

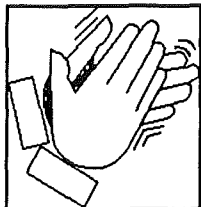
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INNOVATIVE IDEAS FROM DENTAL HYGIENE

LYNN SMITH of the Dental Hygiene Department reports that recently she, plus two second year Dental Hygiene students, Susan Jones and

Mary-Lou Burleigh, spent a week in Montreal at John Abbot College. This being an exchange program, six students and an instructor from John Abbot spent the previous week at City Centre. Lynn and the Department are presently evaluating the procedure in the hope that future exchanges with other colleges will take place.

BAKING BEAUTIES

DICK KOK tells us that the Baking Department now has a full complement of thirty-two students, including an apprenticeship class, all of whom are now ensconced in their new quarters on the second floor.

As a special class project the Baking students are making twelve large (4' x 5' or larger) cakes for B.C. Transit's 100th Anniversary. The cakes are decorated with the Transit Anniversary logo, a skytrain and flag logo. The first two cakes are now complete, the rest will be done over the next few months.

Dick is very proud of the new premises, and we wait with eager anticipation for the opening of the new Chocolate, Ice Cream and Candy labs, which Dick tells us will be happening soon. (Perhaps we should start on our diets now!)

CITY CENTRE DAY CELEBRATION

DICK STRACHAN, in his swan-song Chairmanship of the City Centre Day Committee advises that this year's theme will be "Re-charge Your Batteries" and workshops will concentrate on upbeat topics. A survey is presently being prepared for distribution to all faculty and staff to determine what workshop topics are of interest. This will, hopefully, be distributed by next week.

Meanwhile if there is anyone (anyone!!) out there who would like to volunteer to help the Committee on that day (Friday, May 04) please contact Dick (local 280), Roseanne Ashworth (local 232) or Jackie Gelling (local 237). The Committee would really appreciate any help you could give us!

MALL MACHINE MANIA

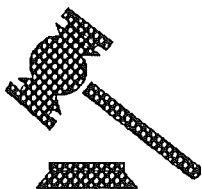
DICK STRACHAN tells us (well actually he told the Administrative Council) that arrangements are now being finalized to have a Banking Machine in the Mall. This will be for cash transactions only but, nevertheless, will certainly be very appreciated at City Centre.

THE FOLLOWING IS A PAID POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

SANDRA JONES and CHRIS STEVENS have asked us to remind all VMREU employees to make certain that they fill out their questionnaires and either mail them to the VMREU offices, or give them back to Chris and Sandra.

COUNCIL COUNSEL

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



ACADEMIC COUNCIL:

- ◆ Brian Dwyer will submit a strategy for Program Content Guide development. This will be discussed at the next Academic Meeting (March 12).
- ◆ Brian Dwyer will also draft up a procedures manual giving step by step instructions for writing PCG's and course outlines.
- ◆ An existing slide show demonstrating the process of writing up PCGs is to be updated. Developing a video on PCGs for home use was also discussed.
- ◆ The Council also moved approval to have the City Centre Library closed for five days (one of which would be a Saturday). The closure will enable the library to bar-code all its materials for automation.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL:

- ◆ A new college-wide switchboard system is being studied, however should the college decide not to implement a single switchboard for all three campuses, City Centre has been allocated funds for a new switchboard.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION DEPARTMENT

JOHN VANDENAKKER, last year's Chairman of the United Way Campaign at City Centre has received grateful letters of appreciation from:

- Burnaby Family Life Institute
- Big Sisters of B.C. Lower Mainland
- Boy Scouts of Canada
- Vancouver-Richmond Association for Mentally Handicapped People

and last, but not least:

- VCC Educational Foundation who said, in part: *"A sincere thank you to all VCC faculty and staff who participated in the United Way Campaign and designated their gifts and pledges to the Educational Foundation. We received \$3,158 which*

will be distributed appropriately to each campus for financial aid."

SHARP-EYED LADIES OF THE LOWLANDS

Your Editor is dazzled, astounded, awed and overwhelmed at the eagle-eyed readers of *Centricity*! Winners of last issues' "Spot the Typo" contest were ROSEANNE ASHWORTH who spotted the capital-less "i". Roseanne will be treated to coffee by the Editor (I owed her one anyway). WYNN KEENAN who spotted the wrong telephone number gets a sincere and warm handshake from the Dean of Instruction and BASIL VAN VOLLENHOVEN, a work study student in Admissions gets a smile of appreciation, but no prize as his entry was not complete (he spotted part of the flaw in the flow chart!).

For future prizes we are hoping to offer free lessons on how to count to ten in Dutch and how to count to ten in Australian - we're presently negotiating with the Dean of Administrative and Student Services, JOHN VANDENAKKER for the dutch lessons, and the Assistant Dean DICK STRACHAN for the Aussie lessons.

BURSARY BONANZA

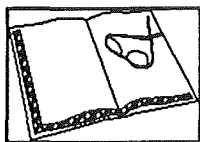
DANA FISTER has asked us to remind all departments that a number of bursaries are available to students in the final levels of their programs, selection generally being based on need and achievement. The application deadline for all bursaries is March 29, 1990.

Details on these bursaries can be obtained by reading the four-page pink legal sheets that have been distributed to all departments (or you can call Dana in the Financial Aid Department).

ALUMNI COMES HOME TO ROOST

PAT SMITH and DR. GRAHAM BURNS tell us that MONECA MORLIN, who worked for a number of years at VVI then went on to become a nurse, is now working on a part-time basis as the Community Health Nurse at VCC's fourth campus - the KEC North Campus. We join Graham and Pat in congratulating Moneca and welcoming her back to the VCC fold!

**JEALOUSY,
HORS D'OEUVRES,
MONEY and MYTHS**



EVA SHARELL of the Library tells us that the Library has recently received the following new books:

- ▶ Art of the Western World
- ▶ Arthritis
- ▶ Against our Will: Men, Women and Rape
- ▶ The Best of the Pacific Coast
- ▶ Cat's Eye
- ▶ Divorced Parenting
- ▶ Exploring the Prairies
- ▶ Fodor's Canada 1990
- ▶ Homeopathy
- ▶ Hong Kong Money
- ▶ How to be Your own Nutritionist
- ▶ Jealousy
- ▶ The Joy of Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres
- ▶ Kaffir Boy
- ▶ Myths to Live By

REFLECTIVE REMINDER

The VCC Committee for Services to Special Needs reminds us that, when non-handicapped person think of parking (illegally) in a Handicapped zone, they should think instead of being parked in a wheel chair.

HAVE WE GOT SOME JOBS FOR YOU!

The following positions are available at VCC. For further information contact the Employee Relations Department.

- ◆ ASSISTANT DEAN - Administrative Services
- City Centre
Closing Date: March 16, 1990
- ◆ DIVISION CHAIR - Tourism and
Hospitality Centre - City Centre
Closing Date: March 30, 1990
- ◆ COORDINATOR I (Advanced Level) - ESL
King Edward Campus
Closing Date: March 09, 1990

**CONFERENCES, CONFERENCES and yet
MORE CONFERENCES!**

- ◆ CREATIVE LEADERSHIP - March 29 and 30 in Spokane, Washington. A professional development workshop held for continuing education officers and staff. Call Judith Fortune at (206) 281-3503 for more information.
- ◆ TOTAL LIFESTYLE PLANNING FOR ADULTS WITH MENTAL HANDICAP - Workshop presented by Dr. Roy Brown, Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Studies, University of Calgary. Workshop will be held at City Centre - March 23, 1990, Room 237 - 8:30 to 4:00. For information contact Terry Reid at 324-5509.
- ◆ WHAT TO DO BEFORE THE LIGHTS GO OFF - A workshop to improve your presentation skills with the effective use of films and videotape. - April 10, 1990 at the Coast Plaza at Stanley Park from 9:30 to 4:30. Co-sponsored by the B.C. Library Association and International Telefilm Enterprises. For further information contact Mary Anne Epp at Langara (324-5459).
- ◆ CANADIAN ROCKIES GREAT TEACHERS' SEMINAR June 17 -22, 1990 - Sponsored by Grant MacEwan Community College and held at Nakoda Lodge on Chief Hector Lake near Banff. For further details contact the Faculty Development Department at (403) 441-4872.

A NOTABLE EVENT

The VCC Educational Foundation is sponsoring an annual benefit dinner for Scholarships in Music. This will be held on Thursday, March 08, at the New World Harbourside Hotel, entertainment will be by Ruth Nicol, Jeff Hyslop and the Music Department's "Soundwave". Tickets are \$100 each (50% tax deductible). There will also be a draw for a Disklavier piano (tickets \$5.00). Call 875-1131 for further information.

SPEAKING OF THINGS ENTERTAINING

Sherri Sadler, the Publicist for Studio 58, writes to say that Studio 58 will present "A Chorus of Disapproval" and "The Beggar's Opera", a play within a play, in repertory from March 01 to April 07. According to Sherri these two plays have never run in repertory in Canada "possibly even in the world" and they're extremely excited about the project. For further information and reservations call 324-5227.

HAVING LISTENED TO ALL THE MUSIC AND SAT THROUGH THE PLAY - NOW YOU'RE READY FOR SOME EXERCISE!

...and Gillian Akin at KEC has just the ticket! Gillian is organizing a cross-country skiing weekend at Lac La Jeune - leaving Friday evening March 16 and returning Sunday evening, March 18. Package includes transportation, two nights accommodation, two breakfasts, Saturday dinner and lessons (rental are extra). Cost ranges from \$149 to \$199. For more details contact Gillian at KEC (local 559).

SO YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT ASKING FOR A DAY OFF

So you want the day off! Let's take a look at what you are asking for.

There are 365 days per year available for work. There are 52 weeks per year in which you already have two days off per week, leaving 261 days available for work.

Since you spend 16 hours each day away from work, you have used up 170 days, leaving only 91 days available. You spend 30 minutes each day on coffee breaks that accounts for 23 days each year, leaving only 22 days available for work. You normally spend two days per year on sick leave. This leaves you only 20 days available for work.

We are off for five statutory holidays per year, so your available working time is down fifteen days. Management generously gives you fourteen days vacation per year, which leaves only one day available for work - and they're darned if they'll let you take that day off!

SMASHING SUCCESS AT PD/IT DEPARTMENT or a funny happened on the way down the chute

KARL GREGG was sitting in his office, minding his own business, when he was suddenly (and noisily) visited by a 300 pound rock crashing through his office window. Seems it broke through the chute carrying debris from the roof to the dumpster and bounced into Karl's office. Luckily no-one was hurt and Karl now has a good coffee break story to tell!

WRITE YOUR OWN BY-LINE DEPARTMENT

The Editor has been working on this issue long enough and has just suffered a major writer's block attack. So, to fill up the rest of this space we give you a few headlines so that you can write your own by-line. All submissions will be gratefully received (we may even have another contest going here!). Here's a couple of headlines to get you started...

- ▶ Ministry Increases VCC Budget 100%
- ▶ Scientists prove that Chewing Tobacco is Good for You
- ▶ MP's have agreed to 75% salary cuts
- ▶ Instructor discovers cure for *(fill in the blank)*