

New gym means more sports action



Sports and leisure activities have become an integral part of the college community. With the expanded athletic facilities planned for the new Brampton Campus, Assistant Athletic Director, Jim Makela has devised a comprehensive and exciting program for both the students and the community.

Makela's written proposals include seven program possibilities for the future, some of which are already in progress on the old campus.

The possibilities include intramural sports, recreational activities, instruction, athletic program electives, clubs, varsity level competition and special events.

The activities listed include everything from archery to yoga for students, staff and community.

Plans for the recreational wing indicate a gymnasium, two squash courts, offices, exercise room / sauna and the student lounge which is glassed in and overlooks the gym. Students will be responsible for the planning of activities and operation of the lounge without direct athletic administration supervision.

A well-developed outdoor program is in the works

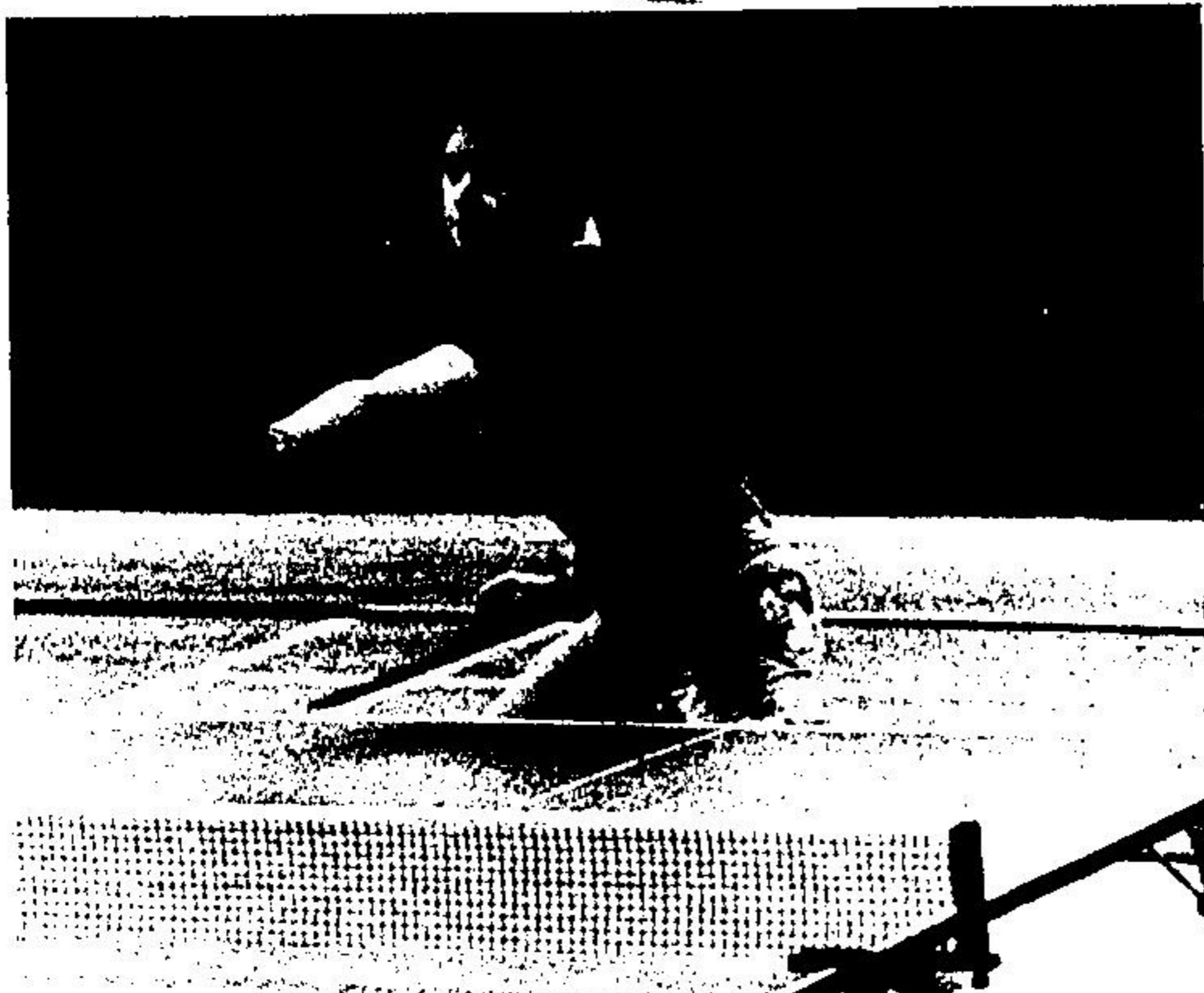
with facilities for jogging and instruction in camping and canoeing proposed as well as riding, cross-country skiing and skating on the pond. Skis have been bought for use next year and Makela is planning a network of cross-country trails on campus. Plans for outdoor playing fields have not yet been finalized.

Makela envisions high community participation in the proposed activities, while emphasizing at the same time that student use has a high priority.

Student participation is expected to be high, said Makela. "We have a 25 to 30 percent participation rate now, and I can see that going up when the new wing opens and we can operate from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m."

Makela also agrees that the campus may in time develop its own athletic teams separate from those at Oakville. "It will be two or three years before we're ready to do that at a competitive level", he said, "but I can see it happening."

Makela's philosophy for the new program is summed up in his statement, "Leisure time is becoming more and more important. If a student, by participating in these programs, can learn to cope with leisure time, then I'll feel I've accomplished something."



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Sheridan counsellors to offer same service in improved quarters

Student counselling services on the new Brampton campus will continue to offer the same services available now, but in quarters better suited to counselling.

The office will be located on the concourse level off the central hall near the main entrance. "The facilities will be no larger, but they will be more central and more convenient," said Counselling Co-ordinator, Art Harris.

Harris looks forward to occupying the new offices which will provide two private counselling offices and a reception / resource area.

"Our area at the existing Brampton campus is a multiple use space. It will be great to have an area to ourselves," Harris said.

"The service will not change. Our policy has always been to provide people with alternatives", Harris added. Counsellors based in Oakville will continue to

go to the Brampton Campus on a regular schedule. Students, therefore have a choice of counsellors to talk with.

"Availability is the byword of counselling," Harris explained, adding that counsellors have been and will continue to be readily available to Brampton students.

Rob Till counsels full-time at Brampton. Oakville-based counsellors, Linda Belfrage, Rosemary Gaymer and Harris travel weekly to the Brampton Campus. Wendy Weaver and Ted Harasymchuk work out of the Oakville Campus only.

If the Brampton Campus wishes to provide a new look toward women in various occupations" as President Porter has suggested, will counselling services concentrate in that area? Harris replied that, "student counselling at Sheridan College has never been sexist. If a woman's tests show that she has an aptitude for, say, civil engineering, then good, by all means do it."

Programs transfer

The one-year Art Fundamentals program will be exclusively offered at the new Brampton Campus next year. Up until now the program has been available to students at both the Oakville and Brampton Campuses.

The program emphasizes individual self-discovery, since its aim is to provide exposure to as many aspects of the arts as possible in two semesters.

It is designed as an introductory year for students who possess a creative aptitude but are uncertain about where they should channel their abilities. For this reason, students applying for admission need not submit a portfolio demonstrating design ability.

Since the program started in 1970, graduates have entered and successfully completed the Graphic Design, Fashion Technique and Design, Applied Photography and Animation programs, in addition to any one of the five crafts and design studios at the School of Design in Mississauga.

Also next year, the first year of the Illustration program will transfer from the Oakville Campus to the Brampton Campus. Illustration is offered as a three-year option in the Graphic Design program.

Centre for Women extends services to Brampton

When the new Brampton Campus opens, there should be a Centre for Women similar to the existing one at the Oakville Campus.

Shelagh Wilkinson, Director of the Sheridan Centre for Women, would like to see a complete autonomous operation at the new campus with resource centre, women's studies courses and service for women inside and outside the college.

"When the centre opened January 1975, the initial response came from women in Brampton who formed a group and met regularly at a local library," Wilkinson explained. The series of meetings which she attended was a direct result in the formation of the Brampton Women's Centre and the Beehive group for housewives.

Although the centre is physically situated at the Oakville Campus, Wilkinson has had the opportunity to speak to several groups of students and faculty at the Brampton Campus.

Wilkinson sees a need to work more closely with the Brampton students and the newly-formed women's groups in the area. Already Sheridan is offering Assertiveness Training at the Brampton Centre for Women and several women's courses have been running successfully at the Brampton Campus on

Church St. during the day and evening. Discovery I and II, designed for women who want to re-enter the work force or pursue educational goals, will be offered again in September while Psychology of Women is running now and Women in the Media will start in April.

Wilkinson plans to offer the Women Here, Women Now course, which features a different discussion each week on contemporary issues of particular interest to women. She also plans to initiate a course on either Women in the Law or Women in Literature.

Based on the success of the new monthly Horizon lecture / seminar series at the Oakville Campus, Wilkinson hopes to organize a similar program in Brampton in addition to the weekly film series, "The Reel World".

She is also looking at the possibility of holding a housewives' conference featuring seminars, guest speakers and panel discussion. "The conference would focus on 'The Choice is Yours,'" Wilkinson said. "In order to fulfill yourself as a woman, you don't have to have a career. Too many times housewives feel put down because the feminist movement suggests you have to be out of the home to be fulfilled. The operative word is 'choice'—either to

be a career woman or a housewife or a combination of the two. Further, educational institutions should help people develop to their full potential in whatever choice they make."

She says more women are choosing to return to school as mature students. And based on statistics, it is realistic to assume that a large number of the Brampton student body will be mature women. "This seems to be a growing trend at many educational institutions as women begin to make the choice of re-entering education, thereby developing new careers," said Wilkinson.

She feels technology programs at the Brampton Campus offer tremendous potential for women who want a well-paying job and fulfilling career. "I believe that technology programs will appeal to mature women once they realize the job potential that exists for graduates."

"For students still in high school, we will continue to visit the schools and show films and talk about all the programs that are available to both men and women. Sheridan is committed to helping students realize their full potential and whatever they choose, they should be encouraged to meet their objectives," Wilkinson said.