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#### ZEN AND THE ART OF TYPE MAINTENANCE

Congratulations to JOHN ROBERTS who was the first Centricity reader to successfully "Spot the Typo" (or more precisely the editorial error) in our inaugural issue. The Editor would like to reassure readers that this was not an error but was done deliberately! We believe in the Oriental philosophy that nothing should be perfect (wouldn't want to offend the gods) and therefore some minor imperfection is necessary.

The "Spot the Typo" contest will be conducted on an irregular basis (depending on the perfection of the particular Centricity issue) and prizes will include an all expense paid trip to beautiful KEC, a sincere and warm handshake from the Dean of Instruction, a coffee break with the Editor (who will pick up the tab for the coffee - muffins and danish will be extra) and other exciting prizes. Stay tuned!

#### SEMI-ANNUAL REMINDERS DEPARTMENT

Time once again to remind everyone of the following:

GEORGE CLARK has asked us to tell you, if you are using the White Boards please, please, do not use anything except EXPO Marker Pens, and under no circumstances should you clean the boards with anything except felt erasers - Never ever use water!

LORNA GUENARD has asked that we beg, plead, whine, wheedle and cajole you to return your inter-office envelopes to the mailroom. There is, once again, a dearth of "thousand milers", so all of you who have the brown

envelopes secreted away in dark corners, please return them to the mailroom ASAP!

SANDRA JONES writes to remind everyone that "Home Use" means just that! It is an infringement of the Canadian Copyright Law and the College's Copyright Policy (Policy 6.4.2.2) to show home use videos in classrooms. You may, however, use videos with Public Performance Rights. Contact the Library and have them check the status of your video. If you need public performance rights they will do the search for you. Contact Sandra or Rea at local 298.

## WHO'S THAT IN THE MAILROOM ANYWAY?

Welcome to JOSEPHINE JEYAKUMAR who's the helpful new person in the mailroom.

## SOCIAL NOTES FROM DENTAL HYGIENE

The Dental Hygiene Department and students will be holding Dental Hygiene Table Clinics on Wednesday, April 04 from 5:00 to 7:00 in the Mall. This will be held in conjunction with Dental Health Month (don't forget to brush and floss your teeth diligently that month!). The Dental Hygiene people invite everyone to come and attend the clinics.

## RECYCLE RECITAL

SUZANNE PATERSON tells us that an information meeting regarding Recycling on the campus will be held Wednesday, February 28, at 11:00 in Room 237. Please attend if you're interested in participating in the campus recycling program, or if you have any questions about it.



## COMPUTER CACOPHONY

JOHN ROBERTS (who appears to be getting a lot of ink in this issue) tells us that the latest version of WordPerfect (5.1) will soon be available. The upgrade on an educational package is \$97

Canadian. The suggested supplier is JB Marketing. Purchase of a new educational package is \$175 (regular list price is \$495 US).

John tells us that by the next issue of Centricity he should be able to provide us with all the details on ordering 5.1.

if you have a personal copy, you will be able to upgrade through Computer Software Upgrades Inc., P.O. Box 8788 Station F, Calgary T2J 8S5. If you wish, you can bestow your old version to the College's WordPerfect donation program.

#### COMPUTER COMPREHENSION

Human Resource Development tells us that they are offering the following computer courses at Langara, all will be instructed by Jack Yensen. Each session is limited to twenty participants.

INTRODUCTION TO WORDPERFECT 5.1 April 19, 20, 23 and 26 (3 hours each day) 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

MOVING FROM WORDPERFECT 5.0 to 5.1 April 24 and 25 (3 hours each day) 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

or

April 27 and 30 (3 hours each day) 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

ADVANCED WORDPERFECT 5.1 April 27 and 30 (3 hours each day) 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

For further information see the handouts distributed which have been distributed to all departments, or call Diane at 875-1131 (local 337).

A signed, completed, green form will be required if you plan to register for any of these courses.

#### SOFTWARE SELECTION

Langara Bookstore not only has WordPerfect 5.1 (\$175) - they also have the following Microsoft packages:

- ♦ Word Academic Edition (\$119)
- ♦ Works Academic Edition (\$89)
- ♦ QuickC Academic Edition (\$59)
- ♦ Excel Academic Edition (\$149)
- ♦ Excel Academic Edition for Windows (\$149)
- ♦ Learning DOS (\$36)

all software is available in 3.5" or 5.25"

Contact Sue Reynolds at 324-5203 if you're interested in buying any of this software.

#### **COMPUTER CREEPY-CRAWLIES**

VCC has purchased, from McAfee Associates, an educational site license for the Viruscan program, which will check computer disks for virus infections. The latest version checks for 67 known viruses, and is upgraded once or twice a month.

The best way to guard against any disk problems is to keep a complete, clean backup. Viruscan helps you to ensure your disks are clean and to check any outside disks you want to use. If you would like a copy of the latest Viruscan, please send a system-formatted, double-density disk (with your name on the label) to ICS. They will copy Viruscan for you, write-protect the disk, and return it to you.

# MORE HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COURSES:

HRD tells us that they are also running the following courses:

#### THE MANAGEMENT OF TIME

March 19 - 8:30 to 4:30 (limit of 20 scats)

March 26 - 8:30 to 4:30 (limit of 20 seats)

Facilitator: Maureen Hannah

#### LEARNING ABOUT DISABILITIES

April 1 - 9:00 - 12:00 Visual Impairment

- 1:00 - 4:00 Hearing Impairment

May 17 - 9:00 - 12:00 Mental Handicap

- 1:00 - 4:00 Learning Disability

June 07 - 9:00 - 12:00 Mental Illness

- 1:00 - 4:00 Physical Disability

# CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING

May 22, 24 and 29 - 8:30 to noon Each session is limited to 16 participants

Contact Diane at 875-1131 (local 337 or 291) or look for the handouts which will be distributed to all departments.



COUNCIL COUNSEL
(Highlights from the meetings of the Academic and Administrative Councils)

## ACADEMIC COUNCIL:

- ♦ Terms of Reference have been approved by the Council and distributed to all Departments. (If you wish a copy contact Jackie Gelling at local 237).
- ♦ Anyone wishing to attend an Academic Council meeting must give five days notice of intent to attend.
- All Academic Council Agendas are distributed to Department Heads and Coordinator II's a week prior to the meeting.

# ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL:

- ♦ The Council, after considerable discussion and some amendments, approved a new format for City Centre calendars.
- ♦ Council moved that, effective immediately, all Program Content Guides (new or revised) will conform to the format of the Electronics Basic Program Guide, as prepared by Jerome Schatten. It is expected that all PCG's will be reformatted by September 1992.

# CONFERENCES AND OTHER EXCITING THINGS

♦ MODELS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - Issues and Practices Seminar sponsored by the College-Institute Educators' Association of B.C. Saturday, March 3, 1990: 9:00 - 4:30 (in Vancouver) For more information call 736-0311.

- ♦ PROVINCIAL LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT For women employed in colleges and institutes May 3-6 in Vancouver Contact Stephanie Forsyth (local 243) or John Vandenakker (local 128) for further information.
- ♦ "INTO THE '90'S TOGETHER"

  Sponsored by the Workshop '90 Planning
  Committee and the B.C. Registrars'

  Association: Thursday, March 1 and Friday,
  March 2. Thursday's workshop will be held
  at City Centre and Friday at SFU Harbour
  Centre.

For more information contact Wynn Keenan (local 200) Wynn is an active member of the planning committee for the workshops.

# JOIN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND SEE THE WORLD!!

Canedcom International Ltd. of Toronto requires:



- Education Research Specialist from September 1990 to February 1991
- and an:
- Entrepreneurship Training Specialist from September 1990 to November 1990.

Both positions are based in Sri Lanka. If you're interested in further information contact Jindra Repa at Central Administration (local 244).

#### FAN MAIL DEPARTMENT

WYNN KEENAN sent us a note that a student had written her which said in part: "thank you for the letter of space availability it enabled me to apply for an out-of-province student loan. My future goals are closer in sight, because you took some time out for me."

He: I worked for three years as a waiter at the Ritz restaurant, but I had to quit because of the headwaiter's nerves.

She: Oh, was he really nervous?

He: Yes, he was. He couldn't stand the sound of breaking china.

# **FLOWSHEET**

