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WOMEN IN THE GARAGE!

By Dave Wiebe

Picture a typical automotive garage — cars up on racks and tools scattered about — the sound of banging and tinkering. In the midst of it all, a man in coveralls works on a car. Only this time, the image is different. This time, the man is a woman.

While the connection between guys and cars is still strong, women are challenging the idea that automotive aptitude is only in male genes. Women like Teresa Jones now have a foot in the garage door.

"I like the physical work," she says, taking a break from the Auto Collision Repair program at VCC's King Edward Campus. "The physical product, when it's finished, is something to be proud of. The pay is good. Besides, it's better than sitting behind a desk."

Although she's pursuing a decidedly non-traditional career for women, for Teresa it's a natural — most of the men in her family work with cars. "I've been around cars all my life," she explains with a laugh. "I didn't want to fight it any more, so I joined it."

The same can be said for Denise Cumming. Having tried a number of other careers, she came back to her life-long interest in cars and motorcycles. "All my life," she shrugs. "Finally I decided this is what I want to do." Of the obstacles and risks involved, she says: "That's okay. I take chances. I'm a gambler."

Marta and Christina Castaneda, who came to Canada from Columbia two years ago, are in Automotive Painting and Refinishing. For them, it is a good opportunity to get into a well paid sector of the Canadian work force with only a limited command of English.

"The job is good for new people from different countries," says Marta. "English for me is difficult. Here there's less for me to speak."

"Only the language is hard," echoes her sister Christina. A career in the automotive industry is an option that doesn't exist for women in Columbia. "Never," says Marta. "In my country, always the man."

Pat Sproston, Collision Repair Department Head, sees these female students as trendsetters. "It takes women like them to set the pace for others, and then it becomes easier for those who follow."

To anyone who might ask whether women can handle this kind of job, Instructor John Ford says, "There's no physical reason why women can't do the job. In fact, in certain aspects - sanding, masking, prepping - they're often better than the guys. The women are also often more enthusiastic than the guys. I think they feel they have to try harder."

As to being the only woman in a class of men, Denise says, "It isn't a problem. The men treat me fairly. They tease me at times, saying this is a man's trade, but it's all in fun."

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Student Teresa Jones wields an acetylene torch in an Auto Collision Repair course at VCC King Edward Campus.

Teresa agrees. "Sure, they bug me and tease me, and they can get crude. But I thought it would be worse. I'm surprised. Actually, they're a lot of fun to work with."

As a single mother of a 12-year-old daughter and a 3-year-old son, she is looking for more than just a fun job. Automotive trades pay starting wages of \$8 to \$12 an hour and go as high as \$20 an hour.

According to Sproston, the program enjoys a 90% job placement rate for graduating students. "They should be able to get a job almost anywhere." □

CAREER FAIR FEBRUARY 13, 1992

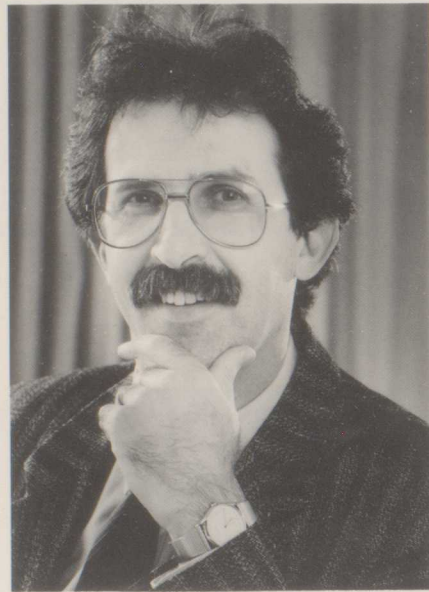
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PRESIDENT'S FORUM

Leo Mol,
President,
Vancouver
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Dear Fellow Alumnae and Alumni,

As a purchaser by profession, I am constantly asked about the value of the items I purchase. As President of the Board of Directors of the VCC Alumni Association, I hope to show you the value of membership in the association.

Although value means different things to different people, the Board is working to provide value for all members. Career fairs, reunions or theatre nights, the proposed volunteer career mentor program, fund-raising for scholarships for current students, alumni discounts on continuing education courses, and other activities are planned to do this not only for our members, but also for the College and the community.

Since 1987, our membership has grown to over 6000. This year, because of growth and changing times, the Board will work with the College to re-examine the mission of the Association. We will develop clear goals and strategies to enhance the value of our programs and services.

This sounds like a big task and it is — it requires your help and input. Remember the association is run by members for members — you will be heard and listened to.

To all of you who have volunteered your time to the Association, thank you for your involvement. You do make a difference.

Leo Mol

NEW VCC PRESIDENT APPOINTED

As of November 1st, John Cruickshank has the challenging job of President of Vancouver Community College. He succeeds Acting President Ross Carter, who was appointed when former VCC President Paul Gallagher left to head the B.C. Human Resource Development Project.

Mr. Cruickshank is responsible to the College's governing Board for all three campuses of VCC which collectively handle over 50,000 registrations per year in hundreds of academic, technical, career and continuing education programs.

For the last four years Mr. Cruickshank was Vice-President of Grant MacEwan Community College in Edmonton, Alberta. Prior to that he was Dean of Student Affairs and Dean of Physical Education at Seneca College in North York, Ontario.

During his time in Alberta, Mr. Cruickshank became a leader in the field of educational management development and international education. He was Founding Chair of the Alberta Management Development Institute, Founding Chair of the Alberta Colleges and Technical Institutes International Education Committee, and a member of the 1990 Protocol mission to the Soviet Union and Poland on behalf of Alberta Advanced Education. He remains the Executive Vice-President of the Sports Federation of Canada. □



John
Cruickshank,
President,
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VCC AT THE TOP

Congratulations to VCC Langara Women's Soccer Team and coach Doug Gordon on winning the Canadian college league national championship. Undeterred by November snow and cold in London, Ontario, the team won all of the four games they played there, beating Sherbrooke 2-1, Conestago 2-0 and Fanshawe 1-0. The final game against Sherbrooke went into overtime and was ultimately decided on penalty kicks. Three out of five kicks hit the net and made VCC Langara the national champions.

Back home in Vancouver, City Centre Culinary Arts and Baking and Pastry Arts students dominated the 1991 B.C. Chefs' Association *Salon Culinaire* competition, winning a total of 26 medals, including 15 gold. With over 150 entries

from the finest kitchens of B.C., Alberta and the U.S., the exhibits featured the best work of professional chefs. Judged against stringent, world-class criteria, points were awarded for workmanship, originality, composition, presentation and degree of difficulty. While just participating is an honour for many students, winning builds pride and motivation to go on to even greater things. Watch for a City Centre grad behind the buffet table on your next cruise! □

FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

YOUR 1991-92 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Standing (L-R): Patrick Connolly, 1988 Community Based Social Services; Jim Simpson, 1980 Accounting; Leo Mol - President, 1984 Fine Arts. Seated (Clockwise from Front): Susan Toplak - Vice-President, 1987 Accounting; Robert Slade, Continuing Education; Richard Rheaume, 1981 Dining & Lounge Service; Marnie Maxwell, 1988 Computers in the Workplace; Margaret Walker - Secretary, 1965 Secretary; Giulia Vendramin - Treasurer, 1988 Business, Finance & Investment Management; Carole Wilson, 1973 Arts & Science. Missing: Wynn Keenan, Arts & Science; Ingrid Laue, 1970 Arts & Science; Pat May, 1990 Counselling Skills; Howard Naphtali, Associate Member; Karim Rajan, 1990 College Foundations.

At the Association's fifth Annual General Meeting, founding members Bruna Giacomazzi and Valerie Nielsen retired from the alumni Board of Directors after six years of guiding the Association from the idea stage to an established organization. Ian Sutcliffe and Hans Rerup also retired having made substantial contributions to the Association during their two years with the Board.

After three years of outstanding efforts with the Board, particularly in organizing member events, Art Toews von Unrau, has decided to concentrate his energies on his career as a retail hardware store manager.

Nine enthusiastic new Directors — Wynn Keenan, Marnie Maxwell, Pat May, Karim Rajan, Richard Rheaume, Jim Simpson, Robert Slade, Giulia Vendramin and Margaret Walker — were

elected to join Patrick Connolly, Ingrid Laue, Leo Mol, Howard Naphtali, Susan Toplak and Carole Wilson who are in the second year of their terms.

Some of the \$7,000 raised for student scholarships and bursaries in 1990/91 was presented to College representatives at the AGM. In expressing his appreciation to the Association, Langara principal David Cane also recognized the non-monetary achievements of the Alumni Association. In particular, he congratulated the Association on the success of the Career Fairs in providing a valuable service to students and alumni alike, and for the success of REFLECTIONS magazine in bringing community recognition to the College by highlighting the outstanding achievements of alumni. □

JULY 9th DECLARED VCC ALUMNI DAY IN VANCOUVER

At a reception following the Alumni Association's Annual General Meeting on July 9th, Vancouver Deputy Mayor Bruce Yorke proclaimed the day "VCC Alumni Day" in the City of Vancouver as a tribute to the College's 25th anniversary. The proclamation recognized the many contributions VCC's 180,000 graduates make to the economic, social and cultural life of the city.

Other special guests at the reception included College Board member Barbara Spitz, Acting President Ross Carter and many of the alumni featured in REFLECTIONS, the Association's commemoration of VCC's 25th anniversary.

Guest speaker Tim Louis, a Langara alumnus and current Chairman of VanCity Savings Credit Union, drew from his own experiences in establishing the HandyDart transportation system and with the Vancouver Parks Board in stressing the importance of grassroots community involvement in the governing process. □



Vancouver Deputy Mayor Bruce Yorke and outgoing Alumni Association President Carole Wilson presided over the honours as July 9th was proclaimed VCC Alumni Day as a tribute to the College's 25th anniversary.

PIG SPEAKS AFTER FOUR YEARS

Karl Brown, pictured on the right, recently brought Hamlet the talking piggy bank back from "burn-out" for the Mt. Pleasant Neighbourhood House. Director Dave Adair and Maegan Thomas welcomed Hamlet back to work.



Hamlet, a four-foot long *papier mâché* piggy bank complete with sound effects was created by Dave Adair of the Mt. Pleasant Neighbourhood House to raise money for a children's camp. After four years of hard work, Hamlet's electronics burned out. Karl Brown, Electronics Program Department Head, and his computer electronics class at City Centre came to the rescue.

After four days Hamlet was transformed into a custom-built computer capable of both speech and movement. Now, when a coin is dropped into Hamlet's body, his eyes light up and

blink, his tail spins and he says, "Oink, Oink, thank you very much. Have a good day," or some other similar pleasantry.

According to Neighbourhood House staff, "Now that Hamlet speaks, he's taken on a whole new life at his home in the foyer. He makes more money than he's ever made."

The programming for Hamlet's computer generated voice was done by a team of three Computer Electronics students led by Vince Lee. The team put together a variation of 64 sounds to produce a polite and appreciative pig.

The robotics class is a component of VCC's training program for electronic technicians, the largest in the province. "Technicians are in high demand," says Brown. In healthy economies they install new equipment. During down-turns, they're needed for repair and maintenance." Brown is proud of the fact that students are often placed even before they graduate.

For those interested in building their own robot, but not interested in a new career, Brown teaches an evening course in which he shows the electronically-minded how to create "Albert", a self-contained robot that will talk, flash its eyes, roam about the house, and go around obstacles in its path. And with an alumni benefits card, the course is available at a 20% discount. Contact Karl Brown at 681-8111 for information on the course; contact the Alumni Association at 871-7147 for information on the benefits card. □

ON BECOMING SELF-EMPLOYED, OR, HOW I LEARNED TO LOVE MY TELEPHONE

By David Chan

When I first graduated from Langara's Photography Program in 1989, I took a job in a one hour photographic development lab and moonlighted as a photographer. I liked to think of myself as a "Freelance" photographer. What this really meant was that I never had any time off at all.

This was quite frustrating until I realized that shooting photographs was what I was trained to do and what I liked to do best. So a few months ago I took the big step — I became a real, full-fledged, full-time professional photographer.

Remember that time I never had? Well, now I have time in spades! In between shooting projects, I find myself developing a strange relationship with my telephone — that great instrument that Alexander Graham Bell invented just to torment me! It never rings in slack

times when I want it to, but it rings off the hook when I'm busy completing a project.

This isn't where the torment ends either — having to call out can be even more painful. Short of the Spanish inquisition, there are few things as torturous as the "cold call." This is a necessary evil that all self-employed persons have to deal with. Cold calling provides "visibility" for the newly self-employed.

I find this concept rather ironic, as I never realized I was invisible until I became self-employed. And you know that Biblical quote, "The meek shall inherit the earth"? Well, if I am meek, the only thing I inherit are my VISA, Mastercard, and sundry other bills. As a true freelancer, self-promotion has become my preoccupation.

As an employee, I always aspired to the goal of working out of my home. I wanted the unstructured schedule, the freedom to set my own pace. But in an office equipped with a colour television, a refrigerator full of food and a Queen size bed, just getting started can become a problem. And now I have no place to go after work to unwind. Finding an office has become an imperative. Accumulating the start-up capital to open a studio-cum-office has become an obsession. But capital is very difficult to accumulate when the phone is not ringing.

My only comfort is that I know I am technically competent. My training in photography endowed me with most of the skills that are required to solve most of the photographic problems I could ever encounter. It is difficult, however, to demonstrate these skills when the phone doesn't ring.

Now I sound like I'm whining. However, this adventure in self-employment is one of the most exciting and rewarding projects I have ever undertaken. I get satisfaction from finishing a photograph and then seeing it in print, not to mention collecting the profits. I just hope that I can hang in there and stay in business. Now that I have started, it's hard to imagine myself doing anything else... Oh, I'm sorry to cut this short, but the phone is ringing. □



David Chan, Photography 1989 - Proud proprietor of Exposures Unlimited Media Services

LANGARA GRAD CYCLES THE PATHS OF HISTORY

Have bicycle, will travel. For three months this summer, that was Ken Thomas' motto. The 26-year-old Pacific Rim Program grad cycled the 2100 kilometres from Hokkaido to Nagasaki in Japan. A dream come true? You bet — and all in the name of research!

Thanks to a \$9000 scholarship from VCC's International Education Division, Thomas discovered Japan in a manner reminiscent of the adventures of Ranald MacDonald was a 19th century forefather of British Columbia and the first teacher of English in Japan.

Thomas first learned about MacDonald in an International Business class at VCC Langara Campus. MacDonald's autobiography reveals that he was born in 1824, the son of a Hudson's Bay factor and the Chinook Indian princess, Sunday, daughter of Chief Comcomly. MacDonald spent his childhood at several Hudson's Bay Company posts with his father, and received four years of education at the Red River Academy in what later became Winnipeg, Manitoba.

At seventeen, he was sent to Upper Canada, now Ontario, to train in banking under the direction of a family friend. He soon tired of this work, however, and in 1841 he ran away to sea. During seven years of travels, he met people of many different cultures and became convinced that Japanese and Indian peoples were somehow related.

As Japan had been officially closed to foreigners for over 200 years, MacDonald devised a remarkable plan to visit Japan and explore his theory. In 1848, the 24-year-old adventurer arranged to be dropped off a whaling ship

near the west coast of Hokkaido and staged his arrival as a shipwrecked sailor.

MacDonald was taken prisoner by the authorities and escorted to Nagasaki, the only Japanese port open to foreign ships at that time. There he easily learned the Japanese language.

"That's probably because he had to learn so many different languages of the different Indian nations he met during his youth," surmises Thomas. "And he had learned to adapt anywhere. Life in the early 19th century was harsh but portraits and descriptions of him show he was well-groomed and well-mannered."

MacDonald made the best of his comfortable confinement in a temple room in Nagasaki by becoming the first teacher of English in Japan. One of his pupils later became an interpreter for Commodore Perry, the American naval commander who forcibly "opened" Japan to foreign trade in 1854.

MacDonald was allowed to leave Japan after ten months, and continued his travels in Asia, Australia and Europe before returning to establish a series of businesses in the new colony of British Columbia.

As for Ken Thomas, he cycled MacDonald's route alone this summer, his mountain bike loaded with cooking gear, a small tent and a sleeping bag. As part of his research, Thomas visited the Japanese chapters of Ranald MacDonald "fan clubs" — historical study associations specializing in the adventurer's life — collecting information and sharing his experiences. Thomas is now studying at Sophia University in Tokyo,



Ken Thomas' cycling tour of Japan followed the path of 19th century British Columbia adventurer Ranald MacDonald

one of the top five universities in Japan.

Of his two-years of Japanese studies at VCC in Vancouver, Thomas says, "My program at Langara was as good as I could get anywhere, but at some point you really have to submerge yourself in a language and its culture to really understand it."

Why has he chosen this particular path? "To me, the Pacific Rim is a very important aspect in our lives. It will really help our future to understand it better. There are so many opportunities out there that I want to explore."

When Thomas arrives back in Canada, he'll embark on a tour of B.C. colleges and universities, showing slides and speaking about his travels. Watch ALUMNEWS for a schedule of when he'll be at VCC. □

REUNIONS WHO'S WHO IN THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

Graduates from the last ten years of the Travel Agent Program recently got together for a reunion. J.J.'s Restaurant at City Centre hummed with the sounds of alumnae renewing old acquaintances, career networking by current students and the inevitable industry shop talk. The reunion was initiated by alumna Coral McFadden and current instructor Jackie Kinnersley who are both active in advancing the professional development needs in B.C.'s travel industry.

Interested in seeing your old classmates and instructors? We're here to help. To organize a class or program reunion, call the Alumni office at 871-7147. □



The VCC Travel Agents' Class of '80 are now leaders in their industry. Pictured are Coral McFadden, Inside Sales Co-ordinator for the travel wholesaler Holiday House; Janet Parsons, National Sales Manager for the "down under" specialists, ANZA; Shirley Warren, Senior Consultant for Hagens Travel; Fay Price, Manager for Contacts Pacific Travel; and Denise Flemig, District Sales Manager for Qantas Airlines.



Former VVI Travel Agent Instructors Dorothy Grant, Jack and Cathy Hill

ON CAMPUS

CITY CENTRE - GEORGE CLARK RETIRES

Over the last 15 years, Building Services Manager George Clark has made Christmas special at City Centre. George always ensured the Christmas tree was up and decorated. But the real Christmas spirit came straight from George's heart and the Care and Share Fund he built through his own efforts and finances to help needy students and their families at Christmas time.

At his retirement celebration in October, George said the Care and Share Fund activities are among his fondest memories of the campus. "There are many special memories for me. It's been very, very satisfying to get notes of thanks from the little kids who participated in that. I've kept a number of those cards as mementos."

His hard work, caring and pride in City Centre made him special to everyone on campus. In honour of his retirement, students, instructors and staff contributed to George's fund. When all the donations were added up, the total came to over \$15,000.

The money was placed in an endowment fund, and the interest from it will be enough to make sure that struggling students continue to find a generous heart at City Centre, even if George is no longer there.

LANGARA - BURBIDGE'S TEXTBOOK A SUCCESS

Philosophy instructor Don Burbidge has a hit on his hands. His new textbook, *A Casebook of Ideologies*, sold out its first print run within months. The Casebook was immediately adopted by Capilano College, Trinity Western University and Fraser Valley College.



George Clark

And the subject of this best seller? - the six most common political philosophies: liberalism, communism, anarchy, democratic socialism, conservatism and meritocracy. What makes the textbook unique is that Burbidge presents each case in the voice of a famous adherent of the ideology. If sales are any indication, Burbidge has definitely succeeded in provoking thought, discussion and questions on the nature of our social and political systems.

The Casebook was published by another College success story, the Vancouver Community College Press. Nearing the end of its second year of operation, the VCC Press specializes in marketing Canadian educational material to specific niches. Like Burbidge, the authors of many of the projects published by the VCC Press teach at one of the three College campuses.

KING EDWARD - EQUIPMENT DONATIONS FOLLOW TRADE SHOW

Ray Oksanen, Diesel Department Head, and Glen Johnson, Auto Technician Department Head, found that staging a very successful major trade show was also a good way to get donations of necessary equipment for their programs. The Third Annual Transportation and Equipment Technology Show held last spring featured exhibits by over 130 leading manufacturers and equipment distributors for the automotive and diesel industries.

The instructional areas were transformed into an exhibition hall, complete with colourful curtained booths, virtually overnight. High-tech exhibits of equipment of all sizes were moved in, including a city transit bus. No, Johnson and Oksanen did not commandeer any of this equipment after the show was over, although they must have been tempted.

However, the KEC trade show so impressed officials of B.C. Transit and the GM Dealers Conference, that they donated a 42-passenger city bus and a GMC pick-up truck for student training in the Diesel and Auto Technician Programs. □

FIRST ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



City Centre Principal Lawrence Fast, left, presented Ted Gray, Electronics-Telecommunications, with the Alumni Association Scholarship award at the spring graduation. Dr. Fast described Ted as an exceptional student who was liked and respected by instructors and students.

While maintaining the highest academic standing on the campus, Ted chaired the Student Association Executive Board. He became an Executive Board Member of the Canadian Federation of Students, and represented student interests to the VCC Board and to the Legislature in Victoria during two strikes. He also tutored other electronics students. In his spare time, Ted served the community as a volunteer ambulance and First Aid attendant at amateur sporting events. His strong leadership and outstanding community service made him an excellent candidate for this award. Congratulations, Ted! □

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

⇒ **Jan 1, 1992** A 1992 Alumni Benefits Card entitles VCC alumni to discounts on continuing education classes, a VCC library card and more from Jan 1st to Dec 31st. Call the Alumni office for details at 871-7147.

⇒ **Jan 19, 1992** First concert of the 1992 concert series presented by the VCC Music Department, sponsored by Yamaha Canada. The Pacific Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Skywalk and others offer six memorable evenings at the King Edward Campus auditorium. Call the Music Department for details at 871-7297.

⇒ **Feb, 1992** Volunteers needed to count the cash and monitor the action at the Alumni Association casino! With 10 spare hours you can help the Alumni Association raise thousands of \$\$\$\$ at our biggest fundraiser of the year. Call the Alumni office at 871-7147.

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⇒ **Feb 13, 1992** Opening of the first production of 1992 at Studio 58. Gifted Vancouver playwright, director and actor Morris Panych will direct a new work developed collaboratively with the student actors. Call Studio 58 for details at 324-5227.

⇒ **Apr 2, 1992** The Notable Event is a gala evening of music and fun to raise scholarship funds for VCC music students. Tickets \$100, partially tax deductible. Call the VCC Educational Foundation for details at 871-7175.

⇒ **Spring, 1992** 2 month study tour in Kenya, sponsored by VCC Langara and SFU. The university transfer credit program includes safaris into Meru National Park, Samburu Reserve and Masai Mara, as well as a look at the coastal flora and fauna and the famous coral reefs. The \$6200 approx. cost is all inclusive and tax deductible. Call Donald MacDonald for details at 324-5233 or 324-5249. □

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

LANGARA

Dr. Adrian Cooper, Arts and Science 1972; College Foundations 1971 KEC, is Director of Communications for the BC Veterinary Medicine Assn, made it into the 1991 "Who's Who in Veterinary Medicine" and serves on advisory committees at Cariboo College and the U of Saskatchewan.

Karen MacArthur, Arts and Science 1986, plans a career in Business Administration—a shift from social work.

Lynn M. Watson, Arts and Science 1987, is finishing a BSc in Physics at the U of Toronto after stints at SFU and IBM in Toronto.

Kristi D. Searle, Small Business Development 1987, is Sales and Marketing Supervisor for an international marketing firm as well as owner of a skin and hair care business.

Thomas Canty, Accounting 1988, is department supervisor at CW Agencies.

Cinda Jong, Arts and Science 1989, will graduate with a BA from SFU this year and then plans to do a BEd.

Monica Redekopp, Arts and Science 1990, is planning more education with hopes of becoming a writer one day.

Julia Durrant, Arts and Science 1991, plans to attend UBC full time after 10 years part time at Langara.

Rick Wong, Computer Systems Technology 1991, is at SFU working on a degree in computer science.

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Peter Wolanski, Waiter Training 1967, now bartends after a stint in the construction industry.

Maureen Anderson, Nurse's Aide 1989, works as a Companion/Housekeeper in West Vancouver.

Henry Au, CADD 1989, teaches computer applications (IBM/MAC) through VCC's Continuing Education Division.

Eden Sam, Secretary 1990, is temping to get a variety of office experience fast.

Armando Dungo, Building Service Worker 1990, works as a building service worker and thanks all at City Centre for his training.

Ruth Snyder, Travel Agent 1991, lives in Victoria and works part time while planning further study in Office Administration at Camosun College.

KING EDWARD

Bob Yamaoka, Diesel Technician 1957, is Manager of Dealer, Fleet and Service Operations for Cullen Detroit Diesel and has been with the company 34 years as a mechanic, foreman and service manager.

Pam Chambers, KEC, Music, 1979, teaches piano in her own studio. She recently wrote "Sixty Years of Music Making, 1930-90", to celebrate the Vancouver Youth Symphony Orchestra's 60th anniversary. Call Pam at 266-2902 for a copy.

Maureen Brownell nee Scroggs, Music 1983, is completing her BA in Psychology at the Open University and has two children, Christopher, 7, Kathleen, 4.

Mary Vindal, College Foundations, 1990, is working on a correspondence animal science course and learning to drive her first-ever, second-hand-but-in-good-shape car!

KING EDWARD HIGH

Kenneth McDougall, Senior Matriculation, 1944, is interested in a King Edward High reunion—anyone else? Call 871-7147.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Barbara Anderson, Management of Non-Profit Organizations 1990, works as an Education Assistant with the B.C. Health Association.

Patricia L. Lust, Business Administration 1991, is enrolled in the CMA program.

WHAT'S NEW IN YOUR LIFE?

Stay in touch and help us keep our records up to date. (Our records are confidential.) Tell us the latest and greatest—your news.

Tell us about paid or volunteer work, hobbies, marriage, children, etc. We will publish your news unless you request otherwise.

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ALUMNI BENEFITS

Do you need to **upgrade your career skills**? Do you take continuing education courses? Do you want to **save money**? If the answer is yes, then help yourself and the Alumni Association by purchasing an **Alumni Benefits Card**.

As a VCC graduate you are eligible for discounts on College services that make it easy to be a lifelong learner. **20% off Continuing Education courses**; 10% off bookstore purchases; and a **library card for FREE!**

By purchasing an Alumni Benefits Card, you help us grow. In 1992, we plan to expand our career development services for your benefit, and for the benefit of current VCC students. The Career Fair in February is just a start. Your voluntary support makes it happen!

Watch ALUMNEWS for details of **more benefits to come** in 1992. Here's what you get right now:

Discount Club \$25.00 annual fee*

- 20% discounts on hundreds of VCC Continuing Education courses**
- borrowing privileges at all three campus libraries
- 10% discounts on non-instructional items at all three campus book stores

Presidents' Club \$100.00 annual fee*

- all Discount Club benefits plus:
- an invitation to the annual Presidents' luncheon
- updates from the President's office on College concerns
- a VCC T-shirt

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- all Discount Club benefits for **life**
- a VCC T-shirt

* Valid from January 1 through December 31. No GST.

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To get your alumni benefits card, just mail a completed application form along with your cheque or credit card number to:

VCC Alumni Association
1155 East Broadway
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Vancouver, B.C. V5T 4N4

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APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS CARD — CHANGE OF ADDRESS

☐ Please send my 1992 Benefits Card to: ☐ Please note my new address:

☐ \$25 Discount Club ☐ \$100 President's Club ☐ \$500 Lifetime Leader

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone (office) _____ (home) _____

☐ Cheque enclosed ☐ Please charge my ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa

Card Number _____

Expiry Date _____ Signature _____

