or even intercept them.

But it's not just the government who wants to sneak a peek at your private written material. Your boss may be keeping an eye on you as well.

Vancouver daily newspaper, *The Province* reported that oil giant Exxon Mobil Corporation, Delta Airlines and investment firm Ernst & Young have all admitted using programs that monitor their employees' computer activity.

According to a recent poll conducted by the American Management Association, 54 per cent of major U.S. companies monitor their employees' Internet use. Of these companies, 38 per cent store and review their employee's e-mail messages. Overall, 78 per cent of companies perform some kind of surveillance on their employees. About 88 per cent of these companies that do spy on their own workers inform them that they are being monitored.

Sports et cetera

Humber Hawk's soccer ace
walks away with two awards.
-see "Hawk's star striker"

Hawk's lose heartbreaker to
Cortland State.
-see "Hawk's soaring"

Hawks soaring high with new feathers

Hawks picking up the pace by pushing their record to five wins and two loses with eight games left in the season

by Jason Thom

On the cover of the Humber men's hockey team 2001 program there is a slogan that reads, "Building A New Nest."

Over the holiday break, Humber Hawk's Coach Joe Washkurak seemed to be in a building mood and added three new players to his squad.

What he built was put on display, piece-by-piece as the Hawks played four games in nine nights of some of their most spirited hockey this season.

After travelling to Cortland State and losing a heartbreaker in the dying minutes, then returning home to see the same thing happen in overtime to Fredonia State, all the pieces of the puzzle were put in place.

Some would say you have to lose before you can win.

The Hawks did just that by posting back-to-back wins against Seneca and Cambrian who were ahead of Humber in league standings.

"Sometimes wins like this can turn seasons around," Washkurak said, after his team erased an early three-goal deficit to beat league-leading Seneca 7-4.

By the looks of the team's play this past weekend the Hawks are a radically different group.

The 2001 team is faster, quicker, and far more offensive while maintaining stellar performance on their blue line.

New forwards on the squad include feisty winger Scott

Barnes, workhorse Jamie Charlton and centre D.J. Marchese who has already settled into the first line.

Washkurak has shown confidence in Barnes on special teams and Charlton is a reliable winger on the checking line.

"Those three guys can all skate and they're going to do some damage here before it's all said and done," Washkurak said.

But it was Morris Marshall who stole the show against Seneca by scoring three straight goals for the natural hat trick in a five-minute span from the end of the first period and into the second.

"That's my first one. I guess I had to come to college to do it," Marshall said after the game.

Two of the three Marshall goals came when Seneca had the man advantage and they brought Humber back to a 3-3 tie early in the second.

Sean Kane gave Humber the lead about 10 minutes later but that was short-lived as Seneca's Brad Cripps tied it at four.

After out-shooting the Sting 14-3 in the second frame, the Hawks carried the momentum into the third as veteran Colin Gillespie set-up Barnes for his first goal as a Hawk and a 5-4 lead.

Barnes returned the favour and fed Gillespie for his first of the regular season to make it a 6-4 Humber advantage.



JASON THOM

That's the trick... Hawks congratulate teammate Morris Marshall after scoring his third goal for the natural hat trick.

"That was a big game for us especially since in the exhibition games we had leads in the last five minutes and lost both the games," Barnes said.

Captain Chris McFadyen who had been troubled by the team's lack of killer instinct to put opponents away, added another to make the final 7-4.

"We need a lot of guys on our team to start picking it up later in the game and focusing on defense," McFadyen said after the loss in Cortland.

After grabbing the lead in the second period on Marshall's seventh goal of the season the Hawks staved off the Cambrian

comeback to win 5-3.

The win improved the Hawks record to five and two with eight games left in the regular season.

With players returning from injury including sniper J.J. Dickie, Washkurak will face a tough time trying to work everyone into his line-up.

"It's tough to scratch guys but it's about winning and that's what it boils down to," Washkurak said. "It brings a little more of a competitive edge to practice because guys are going to have to work hard to get in the line-up," he said.

McFadyen said his coach's decision will only help the team.



JASON THOM

That's more like it... Humber goalie Terry Gilmer watches his defence do the job right. New Hawks taking pressure off defence.

Hawks spike Boreal down

by Jeff Neal

In their first league game after the winter break, the women's volleyball team wiped out the Boreal Vipers.

Humber outclassed the Vipers in a 3-0 sweep, but the first set was cut short due to a Boreal injury.

With Humber off to a quick 12-4 lead, Vipers Angele Croteau landed awkwardly and rolled on to the Hawk's side of the court, badly damaging her ankle. Boreal had a Libero dressed so they had no legal substitute for the injured player. There Humber won the first set by default.

A new face for Humber is power forward Lindsay Bax. Her

credentials include a two-year stint at the National training camp and her presence was felt on the court all night, physically and vocally.

"I knew some of the girls before I got here. Caroline used to be one of my teammates before and everyone really helped me," Bax said.

The game continued as Boreal dropped the Libero and went with no bench subs, but Humber rolled along with Laura Solski serving an opening ace. The Hawks quickly sailed to a 25-9 win.

"It doesn't matter what calibre the team may be, we have to play our game, we have to play tough and we have to win," Hawk coach

Dave Hood said.

Set three finished 25-10, with Humber jumping to a 3-0 lead.

A large part of the win was the veteran-like play of rookie Carrie Moffat, who was the player of the game.

"The team played well but we still have to make sure we keep our level of play up against teams that are not as good as us," Moffat said. "I had a good game. I don't think I stood out by any means. I'm proud of myself."

Humber's next match is this Saturday at 6 p.m. at Lakeshore campus. The Hawks are in for a fight against the first place Cambrian Golden Shield.



JEFF NEAL

Gettin' down with it... Lady Hawks showing some solid defense in their first game back after the holidays.

Magnificent One has returned to save NHL fans and network ratings. -see "Super Mario"

"We weren't firing on all cylinders by no means." see "Hawks poison"

Toronto says bye bye to chubby David "Boomer" Wells this week.

Hawks poison Vipers, crush Shield

by Randy Cooray

Humber's men's volleyball team got back to their winning ways with two more victories under their belt by beating the Boreal Vipers and the Cambrian Golden Shield.



RANDY COORAY

Smashin' Baby! Men's Volleyball team in action. The spiking sensations walked away with two more wins after the break.

In the first set against the Vipers, Humber College were the ones with the poison, holding their opponents to a 25-4 first set. Although taking the next two sets 25-19 and 25-23 and giving Humber the three game sweep,

reserve Denny Moser says the game was disappointing against a weak Boreal side.

"I think the guys were trying to go for harder shots to please the crowd and weren't successful," said Moser. "We could have done a lot better, and we sort of fell apart at the end offensively."

For Moser, this was the first game back since mid-November, after leaving the team for personal reasons.

With the absence of team captain Carter Walls and Boreal inching their way to a rare set win, head coach Wayne Wilkins seemed relaxed in the efforts of his players knowing a victory would come playing the weak Vipers.

"We knew coming in here that it was going to be an easier match, but I think we had a little adversity because Carter wasn't here and he is definitely one of our emotional leaders," said Wilkins. "We can tell emotion of the team is a little flat and quiet. They still did all right."

Because of academic reasons, the Cambrian Golden Shield faced off with Humber with only six men.

Missing their setter, middle

hitter and two power hitters, the Shield didn't have a single player off the bench, losing a 3-1 decision to the Hawks.

"I think we did well considering the bodies that we lost," said Shield Head Coach James Schweyer.

"Two of those guys are starters and considering that there are six guys on the court, when you lose a one-third of your starting line-up that is crucial. I think the guys did well considering the time we had to re-tool our offence."

With the score 2-1 and threatening to lose the fourth game, the Hawks regrouped ending the match on a 12-2 run. Team libero Scott Miles said the team should have done more with the loss of Cambrian players.

"We weren't firing on all cylinders by any means," said Miles. "We didn't have enough energy and we should have come at them flying and just played our game. Instead we were playing down to their level."

The Hawks hope to sweep the Shield when the two square off Jan. 20 at Lakeshore Campus.



RANDY COORAY

Right back at 'ya These Hawks get air born to stuff the opposition.

Hawks win in dying seconds

by Luc Hebert

Jeremy Walters' last-second three-point attempt hit nothing but nylon and gave Humber College a 65-62 win over the Daemen Warriors of Amherst, New York.

The thrilling win occurred during the Holy Family College tournament in Philadelphia.

"We have to control our own destiny right down to the last possession," Humber Hawks Coach Mike Katz later said to his players in the locker room.

With six seconds left in the game, Daemen's Adrian Baugh missed his own three-point attempt from the corner. Dexter Miller picked up the rebound and a Daemen player deflected the ball out of bounds. With 4.1 seconds left, Humber had the ball on the baseline, 90 feet away from victory. Miller quarterbacked a perfect pass that cleared everybody but Jeremy Walters who caught it 75 feet away. With two defenders on him, Walters knocked the final three of his nine

points from a step outside the arc to give Humber the win.

"I thought those guys were going to take the numbers off my jersey the way they were dealing with me," Walters said.

The game was a tight affair most of the way, especially in the final five minutes. There were a combined 29 free throws taken in the second half and only three were missed. Daemen's Monty Montgomery had more points at the charity stripe than any Hawk had in total. Montgomery went 11/12 at the line on the way to a game-high 23 points. But the Hawks have been showing all season long that balanced scoring is the key.

"The bench support. The guys who played, the guys who didn't, that's what it's really all about," said Katz.

Against Daemen, 10 Hawks contributed to the scoring. Dexter Miller and Fitzroy Woolery led the team with 10 points each.

The Hawks defeated the host Holy Family College 61-54 in yet

another close game a day earlier.

The Tigers were up by 12, 21-9, with just under five minutes to play in the first half, but Humber knocked down two three point shots to cut the lead in half, 21-15. By halftime, the Hawks were back in the game.

After being down 30-24 at the half, the Hawks only gave up 24 second-half points. A strong defence made the difference.

"When you defend as well as I thought we did, you're always in a position to win the game," said Katz.

Holy Family Head Coach Dan Williams said his players just weren't hungry enough.

"There was one point in the first half where we thought we could have put the game away by putting more space between us, but give them a lot of credit because they hung tough," said Williams. "They're tough kids, they're well coached, and they have a lot of heart, and this game is all about heart. There's no doubt they had more heart tonight."



LUC HEBERT

All net baby!-Junior Brown in full concentration for two points against Seneca.

The Baltimore Colts and New York Giants will meet in what some are calling an all out defense Superbowl

Bits and bites about the NHL, NFL, NBA and NCAA in weekly column. see "Silly Leafs"

All-Star basketball teams will play at Fanshawe College in London, On., Jan. 20, 2001

Hawks star striker reaches new heights with two OCAA awards

by Lindsay Higgs

Humber's striking sensation, Joanna Vitale, who captured the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) player-of-the-year for the 2000/2001 soccer season, is making herself known both provincially and nationally.

After ending a successful season with the Humber Hawks women's soccer team, Vitale was recognized with the highest awards possible. From Humber's Athlete of the Week and OCAA All Star to OCAA Athlete of the Month, Vitale racked up the awards for the Hawks soccer team. She was also the leading scorer for Ontario.

At the National Athletic Banquet at British Columbia's Langara College Vitale was also named a CCAA (Canadian College Athletic Association) All Canadian, and CCAA Player of the Year.

"I couldn't have done it with-



COURTESY

All-star Humber striker Joanna Vitale

out my teammates," said Vitale. "My team helped me achieve my goals and win these awards."

Vitale led her team to a gold medal in the OCAA finals at Fanshawe College beating the Centennial Colts 5-1 sending them to Vancouver, B.C. where the team captured a bronze medal at the National Stage.

"My teammates are amazing and so are the coaches," said Vitale. "Nationals was a really fun experience for me with all

the competition. I also didn't expect to win those awards."

Humber Hawk coaches, Vince Pileggi and Mauro Ongaro both said Vitale stood out among the rest of the players provincially and nationally.

"When we were at the nationals we saw the other players, but Joanna still stood out," said Ongaro. "When you combine her skill with her strong work ethic, nothing can stop her."

Hawks captains, Adriana Cataldo and Claudia Marmo both said Vitale is the type of player who knows what she wants and she always tries to get it.

"Joanna is full of heart," said Cataldo. "She's tough, aggressive, and whenever she gets knocked down she gets right back up."

Vitale was born in Scarborough, where she started her career playing for the Scarborough Azzurri at age nine. She then went on to play for the North York Cosmos for four years.

Super Mario scores super ratings, fans

by John Edwards

The return of NHL superstar Mario Lemieux to on-ice competition has packed arenas across North America, not to mention keeping eyes glued to television sets above the average viewing levels.

Since trading in his owner's suit for hockey skates, Lemieux has scored nine goals and ten assists in only eight games.

Lemieux made his return to

ecstatic about the comeback of no. 66.

The CBC received the rights to broadcast the Dec. 27 telecast at the start of the season as a special Hockey Night In Canada telecast. According to CBC Sports publicist Christian Hasse the network "lucked out."

1.8 million viewers tuned in to see Lemieux's first game back. That's up from the 1.2 million that watched the first game of the Hockey Night In Canada Saturday night double-header.

Hasse said CBC was happy when Lemieux announced he would be returning to the ice for the Dec. 27 telecast. "It was a great experience for fans across Canada."

CTV Sportsnet restructured its schedule to fit in a Pittsburgh Penguins telecast on Jan. 9. The game between the Penguins and Boston Bruins drew 294,000 viewers. That is up from the average 227,000.

Sportsnet publicist Andy Shapira said the network went to the NHL in order to secure more Pittsburgh games and they were awarded three more.

Shapira said Sportsnet's approach will change come play-off time when the network hopes to secure the rights to all of Pittsburgh's playoff games.

"If we get an opportunity to get a series that Pittsburgh is in, we will be bucking for that series," said Shapira.

Shapira said that if Lemieux returns next season it will play into the strategy of Sportsnet's scheduling, but said the network would have to consider other games.

The Jan. 9 telecast replaced the Detroit Red Wings game and caused some fans to complain.

Shapira added that Lemieux brings an element to the NHL that has been missing for the last couple of seasons.

"There was a void of that superstar after Gretzky left. They were missing a player, a player with charisma," Shapira said.

"This just glorifies his name as the best player to ever play the game, puts him up beside Bobby Orr, Wayne Gretzky and Gordie Howe,"
-Paul Grguric

the ice against the Toronto Maple Leafs on Dec. 27 after a three and-a-half year absence. He dazzled the sell-out crowd at Mellon Arena in Pittsburgh, netting a goal and adding two assists.

Humber Mechanical Engineering student, Paul Grguric, said Lemieux's ability to return to the game at such a high level after a three and a half year lay-off has put him in the same category as other great players.

"This just glorifies his name as the best player to ever play the game, and puts him up beside Bobby Orr, Wayne Gretzky and Gordie Howe," Grguric said. "It just etches his name in the stone of greatness in the sport."

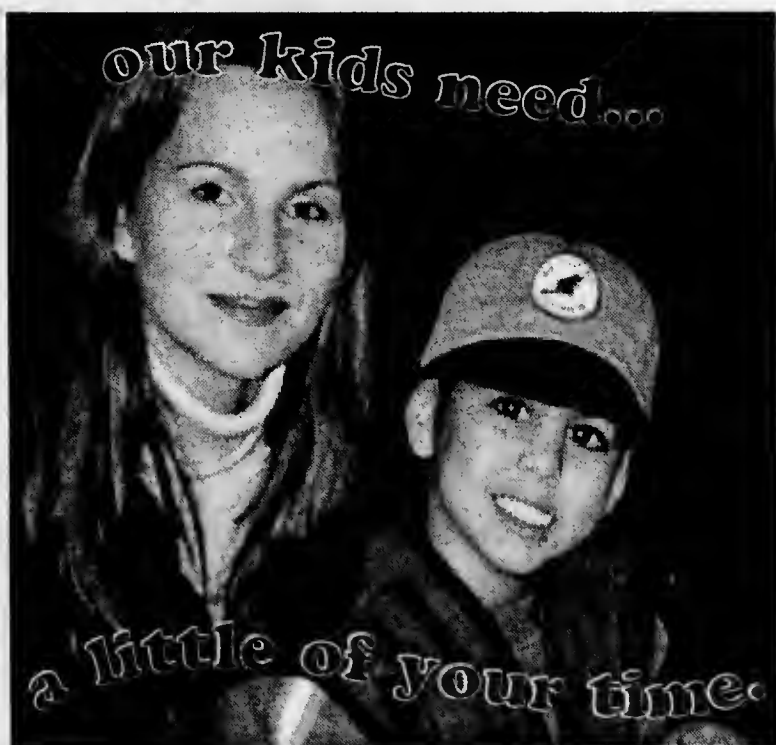
Internet Management student Scott Yeddeau said Lemieux gives him a reason to watch Pittsburgh highlights and games.

"I do have an interest in what he's done in every game and I do watch the highlights to see if he's scored a pretty goal, whereas before there was no one on that team that would catch my interest in that way," Yeddeau said.

Humber fans are not the only one's grinning about Lemieux's return. Network executives are

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Men's hockey team has rebounded and posted wins over 1st and 2nd place teams

Silly Leafs let Sully go for \$8 hot dog combos

Come mid-January, the NBA and NHL have nearly reached their halfway point. NCAA basketball teams have just begun conference play, and jump into the heat of their schedule. The NFL's Super Bowl is just two weeks away. And, despite the attention other sports are receiving, Major League Baseball owners try to stay in the news by shocking sports fans around the world with ridiculous contract offers.



Luc Hebert Sports Columnist

This point in the year also brings Humber College students back to school, where classes will warp their minds instead of their digestive systems, which were undoubtedly overworked by mom's cooking and a few too many social outings over the Christmas break.

There's nothing quite like mom's cooking. Then again, anything would look better after you've eaten so much Easy-Mac that your underwear begins to reek of rancid cheese. Over the last six months, in the world of sports, we have seen a lot of mom's cooking and smelled the stench of more than a few servings of Kraft Dinner. Here are my favourites.

THE NBA:

Mom's cooking: Kudos to the Los Angeles Lakers who signed a

short white guy who cannot play defence, and for letting him play. Twenty-six-year-old rookie Mike Penberthy, a pure shooter and all-time leading scorer out of a no-name college (The Mater's) has finally made it to the NBA. A player like Penberthy will seldom have the opportunity to play in the NBA, but in Phil Jackson's triangle offence he is a good fit. You don't believe me? Remember these guys? John Paxson and Steve Kerr? They were both valuable assets in Jackson's run of championships in Chicago.

Musty boxers: Shawn Kemp takes the cake in this one... and the ice cream... Lord, he's so chubby, I think he might have eaten his 31 birthday candles this past November and the wax is lodged somewhere in his abdomen. He is listed at 28 pounds, but who really believes

that? I remember when they used to call this guy the Rain Man. He should be called the Gain Man the way he's been tipping the scales. Maybe if Kemp had gone to college, he would have learned that there aren't supposed to be more zeros on the scales than in his salary, which like his weight, is far to high.

THE NFL:

Musty boxers: Buffalo Bills Head Coach Wade Phillips. Tell me what's wrong with this picture. Buffalo has Rob Johnson playing quarterback, and the Bills are among the worst teams in the league - Phillips is happy. Oh no! Johnson is injured again. "Let's put that little Doug Flutie guy in there. He wasn't that bad in that other football league... uh what was it called?" Flutie turns the team around - Phillips is even happier right? Wrong. Johnson becomes healthy, is inserted into the line-up. He leads the team to its demise, but hey... Phillips is happy. This happened two seasons in a row, folks! Maybe Phillips was just interested in seeing more of those

kicking plays. Mom's cooking: The Buffalo Bills fired Wade Phillips on Jan. 10. Best front office move in sports in quite some time.

THE NHL:

Mom's cooking: Steve Sullivan. The little guy (5 ft. 9 inches, 160 pounds soaking wet) was tossed by the Toronto Maple Leafs after he enjoyed his first 20-goal season. Now in his second season with the Chicago Blackhawks, Sullivan is three goals away from meeting his career high in goals (22). He has a total of 41 points in 41 games and has entered the elite echelon of NHL players.

Musty boxers: This one goes to Toronto Maple Leaf fans. After years of absolute futility on the ice, the god awful front office decisions, and sky rocketing ticket prices, Leaf faithfuls are packing the Air Canada Centre as they did Maple Leaf Gardens back in the Harold Ballard Days. Maybe it's something owner Steve Stavro is putting in the \$5.50 beer or the \$8 hot dog combos, but Leaf fans are the stupidest

and most ignorant in hockey - and would be in all of sports if it wasn't for the New York Yankees. Besides, how can one cheer for a team whose name is grammatically incorrect.

The NCAA:

Mom's cooking: The Atlantic Coast Conference. After suffering one of their worst outputs in history last season, the ACC now features three top-ten teams in the Associated Press' 25 Nationally ranked teams. Duke (2), North Carolina (6), and Wake Forest (10), are feeling the heat from other ACC teams, Maryland (12), and Virginia (13) that are not far behind. There are 319 teams in NCAA Division 1 basketball, and the ACC teams are ranked 2,3,5,32,39 and 46 in scoring average.

Musty boxers: The Kentucky Wildcats. One of the NCAA's perennial favourites and its all time winningest program with 1779 wins sits at 8-5 this season after losses to unranked teams like St. John's. Wildcat coach Tubby Smith needs to stop the bleeding if he wants his job.

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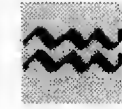
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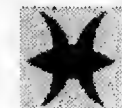
Capricorn
22 December – 20 January

You're beautiful and you know it. But your vanity is getting in the way of finding true love. Try toning down your standards of the perfect companion and try finding a playmate who has the odd pimple to insure you don't end up a lonely, 40-year-old virgin.



Aquarius
21 January – 18 February

Respect others and treat them with care or they'll turn around and stab you in the back. They'll be punished for their dastardly deed but the pain will linger after you discover their sentence is a light spanking and a better path in life.



Pisces
19 February – 20 March

Your significant other is attempting to lose weight but their devotion to the task is wavering. Be comforting and take their mind off their trouble by treating them to dim sum and a movie. May I suggest Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon with Chow Yung Fat!



Aries
21 March – 19 April

Everything is wonderful. Your grades are as high as you are on life and you have a great job and relationship. But lately, despite your zest and suc-

cess, there has been an eerie stench surrounding you. You think it's coming from your gym bag don't you...it's actually you.



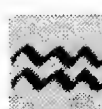
Taurus
20 April – 20 May

Hemorrhoids suck don't they. Yours are caused by sitting too much, so frolic in the snow to give your butt a rest. But bundle up or you'll be trying to apply Preparation H with frost bitten fingers. That's just not a pleasant thought.



Gemini
21 May – 20 June

You're broke and want to make money fast. A generous but mysterious stranger pops into your poverty stricken life claiming they can solve all your problems, but at what cost? Beware, the person is actually your father's ex-wife's, daughter's best friend's dog-sitter who you thought had committed suicide last episode but will soon be an obsessed stalker. Stay tuned as your world turns.



Cancer
21 June – 22 July

This is the week to release your stress by taking time for yourself. Click your mouse or play with your dog, whatever your fancy. Freud might have a problem with self-pleasure but then again, didn't Freud have the hots for his own mom?



JODI GOLDFINGER

What's your beef?



Libra
23 September – 22 October

Stay home on the weekend and re-energize your soul. If you go club hopping you'll regret your foolish drunken actions and a stranger will plaster an incriminating picture of you passed out naked on a street corner across the Internet.



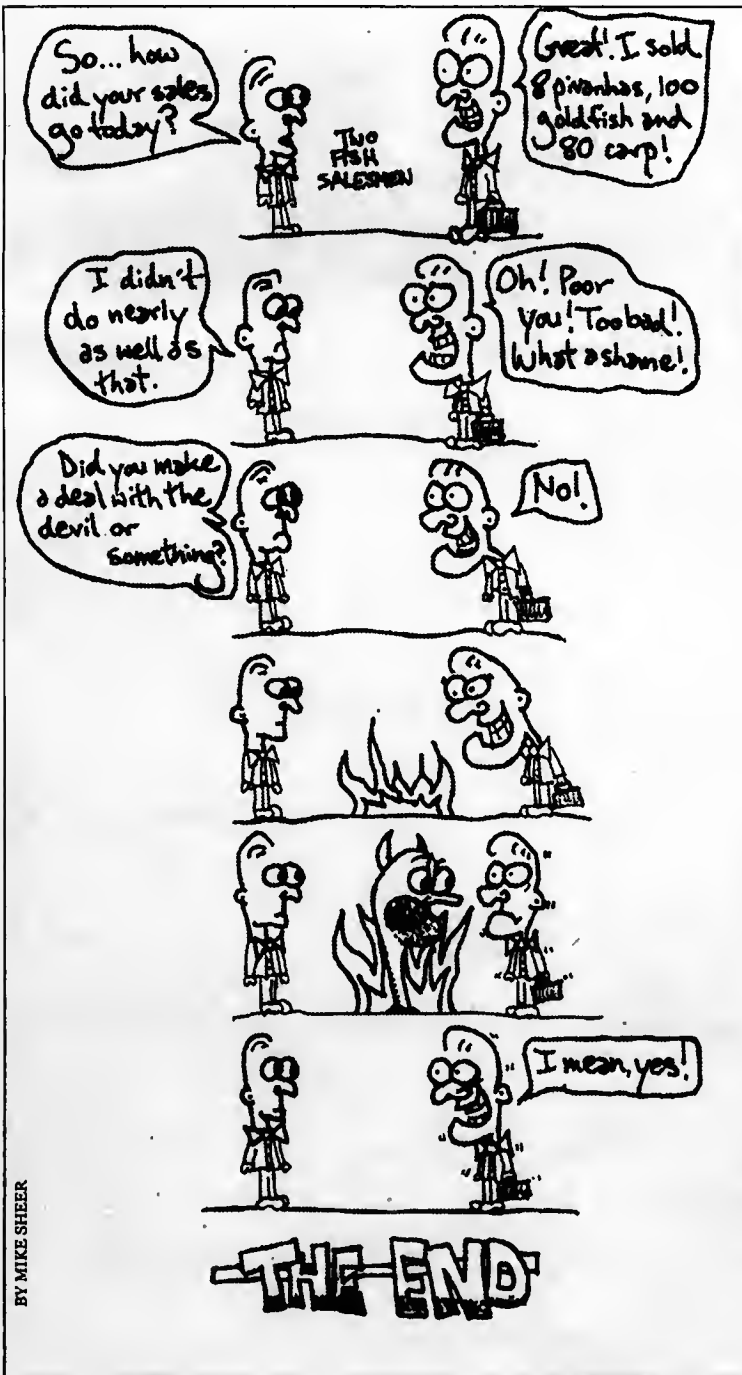
Scorpio
23 October – 21 November

Being a couch potato is the name of your game this week. You have a myriad of dreams about being a contestant on Temptation Island. Be mindful of what you watch though. Too many episodes of Sesame Street will commit you to psychologically damaging dreams of threesomes with Bert and Ernie.



Sagittarius
22 November – 21 December

Paranoia reigns supreme when you start seeing dancing babies and talking dogs decide who you date. The full moon spells romance but not if your palms are hairy.



BY MIKE SHEER



Leo
23 July – 22 August

Blasphemer. You commit adultery and flee from a hit and run on a helpless animal. YOU BASTARD. Admit to your sins or your conscience will eat you alive.



Virgo
23 August – 22 September

Lately you've been very anal. Take a laxative and a seat on the John with a good book. You'll probably have a lot of crap to release in order to find the real you.

Say What!! (2000)

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My need to engage in homicidal behaviour on a massive scale cannot be corrected, but, ah, I have no other way to fulfill my needs.

Christian Bale
American Psycho

When cooking rats, I would imagine that sauce is of the utmost importance.

Greg
Survivor 1

In my family, goodness is just badness that hasn't had a drink yet.

Chris Titus
Titus

I have a relationship with my phone. It's set to vibrate.

Jenna Elfman
Keeping the Faith

Don't worry, Cindy! We'll pretend this never happened, like the time we got drunk and went down on each other!

Buffy Gilmore
in Scary Movie

Do you know what "nemesis" means? A righteous infliction of retribution manifested by an appropriate agent. Personified.

Brick Top in *Snatch*

Strange Wonders

* On January 19, 1889, the strongest man who ever lived declared his power. Louis Cyr, champion wrestler and weightlifter performed three incredible feats of strength. He lifted 551 pounds with one finger, 4100 pounds on his back and 273 pounds over his head, one-handed.

Louis was 363 lbs, taking after his mother who was six-foot-one and weighed 267 pounds. He won the distinction of being Canada's strongest man by lifting a giant boulder weighing 480 pounds. In Boston in 1895, he lifted a platform holding 18 heavy men on his back. The platform weighed 4336 pounds and is believed to be the heaviest weight ever lifted by man.

* In 1965, Chad Allen and the Expressions re-released their hit single 'Shakin' All Over' under their new name - The Guess Who; it was the first record for the band under their legendary name.

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