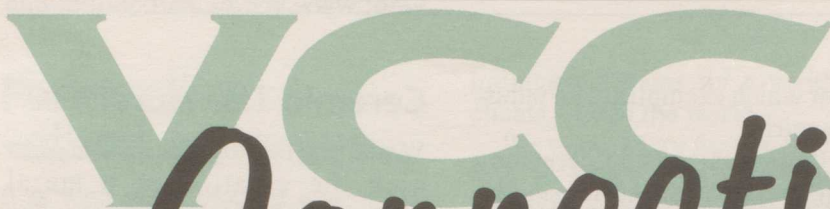


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New Year Greeting from the President

Happy New Year to you all. I hope that you have all enjoyed the well-earned break. I am sure it will be a challenging and interesting year ahead.

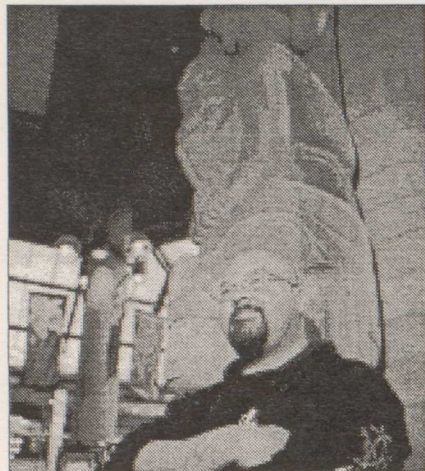
Negotiations with the Faculty Association will shortly be underway; concluding this year's Budget and balancing the 2001/2002 Budget will be a major focus of our attention (an additional challenge now that Mary Hoekstra, V.P. Finance & College Services is leaving the College); the Board has endorsed the early stages of a planning process about to get started; we continue to pursue a major facilities project and have initiated discussions with the City Planning Department and Ministry, and last but by no means least, we hope to further the Learning College concept with another major event or series of smaller ones.

I hope to be able to provide periodic updates on all of these major projects. In the meantime, however, you may find that reading the monthly College Report to the Board posted on the website will help keep you in touch with what is happening in the College. We will also be offering the usual Campus Forums to provide information around the budget planning.

I hope that this year will see VCC reinforce its already strong position in the post secondary system in this province. I look forward to working with you to ensure that this is indeed a good year for us all.

Again, my best wishes,
Dale Dorn
President

Totem Pole raising a success



A landmark event marked December 13, 2000 at Vancouver Community College's City Centre campus.

Ian Campbell, former VCC Board member and hereditary Chief of the Tsawassen Nation, led the raising of a totem pole carved by Gerry Sheena, a former student of the Jewellery Art & Design program at VCC. The totem pole stands impressively in the main hall of the building welcoming students, staff and the community to VCC.

The totem pole has three main components: the Eagle which symbolizes strength, the Tool Maker which represents a teacher and mentor imparting knowledge and the

Beaver which exemplifies an industrious spirit.

A traditional raising ceremony was reinacted with music, singing and dancing to the delight of all. Victoria Green, a VCC student, and Brenda Andrews, the First Nations Academic Advisor, had the honour of unveiling the totem pole to the many spectators present. Gerry Sheena is from the Interior Salish people and worked with four carvers from the Tsawassen nation to complete the artwork.



Robert Kiyoshk, the First Nations Coordinator, at VCC hopes the totem pole will help to create a welcoming environment for First Nations students and encourage their greater participation in the educational opportunities available to them.

Get Involved!

March 21 is the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

If you are interested in helping to plan, organize or participate in educational events which help to increase awareness about racism you are encouraged to contact Rob Henderson, Coordinator of Human Rights and Diversity, at 871-7040 or 443-8310.

Ceramic Tile Mural

Would you like to participate in planning the creation of a mural comprised of painted ceramic tiles — each tile representing how we respect and value diversity?

The completed mural would serve as a symbolic statement of how diversity is valued at VCC with members of the College community painting the tiles. If you are interested in finding out more information about this project or know already that you would like to participate, please contact Rob Henderson, Coordinator of Human Rights and Diversity, at 871-7040 or 443-8310.

William Gan will be missed by all at VCC

It is with great sadness that I learned of the passing of William Gan on January 3, 2001.

William lost his battle with cancer on December 20, 2000. He was 63 years old. William began his time at VCC as a student in the Culinary Arts program and became an employee in 1990. He spent his career in the dishroom, working with instructors and students alike to ensure that they always had clean pots, pans and dishes to prepare and display their food.

The food service staff will miss William for his ready smile and the ease at which he completed the required tasks. I would like to wish his family well during this trying time, and send along the best wishes of everyone who William knew at VCC.

Sandra MacSorley,
Manager of Ancillary Services

Farewell to a valued colleague

It is with both pleasure and regret that I make the following announcement.

Mary Hoekstra, who joined the College on June 16, 1994, will be leaving VCC approximately February 9, 2001. She has accepted a position as Chief Financial Officer and Vice President with TransTech Interactive Training Inc. in North Vancouver, an appointment which will offer her new challenges and an opportunity to advance her career. Mary did not reach this decision lightly and has consented to a period of transition in order to minimize the impact of her leaving.

As you know, when Mary joined the College, VCC had a huge deficit. Her accomplishments are too many to detail. However, some of the highlights are listed here. Under Mary's expert guidance, the College has developed a well earned reputation for its responsible fiscal management. In addition, Mary has taken a leadership role in the reorganization of the divisions under her responsibility and has championed many new initiatives, including sponsorship, the Y2K project and the leasing of new facilities. She has played a key role in the Facilities Feasibility Study currently underway. There is no doubt she will be greatly missed. You will, therefore, be pleased to know that there will be opportunities, both formal and informal, to recognize Mary's legacy to VCC, before she leaves.

TransTech Interactive Training Inc. is an industrial training company co-owned by AMEC inc. (formerly AGRA Simons) and BCIT (British Columbia Institute of Technology), based in North Vancouver. TransTech is currently developing a number of computer and web-based

training programs for a variety of clients around the world.

We thank Mary for her contribution to VCC. Please join me in wishing her every success and happiness in her new appointment and future career.

Dale Dorn
President

Open House

The Graphic Communications & Production Technology department at VCC-City Centre Campus is having its annual Open House on **Wednesday, February 21**, between 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm.

Last year, representatives from Apple Canada, Heidelberg Canada, Creo/Scitex, Hewlett Packard and Printer Solutions showed their most recent technology, and we anticipate that these, plus other companies will be present this year.

Department Tours will be given by students, and information about the newest technology will be available.

Don't miss out on the door prizes and refreshments!

Challenge issued!

The Technical Trades Committee members representing the Diesel Technician, Autobody Technician, and Autobody Repair and Painting programs, recently raised some money to assist the on-site McGregor Child Care Centre.

After discussions with Susan Mumford, Administrator at the Centre, it was apparent that they required several small tricycles and sit-on mini cars and trucks for use by the 37 children. We purchased 7 toy vehicles and the Manager of Toys R Us on Broadway, Brian, kindly donated two more tricycles.

The Technical Trades Committee represents all of the instructors and program assistants in the three programs. The discussion will continue regarding the possibility of each instructor contributing weekly in an effort to raise a larger amount of money for next Christmas.

We would like to challenge other departments to match our commitment to this worthy cause.

R.N. (Bob) Brady
Chair, Tech Trades Committee



Diversity Calendar

The College community is comprised of employees and students of diverse backgrounds. A small but significant way to eliminate discrimination and inequality is to avoid the assumption that we all celebrate the same religious or cultural days.

A comprehensive diversity calendar can assist all of us in identifying significant days in advance. By being aware of the incredible variety of special dates, we may anticipate the special needs of employees and students.

A Diversity Calendar is available at: www.diversityatwork.com/div_calendar.html. You can click on the names of the months at the top of this site to view the calendar by each month.

Join us for poetry with Tom Wayman

Please join the College Foundation's College and Career Access program and B.C. poet, Tom Wayman, for a poetry reading and discussion on **February 1** at 11:00am.

Mr. Wayman is a founder of the Kootenay School of Writing. An accomplished writer, he has been a contributor and editor to many publications including, *Going for Coffee* and *Inside Job*.

Refreshments will be provided in the College and Career Access area on Level 2 at KEC. All students, staff and faculty are welcome to this exciting cultural event!

Food bank donations

Many thanks to all of you who made a contribution to the VCC Food Bank Christmas Drive this year. The donation of food was tremendous and was delivered to the Food Bank on December 21st.

News from the three Learning Centres

International Education Centre Learning Centre

Welcome to **Diana Lamare**, the Learning Centre tutor at VCC International Education Centre, 1080 Alberni Street. She brings enthusiasm and a wealth of experience in international education. Please encourage your international students to drop by and meet Diana in our newest Learning Centre. Her hours are Monday to Thursday, 11:30 - 3:30. She can be reached at 628-5908.

Acting Coordinator Appointed

We are pleased to welcome **Mandana Rastan-Schnepf** as our new acting coordinator for the next nine months as Lyn Lennig is on a well-deserved leave. Mandana has worked at the College for the last ten years as an ESL instructor in many departments and brings lots of energy, enthusiasm and a sincere commitment to meeting students' needs. She can be reached at 443-8607.

Learning Centre Orientations

The Learning Centre staff are inviting you to bring your students in for a tour. Meet the friendly tutors and give your students a chance to see what work they can do in the Learning Centre. Students can get free help with their math, science, English, and other course work with a wealth of materials, computers and a friendly, helpful and knowledgeable staff.

When you book your tour, please let us know:

- your name and phone number
- number of students (if known)
- level or program and

- any special requests you have. (If requested, we can also visit your classroom.)

To arrange a tour at City Centre Learning Centre, call 443-8607.

City Centre Learning Centre Hours: Mon to Thurs, 9:30 - 7:00

Friday, 9:30 - 5:00

To arrange a tour at KEC Learning Centre, call 871-7219.

KEC Learning Centre Hours:

Mon to Thurs, 9:00 - 7:00

Friday, 9:00 - 4:30

Tours take approximately 25 minutes and must be booked in advance between 9 and 10:30 or between 1:45 and 6:00. Teachers can also arrange for a video orientation, or students can join a short orientation tour every Friday at 1:00.

Student Computing Centres

The Student Computing Centres at KEC and CC are free drop-in labs for VCC students. Students can learn keyboarding, word-process their assignments, use various business programs, do on-line research and much more. Bring student I.D. to sign up. Printing is 20 cents a page.

Free KEC Student Workshops

There will be free workshops held in the KEC Learning Centre Workshop Room for students starting the week of February 5th. Workshops are limited to 16 students. Students can sign up at the workshop with their student cards. No pre-registration.

Student Photo ID Cards

Students must bring photo I.D. cards with a new expiry sticker to use the Learning Centres and Computing Centres. Schedules for getting photo I.D. cards are posted around campus. Returning students can pick up new expiry stickers from the cashier. Please remind your students.

New! New! New!

A video orientation for KEC Learning Centre is available on a one-day loan for teachers unable to visit the Learning Centre. Please call 871-7219 for a copy.

Upcoming ICS Open Forums

Jan 22 (Mon) 12:00-1:00

Room 200, CC

Jan 23 (Tue) 12:00-1:00

Room 5043, KEC

* Come and see what's happening in 2001...

* Come and meet some of our staff...

* Come and talk to us about the computer needs in your area...

* Arrange your own meeting with the ICS team...

* Come in just to chat...

For a complete schedule of ICS Open Forums in 2001, look into J:\Common\ICS Open Forum Schedule 2001.xls.

Ladies & Gentleman, We have a(nother) winner!!

Yes, **Rob Henderson**, Human Rights Coordinator, won the 50-50 draw held in November.

Watch out for future lucky winners. If you want a chance to appear in this spot, phone Rebecca at 7148 for details on how to join the Employee 50-50 draw. Mere pennies can put you in the picture...



Grants awarded to Court Interpreting Certificate Program

Continuing Education is very proud to announce the successful funding applications to the BC Law Foundation for a total of \$495,100.00 by Dr. Silvana Carr, Coordinator of the court Interpreting Certificate Program.

The grants include:

- \$45,400 to expand the Distance Education Court Interpreting program to a certificate.

- \$49,700 to expand the Legal Interpreter Training in Aboriginal Languages

- \$350,000 to create an online and print glossary of legal terminology, a plain language approach, in 7 languages for interpreters, legal service providers and the general public.

- \$50,000 which will be matched by the provincial government for court interpreting student bursaries.

Many thanks to the BC Law Foundation and congratulations to Dr. Carr. What a wonderful Christmas present!

Volunteer Opportunity

Take part in our pilot project for the **VCC Buddy Program**. This program matches a Canadian volunteer with an ESL student. As a Buddy you would provide an opportunity for the student to practice English conversation outside the classroom as well as easing the transition into the Canadian way of life. In return, you would make new friends from around the world and learn about a new country and culture. Partners decide the time and days to meet each week for a minimum of one hour.

For more information please contact Jacquie at 871-7062.

Changes to Smoking Areas at VCC

At the November Operations Council meeting, concerns were raised about the ongoing problem of smoke entering the building caused by people smoking in front of air intakes and entrances. To address these concerns, an action plan was approved at the December Operations Council meeting that will restrict smoking to designated areas.

Effective February 5, smoking will be permitted in the following areas only:

KEC

· Level 4 - along the railing overlooking the Campus and under the overhang behind Second Cup from the corner of the building to the bike racks

· Level 2 - Cafeteria balcony and patio

· Level 1 - All areas on the North side of the campus with the exception of a 30-meter buffer around the daycare, receiving, back entrance and centre walkway and the entire trades parking area.

CC

· All areas on the Cambie side of the building with the exception of a 30-meter buffer around each main Cambie Street exit.

· The area contained within the alcove behind the Learning Centre (Once supply air vents are re-located).

All other College property is non-smoking.

Signs are being installed throughout the outside of the campuses that clearly identifying smoking and non smoking areas. Ashtrays will be removed from all non-smoking areas

and replaced with garbage only receptacles. Security will monitor non-smoking areas as part of their regular duties.

If you have any questions about these changes, please call me at local 8603. In advance, thank-you for your cooperation.

Steve Traviss,
Safety, Security and Parking
Coordinator

A first in B.C.!

On November 16, 2000, VCC's Continuing Education Division signed an agreement with the Federal Court of Canada to cooperate in providing a program to students who wish to pursue employment in a court environment or work in a legal office that specializes in immigration, patent, trademark, tax, admiralty, citizenship and tribunal matters within the jurisdiction of the Federal Court.

Students may take the whole program or a single class of interest to them. Courses in this program may also be used as electives in the Legal Assistant Certificate Program and the Legal Skills section of the Office Administration Certification

Program offered by the college.

Vancouver Community College becomes the fourth college in Canada and the only college west of Ontario to participate in the Federal Court Registry Officer Development Program.

New books at City Centre campus

Beos Bible
Citizen's Guide to the World Trade Organization
Fodor's Bermuda
Fodor's ... the US & British Virgin Islands
Introduction to Recovery: a Facilitator's Guide to Effective Early Recovery Groups
Introduction to Reiki: Healing Energy for Mind, Body and Spirit
Managing Major Repairs: a Condominium Owner's Manual
Teach Yourself the iMac
The Hidden Dimension
Historic Canada
Overcoming High-Tech Anxiety
Procedures for the Office Professional
Clicking: 17 Trends that Drive Your Business—and Your Life
EMU Explained: The Impact of the Euro

Young Offenders and Juvenile Justice
Home Design Workbook: A Design Guide for Every Room of the House
Room Redux: The Home Decorating Workbook
The Ultimate Home Style Guide
Peter Norton's Introduction to Computers
A Practical Guide to ECG Interpretation
Valve Amplifiers
Guide to HDTV Systems
Classic Turkish Cooking
The Minimalist Cooks at Home
Cases in Hospitality Strategy and Policy
Strategic Management in the Hospitality Industry
Marketing for Hospitality and Tourism
Marketing Leadership in Hospitality

New books at King Edward Campus

Experiencing the World's Religions: Tradition, Challenge, and Change
Genius of Place: Writing About British Columbia
The Missing News: Filters and Blind Spots in Canada's Press
The Rights of Animals
Organizing Your Work Space: A Guide to Personal Productivity
The Path of Transformation: How Healing Ourselves Can Change the World
Crisis in Sociology: The Need for Darwin
Aboriginal Self-Government in Canada
Eminent Canadians: Candid Tales of Then and Now
Daily Life in Medieval Europe
The Parliament Buildings
Authentic Vietnamese Cooking
How to Read a Poem



The Teaching Gap: Best Ideas from the World's Teachers for Improving Education in the Classroom
Roundtables on Best Practices Addressing Homelessness
The Demographic Profile of African Immigrants in the Lower Mainland of B.C.
Focus—Northern Africa: Facts for Students and Educators
Aboriginal Entrepreneurs in Canada: Progress & Prospects
How Does Literacy Affect the Health of Canadians?
Husband Abuse: An Overview of Research and Perspectives
The Canada-Wide Acid Rain Strategy for Post-2000
Breaking Trail
British Columbia's Premiers in Profile
Rereading Victorian Fiction
Margaret Atwood
Help Stop Child Abuse
The State of Canada's Forests
Where the People Gather: Carving a Totem Pole

VCC Board Meeting Schedule

Thursday Jan 25 CC
Room 240 5:30pm

Tuesday Feb 20 KEC
Room 5025 5:30pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Karen Griffiths has been re-appointed as Department Head of Hairstyling/Esthetics effective January 1, 2001.

Irene Lacoursiere has been re-appointed as Department Head of Medical Office Careers effective January 1, 2001.

Code of Ethics

At the College Board meeting of October 26, 2000, the College Code of Ethics was endorsed.

For your convenience, the Code of Ethics is available on the VCC website. If you require a hard copy of the Code, please call Vivienne Garrott at 871-7159.

Summary of the Minutes of the Education Council Meetings

Tuesday, November 7, 2000 in KEC Room 5025 at 3:30 p.m.

01. Education Council Chair Report

The Chair reported on the Council of Education Council Chairs' (CoEdCo) meeting held on October 28, and also a meeting he and several other Education Council Chairs had with members of the Industry Training and Apprenticeship Commission (ITAC).

02. TOEIC Preparation Course

Education Council recommended to the VCC Board for approval the new course, Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC).

03. Distribution of Education Council Agenda to the College Community

The Council approved the distribution of Education Council agendas to the College Community via e-mail prior to each meeting.

04. Dental Reception Prerequisite

Council accepted, for recommendation to the Board, the recommended requirement that recent observation in a dental office is

strongly recommended.

05. Change of Term Dates in Basic Education

The revision to the term dates for the Basic Education Department was received as information.

06. CCSA Personnel Change

Karen Eryou, the CCSA ombusperson, is leaving VCC. Ben Williams will be working part time until a replacement is appointed.

07. Program Name Changes

There are two name changes: *Administrative Office Assistant* is being changed to *Administrative Assistant*. *Legal Secretary* is being changed to *Legal Administrative Assistant*.

Tuesday, December 5, 2000 in KEC Room 5025 at 3:30 p.m.

01. Education Council Chair Report

The Chair reported on the opening of the International Education Centre at 1080 Alberni Street, and on the VCC Board Retreat.

02. Education Council Curriculum Committee

Because of the December holidays, the Curriculum Committee will be meeting earlier than usual, on Tuesday, December 12.

03. College & Education Service Review Policy

The draft Policy was introduced to Education Council, and will be brought back to the Council's January meeting for discussion.

04. ASL Literature for the Deaf Community

The approval request for the evening course, "ASL Literature for

the Deaf Community" was referred to the Curriculum Committee for consideration.

05. Referring Students to Basic Education Classes

The document, "Referring Students to Basic Education Classes" was accepted by Education Council.

06. Computer Keyboarding 077

The new course, "Computer Keyboarding 077" was approved by Education Council.

07. Draft Policy "Commercial & Privately-Funded Activities"

This draft Policy was introduced to Education Council for further discussion at the January 2001 meeting.

08. CPE Courses - for Information

"TOEFL Score Improvement" is an existing course with a new name. "Writing and Editing" and "Pronunciation & Communication Skills" are new courses.

09. Listing of Programs for Student Loans, 2001/02T

The Financial Aid Department is required to submit a list of student-loan-eligible courses to the Ministry of Advanced Education Training and Technology. Any new courses planned for 2001/02 should be included on the list.

VCC Education Council Meeting Schedule for 2001

First Tuesday of each month - 3:30pm to 5:30pm

Tuesday, January 9 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, February 6 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, March 6 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, April 3 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, May 1 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, June 5 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, July 3 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, August 7 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, Sept 4 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, October 2 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, Nov 6 KEC Room 5025

Tuesday, Dec 4 KEC Room 5025

The Retail Food Program at City Centre needs your empty cigarette package!

Our program has a mock food store, and we need the packages to assist students with identifying cigarette packages.

Our students are often asked by customers and cashiers to get cigarettes from a central area and to try to reduce confusion between brands, we need the packages to practice with. We need cigarello, pipe tobacco, or any package that has to do with tobacco. If you have tobacco tins, we can arrange to pick them up.

Please send only ONE package to the attention of Holly Cole at Community and Career Education. Thank you.

Summary of Minutes - VCC Operations Council Meeting

Chair: Mary Hoekstra

December 12, 2000

KEC, Room 5025

1.0 VCC Space Committee

The Council received the minutes of the VCC Space Committee's meeting of October 12, 2000. Minutes of future meetings will be provided on regular basis for information purposes.

2.0 Environmental Committee - Annual Report

A new paper re-cycling program will be implemented at the College early in the new year. All paper products, except paper soiled with food, will be accepted in a single container which will then be sorted by the recycling company. Specially labeled boxes will be placed in every classroom and a central station will also be created for recycling of beverage containers. The goals of the new program is to reduce both paper and garbage waste substantially.

The College is also involved in an initiative by the Association of Canadian Community Colleges, in association with Energy Canada, to assist colleges in becoming part of the Energy Innovators Program and the Voluntary Climate Registry. Both programs are sponsored by the federal government to try and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Consultants from Prism Engineering are working with VCC Facilities staff to develop a plan. The final report, which will take approximately 2 months to complete, will include goals for energy usage and recommendations on specific actions that could be taken to reduce energy consumption.

Members of the Transportation Committee have been providing input to the Skytrain project authorities about the impact of the Millennium Line on VCC.

3.0 Safer Campus - Annual Report

A report was received on the safer campus initiatives at VCC. Approximately \$25,000 of the \$80,000 originally allocated remains to be spent.

4.0 Smoking Update

Two documents, the Draft Smoke Free Policy and Smoke Free Summary and Implementation Plan, were presented. The target date to implement the approved policy is February 5, 2001. Both the Policy and the Plan will be revisited for approval in January.

5.0 Update - International Education Centre

It was reported to Council that a few renovation deficiencies are continuing to be addressed. A theft also occurred on December 11th. The perpetrators were caught on camera and the incident is being followed up on.

6.0 Proposed Draft Policy - Commercial and Privately Funded Activities

A proposed Policy on Commercial and Privately Funded Activities was presented by Frank Cosco. The Council had a lengthy discussion on the document. The Council requested that, in lieu of the policy, consideration be given to crafting a set of guidelines for review at the next meeting. These guidelines would use elements of the proposed policy, the Non-base Funded Activities Policy, the Sponsorship Policy and the CEIA Guiding Principles on Commercial Activities and Sponsorship. These guidelines, once developed, could be appended to the Non-Base Funded Activities Policy.

New Registrar at VCC

Vancouver Community College is pleased to welcome **Sueling Chang** to the position of College Registrar, starting on Monday, January 15, 2001. Sueling is located in Registrar's office at KEC in Room 4036. At CC, she will be in Room 104E. Her telephone number at KEC is 871-7478, and at CC it is 443-8654. The e-mail address is schang@vcc.bc.ca.

Sueling has come to VCC from the Open Learning Agency (OLA). She has a Bachelor of Science degree and has furthered her education and knowledge through numerous other programs and courses. As Associate Registrar at OLA, she was involved in overseeing registrations, records, examinations, admissions, and disability services.

Sueling's extensive experience also includes work on the implementation of the Banner student system, web registration and Campus Pipeline, and she continued to be involved in improvements to these systems. She also worked with OLA's Institutional Research Department on the implementation of the Data Warehouse project.

No doubt our new Registrar will be very busy the first few weeks getting acquainted and settling in, but don't hesitate to drop by and say hello.

Also, we want to take this opportunity to offer a big thank you to **Jackie Sandy** for taking over the role of Registrar on top of her existing position as Dean of Student Services. Jackie always works toward making VCC an accessible and welcoming place for learners. The College is fortunate to have someone as dedicated as she is to the welfare of the students, and we want to express our appreciation for her intelligence and hard work in taking on the increased duties.

Linda Martin, Vice President
Education and Education Services

Kathy Kidd remembered.....

It was the spring of 1998 when I ran into Kathy, characteristically on her bike, just in front of St. Andrew's Wesley. We hadn't met for some months, and there was catching up to do: Kathy had become the organ scholar at the St Andrew's and I'd just become department head in music. Before I really thought about it, I asked "So, when can we persuade you to come back to VCC?" and we were making plans.

One of this country's pre-eminent jazz pianists and composers, Kathy Kidd taught for many years with our department. By the late 1980s, she was performing at all the major Jazz festivals in Canada and was immersed in broadcasts and recording projects. In her eclectic search for inspirations, she found that she needed study away from Vancouver B months in the New York's trendy Chelsea, then an extended time in Paris. Her interaction with Caribbean, South American, African and Near-Eastern musicians somehow magically became a part of her own rich personal mosaic.

When she died, far, far too soon this fall, it was news throughout Canada's musical community. At VCC we knew and treasured a further side of Kathy. Like all the best teachers, Kathy made learning seem easy and fun; but for all that, there was a solid core of values central to her vision as an educator: commitment to the nurturing of performers; concern for the special needs of women in the arts; belief in the inclusiveness of the musical experience and the spiritual dimensions of art. Technique was to be mastered, skills polished. What mattered was music.

This fall Kathy "volunteered" to put together a group for our traditional term start-up concert. Our new and returning students saw a perfect demonstration of the bewildering complexity of our performing faculty, all working out enthusiastically on a set of classic Kathy tunes, a model of talent, diversity, and co-operation. We've certainly all learned from her work and will continue to honour her ideals. But we'll miss her terribly.

David Duke
Department Head, Music

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7.0 Marketing Update

A consulting firm, Iris Communication, will be looking at visibility, marketing and fundraising at VCC. Both an external and internal review will be done in partnership with the Sponsorship Committee, Marketing Group and the VCC Foundation. Projects recently completed include the creation of the viewbook, fact sheet and folder and the publication of the new mini-calendar. Ongoing projects include the designing of a new brochure, installation of light boards at both campuses and the development of a poster to insert into these boards. The new calendar will be published around March 31st. The Council was also advised that Elizabeth Thomson will be filling in for Dale Rasmussen as Marketing and Communications Coordinator until Dale's return from his leave next summer.

8.0 ICS External and Internal Review

The College will be undertaking an external review of the ICS Department in the new year. The reviews purpose will be to examine ways to improve services and departmental organization. ICS will also participate in the internal services review being coordinated by Education Council.

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GREAT SENTIMENTAL VALUE ATTACHED - Lost or possibly left at a meeting at KEC, a Mont Blanc pencil (black with a white tip). Please return to the Foundation or call Sheilah at 7237.

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Please allow me to help you publicize your upcoming events, department news and achievements. Keep me abreast of what is happening in your departments!

Thank you,
Elizabeth Thomson

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(Material may be edited for clarity and length.)