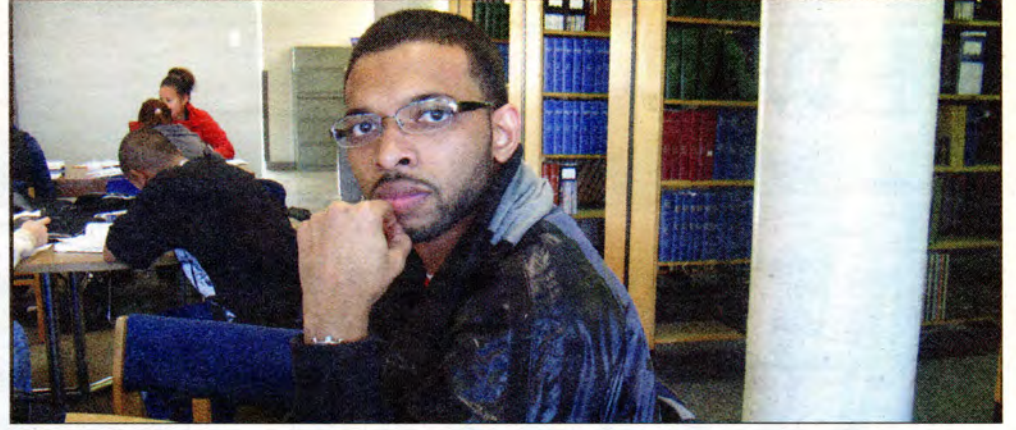


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## Double spun gold



Courtesy from Elaine Fancy

The rugby team beat rivals, Fleming Knights for the Ontario College Championship by a 28-7 score Saturday. The team has won the title two years in a row.

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## NEWS

A Canadian man faces five years in an Arizona jail after being found guilty for lying about being a U.S. citizen for the last 10 years. — [torontosun.com](http://torontosun.com)



## The 411

### Local

A strike at York University that has put 50,000 students out of class heads into its second week. The university is offering a 9.25 per cent raise over three years to the Canadian Union of Public Employees, which represents teaching assistants, graduate assistants and contract faculty. The union is asking for an 11.25 per cent raise over two years and increased benefits and job security.

### National

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced yesterday that the government will buy up to \$50 billion in insured mortgages to help keep credit markets moving. Flaherty said the purchase will help make loans more affordable to Canadian borrowers. But he added, "this could limit the availability of credit to Canadian households and businesses in the months ahead."

### International

Italian shopkeepers pay upwards of \$380 million a day to Mafia extortionists and loan sharks according to the Italian shopkeepers' association Confesercenti. Many shopkeepers are afraid that the worldwide economic crisis could allow the Mafia to tighten its stranglehold. Recent data suggests that the four biggest Mafias — Calabria's 'Ndrangheta, Sicily's Cosa Nostra, Naples' Camorra and Puglia's Sacra Corona Unita — combined earnings would make them the biggest company in Italy.



Harrison Tripple

Gas prices won't affect TTC fares for 2008, but the new year could bring a fare hike to riders.

## Riders won't see fares reduced

Harrison Tripple  
NEWS REPORTER

For those who noticed lower prices at the pumps, don't hold your breath for a drop in the price of bus fares.

Crude oil prices fell to roughly \$56 a barrel Wednesday, a cheaper rate than the approximately \$150 per barrel consumers were paying this past July, according to Yahoo Finance.

Each year the Toronto Transit Commission negotiates a contract with its fuel suppliers and a price is locked in for the entire year. The TTC isn't affected by crude oil prices until it is time to re-negotiate a contract.

"We are locked in at 87 cents Cdn per litre this year so there isn't much impact on the TTC," said TTC spokesperson Brad Ross.

In 2009, the TTC expects an extra \$25 million increase in expenses because of inconsistent oil prices

among other things, according to TTC corporate communications supervisor Danny Nicholson. This could mean a fare hike for riders in the new year.

**"We are locked in at 87 cents Cdn per litre this year so there isn't much impact on the TTC."**

—Brad Ross  
TTC spokesperson

"If we get the subsidies we need then we don't need to increase the rates, but if we don't sometimes we do have to increase the rates," said Nicholson. "There wouldn't be a time where we would decrease fares."

The decreased gas prices won't benefit commuters who take the bus.

"I take the bus to school every day, so to me it's really important," said

business administration student Bradley MacRae.

"They should reduce fares if the reason why they went up was because of the price of gas."

Humber business degrees program co-ordinator PierrePascal Gendron said there are contributing factors in the increase or decrease of fuel prices.

Crude oil stocks are very sensitive and are affected by many things, but the main factor is demand. Even in the midst of a global economic crisis there is still a huge demand for crude oil.

The public can hope the influx of prices will stop, but at this point it is unpredictable, said Gendron.

"If there is no new war and if nothing drastic happens that would effect the demand or the supply, you could expect that the price of oil would stay the same," Gendron said.

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Dila Velazquez

Hundreds of students and faculty gathered in the atrium for the Remembrance Day service, which was hosted by journalism program co-ordinator Carey French. He spoke of the sacrifices made by Canadian soldiers throughout the years. His talk was followed by a reading of John McRae's poem *In Flanders Field* by HSF president Mike Berg and a prayer by Chaplain Len Thomas. A solemn moment of silence was followed by a rendition of the national anthem sung by Lisa Martinelli and accompanied by a group of children from the Humber day care.

In an interview with Fox news, Alaskan governor Sarah Palin made it clear that she is seriously considering running for president in 2012. — thestar.com

# HSF prez unsure of drill

But Berg says lockdown procedure is 'adequate'

Rose Ditaranto  
NEWS REPORTER

Posters detailing how a campus wide lockdown will work have been placed in all Humber classes, says the head of security at North Campus.

Gary Jaynes said the lockdown instructions posted in every class-

room provide general guidelines advising what to do if a lockdown were to occur.

HSF president Mike Berg said the student government had a role in discussions about the lockdown system. Berg said he feels it's a strong measure that will protect the Humber community.

But Berg was unsure of the lockdown procedure or plan of action, but said it will adequately serve students.

The lockdown procedure doesn't ease the fears of at least one student.

First-year nursing student Jennifer Schram thinks the posters make students feel more afraid rather than reassured.

"I do not feel safer, it makes me feel that there is a threat," said Schram. "It raises concern for alarm. It instils fear, you are always thinking something will happen."

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First-year nursing student

Jaynes responded to Schram's concerns with safety advice.

"The recommended procedure by

the police is that you need to be in a place where you feel safe and we provide a room where you can lock the door and you know the perpetrator can't get in," Jaynes said. "I would consider that to be a safe area."

The instructions advise students to leave the building if possible and to dial 911.

If students are unable to exit, they are asked to follow directions announced over the public address system.

Those inside the building when the lockdown occurs will be asked to close and lock all classroom doors and cover all windows.

In case of an injury, a sign should

be placed in the exterior window identifying the location of the wounded person.

The locks on most of the classroom doors have been converted, said Jaynes. Students and teachers are now able to lock the door from the inside which prevents anyone from entering.

Police foundations co-ordinator, Henri Berube, said because of past incidents lockdown systems are more common.

"The lockdown procedures that have been implemented, probably since Columbine, are a reasonable compromise in police tactical response means and public safety," Berube said.

# Groups help battle negative websites

Jen Korson  
NEWS REPORTER

Counselling services both inside and outside Humber are stepping up to help combat the increasing issue of pro-eating disorder websites.

Humber counselor Liz Sokol said there are many reasons someone can develop an eating disorder.

"There are environmental factors, there's genetic factors, there's social factors, there's the culture of the family, there's the culture of the culture, there is the individual's personal resources in terms of how they cope with stress," said Sokol.

Anorexia and bulimia are multi-faceted disorders that don't have one cause, Sokol said.

Websites supporting anorexia and bulimia have increased 470 per cent since 2006, according to a 2008 Optenet internet trends study.

Optonet research is a global IT security company that filters websites and provides security solutions to service providers and large enterprises worldwide.

The websites found offered tips to restrict and purge food, while displaying pictures of malnourished girls for "thinspiration." They objectify the disorder as a lifestyle choice,

versus an illness

There are services that help fight against the disorder. Toronto based Sheena's Place, is an example of a safe haven for those suffering with eating disorders.

Education and awareness are the first steps on the road to recovery,

said Sheena's Place program director Anne Elliot.

"It may look pretty on the outside, but what happens on the inside is that you're killing your body and people can die of eating disorders," she said.

The facility offers a variety of support groups for a range of individuals, including college and university age students.

The support groups allow people to tell the truth about how the disorder affects them in a group setting where others can relate, said Elliot.

"They don't need to feel ashamed about what's happening because it happens to a lot of women and some men, and it's okay to ask for help," she said.

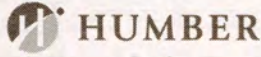
Elliot explained there are support sites such as Webiteback.com that help to disprove websites that give misleading messages about eating disorders.



Jen Korson

A variety of workshops are available to help overcome eating disorders.

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**DR. MICHAEL GEIST**  
UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA'S CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR IN INTERNET AND E-COMMERCE LAW



In June 2008, the Canadian government introduced Bill C-61, new copyright legislation that closely follows the U.S. Digital Millennium Copyright Act. Public response was both immediate and angry, spawning many new advocacy groups, including the 90,000-member Fair Copyright for Canada Facebook group. In this talk, Dr. Geist will assess both Bill C-61 and the "Canadian copy-fight" it engendered in an effort to answer the oft-asked question: "Why copyright?"

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# EDITORIAL

"Hope is itself a species of happiness, and, perhaps, the chief happiness which this world affords." – British author and lexicographer Samuel Johnson

## Crisis plan too late

### Other schools acted quickly with lockdowns

Humber College has finally instituted a lockdown procedure in case of an emergency. Step-by-step instructions of what to do have been placed in most classrooms, and all classroom doors have been fitted with locks that can be used from the inside.

But the real question is: What took so long? It has been almost 10 years since the massacre at Columbine High School and over two years since Kimveer Gill opened fire at Dawson College in Montreal. The Toronto District School Board has lockdown procedures in place for all its schools – including elementary schools – and they are required to conduct two lockdown drills every year.

We acknowledge that it is harder to implement a lockdown in a college such as Humber because students are free to come and go and are not as confined to classrooms as they are in grade school. The size of the college also presents challenges. Still, the school should not have taken so long to develop a procedure.

Last February, Sheridan College had to go into lockdown after a teacher thought he saw a student carrying a rifle on campus. It turned

out to be a false alarm (the rifle was actually a tripod) but Sheridan had a plan in place for such a situation. If that had happened at Humber, the school would not have been prepared.

This isn't the only example of the college lagging on an important issue. A flu pandemic plan has been in the works since 2005 and still hasn't been finalized. Last winter, president John Davies said he expected to have one in place by the summer, however, nothing is finalized. According to Health Canada, the last three flu pandemics occurred in 1918-1919, 1957-58 and 1968-69 and scientists believe there will be another one sooner or later.

The chance something will happen is small, but as an institution with over 70,000 full- and part-time students, Humber should be better prepared in case of an emergency. Humber is a safe school, but the Dawson College shootings caught everyone by surprise and it is always better to be safe than sorry. Dawson acted quickly to implement emergency lockdown procedures. Humber should have followed suit long ago – instead of taking two years.



The Modern Great Depression

## Press censored by blackout

When Canadian CBC reporter Melissa Fung was taken hostage in Kabul on Oct. 12, the CBC issued a request for news organizations across the world to hold all stories in relation to Fung's kidnapping. Top editors and producers world-wide agreed. With Fung safely returned this past weekend, the *Et Cetera* is asking why there was a ban on this hostage situation and not others?

Safety for Fung was the top reason the CBC, the military and the Prime Minister's office requested a media ban. They argued headlines might push the kidnappers into a panic, resulting in a longer captivity for Fung, or even worse, death.

In a past hostage case, Ken Hechtman, a Montreal based freelancer, was taken captive in Afghanistan in 2001. This case was not subject to a media ban, and there were reports on his ordeal from the day he was kidnapped to the day he was released.

To the public, it must seem strange one journalist received the respect of having her story kept on the down low, where another did not receive the same treatment.

News organizations need to decide how they are going to deal with future kidnappings, because if they go back and forth between reporting some and not reporting on others, the public may begin to lose faith in the press.

Scott White, editor-in-chief of the Canadian Press, said his organization has a set policy on kidnapping and terrorism, and in *The Globe and Mail* he said, "No news story is worth someone's life."

Clearly, a life is far more important than a story. But reporters need to report on what is going on – instead, they are being censored in some hostage situations and not others by the news organization for which they work.

This situation showed the power of editors over their reporters. The editor chooses what is to be reported on and ultimately in what way. But this censorship does not agree with the fundamental ideals of what it is to have freedom of press.

It is a reporter's responsibility and right to inform the public. News organizations need to be consistent when that right is revoked, and so far, they haven't been.

## WORD ON THE STREET

What concerns you most about the economic crisis?



Amine Mounir, 20, first-year marketing

"I'm concerned about what the state of the economy will be once we graduate."



Kelly Doran, 18, first-year radio broadcast

"For one, with Obama being president, it's either going to go really downhill or it's going to go up."

Cristina Dipaolo, 21, fourth-year business administration



"The only thing I'm concerned about are the job losses. The *Toronto Star* says 100,000 jobs are going to be lost."

Leroy James, 28, first-year accounting



"I think we're all in trouble."

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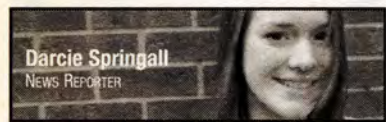
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"A study of the history of opinion is a necessary preliminary to the emancipation of the mind." – British economist, John Maynard Keynes

# Youth aren't as bad as some think

Generation Yers are getting a bad rap, but they have unique traits to offer the workforce



Darcie Springall  
NEWS REPORTER

We've been called lazy, self-serving, impatient, and have been accused of having a misplaced sense of entitlement. But the positives outweigh the negatives when it comes to Generation Y entering the workplace.

I, like you, grew up during the '90s, right alongside cell phones, the Internet and, unfortunately, mesh shirts and fanny packs. If I sound

biased that's because I am.

Because we Gen Yers have a bad reputation. And an undeserving one at that.

Generation Y is composed of anyone born from 1980 to 1994. Gen Y, also referred to as the Millennials or the Echo Boomers, is the spawn of the baby boomers. We account for 70 million consumers, and marketing focus has been catering to us since birth.

We were raised by 'helicopter parents' who oversaw our every move to keep us out of harm's way. We were told daily that we are special, unique and can accomplish anything. We

went through school constantly needing praise and approval. All aspects that do not translate well into the working world.

“We Gen Yers are entering the workforce with enthusiasm and vigor.”

An Australian study completed in July 2007 by the online magazine Smart Company concluded that 70

percent of business owners were dissatisfied with the work ethic of Gen Yers, saying we lack professional skills, have poor spelling and grammar, and were babied when growing up.

However, the same business owners found some positive traits. Generation Y, they said, "bring an energy, a creativity and a charisma," to the workplace. "So if you can harness their personalities and their view of the world in the right way, they can be good employees" according to the website.

An October 2007 BusinessWeek article by Jack and Suzy Welch enti-

tled Generation Y's Bad Rap says us Millennials are "hardworking, entrepreneurial, startlingly authentic, refreshingly candid, and wonderfully upbeat," and aren't only interested in earning a fortune. For the Gen Yers, being successful is simply finding a balance between a rewarding career and maintaining a personal life.

Sure we're coming into the workplace a little naive and with high expectations about our futures, but we Gen Yers are entering the workforce with enthusiasm and vigor, ready to make our dreams come true no matter what it takes.

# Bar-going women should put safety above pleasure



Kara Bertrand  
LIFE EDITOR

They're out every Friday and Saturday night, often at the same place in the hope of finally succeeding in their nightly mission. These women can't be missed. They squeal, shout and embrace almost anyone in their presence. They're far past the point of inebriation and seem to have lost all account of their actions. All it takes is one night – one moment – when one of these women can be the victim of sexual harassment, rape or worse yet, murder.

Women need to stop portraying themselves as prostitutes or lesbians to please or excite men and learn to control their alcohol intake. I feel guilty saying drunk rape victims are partly to blame for what happens to them, but there has to be a point when a woman puts her own safety before her physical pleasure.

Quite frankly, it's a sad display to see a normally level-headed woman lose all control, and it happens every weekend. Some will dance on poles or make out with their girlfriends – all to impress whomever is watching them that night. I'm not sure when acting like a lesbian became the norm and it sort of bothers me. That lesbianism excites men baffles me in

the first place, but hat heterosexual women decide to succumb to this fantasy is even more obscene.

A study published in the December 2003 issue of the *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* suggested that women who engage in certain behaviour at certain bars are "more likely to experience bar-related aggression." This behaviour might include alcohol consumption, leaving the bar with strangers and even non-verbal communication.

Research by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health showed women are more vulnerable to alcohol abuse than men, as women who are drinking have higher concentrations of alcohol in their

blood. Consequently a woman ends up drunk faster than a man, often forgetting her inhibitions at the door.

Women need to be especially concerned of this since sexual assaults are on the rise. Toronto Police Service states that 895 sexual assaults were reported from January to August 2008, compared to a total of 944 in all of 2007. According to Stats Can, there were 546,000 sexual assaults in Canada in 2004, with young women between the ages of 15 and 24 being most at risk. For women who think sexual assault is rare, think again. These statistics are based on only eight per cent of women – the rest are not reporting

sexual assault incidents for reasons of fear or embarrassment.

Such statistics should be a rude awakening for women who frequent bars and parties. Women need to be more aware of how to prevent becoming a victim of a sexual assault. Common sense will say to keep your friends nearby, with having at least one sober; never leave your drink unattended; and watch your alcohol consumption. All these precautions will certainly make the next day easier to handle.

Twenty-first century women should be proud to be who they are before they set foot in the bar, without having to pretend to be something they're not.

# Feds too lax on food safety laws



Genevieve DeBellis  
NEWS EDITOR

Food companies continue to take the fall for bacteria outbreaks, but the federal government has been falling short on its responsibility to set the standards and keep food plants in check.

The results are devastating – statistics released by Public Health Canada stated as of Oct. 17, 2008, there were 53 confirmed cases of listeriosis in Canada during the latest outbreak, and 20 deaths where listeria was the underlying or contributing cause.

In May 2005, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency released its food emergency response review. It stated improvements needed to be made to their food recall system, as well as the risk/technical assessment process. Another proposal was to improve follow-up inspections. These suggestions, highlighted three years ago, weren't acted upon. If they

were, it is reasonable to think the listeria outbreak could have been avoided.

The Meat Inspections Act states the government is responsible for the inspection and re-inspection of meat products and establishments that produce meat products. This inspection policy wavered when CFIA changed its policy in 2008.

“The public should question whether health officials are doing enough.”

Before April 1, meat inspectors were required to report any findings of listeria in meat to CFIA inspectors. A new system, referred to as the compliance verification system, left companies to inspect themselves and CFIA inspectors to review paperwork. The CFIA abandoned its responsibility to ensure food safety

and left room for companies to deviate from policy. In my opinion, the government should have had to foresight to know that companies are likely to cut corners to save money and in turn compromise food safety.

The safety tips given out by Health Canada, such as avoiding certain foods or frequently cleaning your refrigerator, are not enough to keep the public safe and healthy. While there are other preventative measures, such as proper cooking procedures of certain foods, there is still room for risk. Most of the Maple Leaf foods found to be contaminated were not meant to be cooked.

In the end, it all comes down to implementing strict inspections on food products, because you never know what may be infected next. Following the proper procedure is key because the moment there is room for error it may end up costing lives. Although food companies like Maple Leaf are taking the blame, the public should question whether health officials are doing enough.



To migraines, for preventing breast cancer, according to researchers from the University of Washington.

To peridotite, a carbon dioxide-absorbing rock found mostly in Oman, whose power, if harnessed, could slow global warming.

To a Toronto teacher who entered a burning building to save the lives of two people.

To Peruvians, for offering a Peruvian hairless puppy (their national dog) to the Obama family.

To Edmonton, for being the most dangerous city in Canada to drive in.

To Canada, for ranking 15th out of 17 developed nations on its environmental record, according to a study by the Conference Board of Canada.

To the Western Canada Lottery Corporation, for knowingly selling lottery tickets after the main prize had already been won.

To a British hunter, who missed a shot and hit a packed bus.

Japanese electronics company Panasonic is starting talks to take over the smaller electronics company Sanyo. — news.bbc.co.uk

# iTunes streams in some classrooms

Claude Saravia  
Biz/TECH REPORTER

Many Humber teachers forbid iPods in the classroom, but they soon may be singing a different tune.

This is thanks to a new feature on iTunes that allows professors to turn their lectures into a podcast for students to download.

Once added to your computer, the free podcast can be uploaded into an iPod or iPhone.

The service, called iTunes-U, is widely used in the United States and Britain. Five institutions in Canada use the service, according to the iTunes website, including University of Montreal, University of Western Ontario, University of British Columbia, Queen's University, and Banff Centre.

Sorel Friedman, an instructor in

the English studies department at the University of Montreal said she has used iTunes-U for three semesters.

"I am sort of in an experimental phase with it, to see how it works and how it can help me to enhance the students' experience," said Friedman, who was one of ten professors selected to be a recipient of the 2008 3M Teaching Fellowship Award, given for teaching excellence. "So I am trying different uses of it."

Friedman said professors have the option of making the podcast available worldwide or limiting the podcast to members of the classes.

"In my case, I sort of consider what goes on between me and my students to be a private and intimate matter, so I prefer to have that information just between us," Friedman said.

Basil Guinane, associate dean of the School of Media Studies said Apple visited the School of Media Studies last spring to make a presentation.

"Right now where we are at is looking at possibilities of the type of content we could put up, but we don't have any firm plans and we haven't approached any faculty," said Guinane. "Obviously when you take on something like that, there is a question of resources; who is going to do the work? That sort of thing," he said.

"The one thing we don't want to do is create any extra work for anybody."

Humber faculty interviewed by *The Humber Et Cetera* did not seem to be thrilled with the idea.

"We have to proceed carefully with a service being offered by a company primarily as a marketing initiative

among the college-age population," said Salem Alaton, a professor at the School of Media Studies.

"Additionally, there are key elements to having learning take place face-to-face in a classroom that we shouldn't try to wholly replace by these technology-oriented strategies," he said.

Trevor Arkell, a professor in the English department at Humber said he does not use it nor does he intend to. "Discourse and dialogue is always going to be missed in a one way lecture such as that might be delivered over the iPod."

Second-year 3D computer animation student, Brendon Delgado said he would like to see Humber take advantage of the program.

"Just in case you miss a class, just go to iTunes and download it," said Delgado.



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# The Beatles make video game comeback

Kevin R. Veilleux  
SPECIAL TO THE ET CETERA

The Beatles first foray into video games will introduce an entirely different generation to the medium, said Brad Klump, a faculty member in Humber's musicology program.

"Paul McCartney, Ringo Starr and the estates of John Lennon and George Harrison are realizing the draw and power of this entertainment," said Klump. "This is a way of attracting a new audience."

The iconic group's catalogue of songs will be featured in a sequel to the *Rock Band* video game, where players virtually join the musicians on stage. It is due out in the holiday season next year.

The *Rock Band* series has sold more than four million units and has earned more than \$600 million in revenue.

"It's competitive as bands want to get their songs in these games," Klump said.

Terry Posthumus, interactive entertainment program co-ordinator at Humber, said games like *Rock Band* have really struck a chord. He said people who have never played video games have become gamers because of them.

"This game will definitely appeal to baby boomers," Posthumus said.

Third-year business administration student Sean Moore said he looks forward to playing with his

parents.

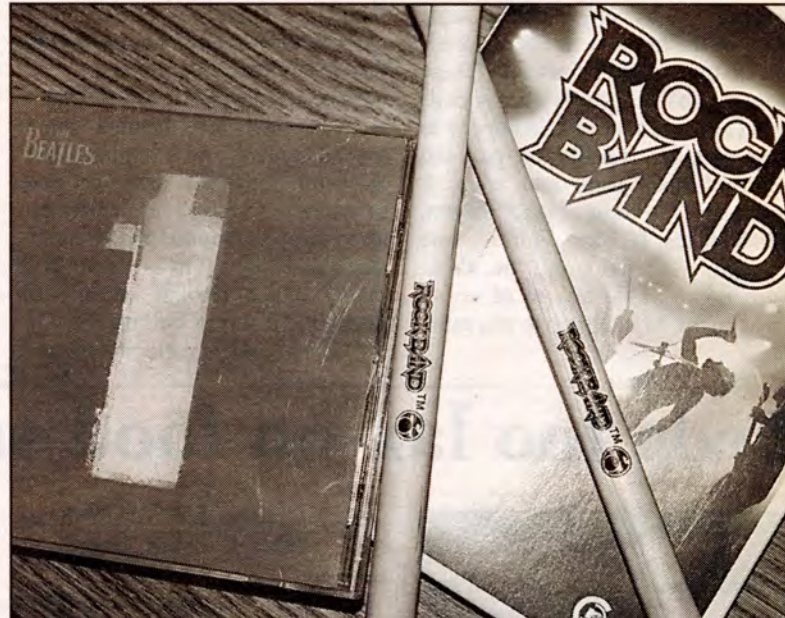
"It's great that it is such a social game, I can definitely see them getting into it," Moore said. "It's kind of cool, I like The Beatles, and so I'd definitely play."

Combining rhythm-based controllers and popular music has proven to be profitable, but these aren't the only elements which have driven sales.

"There's a social aspect to playing that game, with everyone doing it in the same room, cheering each other on," said Klump. "It appeals to the crowd who want to be rock stars."

Klump said not to expect to see parents and teachers forming bands or musical skills from the games.

"It's just pushing buttons, so you're not getting a real sense in playing the guitar."



Kevin R. Veilleux

The Beatles will be lending their music to gamers who want to sing and play along to their hit songs on *Rock Band*.

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# Searching for matter in dark spaces

Mike Nasmith  
Biz/TECH REPORTER

A Canadian-led research team is racing to be the first to prove conclusively the mysterious force known as dark matter exists.

The endeavour, called PICASSO (Project in Canada to Search for Supersymmetric Objects) is one of many being undertaken around the world, said Ubi Wichoski, head of the PICASSO experiment at Laurentian University.

At stake is not just knowledge, but possible Nobel Prize recognition,

Wichoski said.

Dark matter and dark energy are believed to make up about 95 per cent of the matter in the universe, with visible, detectable matter making up the other five per cent, said Tatiana Ouarova, an astronomy teacher at Humber.

"It's most of the matter in the universe, except we can't see it because it doesn't interact in the usual way that regular matter does with light," Ouarova said.

Despite being unobservable, evidence suggests dark matter does exist, said Ouarova.

The problem in observing this matter is the interactions of dark matter are so weak no technology can yet detect it, said Wichoski.

This is why PICASSO works two kilometres underground, at a facility called SNOLAB, Canada's leading facility to study astroparticle physics.

Wichoski said although there is no immediate use for the knowledge, that is typical of scientific research. He added electricity also had no immediate use when it was first discovered.

Ouarova said beyond practical

applications, the need to know is also important.

"We can't help ourselves to try and study the universe and try to explain how we've come to be here, and these kinds of questions really deal with the big cosmological questions," Ouarova said.

One student said publically funded projects like this are worthwhile.

"We should be funding it," said first-year early childhood education student Katie Mets. "There's 95 per cent of things that we don't know, why wouldn't we want to study it?"

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## Big Brother hits campus

Erica Cassar  
LIFE REPORTER

Wilder Adriano Gutierrez outlasted nine other contestants to become the winner of Humber North's Big Brother 2 contest.

"I didn't lie, I didn't cheat and I didn't gang up on anyone," said the 21-year-old second-year business administration student. "I was being myself."

The 10 students involved spent 24 hours in the Student Centre in a cage from Nov. 10 to 11, vying for the \$1,000 grand prize. They were voted off one by one in elimination games.

The final decision came down to members of the audience who voted between the two remaining house guests and Gutierrez was crowned the winner.

He said he already knows what he is going to do with his money.

"I'm going to party with all my friends," he said. "They are

part of the votes that got me to win so I'm congratulating them too."

The event is a unique one to Humber said HSF programming director Aaron Miller.

"It's something only Humber does so it's kind of cool to see the excitement we have over it," he said.

The students who applied for Big Brother 2 came from a variety of



Erica Cassar

**Wilder Adriano Gutierrez was crowned the winner of Big Brother 2 and received the \$1,000 grand prize.**

backgrounds, said Miller.

HSF president Mike Berg said it was important to get a wide range of students in the cage.

"When \$1,000 is up for grabs you get a lot of students' attention," he said. "We try

to ensure that all the programs are represented."

Berg, who wishes he could have joined the event, said he knows what he would bring into the house.

"A board game or probably some homework," he said. "Something to pass the time, or just something to enable me to interact with the other contestants."

**"It's something only Humber does so it's kind of cool to see the excitement we have over it."**

—Aaron Miller  
HSF programming director

## Ontario nurses at risk of abuse in workplace

Erica Cassar  
LIFE REPORTER

The vice president of the Ontario Nursing Association says nurses face physical and sexual abuse on the job.

"Registered nurses are three to 12 times more likely to be assaulted and injured on the job," said Karen MacDonald. "That's more than any other profession including police and firefighters."

Poonam Sharma, a nursing student and member of the Humber nursing society, knows exactly what she would do if she experienced abuse in the workplace.

"I would use my skills learned in crisis intervention and apply best practice guidelines to the situation at hand," Sharma said, adding the nursing program helps students prepare for such situations.

Viruses, being exposed to infectious disease and muscle strains are some of the other things nurses have to endure on the job, said

MacDonald.

Nurses face challenges and dangers every day, including contracting communicable diseases.

Former health minister, George Smitherman, wrote a report after the SARS outbreak about the dangers to workers in healthcare facilities. Two nurses and a doctor died from SARS, the report highlighted.

A former Finch Hospital Nurse, Fiorella Parascandolo said she has experienced abuse at the workplace.

"I haven't had anything serious happen but patients have been rude," she said. "I just try to smile and help them anyway I can."

The Registered Nursing Association of Ontario is promoting safer work environments with its seventh annual International Healthy Workplaces In Action conference. The conference is being held from Nov. 20 to 21. Additional information is available at the RNAO website, www.rnao.org.

## Succeeding against all odds

Tanisha Du Verney  
LIFE REPORTER

Abdi Mohamed's life changed forever when a friend drove him to work in 2007.

The 23-year-old Humber student fell asleep in the car on the way to work in Calgary.

He was thrown through the windshield and sent into a coma for three months, waking up with a broken spine.

When he woke up, he was attached to a medical ventilator.

"I had all these tubes coming out of my body," he said of being in the hospital following the accident. "I panicked because I had no clue what was going on. I thought I had just woken up from the drive to work."

The driver of the car was speeding at 140 km/h. Mohamed said his friend tried to put the blame on him, saying Mohamed had been driving. It was later disproved and the case has been resolved.

Mohamed was transferred to a Toronto hospital where he underwent therapy for his injuries until May 2008.

After the accident, Mohamed's dreams of becoming a chef flashed before his eyes and he went through a depression stage.

He didn't know how to live without being able to walk and he said he wanted to die.

He was unable to continue his first year in the culinary program because he couldn't reach the stations to cook, and he was told it was unsanitary to push a wheelchair while dealing with food. He decided

to transfer to the hospitality program where he is in his first year.

"This whole wheelchair thing is new to me," Mohamed said.

It wasn't until he spoke with a counselor, also in a wheelchair, that he changed his outlook. The counselor told him he was lucky to be alive and Mohamed started looking at life in a positive light.

After taking some time away to

help Mohamed after the accident.

"He's my brother so I had no choice," said Ali Mohamed. "I went to Edmonton to stay with him. I had nowhere to go so I just slept in the hospital. When I came back to Toronto I started working at agencies but nothing compared to my job that I had left behind."

As time passed, Mohamed learned to cope with his new lifestyle. He

chose to live on his own because he said he didn't want to be a burden or hold people back from their lives.

"I am independent," he said. "I don't get help from any nurses or anything. I wake up, jump in my chair then transfer into my shower. I dress in my chair. It is hard but I've got to get used to it."

Mohamed also plays in the Canadian Wheelchair Basketball League for the Variety Village Rollin' Rebels. The Rebels is among the top ranked wheelchair basketball teams in Canada.

He plans on trying out for the 2012 wheelchair basketball Olympic team.

Mohamed is going for stem cell research in Germany on May 12. He is talking to neurosurgeons who have told him that there is a slim chance he will walk again.

"I decided to learn things quick on my own," said Mohamed. "I can handle everything, and I still cook."

Mohamed also wants to own and manage his own restaurant.

"Abdi has already accomplished a lot and I know that he will do well in everything that he decides to do after he is done school," said Nsengiyumva.



Courtesy of Abdi Mohamed

**Abdi Mohamed plays wheelchair basketball for a top ranked Canadian team and bikes outside for fun during the summer.**

deal with the tragic incident, Mohamed said he thought it was time for him to move on with his life.

"I decided to go back to school after being in the hospital for six months," said Mohamed.

Honorine Nsengiyumva has been Mohamed's friend for almost 10 years and they are in the same program at Humber.

"Abdi has always been down to earth but since his accident he has been more focused on life and has matured a lot," said Nsengiyumva.

Mohamed said his family supports him. His brother, Ali, quit his job to

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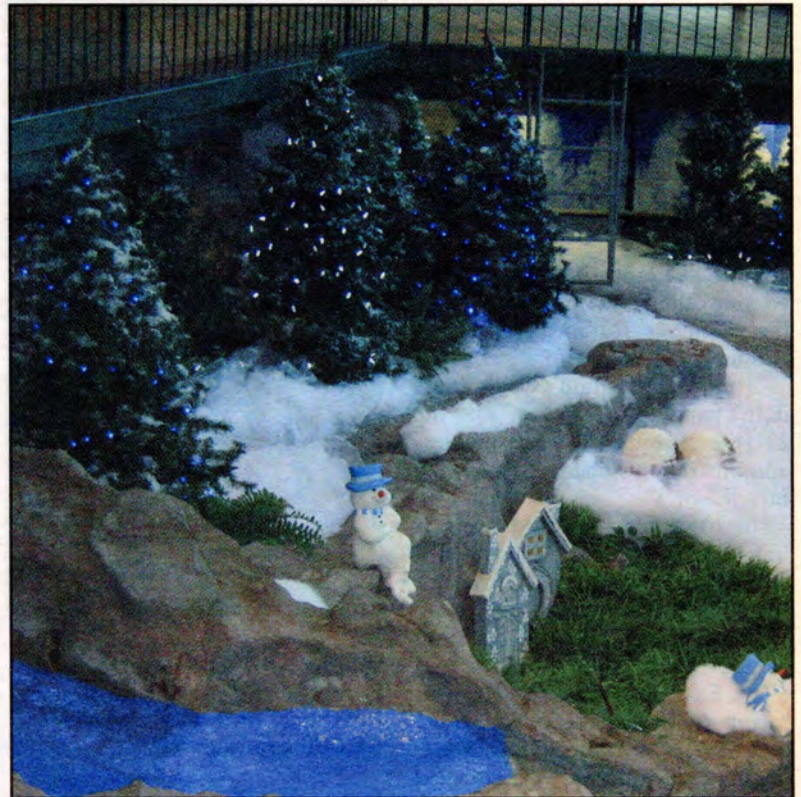
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Maddie-Jo Tillapaugh

Malls have put up their holiday decorations to gain more sales.

## Holiday decorating already in full force

Maddie-Jo Tillapaugh  
LIFE REPORTER

Browse through the Eaton Centre and you will already see Santa and his sleigh, reindeer, Christmas trees, and stars, all hanging from the ceiling.

"The mall starts putting up decorations the last week of October," said Eaton Centre customer service representative, Yolanda Green.

Although early shopping may be beneficial for some, others may find that it's happening too fast.

"It's too soon," said Guelph Humber early childhood education student, Hafize Artan. "Not everyone celebrates Christmas."

With holiday wreaths and Christmas trees being displayed right after Halloween, some people are saying the decorations boost enthusiasm during this economic crisis.

"With the economy being bad right now, they're putting decorations up early to try and lift people's spirits," said Artan. "And because

they think we will spend more money."

According to Statistics Canada, shoe, clothing, accessory, jewellery, home electronics, and appliance stores all double their average monthly sales in December. Toronto has the highest retail sales in December in the country, according to Statistics Canada.

**"Sales at this time of year can make or break a store."**

—Marilyn Titlebomb  
Interior decorating co-ordinator

"December is five times busier than usual," said Mei's Arts & Crafts manager, Crystal Mei.

Mei, a Humber business graduate, said with the economy being

weak, she is concerned this holiday season people might not be spending as much money in her store at the Woodbine Centre.

"Stores should put up their displays right after Halloween. Sales at this time of year can make or break a store," said Humber's interior decorating co-ordinator, Marilyn Titlebomb.

Titlebomb said most public spaces use professional companies to design and install their holiday decorations.

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# Campaign to raise money for refugees

David Lipson  
SENIOR REPORTER

Carlos Jean Pierre didn't know who to turn to when he arrived in Canada as a refugee claimant in October.

"I was at the Peace Bridge when I came in and they asked me where I wanted to go," said the 39-year-old Haitian.

He was directed by border officials to Matthew House, a small shelter in Toronto for people seeking asylum in Canada.

Matthew House founder and director, Anne Woolger-Bell said Jean Pierre's situation is typical for newly arrived refugees.

"They literally sometimes sleep on the bench at the airport, or sleep on the street at night. They don't know where to turn for help," she said. "I could tell stories of smugglers dropping people off downtown in the middle of the night in the winter time — really truly horror stories."

Matthew House has temporarily housed about 1000 people from 75 countries since it opened in 1998.

Woolger-Bell said the shelter can house 12 people at a time, but the demand is higher than the house can currently hold.

The non-profit home located at Dundas St. and Ossington Ave. is funded through church organiza-

tions and private donors.

Students from Humber's fundraising and volunteer management program are putting together a campaign to raise money for a second Matthew House location.

"I'd love for it to come true," said Woolger-Bell. "We're bursting at the seams."

Humber fundraising student Noel Draper, 46, pitched the idea of helping Matthew House to his peers.

The students helped organize a benefit concert for the shelter in October featuring the Congolese band Krystaal.

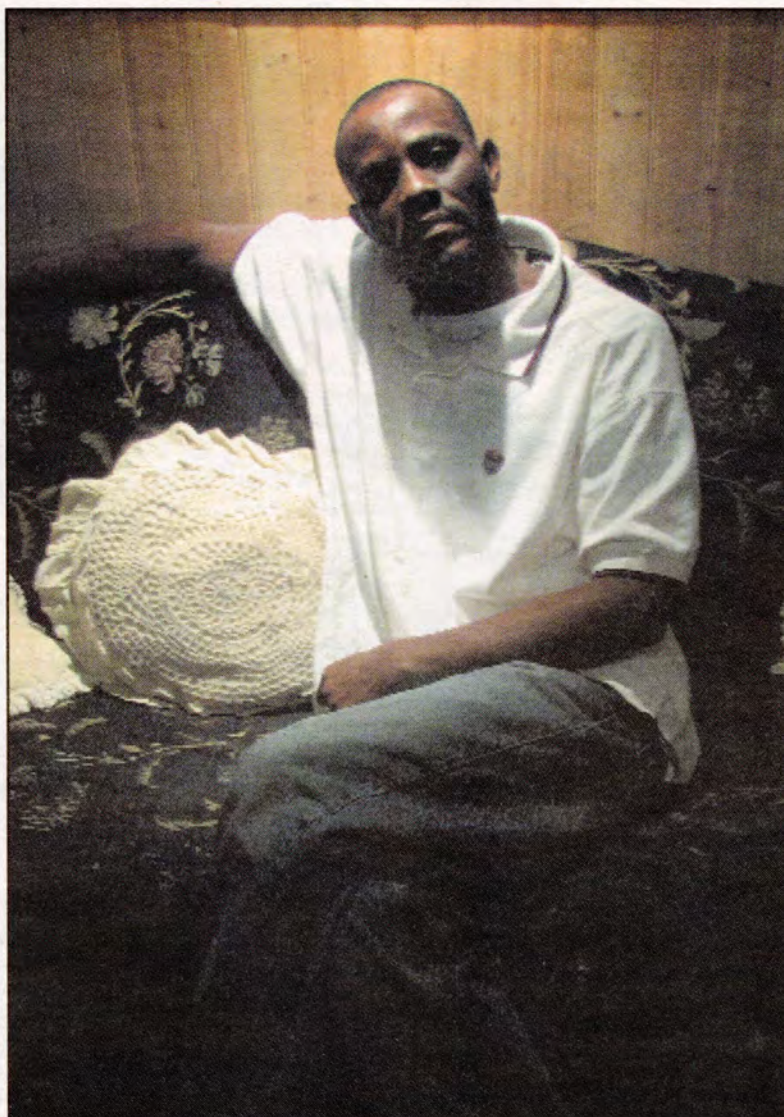
"Personally as a student at Humber, it's great to be able to apply what you are learning, he said. "You're not just doing an academic exercise — you're doing something real."

Canada annually settles between 10,000 to 12,000 refugees, according to Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

Jean Pierre is at the shelter waiting for his case to be heard by the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada.

He said there is a death warrant for him in Haiti, a country with a history political violence — because of his party affiliations.

"If I put myself in a situation to go back there, I'd be a fool," he said.



David Lipson

Carlos Jean Pierre is one of the many refugees in Canada. He did not know where to go when he arrived in Canada. Matthew House, a small shelter in Toronto helps refugees seeking asylum.

# Models strut their stuff in runway casting

Angelica Samad  
LIFE REPORTER

Guelph-Humber hosted a model casting for the up-coming Style Stars and Wishes fashion show.

The casting brought out a handful of model hopefuls, all vying for positions in the show and allowed new designers to showcase their clothing.

Models were chosen to represent the six designers whose lines will be showcased.

Guelph-Humber business administration student Martha McLoughlin is the co-ordinator of the casting call and fashion show.

"It's the first fashion show I've done but it's a project that I have to do for the business administration program I am in," she said.

McLoughlin said she hopes the fashion show will help the up-and-coming designers show their creativity.

"I hope that this fashion show will bring the designers some publicity," she said.

McLoughlin said the clothing lines will be there for everyone, and it gives designers a chance to showcase their hard work.

The models struck poses, took headshots and walked the runway in the hopes of being casted.

Holy Cross high school student and model hopeful Natalie Smakosz, 15, attended the model casting with hopes to be in the show.

"This isn't my first time doing a fashion show," she said. "I did one last year for the Cancer Society."

Smakosz said she chose to try out because she likes fashion and thinks it will be a good start if modeling is a future career for her.

Designer Tiffany Warden, 23, a University of Toronto student, used her creativity to design an anime inspired line.

"My line consists of a lot of colour and models the clothing worn in the shows," said Warden.

Warden's line is called Cosplay, and she, like many of the other designers has high hopes for the show.

"It would be nice to gain exposure or commissions from people for my designs."

The show takes place on Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

# Photo of the week Young minds remember



Dila Velazquez

Et Cetera photo editor Dila Velazquez captures five-year-old Adamh Zane following an emotional Remembrance Day ceremony at North Campus. Every year the Humber day care brings the children to the ceremonies so they can witness them. The children made two wreaths, which were displayed — one on the wall behind the podium and another laid out on the ground. Following the solemn moment of silence, the children joined Humber music instructor Lisa Martinelli and students and faculty in singing O'Canada.

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# IN FOCUS Students vs. Economy

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## Demand high for media grads

LESLIE WILKS  
IN FOCUS REPORTER

The economic downturn has many students worried, but the Dean of Humber's School of Media Studies and Information Technology, William Hanna, said students in his programs should feel secure about their futures.

"The good news for media studies and information technology is we're actually in a training area that is secure in terms of vulnerability to economic downturn," said Hanna. "Whereas certain areas, like manufacturing, are not."

Yet some media students are feeling the strain.

Second-year radio broadcast student Sarah Pascoe, 20, said she recently had to buy new equipment and software and was surprised to learn that prices have gone up as a result of the economic crisis.

"It's really inconvenient," she said. "They actually raised the prices of software."

Second-year film and television student Andrew Van Eek, 23, said the economic downturn has had the reverse effect on the film industry.

"When the dollar was strong, up until two months ago, everyone was out of work," said Van Eek.

"The second the dollar dropped, it was announced that some huge Hollywood movies were coming

here."

Van Eek said he has no concerns about finding employment upon graduation.

Blair McMurchy, the placement director for Humber's School of Media Studies and Information Technology said there's no need to worry.

"If you're good, there's always a need," said

McMurchy, adding he has not seen a decline in employers seeking student recruits.

"I have like 300 jobs posted for 70 students," said McMurchy.

**"The demand for grads in the media program still seems high."**

—William Hanna  
Dean of media studies

And despite the economic crisis, McMurchy said he hasn't seen a decline in entry level salaries but he doesn't foresee any increases in salaries.

Hanna said as far as jobs go it is very dependent upon which industry you're entering whether you will be affected by the economic crisis.

"The demand for grads in the media program still seems high, so if that stays the same we should be okay," he said.

As of now, Hanna said there are no plans to limit enrolment to avoid a surplus of graduates vying for jobs. The school plans to continue expanding.

"I intend to go ahead and launch the applied degree in film next year," said Hanna. "I'm not going to stop that."



Alana Gautreau

People are finding their wallets empty as the market fluctuates and job losses occur.

## Employment concerns depend on sector, economist says

ALANA GAUTREAU  
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Of all things affected by current drops in the economy, employment is the most important because it's what matters most to the average person, said Kenrick Jordan, senior economist with the Bank of Montreal.

Students on the verge of graduation may have difficulty breaking into their field depending on their career choice, Jordan said.

"By and large there will hardly be any large sector that is not affected," Jordan said. "But not all sectors are affected to the same degree."

Jordan said sectors like health care are less likely to see decreases in employment because the population is aging and will need continued care.

Jordan said food is another sector that looks promising despite the

dropping Canadian dollar, which according to Yahoo Finance, hovered last week at 85 cents per one American dollar.

"People generally have to eat so that would be less discretionary than buying a motor vehicle, for example," Jordan said.

He also said market trends are determined by housing markets, retail markets, employment rates, export statistics, and consumer confidence polls.

The polls, Jordan said, are conducted by an independent market research company.

He said the less educated people are about the market, the more likely that fear will lessen their consumer confidence.

"The economy goes in cycles. If it contracts it will at one point expand. So people who understand that are less worried," he said. "If you understand the econ-

omy than you may not be as flabbergasted than if you don't understand it."

Jordan said unfortunately people don't start to think about financial matters until they are in high school and beginning to explore which career they might go into, which he said may be late in the game.

A Statistics Canada report on the Canadian Labour Force released Nov. 7, stated youth part-time employment was on the decline.

Youth, categorized as someone 15 to 24 years old, saw their employment rate fall over 4 per cent from a month ago.

Jordan said although the economy is on a downturn and experts say the United States is in a recession, there is hope.

Economists believe that spring 2009 will be when the markets start to regain their strength, he said.

## Shake your money maker

CHRISTOPHER FRY  
IN FOCUS REPORTER

A slumping Canadian economy and shrinking job market shouldn't worry Humber students looking for part-time work, says the career centre manager.

"I think there is an advantage to this for students because if I was an employer I wouldn't be risking bringing on full time staff," said Karen Fast.

She said there are tons of part-time jobs out there for students who are looking to make money to pay for books, rent, transportation and entertainment.

While earning a quick buck is important, there are other benefits to having a part-time job.

"You get to build your skills, build your network and build your

resume," said Fast.

She said students should try to make a good impression on their employers because part-time work can often lead to full-time employment.

But what if you can't see yourself working full-time in the field — or the field you now work part time in suddenly dries up and disappears?

First-year regulatory affairs student Yinka Macaulay suggests doing your homework when it comes to picking a possible future career path. "Do your research and find out if the job is sustainable," Macaulay said.

Experts are predicting the health care and skilled trade industries will be the two hottest job markets in Canada, while manufacturing and financial sectors will continue to

shrink.

Fast also notes the baby-boomer generation are slowly retiring and are now doing things other than working full-time.

"We're still in our demographic meltdown," said Fast. "Basically what's happening is so many people are retiring so there will be room."

Students just have to be willing to seek out work, she said.

"There's lots of jobs, you just have to find them," said second-year practical nursing student, Rosemarie Herring. "There's always options."

In response to a recent Statistics Canada report stating youth part-time employment is on a decline, Fast said she doesn't know why this would be because in this type of economy she could see people preferring to hire on a part-time basis.

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## Tourism industry rolls in dollar bills

### Hospitality jobs remain hot amidst concerns

Nicole McIsaac  
IN FOCUS REPORTER

Those involved with the tourism program at Humber are optimistic they will remain unaffected by the economic crisis.

"The World Trade Organization continues to forecast accurately that tourism arrivals are going to grow at an annual rate of four per cent world wide," said the dean of hospitality and tourism, Alister Mathieson.

According to the United Nations World Trade Organization's yearly report, 2007 was a record breaking year for tourism with a 6.6 per cent increase in worldwide travel, and the expectation is these numbers will continue to grow.

The looming economic crisis isn't something students should necessarily worry about just yet, said Humber's hospitality and tourism internship coordinator, Michelle Kravacic.

Kravacic said despite the current economic scare, the latest hospitality and tourism school's internship fair was the largest in the four years that she has been here.

Normally there are around 20 employers at the fair, but this year 31 attended looking for student hires.

"We actually can't produce enough graduates for the job market," said Mathieson, who added students shouldn't be worried about not having a job once they graduate. "We get calls in the summer and we don't have any students left."

Experience and having a degree is what first-year food and beverage student Cassidy Sperl knows will keep her employed even in an economic crisis.

"As long as you're experienced,

***"The drop in the exchange rate between the U.S. and the Canadian dollar will increase the attractiveness of Canada as a destination."***

—Alister Mathieson  
Dean of hospitality and tourism

you'll have a job," Sperl said.

"There's always a positive and negative effect created by changes," Mathieson said. "I don't think this perceived economic crisis will be any different."

"The drop in the exchange rate between the U.S. and the Canadian dollar will increase the attractiveness of Canada as a destination. All of a sudden there is an opportunity for international tourism arrivals in Canada to increase."

Kravacic weighs the industry against the economy.

"If there's less money, then there's less people travelling," said Kravacic.

"But people always need to eat, people always need to travel."

While hopes are still high that the industry won't take a hit, the real time to tell is during the peak season in the summer, said Kravacic.

Whether or not the industry is facing some hard times, it always recovers, said Mathieson.

Canadian economist for TD Bank, Diana Petramala said travel would be one of the first things to get cut out of a Canadian's budget.

"We've already started seeing it affecting us, but it's not going to be as bad as in the U.S.," she said.

"One thing that Canadians can do is not let their fears get the better of them," said Petramala.

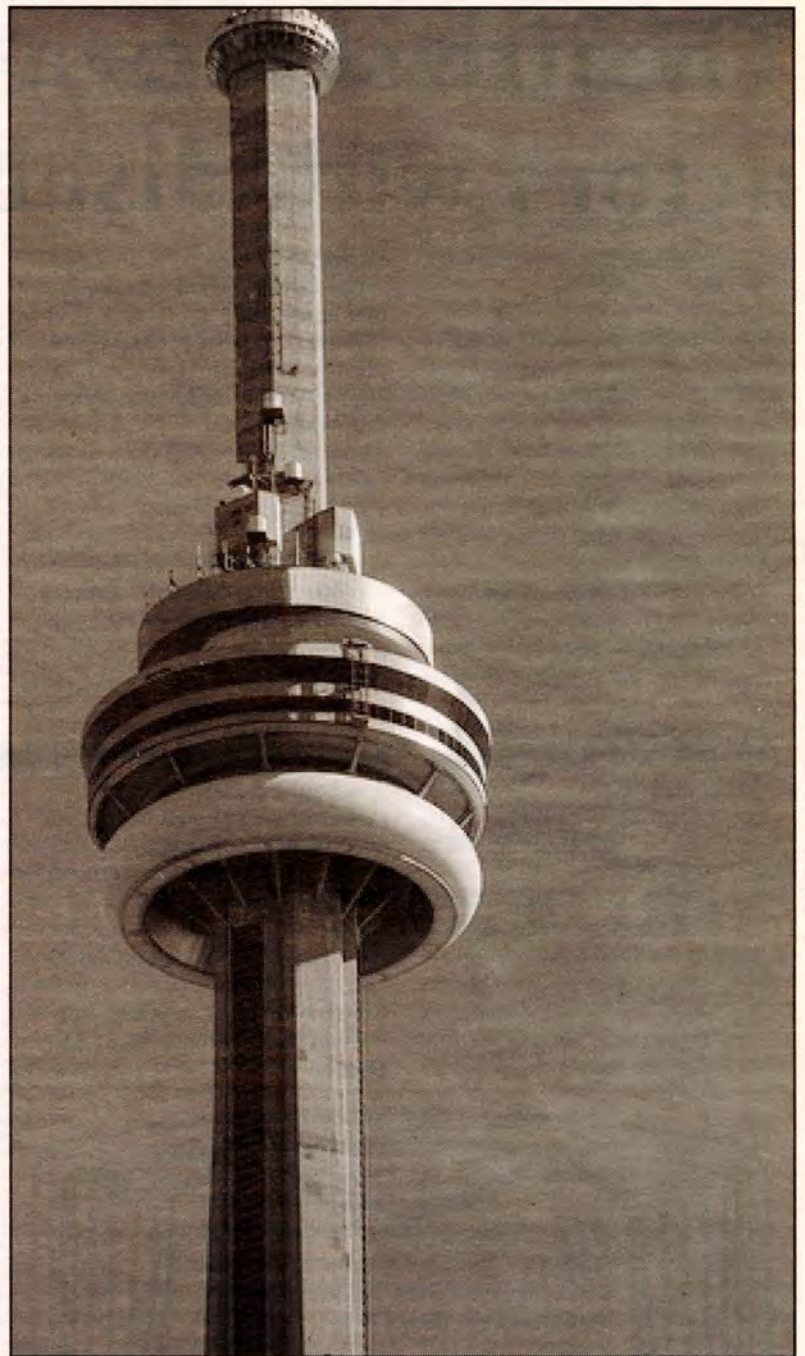
She said keeping consumer confidence up is a good way to keep the economy going.

"People will definitely cut back on discretionary spending," said Petramala, noting travel would be one of the first things to get out of a Canadian's budget.

"We've already started seeing it affecting us, but it's not going to be as bad as in the U.S."

Petramala said while the tourism and accommodation sector has been adding significantly to employment rates they will likely begin to slow, but won't be sure until the results of the fourth quarter come out.

"Tourism is very sensitive to anything that happens in the economy," said Kravacic. "The war, gas prices and our dollar all have an effect on people travelling."



Chris Fry

One of Toronto's most frequented tourist stops, the CN tower.

## Funeral service jobs will never die

Christopher Fry  
IN FOCUS REPORTER

While Ontario's rising unemployment rates might worry some Humber students, there is one program that gives students peace of mind.

"People will always want the formal services they're used to having," said first-year funeral services education student Chelsey Needs.

Funeral services education program coordinator Michelle Clark agrees, saying the industry won't be affected by the economy, good or bad.

"The type of funeral service people ask for won't be deeply affected by issues in the economy," said Clarke. "People aren't typically looking at what it will cost, they're just looking at what their needs are at the moment."

Currently, Humber is the only school in Ontario offering a funeral services program in English. Each

year about 130 new students are admitted into the program.

Clarke says students are typically drawn to the industry because they want to help people out, especially during times of need after a family member or close friend has died.

"I just like helping people and this to me seems like the best way," said Needs. "It's their most venerable time when they've lost someone."

Humber's career centre manger Karen Fast said funeral services students are successfully finding jobs after graduation.

The program can boast a 100 per cent job fill rate for graduating students, according to Clarke.

"Last year we actually had five more jobs available than we did students," Clarke said.

As good as things sound in the funeral services industry, Clarke reminds students that jobs within the industry are stressful and demanding, and that it "takes a special type of person" to stick with it.



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## Theatre shines a light on actors with disabilities

Melissa Sundardas  
A&E REPORTER

Diane Dupuy's Famous PEOPLE Players theatre company has inspired thousands of others to follow their dreams.

Start from nothing said Dupuy who visited Humber's Lakeshore Campus Nov. 5 to tell her story of perseverance as part of the Robert Gordon lecture series.

Famous PEOPLE Players is a black light theater company that employs developmentally disabled actors. The company was founded 34 years ago.

Black light theatre is a type of performance in where actors are invisible to the audience.

Growing up in Hamilton, Dupuy faced obstacles both at home and at school.

Her alcoholic father used to send her to the basement when she was young.

There she would play for hours with puppets her mother made for her and listen to the song *When You Wish Upon a Star* from Disney's

*Pinocchio* movie.

She discovered her imagination in that basement.

"Sometimes I used to be bad on purpose so I could be sent to the basement and explore my imagination," said Dupuy.

After she graduated from Grade 9,

*"All you see is characters that they bring to life on stage in fluorescent colour."*

—Diane Dupuy  
Founder of Famous PEOPLE Players

Dupuy decided she wasn't interested in school anymore.

She started a puppet theatre with a friend who had a magic box and put on shows at birthday parties and bar mitzvahs.

Later on, a woman Dupuy to put on a puppet show for people with Down syndrome.

Dupuy refused at first, but the woman was so persistent Dupuy agreed.

Comedian Bill Cosby was an early supporter of Dupuy and suggested she try out black light theatre.

"All you see is the characters they bring to life on stage in fluorescent colour," said Dupuy.

Hearing about Dupuy's hardships and success meant a lot to students who came to the lecture.

"She had a dream and I have dreams also," said second-year student, Carla Bayabi. "She was very inspiring to me. I will always remember what she said here today."

"We decided to have her speak at the Lakeshore Campus because we thought that her particular story would be especially relevant to the School of Social and Community Services as well as the School of Creative and Performing Arts," said Melanie Chaparian, chair of the lecture series committee.

Dupuy loves education and meeting young people and she hopes to have taught students something through sharing her life experiences.

"I want them to say if she can do it, I know I can do better," said Dupuy.



Melissa Sundardas

Diane Dupuy, creator of Famous PEOPLE Players tells her story of overcoming adversity at Humber's Lakeshore Campus on Nov. 5.

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## Humber students strike a note for a higher power

Ronda Collins  
A&E REPORTER

Andre Anthony Reid has performed in many choirs, but for the first time directing with Humber's Gospel Choir.

"I was in the music program last year, and I'm in a group called *Heavens Down*," said Reid. "We sing gospel music, and we mainly consist of Humber music students and everyone really liked what we did and they just wanted to have the opportunity to sing gospel music also, so I decided to create this choir as an HSF group so they could have that opportunity."

*"A lot of people like gospel, so why not?"*

—Janeé Olivia  
Member of the choir

The choir consists of 15 members and is looking for more singers.

Two members of Humber's gospel choir joined in the mass group sing-a-long at the end of the York University GIVE concert.

Karen Burke, assistant professor at York University and director of York's Gospel Choir said,

"They weren't able to perform on

their own, but they did come and learn and came up and sang with the mass choir and of course did very, very well as part of that."

The members of the Humber Choir were able to learn from already established choirs and get their feet wet.

Rhonda Toussaint, business manager of the University of Toronto Gospel Choir said it's definitely important to see that you're not out there alone and there are other people out there with the same struggles.

The choir members meet Tuesday

in locations varying from a common area on the second floor of the Lakeshore campus to a tiny room with a piano.

The members all share the same love of Gospel music.

"It brings other people who aren't in the music program-to get a chance to experience doing music," said Humber Music student and choir member Janeé Olivia.

"A lot of people like gospel, so why not?"

Olivia added though the group is new, they will be something to watch out for next year.



Ronda Collins

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# Comedy club hopes to avoid suburban audiences

Josh Kerr  
SPECIAL TO THE ET CETERA

Not all the students who go through the Humber comedy program end up working as bartenders. Some, like Gary Rideout Jr., end up owning the bar.

Since dropping out of the Humber comedy program, Rideout has worked as a writer for CBC's *Royal Canadian Air Farce*, and a producer for the award-winning comedy troupe, the *Sketchersons*.

Last weekend, at the corner of Bloor and Ossington, he officially opened his own club, Comedy Bar.

Rideout and partner James Elksnitis spent the past 13 months renovating a former pool hall into what they hope will be a unique venue for comedy.

Between the rat carcasses found in the ceiling and the discovery of a mystery room — without lights and just big enough for the soiled mat-

ress they found inside — it's been the renovation from hell.

**"We're not pandering to the audience. We're doing what we find funny and we're hoping to find the niche market who also enjoys it."**

—Gary Rideout Jr.  
Comedy Bar owner

"It's been the worst — not one thing's gone right," Rideout said.

Still, he is hopeful about the prospects for the bar. And he's not the only one.

"It's so important for comedy in the city," said Jared Sales, a Toronto-based filmmaker and Humber comedy school instructor. "It's following a model that is not really available in Toronto."

Sales and Rideout are both mem-

bers of the *Sketchersons*, whose Sunday Night Live sketch show was remounted at Comedy Bar last weekend.

"There is so much of this kind of comedy going on in the city but until now there really wasn't a legitimate venue for it," said Daryn McIntyre, the newest member of the *Sketchersons*.

The bar is more than a venue for comedy. The backspace will soon be used to hold comedy classes, workshops and also as a studio for making video.

While Rideout is striving to create something more than just a comedy club, he insists he is not trying to create a new Second City.

"We don't want people's parents driving in from the suburbs to watch generic comedy," said Rideout. "We're not pandering to the audience. We're doing what we find funny and we're hoping to find the niche market who also enjoys it."



Josh Kerr

After a trying renovation, Gary Rideout (left) and James Elksnitis (right) want their club to be more than just another Second City.

## In My Headphones

1. Move - Q-Tip
2. Once in a Lifetime - Talking Heads
3. Everybody Knows - Leonard Cohen
4. Everybody Knows this is Nowhere - Neil Young
5. Love is New - Broken Social Scene Presents: Brendan Canning
6. One for Ghost - J Dilla
7. Free - Murs & 9th Wonder
8. She Moves On - Paul Simon
9. If You Want Me To Stay - Sly & the Family Stone
10. Sealion (Chromeo Remix) - Feist

David Lipson  
Senior Reporter

# Former cop artist draws on students' inner creativity

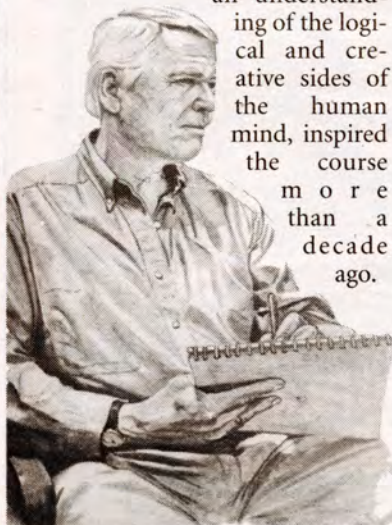
Melissa Hayes  
A&E REPORTER

A new course at Humber's Orangeville Campus taught by a former police sketch artist promises to bring the inner artist out of everyone.

In the five three-hour sessions that make up the *Anyone Can Draw* workshop, Peel police sketch artist Karl Barnhart provides a complete amateur with the skills required for basic drawing and beyond.

"In about 12 hours people go from a non-artist to an artist," he said. "It's pretty exciting for them."

Barnhart's background in composition — the specialization of sketching the likeness of criminal suspects based on key features — paired with an understanding of the logical and creative sides of the human mind, inspired the course more than a decade ago.



Karl Barnhart

self-portrait of the artist

"I just couldn't believe that you couldn't teach drawing," Barnhart said. "You can teach people how to sing and dance, and play musical instruments, but not to draw, and this didn't make sense to me."

To reawaken the artistic side, Barnhart said he takes people back to the age of 11 before the logical part of the brain became dominant. He said this technique helped him accomplish a 100 per cent success rate with his beginner artists.

Retired lawyer Glen Scharf is one of Barnhart's many success stories.

"I sort of feel like if I can do it, anybody can do it," said Scharf who became a travelling portrait artist himself since taking Barnhart's class.

"I can tell from my own experience, I'm glad I took the course, definitely," Scharf said.

The workshop, which made its debut at the college on Nov. 4, will run until early December, when Barnhart returns to his home in Mexico.

Humber Orangeville workshop coordinator Bill Sowinski said the school is hoping to have Barnhart back early next year to teach another session of the course.

"He certainly will be welcome to come back and teach the same program in the spring session," said Sowinski. "We're optimistic that this will be a hit course for us in the community and beyond. We've been getting a lot of enthusiasm and interest."

*Anyone Can Draw* will be running

on Tuesday evenings and Saturdays until Dec. 6.

Barnhart is also working on a book and DVD to make other options available for people who want to take the course.

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# Rugby team defends title



Jennifer Gordon

Scrum half James Thompson delivers a pass in the Hawks' gold medal win against the Knights.

## Men win second trophy in two years with victory over Knights

Jennifer Gordon  
SPORTS REPORTER

The men's rugby team capped its season with a second consecutive OCAA championship, defeating the Fleming Knights 28-7 last Saturday at Fletcher's Field in Markham.

Hawks' fans showed up by the busload with painted faces and signs to cheer for the defending champs.

Former teammates Jamaal Thomas, Harry McClean and Troy Barron from the 2005-2006 season also made appearances to watch the teams play.

The Hawks started off quickly when prop forward Brenden Baines, the only team member from Lakeshore Campus, scored a try in the early minutes of the game.

"It was because of Curtis Ballance making a good run, making a great offload into the tackle," Baines said of the play. "I just happened to be there in support."

However, Humber missed two tries soon after, and frustration began to build among the players.

"We're on a new field," first-year fullback Graham Haigh said. "Some of the lines are different. A guy put down the ball a foot before the goal line."

The mistakes didn't go unnoticed by team captain Mark Falkinson, who said he motivated his team in a unique way.

"I gave them the Falkinson cut eye," the left wing said. "They knew that I was displeased but they knew that they had to work extra hard to make up for those mental mistakes."

Despite the mistakes, the Hawks led by a score of 15-7 at the half.

Haigh said that the team's half-time talk revolved around keeping things calm.

"I try to keep things light," he said. "At half time we were saying just relax, we're fine, we're going to win the game."

The Hawks came out inspired in the second half and put the game out of reach.

Fly-half Rob Lefler capped the victory by executing the first drop goal in Humber's rugby history.

A drop goal is similar to a field goal in football, and must go through the uprights and over the cross-bar.

It must be scored in open play, and is worth three points.

"I've been practising it all year," Lefler said. "I summed up the situation and decided to hit a drop goal,

and I got 3 points out of it."

Haigh was impressed by the play. "I called him cheeky, and kissed him," he said.

Player David Lambden-Milliken earned the Man of the Match title, after scoring one try in the final minute and was a force on the field all game long.

"He's steady, he does the job, he hits guys, he steals the ball, he doesn't miss tackles, he's an all round good player," Haigh said of Lambden-Milliken.

Jason Chuck, an OCAA All Star, was another player recognized by teammates for his contributions on the field.

"They don't get the interviews, they don't get the girls, they don't get the glory, because they're the ugly forwards that sacrifice their bodies for the good of the team to make things happen," said Falkinson about his beloved hooker.

*"They don't get the glory because they're the ugly forwards that sacrifice their bodies for the good of the team."*

—Mark Falkinson  
captain

Haigh, the OCAA's leading scorer with 84 total points, was also named an All-star.

"I've always been a try scorer, I just never really kicked points, I just ran well," Haigh said. "It's nice to be recognized."

The rugby season is over for the champions, as there are no Canadian College Athletic Association championships for the sport.



Jennifer Gordon

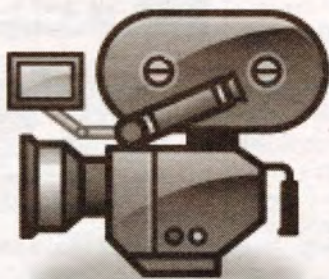
Jason Chuck was recognized by his team for his solid play.



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Tim Morse

Aubrey Meinardi watches the birdie in her mixed doubles match.

# Mark Wong nets hat-trick

Tim Morse  
SPORTS REPORTER

The men's and women's badminton teams won three medals at last weekend's Humber Cup tournament, thanks in large part to the exploits of Mark Wong.

The tournament brought together teams from across the province.

It was the second tournament in the Ontario College Athletic Association's badminton schedule.

Wong won the "A" group in men's singles on Friday, before completing the badminton hat-trick with victories in men's doubles with partner Charlie Lay and mixed doubles with Diane Matthews.

Mark, whose older brother Raymond was the star for the badminton team last year, was humble after the game.

"It's hard, you know, it's a lot of pressure because of Ray's success last year," Mark Wong said. "I hope I do well."

*"Watch out for Mark Wong. He's only 18 and he's already one of the best in the country."*

—Mike Kopinak  
assistant coach

Raymond won several gold medals for the team last year as a rookie, including Ontario College Athletic Association player of the year.

Raymond is scheduled to join the team in January, giving Humber a formidable sibling duo.

"Watch out for Mark Wong," assistant coach Mike Kopinak said. "He's

only 18 and he's already one of the best in the country."

Despite the encouragement from the home crowd last weekend, the badminton teams did have problems with the tournament scheduling.

"We were supposed to finish the Friday singles tournament in the early evening, but we ended up finishing just after 1 a.m.," men's team veteran Sheen Pan said. "We had to finish it the next day."

Kopinak said one of the reasons for scheduling delays was because of the 20 players on his roster.

In other results, Lay was a semi-finalist in the men's singles, as was Selina Kao in the women's singles.

In women's doubles, Kao and Rossana U were eliminated in the semi-finals.

The teams next play at Fanshawe College in London on Nov 21.

# Men volleyballers rally to sloppy win

Ride rowdy crowd support in season home opener against Sheridan Bruins

Mike Sagsoz  
SPORTS REPORTER

Men's volleyball head coach Wayne Wilkins said his team needs a lot of work after a sloppy five set victory over the Sheridan Bruins last week.

"We have to make changes and play better against the less calibre teams," Wilkins said.

Trailing by two sets, the Hawks had to kick it into overdrive to win their home opener.

With Sheridan taking the first two sets 27-25 and 25-23, Humber knew they had to come from behind if they wanted to start the season on a winning note.

In the following three sets the Hawks began to take over, with with big spikes and blocks from Player of the Game Paul Kemboi.



Mike Sagsoz

Jaron Audin led the comeback

Humber took the third and fourth sets 25-19 and 25-10 respectively, in order to draw the best of five games series to two each.

Having the home court advantage and cheering crowd, Humber had all the momentum going into the fifth match, winning by a score of 15-8.

A powerful strike by Brendan Wong was the nail in the coffin for the Bruins.

"We have a new team with many new faces, but we will develop into a dominant team," Jordan Langley said. "I wouldn't be surprised if we come top three in Canada."

Kemboi said the Hawks didn't look like a top three team in Canada at the beginning of the match, but they composed themselves and began to play together as a unit in the last three sets.

"We have to build self confidence as a team," he said. "We get on the court and we begin to get nervous, but when we practice we put everything we have into it, and that is how we should be in the games."

Despite the win, head coach Wayne Wilkins wasn't too happy with his team's performance.

"These are the games our team should be winning, not having to come from behind," he said.

"But we did step up our game, and eventually the mistakes began to come from their side, and stopped coming from us."

The Hawks defeated Redeemer 3 sets to 2 on Tuesday night, and play their next two games back to back on the weekend.

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## SPORTS



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# Women capture bronze

## Soccer team rebounds after opening game loss

Amy J. Shields  
SPORTS REPORTER

Kamloops, B.C. — The women's soccer team won bronze at the Canadian College Athletics Association Championships in Kamloops last week, defeating Quebec champions Frances Xavier Garneau Elans 2-0.

"It's a great feeling," Hawks co-coach Mauro Ongaro said. "The girls really stepped it up and it's a tremendous feeling. Words don't explain it right now."

Ongaro had fully expected a big battle between the Quebec champs and his team.

"We knew they were a very good, technical team," he said. "When you make it to the national championships, and you're the provincial champion from your region, you've got to be a good team. We came back very strong in the second half"

The first game of the tournament was against the host Thompson Rivers University Wolfpack.

Co-coach Vince Pileggi was confident in his team.

"All of the girls are a combination of a little bit nervous and a little bit excited at the same time," he said. "We've worked really hard this year and they're finally ready to go."

The game against the champs from B.C. was a very physical one.

The Hawks dominated the first half of the match which included a goal by Connie Tamburello, but it was The Wolfpack who came out strong and controlled the second half.

The score was tied 2-2 after regulation and when overtime solved nothing, the game went into a penalty shootout.

During the 30 minute overtime session Hawks defender Leslie Quigley was forced from the match

after a collision with a Thompson Rivers player that left her with a gash over her eye and in need of stitches.

The hosts from Thompson Rivers prevailed in the shootout, eliminating Humber from gold medal contention.

Hawks forward Connie Tamburello remained positive despite the setback.

"We worked really hard to get here," said Connie Tamburello.

"We played an amazing game and we can't let ourselves down. We have two more games to go and we want to at least get a bronze out of this."

The Hawks didn't have long to regroup before playing the MacEwan College Griffins the following morning.

**"I'm really pleased with them as a team and as people. It's just an outstanding group of people to be around"**

— Doug Fox  
athletic director

"I think after a good nights sleep they were able to reflect on their effort," Pileggi said. "Today is a new day and a new challenge and we're up for it."

Both teams needed a win to advance to the bronze medal match. Brittany Sczerbakow got the Hawks off to a fast start scoring fifteen minutes into the game.

The Griffins tied the game but the Hawks responded with goals from

Connie Tamburello and Keyla Moreno en route to a 3-1 win.

"We're very proud of the girls," Ongaro said following the game.

Humber athletic director Doug Fox shared Ongaro's opinion.

"I'm really pleased with them as a team and as people," Fox said. "It's just an outstanding group of people to be around."

However, he wasn't pleased with the way the scheduling worked out. "We got the unfortunate draw," Fox said. "We had to play the night before and lose a heart-breaker and then we have the morning game."

Fox said scheduling played a big factor in Humber's early elimination.

"We had less than 18 hours to come back and prepare for the second game, so I kind of knew we weren't going to have any legs," he said. "But every chance we got to score, we did."

In their bronze medal game the Hawks faced the reigning CCAA champs, the Frances Xavier Garneau Elans.

Playing with a great amount of determination, the two teams battled for 90 minutes.

But ultimately the Hawks proved to be the better team in the end.

Sczerbakow scored in the first half and Nicole Carvalho sealed the game off on a free kick to complete the 2-0 win.

"We had 10 hours to restart the machine," Elans assistant coach Ruben Moreno said. "It's not easy. We have a lot of players who quit the program, so this is their last year. For them, it's tough."

Still, Moreno said he was optimistic his team would return to the championships again next year.

Humber's players were happy with

their performances.

"It's not gold, obviously," said Hawks captain Joanna Alexopoulos. "But third is pretty good. We weren't going to leave without a medal."

Sczerbakow and Moreno were

named CCAA all-stars, capping off a fine season for both players.

Sczerbakow finished with four goals in ten games while Moreno had seven goals in seven games.

Longora College defeated Thompson Rivers in the final.



Amy J. Shields

Midfielder Leslie Quigley leads the battle versus Frances Xavier.

# Interest lacking in baseball, football

Alex Schwalm  
SPORTS REPORTER

Humber's athletic program offers many varsity sports, but not football and baseball.

"Football used to be part of the program because of interest and cost," said Ontario College Athletic Association executive director Blair Webster.

"For baseball, we have two institu-

tions that compete in the Canadian Intercollegiate Baseball Association, but at this point in time the interest is not there to have men's baseball at colleges."

Webster said the process of choosing varsity sports offered at Humber and other colleges lie with the respective athletic departments.

"It's the athletic directors at each of those schools that get together twice a year in meetings, and determine

what the needs of their student athletes," he said.

"When we have six schools that decide that they want to have a varsity sport, then it becomes incorporated at the varsity level."

Rene Valade, a second-year accounting student at Humber and former Carlton University baseball player said he does not know why Humber doesn't offer baseball.

"The only thing I can think of is if

they've looked into it and there's not enough interest," he said.

Valade, who has played baseball for almost 16 years, said he would jump at the chance to play if he was given the opportunity.

"Usually as school starts, my baseball ends so if the school has baseball then I would play," said Valade. "You can play those sports until the ground freezes as late as November."

As for football, assistant athletic

director Jim Bialek said it was offered at the OCAA level thirty years ago.

The division Humber played in didn't have many teams or interest so the program was shut down.

"The cost is huge," he said. "The availability of fields is another big issue. It's an incredibly costly program and it's an incredibly highly staffed program."