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Saroj Kumar and Malcom Cant record their message to the victims and survivors of the terrorist hijakings and attacks. Once the College community has had an opportunity to write down their thoughts,

## VCC reflects on Sept. 11, 2001

the Book of Condolences will be sent to the American Consulate.

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It is usual for me to begin my September message with reflections on the energy we feel at the start of a new academic and training year - despite our being a year round college that scarcely has a dip in activity over the summer months.

This year, as I know is true with you, my reflections are focused on the tragic events of September 11, 2001. We share in the horror of these events, we struggle to assimilate this reality, and our hearts go out to all those who are affected. Our world has changed, yet we must seek to find as much normalcy as we can. To do otherwise is to give into the acts of terrorism and to cheat life.

We are fortunate at Vancouver Community College in that working within a diverse community, focused on learning, we have the opportunity to model, teach and share in an environment of tolerance. I ask all of you to maintain this focus as we turn to the many activities in front of us.

Our strategic planning process continues. My thanks to all who responded so well to the S.W.O.T. analysis process. Our next steps will be to develop goals and strategies as we work toward a presentation to the College Board early in the new calendar year.

Speaking of the Board, in most years retirement and new appointments take place over the summer. This year all VCC Board members whose appointments were expiring have been asked by the Ministry to accept six-month extensions while next steps are reviewed. We are grateful to them for agreeing to the extensions.

Message from the President

A focus for the Ministry at the moment, reflecting a government-wide process, is a review of what the post-secondary system does and how it does it. While this is underway and while new priorities are addressed, some other initiatives are being put on hold. One result of this refocus is that our pursuit of a major facility project is on hold. We had hoped to be pursuing a re-zoning process with the City of Vancouver this year with a view to planning for a major expansion. Many of you will have seen the media reports about a "capital freeze." Our project will now need to wait - for how long we're not sure. This is, indeed, unfortunate as we feel internally how inadequate the facility has become and others externally, recognize that we are the most efficient utilizers of space in the system. There is, perhaps, not much we can do at the moment regarding a new facility - although I will be seeking other ways to alleviate the situation and will stay attuned to opportunities to advocate for the earliest possible more permanent solution.

In other areas, we are moving ahead. For years, we have talked about our lack of "visibility" and a need for marketing the College and our programs. I have taken several steps towards meeting these needs. Some of you will be aware that the VCC Foundation will now be working much more closely with the College to ensure that fund-raising will correspond to identified College needs, and that the Foundation acts as an ambassador for the College. As part of the plan to improve visibility, within the next few weeks VCC will be hiring a Director of Marketing and Communications. Over the next few months, I will be working with the Board to develop a plan for advocacy and

community building. Based on the results of the planning process, we will be identifying new goals and objectives for VCC which I hope, along with the above mentioned measures, will go a long way to address the need for VCC's message to be loud and clear in the communities we serve. In the meantime, as a commitment to improved communication to the College community, I will be providing a regular quarterly update.

Let me assure you that I am very aware of the value of our employees and the necessity to attend to your needs. I have been working with Karen Kelly, Director of Human Resources, to implement a "Mentorship Program" for employees. You should expect to hear more about that in the months to come. Two years ago, we celebrated our first VCC Day, a day for the VCC community. Due to the success of this event, and based on your recommendations, we planned to host another such occasion two years later. Please mark your calendars - Friday, April 12, 2002 will be our second VCC Day. The event is again being planned by a committee who will very soon communicate their proposed program, with a request for your input. The theme of "Rising to the Challenge of Change" will likely be no surprise to any of you. I hope this will stand us all in good stead and set the tone for the coming months and years.

I want to take this opportunity to talk to you about our role in the community. We are always proud to say that we are one of the few colleges who maintain the term "community" in our name. Our mandate advises that we respond "to existing and emerging community needs". I believe we have done that, but I believe we can do more and do it better. We are increasingly aware of the rapid demographic changes

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in our community. Individuals are facing more complex challenges and the required services and programs struggle to keep pace.

One of the many ways we can respond better to our community is through the United Way. Indeed, thanks to contributions made last year, many United Way agencies were in a better position to offer help to needy travellers and Lower Mainland residents affected by the acts of September 11th. In the past two years, the college campaign collection has decreased. This year, I will be encouraging a more spirited campaign with an emphasis on giving. "Giving" is a word which I hope will become a more regular feature of our daily college vocabulary and philosophy. There are so many ways we can give, not just money, but the volunteering of time and effort to support programs. This year, Barb Ash and Roseanne Ashworth will co-chair the VCC United Way Campaign. They will be working closely with Sheilah Henderson in the promotion of the VCC Foundation as one of the non-profit organizations to which you can contribute through a United Way pledge. In this way the College and our students will be the direct beneficiaries. I know that many of you have other ways of supporting various charities, or have other ways of helping out in the community, but I ask you all to be open to the message Barb and Roseanne and their committee will be sending out, and to respond in whatever way you can.

After this somewhat lengthy message, I now return to my main objective in writing to you, which is to send best wishes to you all, at the start of the academic and training year. I hope that whatever challenges we see in the next few months, we can work together to ensure that the year ahead will be fulfilling and successful for you personally, and that together we do our best to promote tolerance and respect for humanity as we seek a safer world.

Dale Dorn, President

### DIVERSITY: We ALL belong!

The above heading is the name of a large initiative being undrtaken at VCC to increase eeryone's understanding and apreciation of our diverse community. The initiative has evolved as a result of a number of people at VCC being interested in finding creative and educational ways of exploring diversity. As you read the following descriptions of different projects, consider how you can participate.

### Workshops

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A series of workshops are planned on topics that were identified through a survey as being of most importance to VCC employees. Some of the workshop topics include mental health issues, differing beliefs, disability/ability, prejudice reduction, gender diversity, and others. VCC employees, who are experts in these fields, will facilitate most of the workshops. Look for promotional material advertising the workshops as they are announced throughout the year. For further information about the workshops you can contact Carol Sicolı at 871-7011.

### **Tile Wall Project**

The purpose of the tile wall project is to create a mural of painted tiles reflecting the value and respect individuals have towards diversity in our community. By painting 6" x 6" tiles, people will have an opportunity to explore ideas on respecting and valuing diversity. Each tile, designed by an individual, a group, class/school, a family, or an organization, will become part of a mural mounted at both the King Edward campus and the City Centre campus. Volunteers are urgently needed for all aspects of this project. For more information about the Tile Wall Project you can contact Rob Henderson at 871-7040.

### **Celebratory Events**

The idea of celebrating our differences and similarities can not only be fun but also educational. By sharing music, food, and art we can experience others' talents and passions. One example of this will be the showcasing of artistic talents of students in the ESL division. For more information about the ESL project, contact Barbara Forster-Rickard at 871-7263. If you would like to find out more about other celebratory events contact Rob Henderson at 871-7040.

# MEET THE POET

### Humanities 2001 Reading Series

Vancouver Community College welcomes four highly-acclaimed Canadian writers this Fall. Join us for an intimate reading and discussion with the author. Admission is free and coffee is provided. Employee Lounge, 2nd floor, KEC.

### Susan Musgrave - September 26, 1:00pm



Susan Musgrave has published 19 books, and is a novelist, poet, children's writer reviewer essayist, columnist for the Vancouver Sun and Toronto Star, and a frequent contributor to CBC's Morningside. She travels internationally for readings, festivals and workshops and is active in the Writers in Electronic Residence Program. She has been widely anthologized and

shortlisted four times for the Governor General's Award. Her recent titles include: <u>Tarts and Muggers, Great Musgrave, Kestrel and</u> <u>Leonardo, The Embalmer's Art, Cocktails at the Mausoleum, Forcing the</u> <u>Narcissus</u> and <u>Musgrave Landing</u>. Her newest collection of poetry is <u>What the Small Day Cannot Hold</u>.



### Evelyn Lau - October 24, 1:00pm



Evelyn Lau was born in Vancouver in 1971. In 1986, she ran away from home to the streets which she later chronicled in her 1989 book <u>Runaway: Diary of a</u> <u>Street Kid</u>, a bestseller that was later made into a feature length film. Since then she has published numerous books, poems, essays, and short stories. Her most current book is Inside Out, a collection of personal es-

says. Lau has had her work published in numerous magazines, newspapers, anthologies, and journals. Her work has been translated into numerous languages including Japanese, Greek, and Swedish. At just 21 years of age, Lau was the youngest person nominated for the prestigious Governor General Award for Poetry for <u>Oedipal Dreams</u>. Her other books include <u>In the House of Slaves</u>, Fresh Girls, Other Women, and <u>You Are Not Who You Claim</u>.

### Tom Wayman - November 21, 11:00am



Tom Wayman was born in Ontario and moved to Prince Rupert when he was seven. He is the author and editor of numerous anthologies and books. His books include <u>Did I Miss Anything? Selected Poems 1973-93,</u> <u>I'll be Right Back, The Astonishing Weight of the Dead,</u> and, most recently, <u>The Colours of the Forest</u>. He is also a playwright. <u>The Parts Yard</u> was produced in the

DuMaurier Festival of plays in Vancouver. For many years, Wayman was interested in people writing about their own experiences, especially those experienced at work. He is a co-founder of the Vancouver Industrial Writers' Union, a work-writing circle, and has participated in a number of labour arts ventures. Currently, he lives near Vernon where he continues to teach and write.

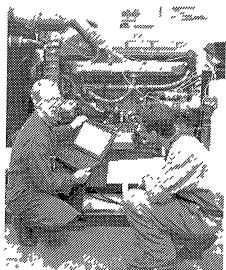
### Michael Turner - December 5, 11:00am



Michael Turner was born in North Vancouver, in 1962, and grew up in Vancouver proper. After graduation, he attended the Univrsity of Victoria, where he cmpleted a bachelor of arts degree (anthropology). During university he spent his summers working in the Northwest coast fishing industry, an experience which provided the basis for his first book, the multi-generic

<u>Company Town</u>. His second book, <u>Hard Core Logo</u> (1993), has been adapted to radio, stage, and feature-film. <u>Kingsway</u> (1995), a book of poems "on or about" Vancouver's oldest thoroughfare, was recently made into a series of poetry videos by Bravo, the network responsible for presenting his following book, <u>American Whiskey Bar</u> (1997), as a "live" television drama. His latest book, <u>The Pornographer's Poem</u>, is being developed into a feature-film by Alliance-Atlantis. As an editor, Turner is a founder of Advance Editions, an imprint of Arsenal Pulp Press. He also writes on visual art; as well he often collaborates with visual artists, most recently with Stan Douglas on his forthcoming video-installation, Journey Into Fear, which will be premiering this fall at the Istanbul Bienele.

### VCC Enjoys Equipment Donations



The Diesel Technician Department recently received a donation of 21 used Panasonic Model CF-25 Laptop computers with titanium cases for training purposes on electronic engines courtesy of Finning Canada, Inc. - largest Caterpillar dealer in the world and a regular employer of VCC's Diesel students. In addition we received from Finning, one diesel engine, a heavy-duty transmission, an excavator final drive, and assorted hydraulic pumps and motors. The City of Vancouver, Vehicle Maintenance Yards, also donated three smaller diesel engines to us recently for training purposes. Thanks to all.

**Bob Brady** 

### United Way Campaign Coming Soon! Oct 22 - Nov 2

Watch for more information in the next issue of Connections.

### CE Gemmology Students Succeed

Once again VCC students have taken the top honours in exams for the Canadian Gemmological Association.

Awards are given for the top mark in each of the Preliminary and Diploma years. Preliminary year students sit for a grueling 6hour exam which is the total of their marks for the year. Diploma year student have, in addition, a practical exam on top of the theory exam. Congratulations go out to Katarına Petkovic for obtaining the top mark in Canada in the Preliminary year and winning the Dean S.M. Field Medal and to Maureen Elder for obtaining the top mark in Canada in the Diploma year and winning the W. Donald Goodger Award. Five other students received an A+ as their overall grade, and four more received an A as their overall grade.

These marks are a testament to the high quality of students who take this program and to the instructors who teach it. Congratulations to you all!

#### Cecelia Pineda

Senior Program Coordinator in Applied Arts and Design

### Performance Techniques Faculty Recital

On September 5, 2001, the College community was treated to a special lunchtime performance by Music Deparment faculty. Thanks to all involved: Kate Hammett-Vaughan, Alan Matheson, Laurence Mollerup, Bernie Arai, David Branter, Sal Ferreras, Marisa Gaetanne, Patricia Plumley. A special welcome to Marisa who has joined the College and is an alumni of the VCC music program. Special Guest Juno Award Winner, Don Thompson

"Thompson's comparably impressive facility as a bassist, planist, and vibraphonist has few precedents in jazz." Mark Miller

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### Tickets are available through Ticketmaster at 604-280-4444 (\$30 general, \$22 students/seniors)

For more information, contact:

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### Student Summer Works 2001

### Vancouver Community College

### What is it?

Student Summer Works is part of Youth Options BC, a provincial government initiative to assist youth by creating opportunities to gain work experience and careerrelated skills. Youth Options BC also strives to improve access to post-secondary education in the province.

Each year the Ministry of Advanced Education selects Host Agencies to administer the Student Summer Works program. These agencies are responsible for providing information and support to the community, providing application forms and managing its delivery in all regions across the province. This year, Vancouver Community College has again been selected as a host agency to administer Student Summer Works in Vancouver.

The program funds students in summer jobs between May 1st and August 31st of each year. An office is set up in room 528A at the City Centre campus during the months of February to October. The goal of the program is to help students (of any age or subject focus) to gain career-related work experience, develop employability skills and earn money. Wages paid to students are shared between Student Summer Works and the employer. Up to \$4.00 per hour is reimbursed to employers who create valuable summer positions for students.

### And the Results are in....

This summer, with the help of Judy Peterson, Program Manager, and three Program Administrators, Larissa Buijs, Leonard Chow and Cindy Ing, we have had another successful year at Vancouver Community College. Between assessing applications, answering questions, and conducting site visits, we have managed to fund approximately 320 positions in our region. Students participating in the program work in a wide range of industries, including trades, high-tech, science & research, not-for-profit, education, hospitality, retail, marketing and arts & culture.

If you are interested in learning more about Student Summer Works or any other Youth Options BC program, please feel free to visit us in Room 528A (City Centre), visit our website at www.youth.gov.bc.ca, or call our toll free number at 1-877-BC-Youth.

On behalf of Student Summer Works, we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to Vancouver Community College for their assistance in helping the program become a success for another year.





Fiat Mode July10, 2001. Over 300 attended the Graduate Fashion Show. Helen Li design featured above.

### Just think about it - one day you might save the life of a relative, friend or even a stranger...

Wouldn't it be nice to know someone might do the same for you?

Register to be an organ donor today and you might save a life tomorrow.

### Visit the BC Transplant Society Display

- October 2nd
   City Centre Campus (Central Foyer)
- October 3rd
   King Edward Campus (Cafeteria-2nd floor)

www.transplant.bc.ca • 604.877.2240

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### VCC WELLNESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM

On March 28, 2001, the Wellness Committee at Vancouver Community College provided an opportunity for all VCC employees to participate in, the "VCC Wellness Incentive Program".

This program was developed to encourage people and assist them to lead healthy, happy, balanced lives.

The Wellness Committee is excited to announce the names of employees who have reached the following achievement levels:

### Achievement Level - 1,000 Points

Peter Ballin - Science Pauline Barratt - KEC Health Services Lorna Brown - CC Administration Peter Herd - CCA Cassandra Huang - Human Resources Dept. Fiona McComb - Admissions Gwen Masse - Visually Impaired Program Marta Paszner - Registrar's Office Shakuntala Prasad - CC Library Carol Sicoli - Human Resources Dept. Annemiek Stoodley - CC Library Eugenie Wong - Human Resources Dept. Achievement Level-2,500 Points Richard Birkenes - CC Library Malcolm Cant - IEPA Melinda Graham - Institutional Aide

Lisa MacNeill - Dental Hygiene Congratulations for having attained these specific achievement levels. Incentives are awarded to employees for adopting healthy lifestyles by reaching their "wellness" goals and targeted achievement levels. Some examples of how points have been awarded are:

- I. Physical activities
- 2. Weight Management
- 3. Attending wellness sessions
- Emotional well being (activities specifically undertaken for this purpose)
- Mental/spiritual activity (meditation, attending place of worship, etc.)
- 6. Positively impacting the environment or community

### Employees will be reimbursed:

1,000 points	=	\$20.00
2,500 points	=	\$30.00
5,000 points	=	\$40.00

This reimbursement is towards the purchase of a wellness item (e.g. fitness apparel, fitness equipment, relaxation tapes/CDs, books on personal development, registering in a wellness course, or physical activity).

We would like to encourage all employees to participate in the "VCC Wellness Incentive Program". A number of employees are getting closer and closer to achieving their first 1,000 points. As well, a few employees are getting closer to 2,500 and 5,000 points. We look forward to expanding our recognition list when they attain these specific achievement levels. It is never too late to start recording your points. Please call Carol Sicoli at local 7011 for further information.

Wellness enables us to have a positive attitude and a sense of physical, mental, spiritual and emotional well being!

# **ICS** Update

This has been a very busy and productive summer for ICS. We've been able to complete a number of major projects on schedule, while saying good-bye to three members of staff and seeing two others take leaves of absence.

### Major Projects Completed this Summer

Through capital funding, and onetime funding provided by the Ministry, the following major projects took place during the summer:

#### Ongoing Desktop Replacement

Approximately 120 computers were replaced in student labs at CC, KEC and Commercial Drive, while a number of printers were replaced at City Centre. The remaining replacement computers (for administrative employees) are being installed during September.

### **Data Integrity Project**

A major upgrade of the system-wide backup of data will take place in October. During the summer, a Request For Proposal (RFP) was sent out to a number of companies. The responses have been received, two vendors short-listed and a decision made. Equipment implementation is in the planning phase, with delivery taking place at the end of September.

#### **Cabling in classrooms**

Every classroom has now been connected to the VCC network to allow mobile computers (COW - Computer On Wheels) to be used.

### Communications Closet renovations

Three new communications closets were built and configured at City Centre. Users in the upper part of the Tower will see performance improvements as a result of this work.

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### Voicemail Upgrade

All outstanding requests for mail boxes and telephone trees have now been put in place.

### **Main Server Rooms**

Existing server rooms at KEC and CC were reconfigured to accommodate expansion of systems for use by students, faculty, staff and administrators.

#### Server upgrades

As part of ongoing server upgrades, two student servers at KEC are in the process of being consolidated into a larger machine.

### **Work in Progress**

The following projects are currently under way:

### Banner upgrade

A major upgrade to the Banner system will take place on Thanksgiving weekend (October 6/7/8). This is currently being tested by users in Finance, HR and the Registrar's Office.

#### **Ministry Data Warehouse**

A new, larger server has been acquired to house the College's Data Warehouse. Implementation will take place in October.

### Infrastructure Upgrades

Significant upgrades to the core of the College's network software are in the planning phase. These upgrades will enable ICS to roll-out Office 2000 by the end of the year.

### People

Three staff members have left the department during the summer months, and I'd like to recognize their accomplishments here.

- Jarmo Heiti decided not to return from his year's leave of absence.
- Bill van de Ligt decided commuting from Mission to Abbotsford was more straightforward than taking the West Coast Express every day (can't think why!).



Student Services Day: On September 12th (CC) and 13th (KEC), students "travel" the College using their passports and learn about all the services available to them at VCC.

• Marlena Vanderwal has become a permanent member of the Computer Technology department faculty, based at City Centre. My congratulations go to Marlena on achieving such a significant objective.

### Best wishes to all three on their career moves.

We also have staff on leaves of absence, although they're both still around:

- Stanley Neumann has taken a leave to work as an IA in Business and Computer Studies. Stan will return to ICS at the end of the year. Ibrahim Ali, a graduate of the CASS program (now ITS) is presently filling in for Stan. Welcome, Ibrahim!
- Candace Leung, meanwhile, has taken a part-time leave while her younger son attends Kindergarten, so it is also my pleasure to welcome Corrie Mosier to the department. Corrie is working two days a week as Departmental Assistant and will share a local with Candace.

Des Dougan, Director, Information & Computing Services

### October Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee's public meeting originally scheduled for October 16, 2001, has been changed to Friday, October 19, 2001, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Room 200 at City Centre Campus. For further information please call 604-871-7163.

# Library Update

## Library Instruction for Students

Instructors: If you have not already done so, please take the opportunity to book a tour or indepth session for your class. We give general orientations, as well more in-depth instruction in reference & general collections and web and electronic resources. Book early as slots fill up quickly.

Please call or visit the Information Desk at either campus library to book: CC 8339 and KEC 7236.

### New Librarians

Virginia Adams (7319/8349) is the new Circulation Services Coordinator and takes over from Eva Sharell (8346) who returns from leave on September 24, 2001. Eva will return as a regular Public Services Librarian and will be responsible for the following programs: Electronics, Jewellery, Drafting, Building Service Worker, Early Childhood Ed, Arts & Desgin, Fashion Design, Interior Design, Hairstyling, Travel & Tourism, Food Service Careers, Retail Meat Cutting all Culinary Arts, Baking & Pastry Arts and Hospitality programs.

Please welcome contract librarians Julie Grellier (8641), Eva Veres (7223) and Ellen Warner (8652). Julie's departmental liaison responsibilities include Graphic Communications & Printing Technology, Computer Graphics and Computer Technology. Eva is looking after ESL-CPE and Basic Education. Ellen is responsible for CC health programs including Dental Assisting & Reception, Dental Hygiene, Dental Technician & Denturist, Insitutional Aide, Continuing Care & Allied Health, Medical Lab Technician, Hospital Unit Clerk, Resident Care Attendant, Pharmacy Technician, Practical Nursing and Medical Office Careers.

### New Books at CC Library

The E-Learning Evolution in Colleges and Universities

Designing Web-Based Training

Sams Teach Yourself Active Server Pages 3.0 in 21 Days

Active Server Pages In Plain English

Politics: An Introduction to the Modern Democratic State Marketing

Airfares and Ticketing

Homeowner's Inspection Checklist

Master Visually Windows 2000 Server

Perl: How to Program

Java and XML

Computer-to-Plate Automating the Printing Industry

Check-In Check-Out

The Non-Designer's Web Book

Dreamweaver 4 for Windows and Macintosh

How to Write a Winning College Application Essay

Dementia Care. Developing Partnerships in Practice

How to Write & Present Technical Information

How to Use the Internet in ELT

The Air We Breathe An Anthology of Poetry and Creative Writing Ideas for Adult Learners

From Bauhaus to Our House

British Columbia's Business Leaders of the Century

Visual Literacy: A Conceptual Approach to Graphic Problem Solving

Design and Equipment for Restaurants and Foodservice: A Management View Profitable Menu Planning

### New Books at KEC Library

Canada and the United States. Differences that Count

What the Body Remembers

Inventory of Community Economic and Social Development Funding

Freedom from Fear: The How-to Guide on Violence Prevention Inspired by Teens for Teens

Multiculturalism and the Deaf

The Healthy Development of Deaf Children and Hearing Parents: A Literature Review

Building Strategy from the Middle

Leadership and Strategic Management in Education

Higher Education in an Era of Digital Competition

The New Meaning of Educational Change The Hero's Walk

Dream Elevators. Interviews with Canadian Poets

Heat and Dust

How to Find Work in the 21st Century Contracting Your Way to a Job or a Career Emily Carr: Rebel Artist

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Those Lancasters

Principles of Effective Teaching in the Online Classroom

Politics: An Introduction to the Modern Democratic State

### New Videos at CC Library

Aging Well Brain Attack - Advances in Treatment Ischemic Stroke, Acute Care and Rehabilitation Crossing the Line the Dilemma of Staff-Patient Involvement Illness, Disability and Sexuality Lifecycle: Childhood and Adolescence Mold Making Techniques and Methods No Body's Perfect Everybody's Special SIDS Reducing the Risk Listening to Families A Child's Grief Mixology 101: How to Tend Bar School to Work Essential Skills Wisdom of the Heart. Women and Heart Disease Unseen Life on Earth: An Introduction to Microbiology 12 Scientific Occupations Public Speaking Made Easy Fish: Catch the Energy, Release the Potential Fast Food Techniques The Hot Station The Pantry Station The Bake Station Composing Salads Airline Catering Unmentionables: A Brief History The Bahamas The British Virgin Islands Poland An Unforgettable Nation Athens and the Greek Spirit Privacy Rights in the Workplace Healing Eating Well for Optimum Health Housekeeping Quality Guestroom Cleaning Kitchen Math Measuring The Nurse as Teacher I'll Stand By You: Homecare for People with HIV/AIDS Alzheimer's Disease Update Feng Shui Environments for Success and Well-Being In a World Alone. Living with Schizophrenia The Sandwich Generation Housekeeping Safety and Security Wedding Celebrations

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### New Videos at KEC Library

Pursuit of ASL: Interesting Facts Using Classifiers

Creating Self-Esteem and Self-Confidence

TV Comedy Classics : The 50s and 60s Great Stars of Film and Radio

The Fabulous 40s

The Golden Age of Comedy<sup>.</sup> The 20s and 30s Conflict Resolution Skills: A Winning Approach

Emily F. Murphy

Disabled Women Visions and Voices from the Fourth World Conference on Women The Fall of Communism

The Europeans

Blind Justice

Self-Esteem, Self-Confidence, and Your First Job

Ten Golden Rules for the Workplace

Us and Them<sup>.</sup> Canadian Identity and Race Relations

Sır Alexander MacKenzıe: From Canada By Land

Transitions to Postsecondary Learning

Canada: A People's History (Series)

B C. Times (Series) In the Beginning Rush for the Spoils, 1857-1914 Growing Pains, 1914-1939 The War and Beyond, 1939-1959 Coming of Age, 1959-1986 The Millenium Approaches, 1986-1996

The Canadian History Series Optimism and Uncertainty Canada 1955-1963 Seeking an Identity Canada 1964-1972 Turbulent Years Canada 1973-1980 The Guilded Eighties Canada 1981-1988 Brave New World Canada 1989-1995

A Scattering of Seeds (Series) The Fullness of Time. Ukrainian Stories from Alberta The Road Chosen: The Story of Len Wong Sons and Daughters: The Italians of Schreiber

Passage from India

Chile, Obstinate Memory

Ma Murray: Ink in the Blood

Emotional Intelligence

# **Media Services Update**

Through this year's capital process, Media Services is able to provide additional equipment resources to support instruction and learning.

Last year's demand for computer access in the classroom has resulted in an additional 4 COWs, (computers on wheels), available for distribution. There are 6 systems at City Centre and 2 at King Edward. The COWs consist of a Dell multimedia capable computer and an NEC data projector. (takes the place of the monitor). The standard software configuration includes the Microsoft Office Suite, Corel Word Perfect Suite, Net Objects Fusion, Netscape, Internet Explorer, Pagemaker and Banner (requires login and password). The COWs can be used on the college network or act as standalone workstations.

There are 2 standalone data projectors at City Centre and 1 at King Edward. These are new units with increased display resolution that replace the InFocus projectors. They are distributed in travel cases and can be used either on or off campus. Ideal for your guest lecturer who arrives with a laptop that requires a display.

We have increased the inventory of standard VHS camcorders at both campuses. There are now 10 camcorders at City Centre and 7 at King Edward. These full size VHS camcorders are not going to be around for very much longer. For that reason we decided to use a portion of the capital funds to



invest in the miniDV, (digital video) format camcorders. Not

video) format camcorders. Not only is the image quality better, but every major camcorder manufacturer has adopted the format, so we anticipate it will be around for a long time. As well, these camcorders are equipped with Firewire (IEEE1394) con-

nectivity to computers making the transfer and editing of video clips and digital still images available. There are workshops offered in October, (check your HRD booklet), that will help you understand how to use the old and the new format and how you can use video effectively in the classroom.

Over the summer, Media Services worked with the Facilities Department to install a new public address/sound system in the boardroom at KEC. The system consists of 12 tabletop microphones and one audience handheld wireless microphone. The system is designed to provide optimum sound reinforcement without the feedback problems we have had in the past and is easy to set up. The speakers are permanently installed in the ceiling. As well, we have repurposed one of the old InFocus projectors as a large screen video projector for the boardroom, complete with VHS and DVD playback. There is also the capability to play CDs and audio cassettes.

### What You Should Know About Media Services

Experience has taught that proper technical support is the key to getting the most from the educational resources we have available at the College. Our services range from classroom support to the development of specific workshops to help you maximize the benefits of those resources. As well, we provide design services for instructional material, repair services for all of our av equipment and specialized services including audio and video production, photography and colour copying.

### Media Equipment Resources

Media Services provides media equipment distribution at both City Centre and King Edward Campus locations. A full range of equipment is available from flip charts and video playback systems to Windows based computers, data projectors, digital cameras and videoconference systems.

Equipment can be reserved for specific dates and times by visiting or calling the distribution counter at King Edward Campus, local 7131 (871-7131) or City Centre Campus, local 8366/8367, (443-8366/8367).

If your plans change, please call to make alternate arrangements. We will hold your reservation for 30minutes, after which it may be signed out to another user.

### **Production Services**

Media Services provides a team of Graphic Designers, AudioVisual Technicians and Media Specialists qualified to assist with the design and production of instructional and promotional material including:

- Brochures
- Student Handouts
- Books
- Overhead Transparencies
- Manuals
- Posters & Displays
- PowerPoint Presentations
- Web-site Design
- Audio & Video Productions
- Multi-media Productions

### How Do I Initiate a Major Project?

For major projects, call or meet with the Production Manager (Lauch McKenzie, loc. 7315), at KEC. For smaller projects consult directly with the AV Technician or Graphic Designer at your campus.

- Identify the scope of the project
- Determine the format, (print, audio, digital etc.)
- Identify the resources required
- Consult with Graphic Designer, AV Technician or Media Specialist
- Determine timeline for completion

 Determine 'sign-off stages It is very important that the content for your project is fully approved prior to production work commencing. The client must sign off the content. Once we start production, a partial revision of the original content may be acceptable. If further revisions are necessary, the priority of the project may be reviewed in order that we serve other clients. Corrections in spelling, grammar and punctuation are considered a part of the ongoing project although every effort should be made to minimize these errors.

We recommend that you submit projects well in advance of the desired completion date.

### **Colour Copy Services**

Media Services at City Centre offers a complete colour copy service using Canon digital copy equipment. We can produce colour copies from flat artwork or digital files. For a compete list of services call local 8365.

### Equipment Maintenance & Repair

Our qualified electronics technician provides in-house maintenance and repair services to all media equipment that is purchased in consultation with the Media Services Department. Media Services provides information, which can assist you with specifying and purchasing equipment for your department. The technical staff will:

- Provide equipment specifications based on your instructional requirements
- Arrange demonstrations
- Identify suppliers
- Inventory the equipment when it arrives on campus
- Assist with installation where necessary
- Maintain and repair equipment purchased in cooperation with Media Services.

### Contact Us

### KEC Equipment Booking 7313 CC Equipment Booking 8367

Michael Agrios Coordinator	8630
Lauchlin McKenzie Production Manager	7315
Malcolm McIntosh Technical Manager	8365
Bob Altwein Graphic Designer	7531
Keith Parker Graphic Designer	7535
Maritza Nunez M&R Technician	8614
Cecil Paris AV Technician	8366
Zoro Mihajlovic AV Technician	7314
Stephen Baldwin AV Technician	8367
Lindsay Bourne AV Technıcıan	7131
Daniel Rohloff AV Technician	7131/8367

# Pension

from the Pension Corporation

То:	Employers covered by the College Pension Plan
Сс:	Employee Organizations
Date:	July 27, 2001
Topic:	Grandparenting Provisions for VIP Purchase Category
Background:	Recently, the College Pension Board of Trustees approved changes to purchase of service rules in the College Pension Plan. The following changes took effect April 1, 2001:
	• The cost for purchasing service under the Purchase of Service Incentive Offer (POSIO) provision became the same as under the Non-contributory (NC) provision.
	<ul><li>The Value of Increase to Pension (VIP) category of purchase was eliminated.</li><li>A deadline for all purchases of March 31, 2006, was set.</li></ul>
	Details about these changes were outlined in a <i>Pension Bulletin</i> dated March 30, 2001. You can view this bulletin on the corporation's web site at pensions.bc.ca.
	With the elimination of the VIP category, the board has approved grandparenting provisions for those who applied to purchase under that category before April 1, 2001, but whose application was not processed because: • there was an administrative delay, or
	<ul> <li>they were told that they would be given an estimate within six months of their retirement.</li> </ul>
Direction:	The corporation will give members who applied before April 1, 2001, to purchase under the VIP category a one-time opportunity to do so. Because there is a deadline, we must contact all applicants as soon as possible to advise them of this opportunity.
	The corporation has records of those with applications in the queue and will advise them via letter of the new provisions.
	However, the corporation has no way of tracking members who were told that they would be given a cost within six months of retirement. We cannot contact them directly about the new VIP grandparenting provisions and advise them of the deadline for applying under these provisions. We can, however, confirm that a member did apply to purchase under the VIP category before April 1, 2001, if they identify themselves to the corporation.
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Web: pensions.bc.ca

We are therefore encouraging employers to send a general communication to all of their employees to:

- explain the reasons for eliminating the VIP category
- explain the grandpatenting provisions now in place, and
- advise them that there is a deadline for applying under these provisions.

The following information should assist you in communicating this information.

### **Reasons for Eliminating the VIP Category**

The cost for purchases under the VIP category was typically very high because of the way those costs were calculated, that is, using an actuarial calculation.

The following example shows a typical cost for purchase under the VIP category:

Member's age at retirement: 55

Retirement date: May 31, 2001

Highest average salary: \$60,000 (annual)

Dates or service purchased: January 1, 1981, to June 30, 1982 (18 months, or 1.5 years)

Cost to purchase: \$23,800

Annual increase to pension: \$1,400

Time to recoup the initial investment of \$23,800: 17 years

As indicated, it would take the member many years to recoup the cost of the purchase, and it was usually to the member's advantage to invest their money elsewhere rather than purchase under the VIP category. In summary, there were few, if any, advantages to this category of purchase.

Most members decided not to proceed with the purchase once they were made aware of the high cost, although a high number of cost estimates were requested. Elimination of this category of purchase will reduce the administrative burden on the employer and the plan administrator and allow more efficient processing of other types of cost estimate requests.

### VIP Grandparenting Provisions Now in Place

Members who applied to purchase under the VIP category before April 1, 2001, but whose requests were not processed due to administrative delay:

The corporation will give these members a one-time opportunity to purchase (by a set deadline) at the

current cost, not an opportunity to purchase at retirement. We will send letters to these members to advise them of this opportunity and advise them of the deadline for applying.

### Members who applied to purchase under the VIP category before April 1, 2001, but were told that they would be given a cost within six months of their retirement:

The corporation will give these members a one-time opportunity to purchase at the current cost, and not to purchase at the time of retirement. They must apply to the corporation before March 31, 2006, if they wish to take advantage of this opportunity.

### **College Pension Plan Contact Information**

If you have any questions about this bulletin, please contact:

### Phone:

(250) 953-4324
1-888-440-0111
1-800-663-8823

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This publication provides general information about the pension plan and is based on the relevant plan documents (statutes, regulations and rules). If there is a discrepancy between this publication and the plan documents, the plan documents will apply.

# News from the three Learning Centres at VCC

### Staffing News

Best wishes to Lee Henderson, who is now working as VCC's Go Green Project Coordinator Monday to Wednesday until next spring. His office is at City Centre, Room 106, and he can be reached at (604) 443-8604. We are pleased to welcome his replacement, Jane Kalmakoff. She joined the KEC Learning Centre in August. Jane brings lots of experience and enthusiasm from the Kingsway Outreach Learning Centre in the Burnaby Library. Many thanks to Lyn Millar, who will be leaving us in September after replacing Bridget Rivers-Moore for the summer. Bridget is returning September 17th. Welcome back. Bridget! We also welcome back Lvn Lennig as Coordinator on October 1st.

### International Education **Centre Learning Centre,** 1080 Alberni Street

Please encourage your international students to drop by and see Diana Lamare, the tutor. Her hours are Monday to Thursday. 11:30 - 3:30. She can be reached at 628-5908.

### **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
- the number of students
- level or program and
- any special requests you have.

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

City Centre Learning Centre Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30-7:00 Friday, 9:30-5:00

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

**KEC Learning Centre Hours:** Monday to Thursday, 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.

### **Reminder!**

An excellent 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. Copies are also available at KEC Library and in some departments. Check your resource area.

### Student Computing Centres

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

### **Free Workshops for Students** in the Learning Centres

Free workshops for students are starting soon. No pre-registration is necessary. Students need to bring their current student I.D. to attend each workshop. Information will be available at each Learning Centre. Check Learning Centre bulletin boards for details.

### Student Photo I.D. Cards

Students must bring current student 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.

### Student Success Program

From August 20-24 a group of 21 students new to programs at City Centre enjoyed an orientation to the campus and a series of workshops on skills and strategies to help them with their course work. Topics included:

- Learning Styles
- Reading Texts Effectively
- Preparing for Tests
- Effective Communication
- Note taking
- Critical Thinking
- Time Management
- Goal Setting
- Coping with Stress and Test Anxiety
- Accessing Library Resources
- Memory and Learning Strategies

Some of these workshops were offered again on Thursday, September 6 to 48 new students from the automotive trades departments and on Friday, September 14 to a number of ESL and ABE students. The last Student Success event for this year is scheduled for Monday, September 24 for new students in the Diesel Technician program.

These workshops are organized and offered by the Learning Centre and Counselling and Advising Services. Guest speakers included Rob Henderson, who explained his role at the college and human rights, Christa Peters and Ben Williams from the Student Association offices at KEC and City Centre, who explained their services to members.

Students came away with tips for survival at school as well as tips for their personal lives. Some classmates from the fourday program have even formed a social network. Formal evaluations and personal feedback from students reflect rave reviews.

Thanks to all the diligent and enthusiastic students who made it through such an intensive program and contributed to the workshops with their energy and participation. And, of course, special thanks go to staff and faculty members who made these events possible: Linda Duarte, Thorne Husband, Dan Zhang, Heather Chan, David Greenall and Lorraine Herlick from Counselling and Advising Services; Veronica Jorna, Alison Woods and Diane Fairfield from the Learning Centre; library staff and faculty members; Media Services and guest speakers mentioned earlier.

#### Mandana Rastan Acting Coordinator, Learning Centre

Veronica Jorna Instructional Assistant, Learning Centre



### **Employee Appointments**

### Appointment of Manager of Planning and Analysis

I am pleased to announce that **Deborah Young** has been appointed to the position of Manager of Planning and Analysis effective September 4, 2001. In her new position, Deborah will be responsible for managing the College wide budgeting process, developing and monitoring financial models, assessing financial viability of contracts, reporting on various financial information and performing financial analysis and special projects.

Prior to joining the College, Deborah held the position of Senior Accountant, Assurance at KPMG where her responsibilities included managing assurance engagements, developing and monitoring budgets for those engagements, evaluating contract proposals, preparing financial reports and participating in special client projects. She is a Chartered Accountant and a graduate of Simon Fraser University's Chartered Accountancy Co-operative Program. Deborah reports to the Director of Financial Services and her office is located in the Financial Services Department at King Edward Campus. She can be reached by phone at 871-7103 or by email at dyoung@vcc.bc.ca. Please join me in welcoming her to VCC.

### Trish Pekeles

Acting Vice President Finance and Administration

#### Acting Director of International Education and Contract Training

We are pleased to welcome Valerie Cottingham to the position of Acting Director of International Education and Contract Training. She has kindly agreed to join us in a temporary position until a permanent Director is hired for the College. The temporary appointment will be from October 22, 2001 to the end of February 2002. She will also undertake a few days of preliminary work during the first two weeks of September.



Pauline Barratt helps a VCC student light a candle in memory of the victims of the terrorist acts of September 11, 2001.

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Valerie has an extensive background in the international education field. As Executive Director of the B.C. Centre for International Education (BCCIE) from 1990 to 1995, she founded and ran this provincial organization. In doing so, she was involved in developing policies and procedures. developing and administering the provincial government's overseas scholarship program for students and staff of the institutions, directing and coordinating systemwide promotional and recruitment activities nationally and internationally, enhancing relationships between B.C. public, post-secondary institutions with institutions and government agencies abroad, and creating professional development and educational opportunities for faculty, staff and students.

Working in the Counselling Centre and then as Manager of International and Distance Education, Valerie was first introduced to international education at Okanagan University College. From Okanagan College, she moved to the position of director of a consortium of nine B.C. colleges and institutes working on exchange of Japanese and Canadian students. From this position, she accepted the job at BCCIE, af-

ter which she took a challenging position as Senior Advisor to the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, establishing criteria for scholarship application and selection, developing a computerized student records system, conducting a country-wide pilot project to test students' English language ability, initiating professional development programs, and assuming responsibility for a pilot project to develop the first academic advising and career orientation program in the UAE high school system.

After October 22, you can find Valerie working on the fourth floor of KEC campus in the I.E. Department (871-7492) or at the I.E. Centre downtown (628-5900).

We look forward to working with Valerie, and benefitting from her rich and varied experience. Linda Martin

Vice President, Education Services

I am pleased to announce the election of **Mima Wilson** to the position of Acting Assistant Department Head, ESL IE Department. Mima's appoinment is for the period August 29, 2001 -December 31, 2001. **Marta Goodwin** Dean of ESL Programs I am pleased to announce the appointment of Michelle Strenkowski as Department Head of Hospitality Management. Please join me in welcoming Michelle to this position. Michelle's appointment is effective September 1, 2001.

#### **Dave Donaldson**

Dean of Tourism, Hospitality and Business

It is my privilege to welcome **Gyda Chud** to the position of Acting Director, Continuing Education effective August 27, 2001. Gyda started at Vancouver Community College on a half-time term contract in 1983 and was appointed as Senior Program Co-ordinator in April 1987. A position she has held ever since.

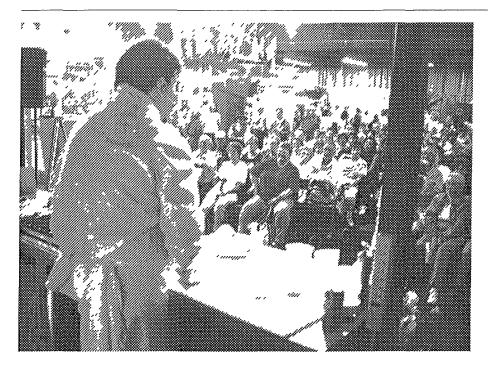
Gyda has a Bachelor of Arts (Sociology) and a Masters of Education (Early Childhood Education).

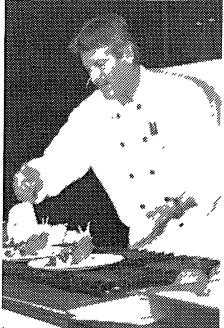
When Gyda is not working at VCC she is busy within our community, particularly creating and volunteering in organizations pertaining to child welfare issues. To recognize her almost thirty year involvement, she was honoured recently when she was the recipient of the Volunteer Vancouver Award for Leadership for the Year 2001. Joan McArthur-Blair

VP, Applied Education



VCC's International Education Centre welcomes new students this fall.





VCC instructor Rick Irwin

# PNE Cooking Show Delights Crowds

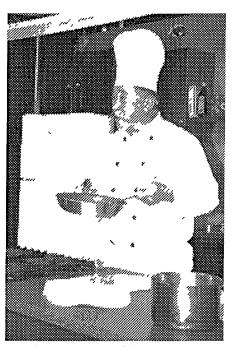
For the third year, instructors of the Culinary Arts were featured at the PNE when chef instructors from the Culinary Arts department hosted the Pacific Cooking Show.

This popular event features VCC chefs hosting shows at 1:30 and 6:30 daily and supporting a celebrity chef at 3:30. All shows were held in the Showcase building each day throughout the PNE from August 18 to September 3rd.

In the three years that VCC has participated, chef instructors have hosted 150 cooking shows. VCC instructors who participated this year were Bob Feist, Glen O'Flaherty, John Carlo Felicella, Rick Irwin, James Hutton, Ernst Walmgren, Thuang Yuan, Conrad Leung, Dave Ryan, Mike Steele, Keijo Yanagawa and Settimio Sicoli. Coordination was provided by Gabriel Ferron, Roseanne Ashworth, Carey Stoneberg and Brigitte Kirmis. Restaurants highlighted included the Boathouse, Milestones, the PearTree, the Fairmont Airport Hotel and La Toque Blanche among the 17 restaurants featured during the fair.

Approximately 150 - 200 people attended each show and over 1000 sets of VCC program material were handed out during the fair. Public relations exposure included articles in The Province and the Vancouver Sun, three appearances live on the Urban Rush program on Shaw cable, numerous mentions in ads on AM600 promoting the cooking show and inclusion in 3 days in the Province's ads for its show home contest. VCC catered the pre-fair media luncheon, which attracted over 80 media and PNE personnel.

This year, VCC provided a basket for sale at the PNE's egg auction. Consisting of hair products, dental cleaning products, recipe books, JJs gift certificate and an original piece of jewelry, VCC's basket raised \$1,100.00 towards the purchase by the PNE of a Sunshine coach.

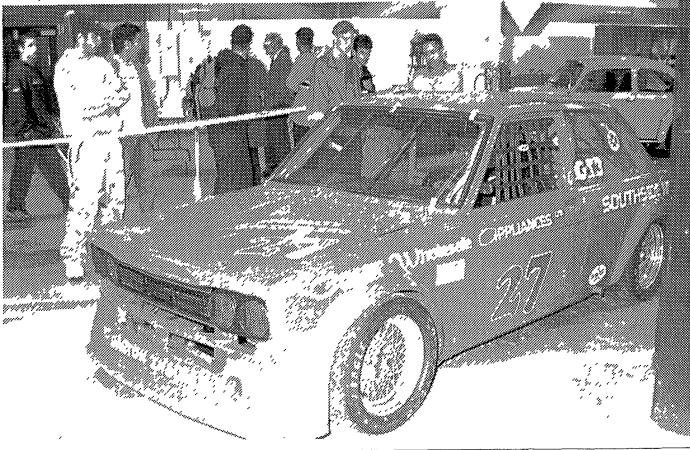


VCC instructor Keijo Yanagawa

GENERACTIENS.



Students came from across the city to visit the popular car show hosted by the Auto Collision department on September 21. More than 400 students, teachers and industry representatives attended the event.



# **Important Notices**

### Important dates for Financial Aid and Awards

Scholarship/Award Selection Forms deadline: **September 28, 2001** 

Canadian National Scholarship for Women in Trades

deadline: October 15, 2001

T.A.B. (Training Assistance Benefits) apply October 1, 2001 to October 12, 2001

A.B.E.S.A.P. (Adult Basic Education Student Assistance Program) apply October 15, 2001 to Nov 30, 2001

Bursaries (Fall 2001 Term students)

first date to apply November 5, 2001

### New staff in Financial Aid

Financial Aid welcomes Maria Gutierrez and Lisa Middleton to its King Edward Campus operation.

# Notice of By-elections for Education Council

There are four vacant positions on Education Council as follows:

Student, City Centre - for the rest of the term to March 31, 2002

Faculty - Technology - for the rest of the term to March 31, 2003

Faculty - Health - for the rest of the term to March 31, 2003 Faculty at large - for the remaining term to March 31, 2003

The call for elections will be posted on September 17, 2001

The nomination period is September 24-October 5, 2001

The campaign period is October 9-15, 2001

Advance polls will be held on Thursday October 11, 2001

Voting will take place on Wednesday October 17 and Thursday October 18 from 9 am to 7 pm.

Sueling Chang Registrar

### Job Ads

You are reminded that job postings (faculty, support staff and administrators) from the 175 member institutions are regularly placed on the ACCC (Association of Canadian Community Colleges) website - www.accc.ca/jobs

### Sarah Lucas

Executive Assistant to the President and Board

### **Employee Photo Identification**

To ensure you have your ID before January, please mark your calendar and plan to attend one of the following dates to have your Employee ID taken:

### King Edward Campus Media Services Room 2001

September 24	12-8
September 25	12-8
October 3	12-4:45
October 31	12-4:45
November 13	12-4:45
December 4	12:45-4:45

### City Centre Campus

<b>Media Services</b>	Room 204	
September 24	12-8	
September 25	12-8	
October 2	12-8	
October 16	12-8	
November 15	12-8	
December 4	12:45-4:45	

If you have any questions about VCC's photo ID implementation, please call Steve Traviss at 8603.

#### College Board Meeting Schedule - Fall 2001

Sept 27/01 - 5025 Oct. 25/01 - 240 Nov. 22/01 - 5025 December meeting to be advised.

### College Board Meeting Schedule for 2002

Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at one of the following locations:

King Edward Campus: Room 5025 City Centre Campus: Room 240 January 24, 2002 - City Centre February 28, 2002 - City Centre March 28, 2002 - King Edward April 25, 2002 - King Edward May 23, 2002 - King Edward June 27, 2002 - City Centre For further information, please contact **Vivienne Garrott** at (604) 871-7159.

### Summary of Minutes of the Education Council Meeting

Held on Tuesday, September 4, 2001 in KEC Room 5025 at 3:30 p.m.

- 1. Report of Education Chair There will be a meeting of the chairs of Education Council in Kamloops on September 28th and 29th. The mandates of the Executive, Curriculum Committee, and Policy Committee of the VCC Education Council will be updated this fall.
- 2. VCC Board Report There were no meetings in July and August. The term for five Board members has been extended for 6 months.
- 3. The following curriculum proposal was approved by Education Council:
- a) Executive Assistant Program course content change.
- 4. The following was approved for recommendation to the Board:
- a) Memorandum of Understanding between Vancouver Community College and Vancouver Film School.
- 5. For Information
- a) The draft version of the environmental scan is completed and will be brought forward for approval at the October meeting.
- b)A document "Standards of Student Conduct" (Policy D.4.3) was distributed for comments and/or suggestions. The document, which is a plain language adaptation of the existing policy, will be brought forward for approval at the October meeting.
- c) The Non-profit Management Program - Continuing Education has been suspended indefinitely.
- d)A checklist for Program Eligibility for Student Financial Assistance was distributed.

DR. M. L. C. C. D. D. K.

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#### Note from the Editor:

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

please submit your articles via email to: ethomson@vcc.ca

(Your submissions are welcome However, material may be edited for clarity and for length }

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Payments can be made at the Cashiers KEC 4th floor, or at the Int. Ed Centre Bookstore on Alberni and Thurlow.

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#### Special Deal!!

Buy your tickets before Sept.25th and receive free tickets to the Pre-Season Game vs. Calgary on Sept.25th.

### **Connections Has a New Look**

With the start of a new school year, Connections has been given a fresh, new look. The colour scheme reflects the colours being used throughout College marketing and promotional materials, and the change in font styles gives the publication an up-to-date feel.

Media Services has taken over the role of design and layout and as you can see, they are able to incorporate great photos to highlight events happening around VCC. I hope to be able to concentrate on writing stories of interest to the College community. The new design will also facilitate getting Connections onto the website more efficiently so you will never miss an issue.

On behalf of Media Services, Tene Barber and myself, I hope that you enjoy the new Connections.

Elizabeth Thomson Communications Officer