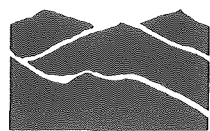


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## LEARNING DISABILITIES MONTH

The diagnosis of learning disabilities is based on evidence of a significant discrepancy between the student's cognitive abilities and academic achievement.

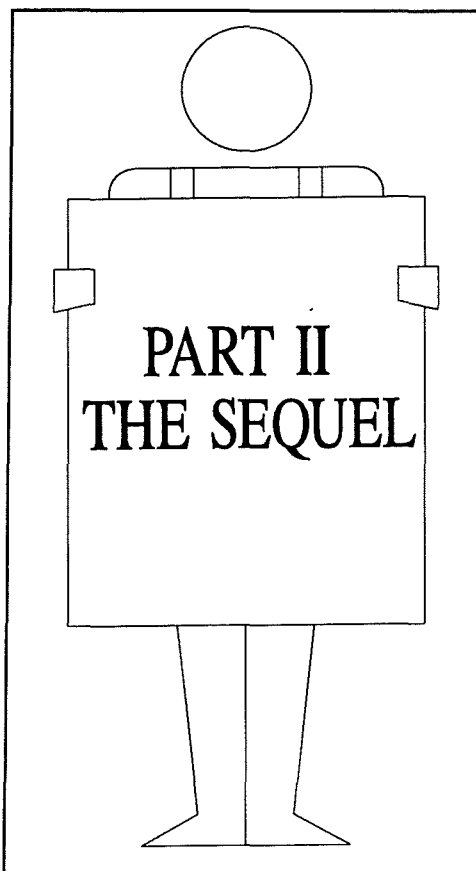
This is, of course, based on the premise that other disabling conditions (eg., mental retardation, sensory impairments) or environmental influences (eg., cultural differences, inappropriate instruction) have been ruled out as primary causes of the discrepancy.

The basis for any diagnosis of learning disabilities is the student's performance on individually administered tests of intelligence and academic achievement.

A learning disability is said to exist when the academic achievement in one or more areas is significantly lower than the level that would be predicted from the students cognitive profile.

This is based on the assumption that other conditions (eg., emotional problems, vision or hearing problems, etc.) are not present.

As the accurate assessment of intelligence is an essential ingredient to the diagnosis of learning disabilities, it is imperative that the tester select a valid and reliable test instrument that measures



the student's intellectual abilities in such a way that it is not biased by the student's lack of academic achievement.

There is, naturally, no single, correct definition of "intelligence". Thus, there is

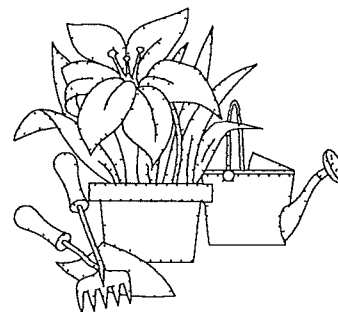
no single, correct way of measuring this concept.

The tester must be aware of the types of cognitive abilities tapped by the various intelligence tests in order to select the test(s) that will provide the most valid results for his/her population of students.

A number of well-developed and technically adequate tests assess educational performance/academic achievement across subject matter domains.

The comprehensive tests are widely used in the identification of students with learning disabilities.

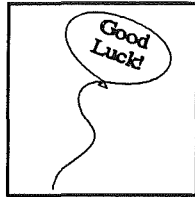
They are administered individually, have good psychometric properties and--in many cases--have been normed using samples from different ethnic and language groups.



## CITY CENTRE

### ***WELCOME ABOARD!***

It gives me great pleasure to announce that **Lorna Higgins** has joined us officially as Senior Secretary, Tourism & Hospitality Centre.



In the past three months, Lorna has demonstrated that she can deal with the complexities of our large division, and that she can do so with the pleasantness and professionalism that our Centre requires.

Please join me in welcoming Lorna to her new permanent position in our Centre.

**Jackie Sandy**

### ***ALL SUPPORT STAFF***



Please have your department head/supervisor approve your 1993 vacation request and forward it to my office by March 31, 1993.

Remember that you will not be allowed to carry-over more than 20 vacation days at the end of 1993, and that vacation requests are granted according to seniority.

Request forms are available in the administration office. Please contact Parviz Lalji.

**Karen Kelly**

### ***VCCFA STEWARDS AT CITY CENTRE CAMPUS***

**At the general meeting held  
February 18, 1993,**

**Wayne Avery, Counselling  
Moreah Hamend, LTC**

**were elected to replace  
Eva Sharell and  
Cameron McNamee  
who resigned**

### ***WORK STUDY***

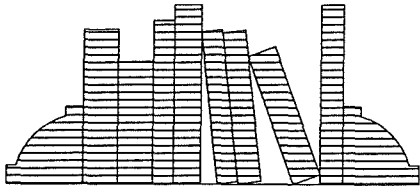
The Work Study Program exists to assist needy students by helping them pay for some of their educational expenses through work.

Would you consider hiring a City Centre student do to the work?

There are substantial funds remaining in the work study budget. Please contact Parviz Lalji (8312) for further details.

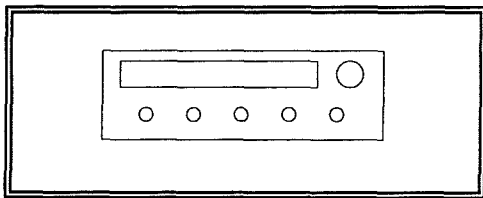
**Karen Kelly**

## NEW MATERIAL IN THE LIBRARY



- International Adoptions
- Nature's Thumbprint
- Producing a First-Class Video for Your Business
- State of Canada's Environment
- Still More Games Trainers Play
- Vegetables the Chinese Way
- Women in Science and Engineering, Vol.II: Colleges
- Computer Wimp No More
- Dance of Anger
- Daycare Handbook
- I Am Right and You Are Wrong
- Managing Transitions

## NEW VIDEOS



- Better Letters & Memos:  
Organizing Your Work Instantly
- Better Letters & Memos.  
Writing Different Kinds of Letters
- The Responsive Brain
- Using Nine Powerful Motivators in the Classroom

## CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS GARNER MORE PRIZES



On March 4, 1993,  
Frank Hurt  
Secondary School's  
(Career Prep  
Teaching Kitchen)  
held its 8th Annual  
*Lard Sculpture Competition.*

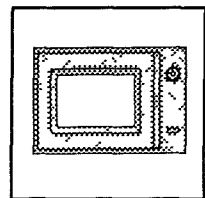
Six Culinary Arts students were  
successful in receiving 2 gold, 3 silver  
and 1 bronze award. Congratulations to:

Morgan Wilson (gold)  
Sean Abbot (gold)  
Ron Trainor (silver)  
Gwendolyn Funk (silver)  
Thomas Lapierre (silver)  
Bruce Malyk (bronze)

## CULINARY ARTS GOURMET MEALS

Too tired to cook? Too  
tired to shop?

Fresh meals, pre-  
packaged, ready-to-eat,  
tasty, succulent choices  
of **GOURMET MEALS** -  
**INEXPENSIVE!** - \$4.95.



Available at the following three outlets:

**Pastry Arts Bake Sales**  
**Retail Meats**  
**Culinary Arts Cafeteria**

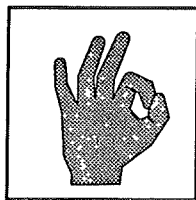
Pop in the microwave, relax and enjoy.  
Try one soon, you'll be hooked!!!

## CITY CENTRE

### *CITY CENTRE TOURS*

A helping hand is needed!

Volunteers are required to assist during City Centre tours which are offered to prospective student applicants.



Do you want to tell others what City Centre is all about? You would be asked to help out once or twice per year for 2 hours.

In addition to acting as an ambassador for City Centre, this is also an opportunity to keep yourself updated on the current programs offered on campus.

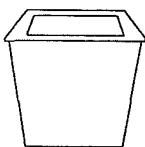
Please call 8311 if you could volunteer 2-4 hours per year for this worthwhile project.

Thank you.

**Karen Kelly**

### *RECYCLING*

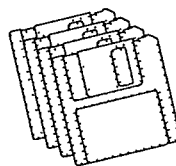
There is a group of people interested in activating "Recycling" on campus.



If you care about the environment, why don't you bring your suggestions/ideas to this group.

Everyone is welcome! Should you wish to be included on the list, please contact Phyllis Butler (8346).

### *ATTENTION FACULTY*



If you are planning to place an order of software through the Langara Bookstore, please do it as soon as possible.

Have your budget officer approve the request and fax it to **Greg King** at **324-5522**.

Physical inventory will take place **March 29 & 30**.

**Greg King (local 5202)**

### *ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION IN B.C.*

Come join us for networking, fun, food, and an exploration of power.

**VCC-KEC**

**Wednesday, April 21, 1993**

**Agenda:** 6:00pm networking  
6:30pm dinner  
7:30pm speaker

**Speaker:** Jean Cockell, VCC

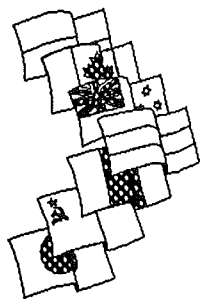
**Topic:** Jean will talk about the results from her recently completed M.A. thesis, "Power and Leadership: a Perspective from College Women"

**Cost:** WPSE members - \$15  
Non members - \$20

**RSVP by April 16, 1993 to Margo Lupien, Langara, local 5218.**

**INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**

The Asia Pacific Grant Program is in addition to funding provided through the BC Asia-Pacific Awards for scholars and students.



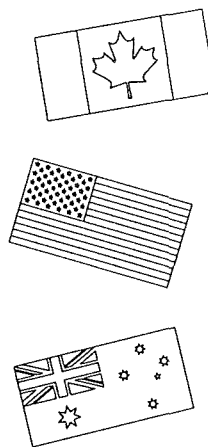
The British Columbia Centre for International Education has received an allocation from the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology to fund the Asia-Pacific Grant Program.

The program has been established to enhance British Columbia public post-secondary students' understanding of the Asia-Pacific region and to contribute to the strengthening of linkage and exchange agreements between British Columbia and overseas institutions.

**The Asia-Pacific Grant Program will provide small grants to enable student participation in an organized, related program of study at an overseas institution.**

A budget will be set annually by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology for the Asia Pacific Grant Program. The program will be administered through the British Columbia Centre for International Education and the awards will be adjudicated by a committee representing the British Columbia post-secondary systems.

For details, please contact **Cecily May, International Education, 871-7178.**

**COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

A world of opportunity is now available through the Community College Exchange Program (CCEP) at colleges, universities, educational associations, and federal agencies throughout the United States, its territories, Canada, and Australia.

How long have you been teaching the same courses or serving on the same committees? Is the routine of your academic file getting to you?

Few professions are as demanding as those in higher education, and most of us reach a point in our careers when we feel bogged down by routine, need an opportunity to interact with different colleagues, or just want to experience a different setting. Perhaps, it's time for a change or an **EXCHANGE**.

The CCEP provides **STAFF, FACULTY, AND ADMINISTRATORS** with the opportunity of working at one of over 300 colleges in the United States and Canada while remaining on the payroll of their home institution.

If you are interested in the possibility of participating in the CCEP for all or part of 1994/95, obtain a Preliminary Interest Form from **Karin Giron** in Administration. She will provide you with further information.

Deadline for applications is **May 1, 1993.**

# Brown Bag Lunches

## **Thursday, April 8th. — Line Dancing**

If you missed this workshop during City Centre Day, here is your chance. Les Steinke will conduct this session in the section of the mall next to IMS. Those of you who attended the CC Day workshop will probably want to attend because Les will be covering some new steps. Bring your lunch. (12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m.)

## **Thursday, April 22 — The Chilly Climate**

University of Western Ontario, 1991. Using interviews with female faculty, administrators, students, and staff, the video explores the day to day climate of discrimination and/or sexual harassment experienced by women working and studying in Canadian Colleges and Universities. Discussion following the video facilitated by Jean Cockell  
Room 107 — Bring your lunch. (12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m.)

**Watch for other brown bag lunches to be announced soon.**

Please give us your ideas about topics you would like to see offered. If you have something you would like to present, please let us know. Phone your ideas to 443-8427.

College-wide

# Design

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## COMPETITION

The  
VCC Educational Foundation  
is sponsoring an artwork competition  
for the cover of their December 1993  
season's greeting card.

There is an honorarium of \$200  
for the winning design.  
As well, the artist's name  
will appear on the card.

The artwork can be a graphic  
or a black and white photo  
and must be:

suitable for a non-denominational  
greeting card,

of a finished (folded) size to fit  
a 5" x 7" (vertical) or  
7" x 5" (horizontal) format,

two-colour (including black)  
or one colour,

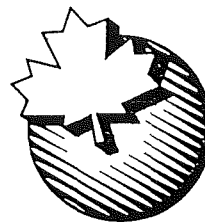
received by the VCC Educational  
Foundation, KEC 5th floor CAS  
no later than Friday April 30, 1993.

A judging panel will make the final  
decision on Friday May 7, 1993.

*Only students and employees of  
VCC are eligible to participate.*



Educational Foundation



Canadian Bureau for International Education  
Western Regional Conference - 1993  
Calgary, Alberta

## Developing Skills to Meet the Challenges

April 4 - 6, 1993

Because of the need for us all to make wise use  
of diminishing resources, and come up with  
creative ways of doing "more with less", this  
year's regional conference is offering some  
valuable skills you can take back to  
your institution and use with minimal  
effects on your budget.

Hosted by *The University of Calgary*



For further information about the CBIE  
Calgary Conference, please contact the  
International Education Dept., 5th Floor,  
KEC, Telephone local 7182.



# Canadian Partnerships

CABET '93

EDUCATION • INDUSTRY • GOVERNMENT • BUSINESS

C A B E T ' 9 3

WESTIN HOTEL - WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

OCTOBER 21 - 24, 1993

Speakers for the CANADIAN PARTNERSHIPS - Education, Industry, Government and Business Conference are from all across Canada and are presenting sessions on the following topics: ,

- \* Transition from school to work.
- \* Pursuing industry standard technology in the classroom.
- \* Evaluation through the use of personal portfolios at the post secondary level.
- \* The marketing game; a partnership between the university and secondary institutions.
- \* Taking down the barriers to cooperative partnerships in the workplace.
- \* Strengthening the Business Education Curriculum through Partnerships.
- \* The partnership between industry and education in the design of the business education curriculum in the province of Quebec.
- \* Cooperatives as partners.
- \* Interactive Television through the use of fibre optics; the first of its kind implemented in Canada between Evergreen School Division and the Manitoba Telephone System.
- \* Developing partnerships between business, industry, government, and education at the post-secondary level.
- \* Panel presentation on training the entry level worker and making the transition from the classroom to the workplace.
- \* Women as decision makers in educational administration.
- \* Partnerships with pacific rim countries.
- \* Seeking partnerships with Canada's ethnic communities for better understanding of our intercultural strengths.
- \* Combining business with pleasure! - Banquet presentation and performance by a representative from the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra.

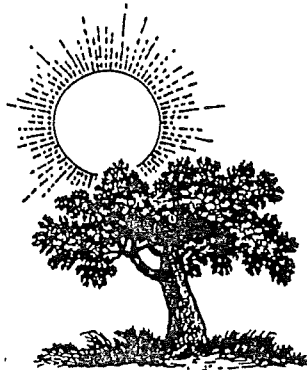
**OTHER SESSIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED!!!**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORMS  
PLEASE CONTACT KARIN GIRON IN ADMINISTRATION**



# CENTRE FOR CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Advancement through Education



## GREAT TEACHERS SEMINAR JUNE 9 - 12, 1993

*In the search for professional excellence, there is so much more beyond a teaching field or an educational specialization that a community college educator must know, understand, and believe in, yet there are so few professional development opportunities available for those who recognize the need for continuous inspiration and growth. Universities, books and conferences give inadequate emphasis to the mission of the community college movement and to the art of teaching and living within that movement. The Great Teachers Seminar was created to help fill this void. It provides an opportunity for faculty to live and share for an extended period of time with peers representing a wide range of specialties, talents, experiences and interests.*

*David Gottshall*

### The Seminar

Community college and university educators, representing a wide variety of subject matter areas, will gather for three days of learning and reflecting. The seminar will be held at Naramata Centre. The focus for the entire session will be *Innovations and Challenges of Instruction in Community Colleges, University Colleges and Institutes*. The structure of the seminar evolves from an ongoing needs assessment.

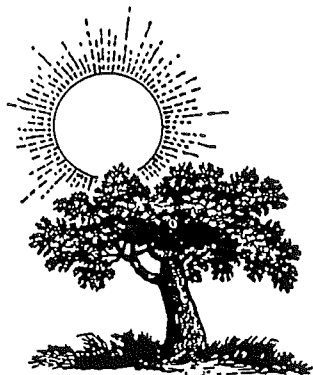
All post-secondary faculty, experienced or inexperienced, are invited to take advantage of this unique professional development opportunity.

### The Site

Naramata Centre is a conference centre situated on beautiful Okanagan Lake amid orchards and mountains, 400 km. (250 miles) east of Vancouver by air or highway; a rustic, vibrant, nurturing setting for this seminar with acres of lawns, gardens, apple blossoms, beach and buildings for accommodation, dining and meetings. Dress is casual.

**CENTRE FOR CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Advancement through Education**



**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Great Teachers Seminar**

**June 9 - 12, 1993**

**Naramata, B.C.**

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Teaching Field: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of University or College: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Community College Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Years of Experience in Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I require single accommodation (additional fee of \$25.00): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send completed registration form with tuition to:**

**Cheryle Wilson  
Centre for Curriculum and Professional Development  
5th Floor, 1483 Douglas Street  
Victoria, British Columbia  
V8W 3K4  
Fax: (604) 387-9142**

# → Career Opportunities

## Evaluations Officer

Athabasca University, Canada's leading open university, located in Athabasca, is seeking applications for an Evaluations Officer, in the Office of the Registrar.

**DUTIES:** Reporting to the Registrar, the Evaluations Officer is the professional staff member responsible for management of the Admissions and Evaluations Unit. The work involves administration and evaluation of non-routine and foreign education documents to determine transfer credit, as well as developing and implementing training programs for evaluation staff. Ensures that all related University policies are translated into the operational objectives, priorities and procedures of the Evaluations Unit and that this is consistent with the overall objectives and priorities of the Office of the Registrar.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Minimum of Bachelor's degree, and at least four years experience in an Office of the Registrar with excellent supervisory and communication skills; or an equivalent combination of education/experience. Experience in foreign evaluations and assessments is required.

This position to be filled subject to budget approval (expected late spring 1993).

Athabasca University develops and maintains an environment which supports equitable working conditions for members of groups traditionally under-represented in universities.

**SALARY:** \$32,449 - \$39,068 per annum supplemented by a generous employer benefits package.

Further information may be obtained from the Registrar, R. Alex Reed (403) 675-6302. Applications should be sent by April 5, 1993, to Michael T. Balaski, Director, Human Resources, Box 10,000 Athabasca, Alberta T0G 2R0

# Athabasca University

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