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### **AIDS Awareness Week takes over Western**

LONDON, ON: From November 26<sup>th</sup> to December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007, the University Students' Council at the University of Western Ontario will be working to educate students about the local and global impact of HIV/AIDS through their annual AIDS Awareness Week.

"This year's events are going to be largely more extensive than in previous years," says James Arthurs, Vice-President Campus Issues. "We are fortunate to have an incredibly hard-working co-ordinator who has ensured that the week's programming reaches into all of the residences, faculties, and off-campus as well".

**November 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>** – AIDS Awareness will be focusing on first-year students in residences.

**November 29<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>** – There will be a large presence in the Atrium of the University Community Centre including informational videos, Art for AIDS displays, samples of probiotic yogurt produced by *Western Heads East*, as well as a "Condom Hut".

**December 1<sup>st</sup>** - The USC will play host to the World AIDS Day Coffee House in the Spoke Lounge of the University Community Centre from 7:30PM – 10:30PM.

"London has the third highest HIV infection rate in Canada and is prominent in young people, ages 18 to 25," says Susheela Ramachandran, the week's Coordinator. "We hope to inspire students to protect themselves and others from the disease and, ultimately, get them involved in the fight against HIV/AIDS."

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