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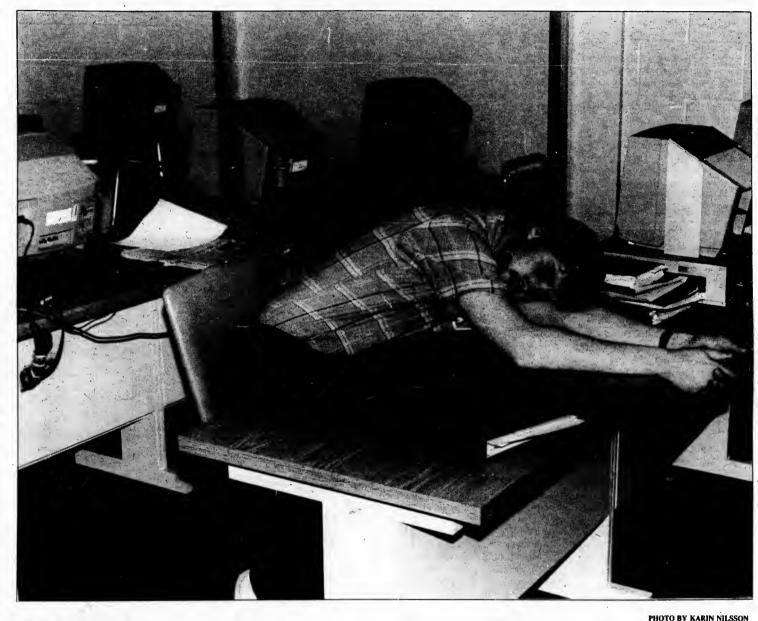
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ZZZZZZZZZ — Mark Kelly, a Public Relations student, dozes off after completing a few assignments that are due soon, a

common sight around the college at the end of the year. Wake up, the custodian wants to lock up, Mark.

'Americanized' students

#### More Canadian course content

by Garnet Barnsdale

Complaints from two students at the Keelesdale campus two weeks ago that they were being "Americanized" by a lack of Canadian content in their textbooks has brought immediate results.

Andrew Davidson, an instructor at Keelesdale, said a reading. Ist made up of exclusively Canadian works has been offered to students who want to do some extra reading.

"We made an inventory of Canadian material that was readily

available and substituted titles (on reading lists)," Davidson said. "It's almost an instant reaction."

Also, Davidson and another teacher, Ilene Duckett, who teaches a reading lab to upgrading students, are working on getting a new Canadian-graded reading

system for the lab.

"We've come to depend on an American developmental reading system," Davidson said. "We're proposing to find an equally good Canadian one."

The actions come in response to complaints from Keelesdale upgrading students Balwinder Gill and Ian Kerr, who are writing a letter to the Ministry of Education to try to get more Canadian material in their studies.

Duckett said finding a Canadian reading system for upgrading students won't be easy.

"Our field is quite specialized in that we are looking for material graded by reading levels," she explained. "Publishers don't have the money available to do research in Canada.

"It's not that we can't find (Canadian) short stories or literature, but to find a developmental reading program that's graded by level is another matter," said Duckett.

by Shelley James

Humber's injury clinic is losing business to other competitors because it can't get funding to buy new equipment.

Debbie Bajoras-Ross, coordinator of the Sports Medicine Centre (SMC), said that since the clinic does not have an orthotron (a \$6,500 device used to rehabilitate muscular injuries), it has to refer patrons to other athletic injury clinics to get treatment.

"Well, let's put it this way, if

we have someone with a knee injury we send them to the Bobby Orr clinic," she said. "We can't compete with the local community sports medicine clinics."

Sport clinic usage dropping

The SMC has already raised \$4,200 to buy the orthotron and is re-applying for a grant from the Ontario Lottery Corporation, which gives money to non-profit organizations involved in fitness and recreation. However, the clinic was turned down by the OLC last January be-

cause the application was processed late.

Questionnaires are also being

passed around to assess if the

clinic could better meet the

needs of patrons in the fall.

"This is the first year we're doing this to find out how they feel about changing the hours and if people (staff) think it's a reasonable fee," said Bajoras-Ross. "So we could plan our program based on what people think about the fitness classes and fitness testing as well."

#### Two meetings left

### Poor attendance kills committee

by Tracy Jenkins

After a year of poor attendance and lame excuses, the SAC finance committee has dissolved with only two scheduled meetings

"It's obvious the finance committee doesn't give a damn, because they're not coming to the meetings," vice-president of finance Nancy Carr told council at a recent SAC meeting. "There's no way it can get back on its feet

It was decided all financial material will be brought to full council.

Problems with low turnout at the meetings began in mid-November and culminated in February with threats of dismissal if a member missed another meeting without proper notification.

According to Carr, approximately 35 per cent of all meetings were cancelled due to lack of a quorum, or a simple majority of. members present. Although at least five of eight committee members were needed for meet-

#### **BOG** elections this fall

by Glenn Law

A report, detailing election procedures to usher in four new members of the Board of Governors (BOG) by next January, will be released in early May.

**BOG** members will increase from 13 to 17 members following elections this September; new representatives will come from full-time faculty, support staff, administration, and the student body.

The change follows the re-commendations of Walter Pitman, who was appointed by Ontario to look into how the province's colleges and universities are governed.

"I think they (the candidates) have to be elected by their individual sections," said Humber president Robert Gordon. "It's a question that will be answered the first weekend of May.'

John Huot, a faculty union spokesman, said "faculty should be elected by faculty" and the union should have full control of the election.

"The preference of the faculty union is to have the nomination and election co-ordinated

by the union," he said. Huot said any full-time lar staff could run if they wished.

SAC's president elect, Jim Purdie, said he has yet to study the recommendations outlined in the Pitman report, released in June, 1986. But he echoed the response of current SAC president Bart Lobraico.

"One student vote on BOG is not enough," said Purdie. "There should be one student to make a motion and another to second it."

He said SAC will appoint a representative from the student council. He didn't rule out the possibility of appointing a student outside of SAC.

ings, "We consistently had four or less people show up," said

After two scheduled guest speakers were turned away because of cancelled meetings, SAC issued a warning, but to no avail.

That reprimand made no impression, and, if anything, made things harder for me," said Carr. "I can't kick five people off (the committee), so let's just cancel the whole thing, because these people don't care.

Committee member Manjinder Singhota was displeased with the breakup. She said she attempted to re-schedule meetings to increase attendance.

"I'm mad, to put it gently," said Singhota. "I know it was hard for us to get together, but they weren't flexible with their schedule. I was working on fixed shifts, but they refused to set the meetings for any other day."
SAC President Bart Lobraico

attributed the lack of a quorum to another factor.

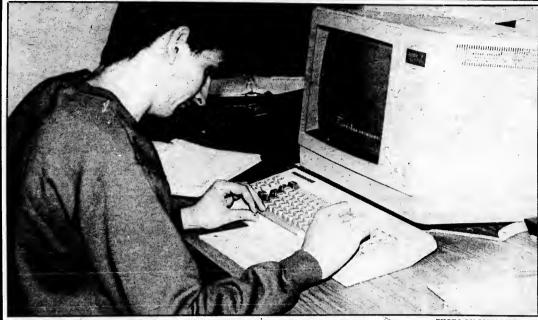
"The whole thing started with the Al Kirk thing," he said. "Af-ter that last finance committee meeting with all that Al Kirk shit, the committee just died and nobody wanted to come back.

President-elect Jim Purdie agreed, saying "I think the Al Kirk incident about the finances just sort of threw everybody off."

Purdie said that during his upcoming term as SAC president, he would rotate finance committee members with others at mid-year, 'so people on each side can trade ideas and keep fresh minds.

Carr said the finance committee would have remained intact had the problem developed in midyear. An informal gathering to re-evaluate goals and responsibilites

would have taken place, she said.
"We probably would have had
it on a Saturday," said Carr. "But then again, how many people would have showed up?"



Who done it? — A computer terminal worth more than \$10,000 like the one this student is using was stolen from J202 at the North campus in March. Humber's security manager said security had no way of preventing the incident.

# No stopping thieves, security chief says

by Carmela La Penna and John Pires

Humber security had no way of preventing the theft of a \$12,000 graphics computer, according to the college's safety and security manager.

A Raster Technologies graphics terminal was stolen from J202 the evening of March 26 or early morning March 27, and Gary Jeynes is prepared to denounce any accusations of lax

security.

"I believe security did the best they could. I don't think we could be criticized," Jeynes said. 'Don't shoot the messenger. We discovered the problem; it's not as if we're the ones who left the door wide open.

The graphics terminal, capable of taking any student's drawing and transforming it into a three-dimensional design, will cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000 to replace.

Computer Engineering program co-ordinator, Mike Lake, can't understand why anyone would want to steal the terminal.

'It was a high quality, high priced, graphics terminal that is totally useless to anybody outside

week, from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m., provided they have late night and weekend security passes.

Randy Dunsmore, a third-year architectural design student, uses the graphics terminals in the lab frequently.

'I've been here pretty late some nights and there is absolutely no one around," he said. 'Security doesn't come around here very often. It wouldn't be very hard for someone to walk out with a terminal.

According to Jeynes, the terminal was not bolted to a desk. He also said the lab was on "regular patrol" (four or five security checks per night).

Jeynes said a larger security staff will not help

prevent thefts. 'I think that people have to exercise care in

handling and storing their own property. It's not uncommon to leave things out on desks and leave doors open," Jeynes said. "If they're in an area where there's high risk equipment, they should ensure the room is locked.

Police at 23 Division are continuing their in-

# PR students hit \$10,000 mark in Toronto hospital fundraiser

by Carmela La Penna

Humber public relations certificate students have raised almost \$10,000 so far in their Toronto Hospital For Sick Children fundraising campaign.

During the week of March 30 to April 3, kicked off with the release of balloons by Humber's day-care children, the PR students held a lottery, a pancake breakfast, and an auction. Although a pub night

was scheduled for Friday, poor ticket sales forced its cancellation.

On Tuesday morning a pancake breakfast was held in the concourse but an unexpected snow storm kept many pancake lovers at

Rob Thompson, publicity director of the campaign said the breakfast was still a success, raising \$793. The most successful event, raising \$2,200, was the auction on Wednesday.

Still to come is the lottery, with ticket sales accounting for \$1,063.

PR students are pinning their hopes on the upcoming Casino night to raise about \$10,000.

'I can't imagine us raising that much, but Tom (Browne PR teacher) seems to think we can get close," Thompson said.

No overall goals were set, because the PR students weren't sure what to expect.

"We didn't know if we were going to be in conflict with the Easter Seals week," said Thompson. "We weren't too sure if it would draw some of the attention off of us or not."

All funds raised will go toward updating the hospital's equipment and facilities. Originally designed in the 1930s, the hospital needs \$150 million in renovations.

The public campaign for funds began last May and will continue until November, 1987.



A joyous occasion - Humber's day-care children help kick off the PR students' fundraising campaign that has so far raised almost \$10,000 for the Toronto Hospital For Sick Children.

# Poor ticket sales, advertising postpone jazz birthday bash

by Robert Bacchin

The Toronto Musicians Association's lack of advertising money and poor organization, and poor ticket sales, has resulted in the postponement of their March 29 jazz birthday bash at Massey: Hall.

In the forefront of the discontent is a Humber music teacher, Ron Collier, who directed the Humber Big Band to a Gold Award at the Expo 86 Canadian Stage Band Festival.

Collier, the Big Band, and other outstanding jazz musicians, were scheduled to perform in the TMA's 100th anniversary concert, which was intended to pay tribute to the world class musicians who have come from the association's rank and file.

"The participating students were disappointed, but the material we would have played is the material we have been playing in other concerts anyway," said Collier, "so it wasn't like we were doing something special other than playing there."

#### opinions differ

Two high-ranking members of the TMA had different opinions on the main causes of the impromptu cancellation.

Bob Herriot, president for the past two years, blamed the lack of sponsorship money.

"It was the case of the decision having to be made where it was easier to embarrass me than to embarrass 200 musicians. We had a couple of sponsors back out which cut down on the money available to promote the event. It became a well-kept secret from the public to the point where the ticket sales weren't enough to even consider opening the doors."

Herriot wouldn't reveal the name of the sponsors. The TMA may have to re-negotiate the rights to stage the event at Massey Hall in the coming summer.

"We are having meetings all through the week to re-schedule the event and to take care of some of the business that wasn't taken care of before," he said.

#### poor funding

The chairman of the TMA's Centennial Celebration Committee, Don Meurdiak, acknowledged Herriot's claims of poor funding. But he stated that the media and poor organization contributed to the problem.

"We got caught into releasing some information before it was really time by a member of the media," he said. "We weren't organized enough to resist someone who was able to come in and get some information before it was time.

#### wary

Meurdiak has become so wary of the media that he refused to release information about future events scheduled by the TMA, including the upcoming Live Music Week starting June 5.

"For me to have any type of comment on our future right now

doesn't make any sense whatsoever," said Meurdiak.

Herriot is optimistic that the postponed birthday bash concert will not be the shape of more events to come in the spring and summer.

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# Illegal disposal of waste found at Funeral Services

by Karin Nilsson

Waste material from the Funeral Services program, classified as hazardous by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, is being disposed of illegally at the North campus.

Earlier this month, it was discovered that toxic waste from the Photography department is also being poured down the drains. To comply with provincial law, the waste must be carried away

by a licensed waste management company.

The Funeral Services co-ordinator, Don Foster, said they don't have any containers for waste formaldehyde, which is a toxic substance used in the embalming process.

After it has been used and diluted, he said it goes into the sewer.

The Safety and Security committee, which is responsible for the disposal of hazardous waste, contacted Foster. But he said, "they didn't seem concerned at this point."

He estimated the program uses five gallons a year which is "mixed with gallons and gallons of water."

However, in the registration report that Safety and Security submitted to the ministry last September, 540 litres (12 gallons) of formaldehyde a year is identified.

Like formaldehyde, the fixer solution from the Photography department is also reported by Safety and Security as being carried away by Mississauga-based Mosaic Chemical, when in fact it isn't.

In an earlier interview, co-ordinator of photography, Bert Hoferichter, said he was unaware that the fixer is classified as leachate toxic and should not be poured mut.

He said Safety and Security has not told him to save the fixer in buckets.

"All they would have to do is tell us and we would implement it, no problem at all. We would be happy to to do that if they supplied us with some sort of storage facility and tanks," he said.

A member of the Safety and Security committee, Don Stevens,

said disposal of waste has not been discussed at any meeting.
"I didn't know that a company came to pick it up," he said.
Stevens uses five gallons of fixer each month for a photoproces-

sor and the solution "right now goes down the drain."

But Wayne Lem, co-ordinator of Chemistry, said they have specific containers where students dump the waste. "And when it's full, the teacher will phone Gary Jeynes (chairman of Safety and Security)" he said

and Security)," he said.

"As chemistry teachers we are quite concerned about chemical stuff. We try to impress that concern on the students so they don't just dump anything." I am said.

just dump anything," Lem said.

In an earlier interview, Jeynes said it is not his responsibility to check the waste coming out of the various divisions.

"I don't have the manpower to be wandering around determining what they have as waste."

# Summer closing for Humber room

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by Siobhan Ferreira

In an effort to save money, the Humber Room will close May 1 this year.

The Humber Room, a lab for hospitality students, will not remain open for lunch during the months of May and June as in previous years.

According to co-ordinator Tony Thomas, the restaurant must support itself and doesn't make money during these months because they have to hire staff.

"We're getting a lot more patrons through the door. Revenue-wise, we've made headway. We've probably covered our cost across the board, and we'll continue to do so if we increase the quality and keep prices reasonable," said Thomas.



PHOTO BY JENNIFER ELLIS

**And the winner is** — SAC reps Mark Rodrigue and Judy Craig, hosts of the student life appreciation banquet, wait while Peter Maybury, associate director of athletics, announces the winner \_ of an award.

## Hockey team sweeps awards

by Jennifer Ellis

Members of the Humber College hockey team won a significant number of awards at the fourth annual Student Life Appreciation Banquet, held last Monday in Caps.

Goalie Scott Cooper, 23, in his last year of recreation, won four awards. Forward William Fordy 22; won three awards and defenceman Gerard Peltier received

Cooper was surprised he won four awards, saying, "It's nice to be recognized."

Fordy received awards as a hockey all-star, the Canadian finals' most valuable forward, and as part of the Canadian all-star team.

"It was a challenge," said For-

dy. "It takes lots of hard work and if it weren't for my teammates, I wouldn't have got it. They gave me lots of support."

Peltier's awards included the all-Canadian best defenceman and the best defenceman for the all-Ontario all-star team.

"I didn't expect it. Our team captain (Fordy) gave us a lot of inspiration. He is one hell of a leader."

Carm Chiarenza won two awards; for most valuable intramural player, and a student life award for the indoor soccer idea which he organized and participated in

"I wanted to start an indoor soccer team, but at first, I didn't have enough backing. A month down the road, with all the pushing that was done, it paid off.

"Thanks to Jim Bialek (intramural co-ordinator) and Peter Maybury (associate director of athletics), this idea would not have succeeded without them," Chiarenza said.

Other award winners included the Afro-Caribbean Club, which was appreciated for their two organized dances in Caps, Martin Luther King's Birthday Celebration and other events they held.

"We are very excited in winning this award. We have made a lot of contributions. One of the reasons we won is because we attract students, getting them involved with the college, and we will continue to attract students to get involved," said Paul George, one of the club's members.

Student affairs officer at Lakeshore campus, Penny Anderson, said that other than a few problems with the sound system and a video presentation, it went wonderfully.

"This is my third time organizing an awards ceremony. I love doing it, but it is about time for someone else."

Robert Gordon, president of Humber College, said changes will be made for future gatherings to accommodate more people.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE	TYPE OF POSITION				
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Mon., April 13	Survey Technician Summer	Placement	Wed. April 15	Min. Natural Resources	Survey
Mon., April 13	Survey Technician	<b>Placement</b>	Tues., April 14	Min. Transp. & Communications	Survey
Tues., April 14	Municipal Trainee	Each Municipality	June 30	Ontario Municipal Training Program	Business Administration
Thurs., April 16	Legal Assistant	Employer	Tues., April 21	Hyatt Paralegal	Legal Assistant
Mon., April 20	Communications Rep.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	Landscape Ontario	Bus. Ad./Gen. Bus./ Marketing/Public Relations
Mon., April 20	Service Rep.	Employer	T.B.A.	Futur Pak Systems	Electronics
Mon., April 13	Safety Training Officer	Placement	T.B.A.	Ford Glass	Safety
Thurs., April 9	Summer	Placement	Thurs. April 16	Holiday Inn (Yorkdale)	Any
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#### Hazardous waste

The Safety and Security department at Humber has to address problems that have surfaced recently regarding the disposal of toxic waste at the college's north campus.

Waste is being dumped into the sewage system by the Photography department, the Funeral Services program and in the ACA typesetting department because Safety and Security has not provided those departments with proper containers for fixer or formaldehyde. The two chemicals are dumped down the drains of Humber - approximately 860 litres of fixer and 540 litres of formaldehyde per year.

But most interesting is the fact that Safety and Security, which is responsible for the disposal of hazardous waste at the college, submitted a report to the Ministry of the Environment last September to comply with provincial law. That report stated that both the fixer and the formaldehyde were being disposed of by a licensed waste management company, Mosaic Chemical in Mississauga.

However, this is not the case.

Photography technician, Michael Peterson, said Mosaic does not come to the Photography department. "I'd like to know where they got that information, because it's not right.

Photography co-ordinator, Bert Hoferichter, also said he was unaware that the fixer is even classified as toxic and Safety and Security has not told him to save the fixer in buckets.

'All they would have to do is tell us and we would implement it, no problem at all. We would be happy to do that if they supplied us with some sort of storage tanks," he said.

Funeral Services program co-ordinator Don Foster also said no

containers have been provided for retention of the formaldehyde chemical used in the embalming process.

In addition to the violations of provincial law against such disposal, an additional five gallons of fixer is being dumped every two months by Safety and Security committee member and Humber employee Don Stevens, who also said he has never been told the waste should be picked up.

According to Stevens, waste disposal hasn't been discussed at

committee meetings.

There is obviously a serious lack of communication on the part of the departments that house the waste and Humber's Safety and Security. Implementing a workable system to dispose of these toxic chemicals must take priority with Safety and Security manager Gary Jeynes

The individual departments must undertake the responsibility of insisting that the Safety department take immediate action. In addition, Safety and Security must adhere to the report they handed to the ministry and have these chemicals removed safely - just as they should have done last September.

And, if Jeynes' gripe is that his staff is unable "to wander around determining what they have as waste," as stated in a previous interview, then possibly additional staff should be added to Security to ensure this problem does not expand. We believe Safety and Security has a duty to provide safe disposal of toxic chemicals - chemicals that were to have been disposed of properly eight months ago. Not only are they potentially harming the environment, they are also breaking the law, and this action can not continue.



News item: Toxic waste is being disposed by Humber illegally into the sewage system.

#### Editor's Notebook

I'm not sure if you've ever noticed, but often, when ordering McChicken sandwiches at Le Golden 'M', it is almost inevitable that you'll be waiting before its ready. Sometimes you wait so long that you doubt the legitimacy of their claim to be a fast food establishment.

I believe the same can be said about the bookstore, which professes to serve the needs of the students. At this time of year, with assignments coming due, the bookstore supplies are in high demand, yet many of the items, such as film, photography paper (a year-round truant), textbooks (many still being waited for) and many others are not to be found.

I'm sure you've gotten one of the following excuses from bookstore staff: "They're on back order; its being delivered; look again; no, you're wrong, we've never had that here; you can get it at (fill in the blank) mall"

Some of the items the bookstore does have are locks, which you really do need at the end of the year; mountains of pink erasers and pens; and let's not forget the showcase, which contains drawing sets (now on sale for only \$17, shoppers) that the store regards as too valuable for open display. Too valuable? Maybe that's why I haven't seen many students clamoring to unload their cash for these

I also think there is a certain amount of overkill in some areas. I counted no less than 10 different kinds of scissors on a rack - a ribbon-cutters paradise.

There are also stacks and stacks of textbooks that haven't been purchased, forcing people to manoeuvre when walking through the cluttered aisles. It's embarrassing to be tripped up by a pile of books labelled "Coordination: born or bred behavior?'

> Letters can be dropped of in L231, at the back of the North campus. Or, mail them to the Coven editor, 205 Humber College Blvd., Rexdale, Ont. M9W 5L7.

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The recent spate of mindless thefts sweeping the college is a very serious indication of how some things are run at Humber; a laissez-faire attitude mixed with a smidgen of passing the buck. Everyone says how unfortunate the incidents are yet no one claims accountability.

For an institution like ours, one based on trust, where instructors freely invite students into their offices and people can if the need arises stay late, the thefts are very damaging.

No one wants to study in an armed camp where creativity is stifled amidst a conglomeration of security staff patrolling every nook and cranny. Yet if this material terrorism continues, Humber administration might be called on to hire extra staff, or change the policy of staying late. It will result not only in a pile of red tape for anyone wanting to stay late to finish assignments but in a possible hike of tuition fees.

Nor do we want to resort to a college filled with pseudo-Hitler youth roaming the halls monitoring everyone else's actions. But if the petty thievery continues we might unfortunately have to resort to that.

The age-old adage is still applicable; here we have a couple of students who are probably not interested in gaining an education, only boosting their collection of "hot" items ruining it for everyone.

#### 10 years ago . . .

Gate crashers at Humber were wreaking havoc on many campus's parking gates. More than 250 parking gates were broken since their installation in September. This was the first year students had to pay for parking. The gates, made by Humber maintenance workers, cost \$10 each to replace.
 The Food Services department was robbed of an undetermined amount of money. A suspect was discovered pilfering the cash box and subsequently chased by one of the cooks. The crook got away but most of the money was recovered after it was discovered.

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scattered across the grass.

Then-president Gordon Wragg was voicing his skepticism at the erection of student residences. Wragg cited high overhead costs as an impediment to the construction of student living quarters. Vivacious Faye Dance and the rest of the Wintario sideshow were at Humber celebrating the 50th Wintario draw. The weekly exercise in probability coincided with Humber's 10th anniversary.

# = OPINION =

## No room for racism in society

Last Wednesday, my editor told me some of my fellow reporters think I'm on a "black kick." The comment really disturbed me.

It started out as a foolish joke by a group of my colleages and by the time it came around to me, I decided they definately weren't going to get the last laugh.

For the past week there has been some messages for various people in my course found on the blackboards of Coven. For example, a guy that likes to drink got a call from Labatts, and someone whose aspiration is to be a talk show host, got a call to fill in for Johnny Carson.

When I saw my name, I was shocked, since the joked appeared to be among buddies and I didn't associate with this crowd.

The message said Shelley, call Eddie Murphy, Jessie Jackson, Oprah Winfrey etc. Of course, being the conscientious journalist that I am, I asked my editor what the message was supposed to mean. He said something to the effect of: 'It's a joke – don't you get it? All those names on the board are of blacks – you're black.' My mouth fell open. I asked him what's so funny about that. He replied, oh they're just teasing you because they believe all your articles are about black reople. And their feeling is that you're on a "black kick."

My initial reaction, after hearing such an archaic, red-necked and unfounded accusation was to lash out with a few choice words. For two reasons: one, I've written over 30 stories and two of them were about functions arranged by blacks; and secondly, if in writing those articles I deviated from a norm, what was it, "a white kick?"

I stopped myself and gave some serious consideration to why anyone in the year 1987 would make such remarks. And what came to mind was ignorance. Ignorance on their part for not realizing black

people don't have "black kicks," because, a kick is something that comes on the spur of the moment. A fad. And I can assure you, my blackness won't go out of style with the Gucci bag or stirrup pants.

Also ignorance on my part for not realizing sooner that, with all the strides and blood shed for better race relations, a truly colorless society is not within grasp.

Could it be that, although the physical chains of bondage have be removed by the white man, in his mind, he still has us in chains?

The answer to this question seems apparent, after reading a recent article in Time magazine about an upsurge of racial violence on US campuses. It said: "It's like a poisonous weed, that sentiment has sprouted in various forms." Imagine leaflets being printed at a university saying, "get your black asses back to Africa." It's frightening. And many minorities would believe they're better of



But I can assure you, my blackness won't go out of style.'

#### **Shelley James**

here since blatent and vicious racism is infrequent.

But is subtle racism really better? Is it better to live in a society which allows you to move freely but reminds you how far?

Is it better go to school with people, laugh and talk with them

and when happy hour rolls around the joke is about your color?

If in writing this article I have offended any readers, it's my hope that you'll consider why you are offended. It may simply be because, for once, you're looking through a black person's eyes.

#### Night prowler



'Well too bad is right. Too bad the college couldn't come up with the money...'

#### Virginia Peters

Why is it that although we, the lowly student, make up the majority of the population at this college, we get little in the way of compliance with our wishes?

SAC decides they need new offices so they'll be getting the new, much awaited student centre. Teachers complain about cramped quarters and they get a brand new wing. Students complain about the lack of adequate editing facilities for certain television programs and what do we get? A time slot that leaves us with the option of schlepping our way into this place at midnight, winding our way down into the bowels of the college where the temperature drops 20 degrees until the ungodly hour of 6 a.m., or failing our assignments.

Now, normally I wouldn't know what six in the morning looks like, and frankly I don't care to know; especially courtesy of Humber College. I figure, hey, I paid over 600 dollars to be a full-time DAY student. They should pay me like I was a night shift worker if I'm

going to be forced to come in well after hours.

There is one video tape editing suite to accommodate Journalism students as well as those students in other programs. When the time rolls around for us to do our assignments those machines run 24 hours a day, weeks at a time in that tiny little inadequately ventilated room. Pretty soon they start grinding and beeping and chewing up your tapes. This either prompts you to scream in outrage and frustration to the heavens and subsequently break down and cry, or stalk the hallways in search of a sledgehammer with which to smash the innards out of the aggravating little ... well

you get the picture.

Try explaining to your instructor that you couldn't do your editing because those weasely little machines wouldn't co-operate. The answer is always the same —

too bad.

It's about time the powers that be get off their wallet and give the moths therein some air on behalf of us grunts.

#### U.S. should interfere



'These tiny, two bit states are run by brutes, thieves and tyrants who sadistically empty their rifles into the heads of helpless civilians and foreign journalists.'

#### **Jerry Pelley**

Last Wednesday, after watching the CBC-TV documentary *The War Reporters*, I was left with a feeling of revulsion and anger.

Since the 60s, we have witnessed from the safety and comfort of our living rooms scenes of terrible suffering. We have witnessed babies with bloated bellies and stick-limbs being starved to death because some African hot-heads must have conformity to their ideologies. We have become accustomed to the haunted, frightened eyes of women and children living in abject terror in the torture states of Latin America. In the course of 10 years we have seen the once-beautiful Lebanon reduced to rubble and anarchy by roaming gangs with Kalishnikov

These tiny, two-bit states are

run by brutes, thieves, and tyrants who sadistically empty their rifles into the heads of helpless civilians and foreign journalists. Brian Stewart, an NBC newsman, said that a journalist venturing into Lebanon knew he was taking a risk of being kidnapped. Now, he says, it's no longer a risk - it's a sure thing.

For years these journalists have been risking life and limb, and indeed sacrificing same, to show us in our cozy, comfortable, and civilized homes how cruel life can be, No person, even those with a minimal understanding of world events, can any longer claim "I didn't know." Certainly our politicians cannot claim ignorance. But what is ever done for pity's sake!

It is maddening, the callous indifference and utter pusilanimity of our statesmen. If the United States was truly a courageous and compassionate superpower instead of the ridiculous poseur that it is, it would send in armed forces and resolutely rid those unhappy lands in Central America of the brutes who terrorize. A combined NATO force could restore Lebanon.

It would not be any use for misguided objectors to prate and whine about territorial violations. These lands are not nations but slaughterhouses and torture chambers, and the decent people whose unfortunate lot it is to live in them would only be too willing to welcome their liberators.

# COLLEGE **■** VIEWPOINT

by John Pires What is the most boring and useless course you're taking?



Tom Caruso Second-year Business Administration

"All my courses are boring and useless. They have no relevance to the outside world and to myself."



Rita Said Third-year Information Management

"Advertising is the most boring course because all we do is sit around and listen to the teacher bullshit."



Rita Orlando
Third-year General Business
"Anthropology I fall asleen in

"Anthropology. I fall asleep in that class. It's worse than hearing your parents talk about the old country."



Joanne Calcagno Third-year Business Management

"Why Nations Go To War because what does World War I and World War II have to do with business. Are we going to manage a war?"



Peter DiCesare
Second-year Architecture
'Building Materials and
Methods. All my teacher ever
wanted to know was what the right
temperature of concrete was."

# FEATURES =

### NURSING: learning to deal with a person's life and death.

by Janice Robinson and Dwayne Standfast

Seventy-seven-year-old Jeanine did not die in pain. She didn't even gasp. She just closed her eyes and peacefully slipped away.

When it happened, student nurse Vilma Peters was at her bedside holding her hand. Jeanine had been squeezing Peters' hand and praying aloud until she drew her last breath. Peters recalls how she felt at that moment.

"I was happy that I was with her and I was happy she had gone peacefully."

Such experiences as that of second-year Humber student Peters are not the most pleasant to come across in a lifetime. But they will be very much a part of hers and other students' future careers.

#### Exposes students

The Nursing program, over the course of three years, exposes students right away to the hospital environment. In first year they learn basic patient care procedures and how to administer medication in the medical surgical ward.

Second-year students become involved with department rotations in pediatrics, obstetrics, psychiatric nursing and rehabilitation. In third year, students are

back to the medical surgical wards then onto specializing in an area of their choice in the pre-grad semester

Rose Cunha, acting chairman of nursing, said Humber graduates are in demand. "They have a high reputation and many hospitals like the skills our students have," she said. But acquiring those skills is a slow, learning process with many pitfalls on the way.

#### First needle

Shirlene Borczon, a secondyear student, said that in her first year she found it difficult to talk to patients, and giving her first needle was a different experience. "You're really scared and apprehensive. Your hands are shaking and you're sweating. I was just terrified," she said. But Borczon got over that experience a lot easier than when a patient of hers died two weeks ago.

"I cried. I sat with him for a while and occasionally he would wake up. I'd ask him if he was in pain. He'd say no but he appreciated what I was doing for him," she said. "It just makes you sit and cry because it's another person and it doesn't matter whether you knew him or not.

"I don't think you ever get over feeling bad if a patient is really sick or dying. I think if you did get

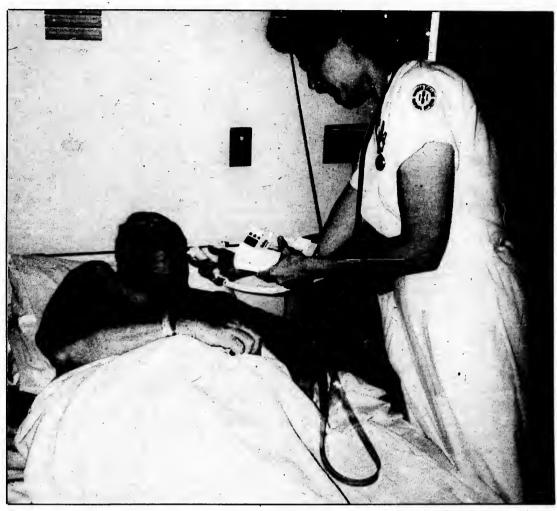


PHOTO BY JANICE ROBINSO

**Delicate touch** – Nursing students must deal with the same sort of thing hospital nurses are faced with. At times it can be a joy to help someone who really needs it. On other occasions it can be a very difficult and demanding experience to handle.

over that it would be time to look for another job."

Fortunately the events in the everyday life of the nursing student are not always painful. Second-year student Frank Bowie gave an example of the lighter side of his work while in the obstetrics ward at St. Joseph's Health Centre.

"I was helping a new mother breast-feed her child for the first time. I was straddling the bed, with the infant in my arms in a football hold. My leg was over the patient, and I was encouraging the baby to nuzzle the mother's breast," Bowie said.

"Then the instructor came in behind the curtain and discovered me. She immediately thought the mother was being attacked by a male student and asked if she could see me shortly after that. I explained what I was doing and she found it satisfactory. In fact, the instructor went back to the mother and the mother told her I had done quite a good job."

Not only do the patients think the students do a good job but the

hospitals do, too. The program's placement rate is 100 per cent and some students even wind up with jobs at the hospital where they do their clinical studies. For instance, last year St. Joseph's hired five out of 25 students who studied there.

However, securing a place in the program is tough considering the college receives between 1,500 and 2,500 applications a year for 220 available spots. Cunha adds the dropout rate is very low.

### Middle-aged sweet tooth

by Teresa Madaleno

Remember when grandparents used to say give the kid some candy, candy is for kids. Well, this is no longer true. If you look around Humber College you will see mature students and teachers lining up again and again at vending machines for chocolate bar and other assorted candy.

John Mason, director of Food Services at Humber estimated that 152,000 cans of pop and 90,000 chocolate bars were purchased through Humber vending machines last year.

According to Helen Swann, a college nurse, "This is a waste of money. They are empty calories. Too much junk food can effect people's ability to function properly."

A lot of students say they spend as much money as they

do on junk food because it is convenient.

"When you have long classes you get hungry. So you just go to the vending machine during break. It's quick, and it fills me up," said first-year Business student Barbara Dowsnic.

Despite the convenience, junk food junkies still have to pay for their eating habits. The City of Etobicoke Health Department explained that junk food has too many calories, too much fat and not enough sodium. Instead they suggested foods that are low in sugar, and vegetables that are packed with nutrients.

Mary Carr, also a Humber nurse, said, "students should be eating foods from each of the four food groups, which are milk and milk by-products, meat and alternates, breads and



PHOTO BY TERESA MADALENO

Quick I need a fix! - people put thousands of dollars in vending machines each year. However, according the health officals, it's not very good for you. Why is it that everything that seems enjoyable ... is bad?

cereals and fruits and vegetables."

Each year the nutrition division at the Etobicoke Health Department releases information on nutrition and lifestyle. They firmly believe that the food you eat affects the way you

feel and act, and that sensible eating habits can reduce weight and diet-related diseases.

This usually has been enough to scare some people away from the nearest vending machine. However, some do not frighten too easily.

"I've been eating this so called junk ever since high school. I don't think it affected me too badly," said Dowsnic while searching for another quarter and eyeing her favorite chocolate bar through the vending machine glass.

### The ups and downs of gardening

by Mitzi Benjamin

with the radical changes occurring in the weather lately, it's not surprising that Tony DiGiovanni, a landscaping instructor, said that a person interested in landscaping has to be a manic-depressive

"It's a job with definite seasons, in the spring we are very busy . . . going out of our minds trying to get things done, in the summer it's slow . . . fall is a little better, and winter is dead," said DiGiovanni.

When the weather does improve, manic-depressives, who are actually people interested in beautifying the land, will have lots to do. Planting tulips and hyacinths is just a part of what is done to prepare the demonstration gardens for the spring and summer tours offered to anyone keen on picking up new gardening ideas.

Humber's landscaping students construct and maintain the beautiful demonstration gardens in the Arboretum. Many people are not aware of the Arboretum, or the demonstration gardens, but a stroll through the gardens on a beautiful spring day can be enlightening and romantic.

The demonstration gardens consist of simulated front lawns and backyards of a bungalow, town house, and a two-storey home. John King, who is in charge of Arboretum construction, said the gardens are designed to show everything that can be done to beautify the exterior of a home.

Believe it or not, the positioning of a rock, and a proper hedge selection can make or break the appearance of a backyard, according to King. The demonstration gardens shows four types of backyards.



PHOTO BY MITZI BENJAMIN

**Waiting to be decorated** – Now that the nicer weather is coming, Landscaping students will soon be digging, planting, and placing various types of flora around the college. Sounds like fun!

The hobby garden for those who like doing things in their gardens.

The blue garden, where all the plants are a beautiful shade of royal blue.

The low maintenance backyard garden for the person who likes to stick a plant in the ground and forget about it.

The young family garden for families with small children. This backyard garden comes complete with a built in sandbox.

DiGiovanni pointed out that construction of the gardens provide the practical experience which is so necessary in landscaping.

"We try to get different projects to work on . . . in previous years the students have actually gone out and tackled a residential project as a group; complete de-

sign and construction as a part of the program," said DiGiovanni.

Even though landscaping is only in its infancy in Canada, at the moment there are seven jobs to each of the 90 Landscaping students.

"The industry is blooming," said DiGiovanni with a grin. "The housing boom creates a great demand for people who are trained to build and maintain quality gardens in residential areas."

Traditionally most landscaping graduates start their own business, however those who opt to work for the municipal system can look forward to a starting salary of \$26,000 - \$27,000.

"I know a lot of them (students) personally and they are doing well, said DiGiovanni.

He can easily include himself on the list of landscaping grads who are "doing well." He graduated from Humber's Landscaping program in 1978 and worked for the City of Etobicoke prior to teaching at Humber for the past year. Not one to break with tradition, DiGiovanni also has a small business, as a landscape horticultural consultant.

It appears that many of the landscaping students will be taking similar routes after graduating.

"I'll either work for my father or find a job somewhere else amd maybe five years down the road start my own business," said John Ryzebol, a second-year Landscaping student.

Ron Jung, also in second year Landscaping, has already got his foot in the door working seasonally with Metro Parks. "I'm hoping for full time and eventually a managerial position as a gardener," he



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# DAN McLEAN JR.

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# **ENTERTAINMENT**



**The lunatic**— Dr. Rance (Joel Greenberg) talks to Martin Boute (playing the bellboy) in drag disguised as a secretary.

## Play features near-total nudity

by Scott Maniquet

Theatre Humber's final and most ambitious production of the year takes place this week, and it's no high school production.

"What The Butler Saw" runs April 8-10 (Wednesday to Friday) and is a fast-paced and witty farce. With its scenes of near-total nudity it is clearly aimed at the college community.

The play is set in a psychiatrist's consulting room where a strange series of events are set off when Dr. Prentice (Ray Petrasek) tries to seduce his would-be secretary, but is nearly caught by his wife.

From that point on things get confusing for the characters but laughable for the audience.

The play is well cast with six solid performers. Ray Petrasek's mastery of facial expressions of guilt and worry are comedy in itself; Joel Greenberg stings the psychiatric profession with his portrayal of the mad, overzealous, government-employed Dr. Rance

The other four roles range from an undersexed wife to a bumbling

policeman.

The only problem is that the lines are often delivered fast and with fake British accents so it is not always easy to understand what the

#### Album Reviews by Bruce Corcoran

# Taylor leaves Duran Duran to let loose

"All I want to do is rock 'n' roll."

That's why Andy Taylor left Duran Duran to embark on a solo career. He just couldn't express himself properly with Simon LeBon and crew.

Now that the lead guitarist has his desired freedom of expression, he expresses with a passion.

Thunder, Taylor's first solo album, follows two successful single releases, Take It Easy, and When the Rain Comes Down.

The LP is a masterful blend of hard rock and laid back blues.

Thunder's signature tune I Might Lie is a rock anthem full of power and raw energy. Taylor's heavy guitar licks that first became evident when he and Duran Duran bassist John Taylor (no relation) joined forces with Robert Palmer and Tony Thompson to release the Power Station album are at the forefront of this tune.

The other songs aren't quite as hot, but offer a wide variety.

Taylor's efforts are a far cry from Duran Duran's wailing. He's a rocker, and let's hope he stays that



Andy Taylor — THUNDER MCA Records



**Bryan Adams — INTO THE FIRE A&M Records** 

#### Adams rocks with his third-best disc

This is hot new stuff from Canada's premier rocker.

It is Adams's fifth album, and his third-best behind the colossal Reckless LP and Cuts Like a Knife. Needless to say this is still an impressive effort

having already gone gold in Canada. Heat of the Night, the first single off the album is the classic kind of tune that you can't get out of your head after you hear it. For Adams, it is one of the

most blues-oriented songs he has ever done.

Victim of Love and Hearts on Fir2 are the two cuts that remind you the most of his older work.

One thing about the 27-year-old musician is that he never has a really bad song.

The lyrics on this album are the best that Adams and co-writer Jim Vallance have ever written. The duo had over two years to write the songs and it

We walk the streets of broken glass Our people vanished as snow before the sun - Native Son

Go ahead — go out and buy it and give it a whirl on the platter. If you like rock, you won't be dis-

#### Student turns unusual childhood into laughter

by Wayne Stefan

The comedian delivered his lines in the half-filled room of Yuk Yuk's Komedy Kabaret on amateur night.

Every so often he put a hand to his forehead to shield the light from his eyes and look at the audience. The people at the back talked. The people at the side were so bored they read the menu. Those up front stared into their glasses, too embarrassed to look at the comic who, by now, was stinkin' out the joint.

He slunk off stage unnoticed.

It was announced that next up

No applause greeted Thompson but once up on the stage, he couldn't be ignored.

would be Tommie Thompson, alias 22-year-old Humber Public Relations student Rob Thompson.

> Thompson's routine is full of energy. Nervous energy, he said afterward. But it works because he aggressively stands on the edge of the stage and forces you to listen; then he delivers.

I went out with a girl for five

I asked her one night why and

she said she was celibate. 'Celibate, that's okay,' I said, 'Sell me

a bit; I'm willing to pay for it.'

years but she never let me have sex

with her.

When I finally did sleep with a girl I felt like a contestant on a quiz show. While making love she would say things like, 'Oh God oh God, oh Lord oh Christ.' I didn't know what it meant at first but I figured it out. They're all names you find in the Bible.

Thompson draws on his unusual childhood for some of the material in his routine. His mother was white; his father black. He was given up for adoption at two and placed in the home of a white family with five kids in Red Rock,

Being the only black person in Red Rock wasn't a problem for Thompson.

There's no racial prejudice in Northern Ontario. It's too cold up there for that kind of thing.'

Thompson's first stage appearance was last year in Peterborough while he was studying history at Trent University. A bar organized a talent show and offered a \$70 first prize. He entered and won.

Although Thompson has no aspirations to be a professional comic, he decided that day in Peterborough comedy was something he wanted to play around

"It's something I have the knack of doing: getting up in front of people and entertaining them.'

And entertaining them is exactly what Thompson's been doing. He's appeared 12 times at Yuk Yuk's in the last year and two weeks ago at the Schooner Comedy Quest in Caps. But one performance stands out in his mind as being special.

'I did a show at Yuk Yuk's and all of my relatives and some friends from class came down to watch me. I was excited because I than have me tell them about it. They were proud of me and I was proud to show them something else I could do.'

Once the word is out you're a comedian people often ask to see what you can do. "You're a comic, tell a joke. I get that all the time," Thompson said.
"So instead of telling a joke I

sometimes ask them what they do. If the guy says he's a welder, for example, I say: 'You're a welder, weld something for me.' '

But don't let those quick comebacks fool you. Thompson wasn't always so smart. In fact, he was a

"I used to show up at orgies to eat the grapes."



PHOTO BY LORNE BARRIE

Class clown — People laugh at Humber students all the time, but few go out looking for laughs like Public Relations student Rob Thompson, alias Tommie Thompson

# NOTICE

# THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

All full-time, activity fee paying students of Humber College are voting members of the Council of Student Affairs and are invited to attend The Annual General Meeting of Members.

The Thirteenth Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday, May 1, 1987, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, in the Large SAC Conference Room, North Campus, Humber College.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1) Confirmation of the Board of Directors for the Council of Student Affairs, 1987-88.
- 2) Election of the Chairperson for 1987-88.
- 3) Approval of the minutes of the Twelfth Annual General Meeting.
- 4) Confirmation of the auditors for the Council of Student Affairs for 1987-88.
- 5) Confirmation of any and all by-law changes made in 1986-87.
- 6) Date of the next Annual General Meeting.

# **SPORTS**

#### International wheelchair tourney

# 31 teams to compete at Humber

by Roni Furst

Humber will be the site of the world's largest basketball tournament as 31 teams will compete in an 81-game schedule.

The eighth annual Spitfire Challenge is an international event as teams from Canada, United States, Israel, Kuwait, Mexico, and many European nations will compete.

Hosting the tournament will be the Toronto Spitfires, a wheel-chair basketball team that was formed in 1976 by Flo Aukema and Michael Bryce.

Last November, the club took part in a charity game at Humber, where it defeated a team of radio and television personalities. The proceeds went toward spinal cord research as part of Rick Hansen's Man In Motion tour.

The Spitfire Challenge is planned to encourage the interaction of abled and disabled people while providing a competitive and recreational sport.

More than 1,000 people have been encouraged to participate in the event, which includes 13 basketball and three hockey teams.

The Spitfires' athletic achievements include a 90 per cent winning percentage, 29 major victories, and championship wins in five previous Spitfire Challenges.

All games will be played at Humber College and the Etobicoke Olympium on April 17, 18, and 19, starting at 8:30 a.m.

#### **NHL** pool starts as playoffs begin

by Garnet Barnsdale

Response to Humber athletics' NHL hockey pool has been lukewarm so far, with only 30 entries being received as of last Friday.

Intramural co-ordinator Jim Bialek, who organized the pool, thinks people are just being cau-

"People are waiting to see who the teams and match-ups are going to be, obviously," Bialek said. "We expect 50 or 60 entries at least, which is pretty good.'

Prospective entrants were also probably waiting to see lastminute injury reports before handing their 12-man roster in before last Tuesday's (Apr.7) deadline. The contest's rules don't allow substitutions for injured players.

The high-flying Edmonton Oilers have been popular with entrants who have handed their teams in early.

Bialek reports that most people. have chosen four Oilers (there is a

limit of four players from each team), with Wayne Gretzky, Jari Kurri, Mark Messier, and Paul Coffey named on most rosters.

Bialek originally planned to hold a draft, but shot that idea down when he realized there would probably be too many people interested.

"It'd probably take eight or nine hours (to hold a draft),' Bialek said. "We were hoping to do it that way, but it just wasn't feasible.'

Bialek's brainchild ensures that all those who want to play will have a chance to.

"We want to get people interested and give them a chance to participate," he said.

The person whose players total the most points by playoff's end will win a custom-made NHL hockey sweater with a crested name of his/her choice on the



Making a basket — The Spitfire Challenge wheelchair basketball tournament is coming.

## Soccer gets green ligh

by Patrick Casey

Humber is planning to go full speed ahead with their indoor soccer program next year, following its inaugural success this season. With the help of intramural co-



Chiarenza

ordinator Jim Bialek and the team's netminder Carmelo Chiarenza, Humber was able to floor a competitive and organized

In fact, the Hawks came just one goal short of advancing to the semi-finals at the first ever OCAA soccer championships last week in Scarborough, losing in a sudden death shootout to Durham Col-

Although they didn't win any trophies, Peter Maybury, Humber's athletic director, believes the school can produce a better product next season.

'I definitely want to bring indoor soccer into the mainstream, Maybury said. "I treated it as an extramural situation, but I want it to be more of a varsity sport. The players did themselves well, putting themselves in a position to have a team again next year.

"I was very happy with the way it got initiated this year . . . happy with the program overall."

Maybury said the cost of running indoor soccer should not be a problem, due to its short season.

"Travel budgets can hurt the team, but overall you can run soccer at a relatively inexpensive

While Humber has run into problems with an outdoor soccer program in the past because of a lack of commitment, Maybury is hoping this won't occur with an indoor soccer club.

Maybury also noted that with the exception of a stronger emphasis on indoor soccer, the college will not be adding any varsity teams to its lineup next year.

#### 3,000 participated

# Intramurals enjoy good year

by Gregg McLachlan

Humber's intramural athletics program has been a success this year, attracting up to 3,000 participants, according to the college's intramural co-

Jim Bialek said that although two intramural sports were cancelled due to lack of interest recently, the program is still

going strong.
"Number-wise it's been a



Bialek

good year," he said. "The fact that some sports didn't go brought it down.'

Last semester's NFL pool, which had more than 1,600 entries, and the intramural ball hockey league currently under way with more than 400 players, have led the way in terms of popularity among this year's 17 activities.

On the downside, both co-ed tennis and touch football met their demise due to the overwhelming popularity of ball hockey, said Bialek.

The core group — players who normally sign up for the many sports offered swarmed to the ball hockey program.

"I would've liked to see touch football and tennis go but it was hard to fight ball hockey. When that's on it seems nothing else matters.

One other sport, co-ed

squash, remains questionable for this season because only five players have registered so

Improvements to next year's intramural lineup are already under consideration. Bialek said they include an expanded league format in both co-ed curling and co-ed broomball and a revamped fall tuneup program to promote fitness.

Intramural sports buffs had their last chance to enjoy a sample of Bialek's 1986-87 blockbuster lineup yesterday as the

perstars Competition — was

"That's one event that has always been good," explained Bialek. "It's a one day activity and people can come out and have fun and finish school in a

#### still problem women

It seems no matter what athletics tries, it just can't entice the college's women to get involved in intramural sports.

Well, not every woman. The females at Lakeshore indulge in intramural activities there. But Jim Bialek of the North campus's athletic department has been having a difficult time trying to get women involved in his intramural sports.

Bialek said getting women to play intramural sports has always been a problem and although he's tried many things to get the women to play sports, nothing has worked.

"We've done a couple of things," Bialek said. "We've eliminated men from some sports, so just women could participate, and we've tried having more co-ed sports, but still we just can't draw."

The women's past track record prompted athletics not to have any all-women sports this

"There are no all-women sports because we tried that in the past and they failed maybe five or six times."



# Off the ball

by Gregg McLachlan

Let's all band together and give Cincinatti a big wet handkerchief so they can drown in their sorrows.

Yes, in case you haven't heard by now, those belly aching chumps down south of the border were, shall we say, a bit uptight that our beloved Blue Jays had the privilege of tossing out the first pitch of the 1987 baseball season.

What really ticks me off is the fact that those Americans think they have a God-given right — a mythical contract courtesy of Abner Doubleday — that says "we get to throw the first pitch because it's our game not yours".

They even went as far as to attempt to schedule the Reds' opening game before the Jays and Indians hit the turf in Toronto. Of course it was all to no avail and the game went on.

But really, when you sit down and look at the situation it's appalling. I guess we're still considered to be the little gaffers around the block in baseball's major league circles.

Just when it looked as though we would finally gain some respect, even some attention because of our Jays impressive play, somebody tries to discredit us in this case the good 'ol boys down south.

Why any knucklehead can plainly see that a silly controversy such as that raised by Cincinatti merely hurts their own countrymen, not just Canadian baseball. Listen folks, did you forget that many of the Jays are Americans.

Quit blubbering and look at the Jays starting pitcher last Monday. It was Jimmy Key. So you see, an American did in fact throw the first pitch of 1987.

# B-ball tournament

As the year slowly begins to wind down, Lakeshore's athletic department has planned one final extramural event.

Tomorrow, Lakeshore is holding a co-ed inter-collegiate basketball tournament and five teams will take to the court.

The event will be the college's third annual extramural co-ed basketball tourney, and this year it will involve teams from Seneca's Yorkdale Campus, Seneca's King City Campus, Sir Sanford Fleming, and Hum-

ber's North and Lakeshore campuses.

Athletics has made some rule changes from regular basketball for the competition: a minimum of two women from each team must be on the floor at one time; their baskets count for three points, while the men's count for two; and the men cannot enter the key or they receive a technical foul. Four such fouls will remove them from the game.

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