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Talented Students Bring Music to VCC

Music Student Recitals are held every Wednesday at 12 noon in the KEC auditorium. Other events are held throughout the Lower mainland regularly. See page 2 for details. (from left to right: Monica Lee and Elaine Taylor)

Vancouver Community College
King Edward Campus – Library
Box 24620 Station F
Vancouver, B.C. V5N 5T9

VCC Music Events

Student recitals are held every Wednesday at 12:00 PM in the auditorium. Admission is free, and everyone is welcome to attend. On January 30, 2002, we invite you to come and support students during the Contemporary Jazz Competition.

February 4, 2002 (1:00 PM) KEC Auditorium

The Brenda Fedoruk Trio will perform a one-hour recital. Brenda is a member of the music faculties at VCC, UBC, Capilano College and the Vancouver Academy of Music. She is also a flutist with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra.

Dinner and Jazz at JJ's

This popular event continues every two weeks until the end of April. Enjoy an incredible gourmet meal at a very reasonable price while listening to some great jazz performed by VCC music students. Call 604 443-8479 for reservations. Upcoming dates: February 5/19 and March 5/19.

Please contact Jodi Van Brunt via email jvanbrunt@vcc.bc.ca for more information on any of these musical events.

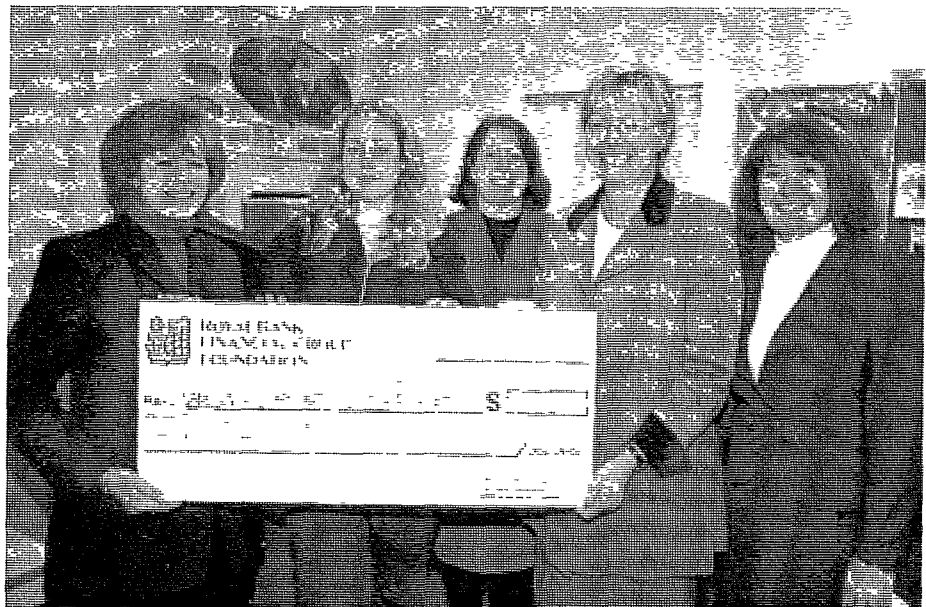
Lunch and Learn Program

Vancouver Community College's Basic Education Intermediate Program for Youth received funding to host a Lunch and Learn program for at-risk youth. The concept is to feed the mind and body through a nutritious meal accompanied by an inspiring guest speaker. The Royal Bank Foundation donated \$10,000 and the Variety Club contributed \$40,000 to fund the program.

The young people who benefit from the Lunch and Learn program are students who have exhausted more traditional forms of education. They are enrolled in Vancouver Community College's upgrading courses to achieve their grade 10 level. Approximately 80 students are attending the program at two Vancouver locations: the Broadway Youth Resource Centre and the Kiwassa Neighborhood House.

The Lunch and Learn program is expected to run monthly and alternate between the two locations. The first event was held on January 10 and focussed on bullying in schools.

Namisa Nastoh was the guest



Above: Barb Ash accepts a \$10,000 cheque from the Royal Bank. (Left to Right: Barb Ash, Sarah Hall, Carolyn Davies, Rohays Reid and Diane Osatürk.)

Below: Namisa Nastoh, in front of a picture of her son, addresses the issue of bullying.

speaker. She lost her son to suicide after he was bullied at school. Her heart wrenching presentation affected everyone in the audience.

The next speaker will be Bob Aitken from the Centre for Instructional Development who will speak about the functions of different parts of the brain, and the effects of drugs and alcohol on developing brains (ages 15-25). He will be speaking at Broadway Youth



Resource Centre on February 20th and Kiwassa Neighbourhood House on February 26th at 12:30pm.

China Journal

From September 14 to October 4, 2001, Terry Mills, Department Head, Business Management Department, and Sally Gibson, Education and Training Consultant, Centre for Instructional Development, went to China to deliver seminars on teaching methodologies and business skills to 34 Guiyang trainers from vocational schools, employment centres and private enterprises. These seminars are part of a four-year international project funded by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) that enables VCC to work with its Chinese partner, Southern Yangtze University (SYU), to enhance the training capacity in Guiyang. Terry and Sally were accompanied by VCC Project Coordinator, Sik On Hon, and two SYU professors who co-taught with the Canadian instructors. Following are excerpts from their journals.

September 14, 2001

We're Off to Shanghai! The airport was congested with row upon row of passengers who were detained following the September 11th acts of terrorism in the United States. We arrived at the airport at 7:00 a.m. expecting to experience airport chaos. We joined a line-up of hundreds of people - their carts, boxes and luggage in tow - each passenger hoping to get checked in before their flights left, were re-routed, cancelled or simply late. Our 12:00 p.m. flight left the runway at 1:30 p.m. We simply could not believe our luck.

Shanghai to Wuxi

Pu Dong Airport is a very large, finely equipped and reasonably quiet facility. It marked the beginning of our journey from Shanghai to Wuxi. We traveled from the airport to Wuxi in a hired car. As we traveled, we absorbed the landscape: the skeletons of old villages against modern architecture, countless industrial cranes silhouetted against the skyline, laundry hanging from bamboo rods out of high-rise windows, boulevards thick with yucca plants and prickly pink hedge trees. Our favourite was the miles upon miles of open farmland, water paddocks and triple story chalet type farmhouses.

A Warm Welcome!

We met with our Southern Yangtze University (SYU) colleagues to review the CIDA project objectives and to exchange information on our respective teaching roles and responsibilities. The project objectives included curriculum on Business Management, Financial Management and Train the Trainer. After a lengthy business meeting, we lunched in an adjoining room that was filled with carved mahogany furniture, rich red wood that simply glowed beneath the soft white and pink incandescent lighting. The meal was wonderful! Eight-treasure tea was served as well as many other fine dishes - crispy eel was definitely a favourite.

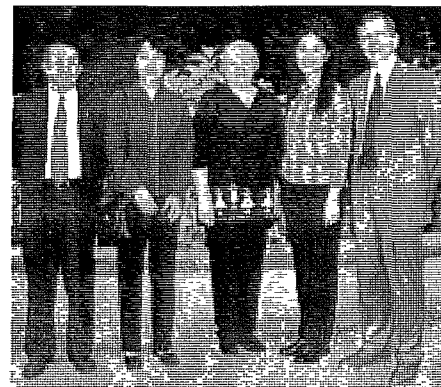
Guiyang Partners

Our Guiyang partners were excited to meet us. Their eagerness to welcome us to Guiyang City was expressed in every gesture, expression and action. It was somehow understood that our arrival and this CIDA project were immensely important events, events that celebrated Guiyang's commitment to establish a vocational training institute and embrace western teaching methodologies and business management. Our learners are skilled managers who are responsible for re-training a workforce of millions of learners who are mostly farm workers and low skilled laborers. Our instruction included a variety of teaching styles and strategies, lectures, small and large group discussions, cooperative learning strategies and other instructional strategies including field trips and PowerPoint presentations.

Celebrating the First Step!

At the end of our teaching assignment, a closing celebration organized by the students was especially rewarding. The students entertained us with a party of

songs, skits, games and dance. Incidentally, the song they asked us to sing with them was Red River Valley. Can you imagine a chorus of 30 singing Red River Valley in Mandarin while two VCC instructors struggled to stay in tune and sing in English! What a finale!



Sik On Hon, Sally Gibson, Terry Mills and the two SYU Instructors

Building Community

More than a month has passed since our return home. Our teaching assignment is over. The reports have been filed. Project plans for March 2002 are unfolding. As we read our journals, we think of our SYU and Guiyang colleagues, the hard work and the fun we shared. More importantly, we cherish the companionship that has blossomed between VCC colleagues. For it was through this companionship that the greatest learning took place, learning that built understanding between staff and faculty, learning that built understanding between departments, and learning that built understanding between campuses. Surely the return on this project will be realized for many years!

Participants say goodbye and bid farewell to the VCC and SYU Instructors at the closing party



4th Annual Employee Recognition Event

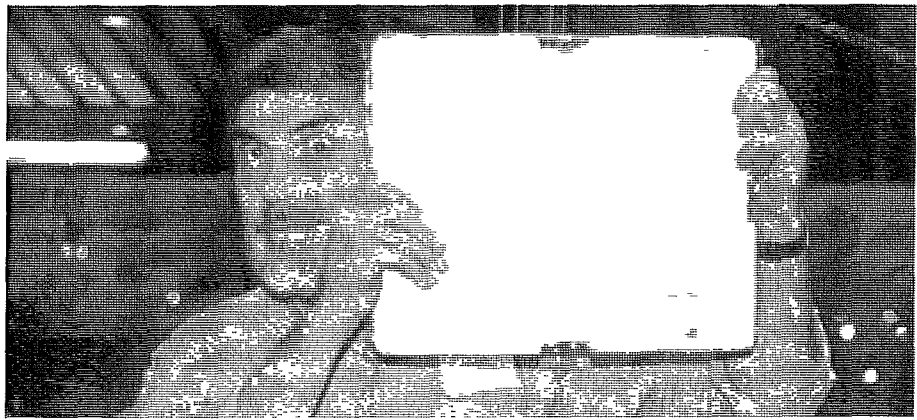
We were delighted to honour so many employees at this year's Employee Recognition Event on December 6, 2001. A total of 169 employees were recognized in the following categories:

- 30 Years of Service
- 25 Years of Service
- 20 Years of Service

Area Awards

Achievement of Certificate, Degree, or Diploma
Volunteers - New Voice Mail System Training
Volunteers - Pacific Cooking Show 2001
Volunteers - Human Resource Development Workshops
United Way Campaign Coordinators 2001
VCC's Wellness Incentive Program

The event was well attended, not only by the honoured guests but by their friends and colleagues. The room was a sea of friendly, cheerful faces, everyone enjoying the opportunity to visit with colleagues



Peter Hopkinson was one of the Area Award winners.

and share in this very special occasion. Sandra MacSorley, Shirley Ripley and students had decorated the room to look very festive, music students entertained us with jazz tunes and an incredible array of light refreshments were available for everyone to enjoy. Throughout the event, the pride and enthusiasm were almost palpable amid the applause, as the tokens of recognition were awarded.

Dale Dorn, President, provided the official welcome and thanked so many for coming to recognize fellow employees and celebrate their various achievements. Ken Smith, Board Vice Chair, brought greetings on behalf of the Board. He

congratulated those being honoured and thanked all the employees for their commitment and dedication to the College and community.

On the topic of recognition, we would like to thank a few special people who assisted in the event. Stephen Baldwin, Media Services, captured the moment by taking a number of pictures throughout. Thanks to his efforts, we are pleased to be able to share some of the pictures with you. As well, thanks go to those dedicated Area Award committee members who made it possible to enhance our Employee Recognition Event this year by including 13 Area awards. These committee members were responsible for working with employees in their area to select up to two awards, develop criteria, call for nominations, adjudicate and select the recipients. This was a lot of work. To all those who helped behind the scene and/or during the event, thank you for your contribution to the success of the event.

As we look back on another Recognition event, we can be proud of the accomplishments of our peers and look forward to future opportunities where we can again come together to celebrate our achievements and successes. And, congratulations again to all those who were recognized on this occasion.

Carol Sicoli
Human Resources Projects Coordinator



Some of the "25 Year Service" Recipients. Left to Right. John Bingley, Ted Hougham, Linda Martin and Vanita Puri.

Appointment of Vice President Finance & Administration

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Craig Wilkinson as Vice President Finance & Administration, effective January 14, 2002.

Craig is well qualified for his new position. He is a Certified Management Accountant, has a B.A. from the University of Victoria and a Master of Business Administration degree from Dalhousie University. He has worked in several provincial government ministries, including his position as Manager of Administrative Services with the Ministry of Attorney General. He comes to us from the Industry of Training and Apprenticeship Commission (ITAC) where he was Director of Finance and Administration. ITAC is an agency of the provincial government, created to strengthen and expand industry training and apprenticeship. It works with colleges, government and business.

As we welcome Craig to his new position, I would like to acknowledge and thank Trish Pেকেles who has provided outstanding service to the College as Acting Vice President Finance & Administration for the past year. Trish will now resume her position as Director of Financial Services.

I know that you will join me in wishing Craig a rewarding and successful career with VCC.

Dale Dorn
President

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I am pleased to announce the election of Kosta Caravas to the position of Department Head College Foundations Math. Please join me in welcoming Kosta to this position. Kosta's appointment is effective January 2, 2002.

I am pleased to announce the election of Laurie Gould to the position of Department Head of Basic Education. Please join me in welcoming Laurie to this position. Laurie's appointment is effective January 2, 2002.

I would also like to thank Stephanie Jewell, College Foundations Humanities, Leonor Vlug, Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Adults, and Wayne McNiven, Community and Career Education for continuing in their leadership roles.

Many thanks also go to Ruth Behnke, College Foundations Math and Linda Rider, Basic Education for their many contributions to the AAA team. Linda and Ruth have completed their Department Head terms.

Barb Ash
Dean of Academic, Adult Basic Education
and Adult Special Education Programs

I am pleased to announce the following

Stuart Scholefield has been elected to the position of Coordinator I (advanced level) - ELS Department effective January 1, 2002.

Jacque Harrison has been elected to the position of Acting Department Head, ESL Outreach Department for the period January 1 - March 31, 2002.

Alison Norma has been elected to the position of Department Head, ESL Vocational Department effective January 1, 2002.

Gail Cryer has been elected to the position of Department Head, ESL Outreach Department effective January 1, 2002.

Marta Goodwin
Dean of ESL Programs

I am pleased to announce the reappointment of Michele Rosko as Department Head of the Dental Assisting / Reception Coordinator Department effective January 1, 2002.

Pat Bawtinheimer
Dean of Health Sciences Programs

With a number of recent elections and subsequent changes to the position of Instructors with Release Allowance, here is the list of department heads in the division as of January 2, 2002.

Asian Culinary - Conrad Leung
Baking and Pastry Arts - Luzia Zemp
Business Management - Terry Mills
Culinary Arts - Glen O'Flaherty,
department Head and Harold

Bonkowski, Acting Assistant Department
Head (to end February)
Hospitality Management - Michelle
Strenkowski
Meat Cutting - Bob Audette
Office Management and Communications
- Karen Shortt
Travel Agent - Jackie Kinnersley

D F (Dave) Donaldson
Dean of Tourism, Hospitality and Business
Programs

Employee ID Program in Full Effect

As of January 1, 2002 all current VCC employees (with the exception of CE instructors) are required to carry employee photo ID when at the College. Employee photo ID is also required to borrow books from the KEC or CC libraries. Employees with key access to departments other than their own are required to display their ID while in these departments.

If you missed having your ID taken last year, please make note of the upcoming photo ID sessions and plan to attend. Employee photo ID will not be taken during student photo ID times. If you have any questions, please call Steve Traviss at local 8603.

City Centre Campus Sessions

Monday, March 18 - Media Services Room
204 10 00-2 00

Friday, May 24 - Media Services Room 204
10 00-2 00

Tuesday, July 23 - Media Services Room 204
10 00-2 00

Tuesday, September 24 - Media Services
Room 204 10 00-2 00

Tuesday, November 19 - Media Services
Room 204 10 00-2 00

King Edward Campus Sessions

Tuesday, February 19 - Media Services Room
2001 10 00-2 00

Monday, April 22 - Media Services Room
2001 10 00-2 00

Wednesday, June 19 - Media Services Room
2001 10 00-2 00

Monday, August 19 - Media Services Room
2001 10 00-2 00

Thursday, October 24 - Media Services Room
2001 10 00-2 00

diversity

Information Session: Liberated Learning – Automated Speech Recognition

Thursday, February 21, 2002

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Room 5025 at KEC

Presented by: Keith Bain, St.
Mary's University, Nova Scotia

Gaining equal access to lecture information has been an ongoing challenge for students with disabilities. The Liberated Learning Project (LLP) is an applied research initiative studying a unique "classroom" application of speech recognition technology that may revolutionize educational access. Using automated speech recognition and projected to the class, students are able to "see" the lecture. After the lecture, comprehensive, software-generated notes are provided in a variety of formats to all students.

Keith Bain is the International Project Manager for the LLP. He is a former Special Education teacher, ESL Consultant overseas, coordinator for students with learning disabilities at the Atlantic Centre of Research, Access, and Support for students with disabilities.

Register with Carol Sicoli at 871-7011 or email csicoli@vcc.bc.ca

Be equipped to deal with our diversity! Reserve Your Seat Now!

Workshop: Working with Blind Students

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

Room 5025 at KEC

This workshop includes strategies for including blind and low vision students in your classroom or other College activities.

This three-hour workshop will provide information about:

- How to interact with a blind person;
- How to understand a person's visual impairment – nature of the problem, cultural issues, onset of visual impairment, etc.;
- How to begin to understand the "Duty to Accommodate" and the blind person's individual rights;
- How to read basic braille;
- How to use various teaching techniques to enhance the learning of blind students and other classroom participants;
- How to make use of technology in your teaching or to provide information;
- How to integrate your visually impaired student into group activities;
- How to find resources to help you and your student.

Instruction will include hands-on learning, role playing activities and visual presentations.

Register with Carol Sicoli at 871-7011 or email csicoli@vcc.bc.ca

Be equipped to deal with our diversity! Reserve Your Seat Now!

We ALL belong!

VCC Welcomes SODEXHO to KEC

Sodexo Canada was awarded the VCC King Edward Campus food services contract on December 21, 2001 and started operating the cafeteria effective January 2, 2002.

"We are very excited about the opportunity to work with Vancouver Community College" explains Spencer Green the Regional Director of Operations for Sodexo. "We are committed to improving the quality of the food offering on Campus and responding to the needs of the many stakeholders at the college."

We welcome Jenny Rooseboom as the on site Sodexo Manager at VCC. Rooseboom has worked at many Sodexo sites and is certain patrons will begin to notice an improved variety of menu options and improved food quality. "Unfortunately due to the quick start up and the holiday break we have not been able to bring the full force of this program on line as quickly as we would have liked. We are working to get our Starbucks Coffee program in place for February and our Entertainment and Trend Trackers programs will bring new menu offerings and fun to the cafeteria over the coming months" added Rooseboom.

Included in Sodexo's proposal are plans to provide renovations to the VCC food service facilities over the summer of 2002. Sodexo's involvement with the College Community will include regular involvement in the VCC Food and Beverage committee meetings and customer surveys in the cafeteria each semester. Locally, Sodexo manages foodservices at Trinity Western University and University College of the Fraser Valley. Among Sodexo's other Canadian clients are The University of Toronto, Acadia University, Queens University, York University, Mount Allison University and St. Francis Xavier University.

We are pleased that familiar cafeteria staff has remained and hope you will enjoy the new food choices. Please contact Dave Crowe, Purchasing Manager, with any questions or concerns at 7106

PD Funds Deadline: FEBRUARY 28th

Please note that all PD Fund proposals must be received by the end of February in order to be processed for the 2001/2002 budget year. Send your application form to the PD Funds Committee at your campus as soon as possible in order to beat the deadline.

Our committees meet regularly throughout the year, so please don't wait until the last minute to submit your application. Each full time instructor is eligible for \$240 in PD funds, please consider pooling funds with your colleagues to support activities which exceed this amount. If your PD plans involve expenses to be incurred in March 2002, you must still submit an application form before the end of February for pre-approval. You will then have until March 20th to submit all receipts along with your pre-approved application. Please note that recent changes to the college's accounting methods mean that only original receipts will be accepted. Contact us if you have any questions about PD Funds, application procedures, deadlines etc.

King Edward Campus: Christine Garlick-Griffin (7546), Fred Grimann (7416), Peter Hopkinson (7285)
City Centre Campus: Moreah Hamend (8523), Tricia Hughes (8508), Wayne McNiven (8434)

Computer Loan Update

Unfortunately we have reached the limit for the computer loan fund. We will not be able to process any applications until more funds become available

Applications are still being accepted. As usual the computer must be purchased prior to submitting the application. When funds become available applications will be processed on a first received first issued basis. Due to this we are not able to give specific dates for when cheques will be issued

Agnes Seto
Manager of Financial Services

Thank you!

I would like to say how much I appreciated the effort and time the Continuing Education Social Committee put into organizing the very successful Christmas Potluck lunch. I think I speak for everyone in saying it was a wonderful lunch, and a excellent way to celebrate the holiday season with everyone in the CE offices. Thanks once again for all your hard work, and to everyone who attended and contributed.

Cherie Spence

Voicemail Hints

Have You Figured Out How To Get Rid of the "This Message Will Be Saved For 11 Days prompt" in your voicemail? Access your voicemail box as you would normally.

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press "3" for prompt levels,
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





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








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



Library Update

New Books at City Centre























-  Art Deco Furniture: the French Designers
-  Becoming a 21st Century Agency Counselor: Personal and Professional Explorations
-  Cambridge World History of Food
-  Delmar's Handbook of Flowers, Foliage and Creative Design
-  Dementia, Aging and Intellectual Disabilities: a Handbook
-  Electronic Concepts: an Introduction
-  Gale Encyclopedia of Alternative Medicine
-  Historical Encyclopedia of Nursing
-  The Ingenuity Gap
-  Looking at Law: Canada's Legal System
-  Papergraphics, the Power of Paper in Graphic Design
-  Physical Activity for Health and Fitness
-  Robot Builder's Bonanza
-  Start and Run a Profitable Coffee Bar
-  Victoria: Secrets of the City
-  Fodor's Morocco
-  Frommer's Alaska Cruises & Ports of Call
-  Fodor's South America
-  Travel Agency Operations Handbook
-  Her Own Way: Advice for the Woman Traveller
-  Managing Frontiers in Competitive Intelligence
-  Proven Strategies in Competitive Intelligence
-  The Difficult Child

-  Trust Us, We're Experts. How Industry Manipulates Science and Gambles With Your Future
-  Heavy Traffic. Deregulation, Trade, and Transformation in North American Trucking
-  The Smart Growth Guide to Local Government Law and Advocacy
-  Management of the Business Classroom
-  Programming Interviews Exposed: Secrets to Landing Your Next Job
-  The Border Guide: A Canadian's Guide to Investing, Working and Living in the United States
-  Age Speaks for Itself: Silent Voices of the Elderly
-  The LPI Workbook Two
-  A Citizen's Guide to Government
-  Helping College Students Succeed: A Model for Effective Intervention
-  Intellectual Property: Patents, Trademarks and Copyrights
-  How to Land Your First Paralegal Job
-  Health Care Provider's Guide to Consent to Health Care

New Books at KEC

-  A Culture of Peace: A Teaching Unit on Alternatives to War and Violent Conflict
-  Prioritizing Academic Programs and Services: Reallocating Resources to Achieve Strategic Balance
-  Leading Academic Change: Essential Roles for Department Chairs
-  Educational Restructuring in the Context of Globalization and National Policy
-  Can You Believe It? Stories and Idioms from Real Life Book 2
-  Global Showdown: How the New Activists Are Fighting

Global Corporate Rule

-  Shakespeare and the Drama of His Time
-  Bone: Dying Into Life
-  Meeting Death. In Hospital, Hospice, and At Home
-  Animals and Nature: Cultural Myths, Cultural Realities
-  Middle Ages. Primary Sources
-  The Ancient Near East: An Encyclopedia for Students
-  Cuba
-  Victoria. Secrets of the City
-  Social Problems in Canada: Conditions, Constructions, and Challenges
-  Activists, Rebels, and Reformers
-  Language in Hand. Why Sign Came Before Speech
-  The Virtual University: The Internet and Resource-Based Learning
-  The Learners' Way: Brain-Based Learning in Action
-  Socialization of Graduate and Professional Students in Higher Education: A Perilous Passage?
-  Ten Ways to Straight A's
-  British Columbia Transfer Tips: Transfer Information for Post-Secondary Success
-  Clinically Oriented Anatomy
-  Encyclopedia of Rhetoric
-  Herbs for the Mind: What Science Tells Us About Nature's Remedies for Depression, Stress, Memory Loss, and Insomnia
-  Cleaner Cars: The History and Technology of Emission Control Since the 1960s
-  Automobile Electrical and Electronic Systems
-  Understanding Freshwater Fish

New Videos at City Centre

- ☐☐ Alzheimer's Disease: Pieces of the Puzzle - Introduction
- ☐☐ Home Care Companion A Guide for the Non-Medical Care Giver
Caring for Someone on Bedrest
Creating Healthy Home Care Conditions: Infection Control
Fall Prevention
Fire Safety
How to Help Someone Who Uses a Wheelchair Without Hurting Yourself.
How to Manage Medications
- ☐☐ Patrick's Story
- ☐☐ Remembering Tom - Coping with Youth Suicide
- ☐☐ Transfigured: Jack Shadbolt Inside the Mind
- ☐☐ Breast Is Best: About Mother's Milk, Breast Feeding and Early Contact With the Newborn
- ☐☐ Futures: Preparing Young Women for High Skilled, High Wage Careers
- ☐☐ STD's: Straight Talk
- ☐☐ Black, Bold and Beautiful Black Women's Hair
- ☐☐ Communication Beyond Words
- ☐☐ Lighting in the Real World
- ☐☐ Pressure's On: Managing Stress at Work
- ☐☐ Feedback Day
- ☐☐ Put It In Writing
- ☐☐ Children Learning Language: How Adults Can Help
- ☐☐ Chocolate Dreams
- ☐☐ Coping With Stress
- ☐☐ Medication Use By the Elderly. Implications for Nurses
- ☐☐ Professional Interpreter
- ☐☐ Success Magazine
- ☐☐ Tai Chi Anywhere

New Videos at KEC

- ☐☐ Number Signs for Everyone - Numbering in American Sign Language
- ☐☐ Accent Correction/Reduction for Speakers of English Whose First Language is Spanish
- ☐☐ Accent Correction/Reduction for Speakers of English Whose First Language is Korean
- ☐☐ Accent Correction/Reduction for Speakers of English Whose First Language is Chinese
- ☐☐ The American Sign Language Phrase Book
- ☐☐ The Sharp Wits In Who Wrote That Paragraph
- ☐☐ Signing Naturally
- ☐☐ Basic College Math Series
- ☐☐ Atoms and Their Electrons
- ☐☐ Cell - How It Works
- ☐☐ Duke Ellington's Washington
- ☐☐ Escape from Affluenza
- ☐☐ Fish Sustainability
- ☐☐ Gabrielle Roy
- ☐☐ Get a Life
- ☐☐ In the Land of the Totem Poles
- ☐☐ Learn to Drive
- ☐☐ Partnership
- ☐☐ Russian Revolution: The Last Tsar
- ☐☐ Personal Safety

KEC Bookstore Xmas Fundraising

I would like to thank all of the people who contributed to the McGregor Childcare Centre through the Christmas gift wrapping fundraising. We raised \$68! Thank you for all your support.

Joy Tran

Congratulations!



Ross McPherson holding the Goodfellow Trophy

Ross McPherson, Instructional Assistant in Auto Collision, is the winner of the DCC 2001 Good Fellow Award and Trophy. Ross was presented with this award for his significant contribution to the Dogwood Canoe Club over the preceding year. His many hours of hard work has established the club's presence on the World Wide Web with style. Ross created this site by hand coding in html and using JavaScript for some features. www.dogwoodcanoe.com

Ross has also created the following:

VCC AutoCollision www.vcc.bc.ca/autocollision,
VCC International Education
www.vcc.bc.ca/ie/,
RRM Web Design www.rrmwebdesign.com

His projects under construction are:

VCC English & Social Sciences (Humanities)
www.rrmwebdesign.com/test2/,
Pacific Western Paints
www.rrmwebdesign.com/test1/

Upcoming Events



Celebrate Chinese New Year on Valentine's Day

Conrad Leung and the students of the Asian Culinary Arts Chinese Cooking program invite you to join them on February 14, 2002 to celebrate the Chinese New Year

The festivities begin at 6.00 PM at Four Corners Campus Cafe at City Centre with a demonstration by the Cindy Yang Dance Academy with traditional Chinese dance followed by an extensive buffet prepared by Chef Leung and his students

The opportunity to celebrate New Year's with your valentine is here! Tickets are limited. Tickets are \$20.00 each and can be obtained from Brigitte Kirmis at 8317 (bkirmis@vcc.bc.ca)

Celebrate 160 Years of Service

The Culinary Arts Department and the Hospitality Industry in Vancouver are about to lose over 160 years of service, the world of retirement will soon welcome four new members.

Ulrich Falter, John Bingley, Horst Baltzer and Charles Kilchenmann are bringing their storied careers to a finale. These gentlemen have taught over 15,000 students in the fine arts of Cooking and Dining Room service

Please join us in a celebration of the accomplishments and contributions our colleagues have given to the Food and Beverage industry.

Saturday March 9, 2002

Crowne Plaza Hotel Georgia

Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar 6:30pm

Dinner and a Tribute Roast with wine, and a fun trip down memory lane,

\$35.00/person (cash at the door only)

Reservations a must!

This is going to be a '70's style Roast I need old photos(they will be returned), embarrassing stories, career accomplishment stories, etc, for a slide show presentation and the roasts. If you have any ideas or would like to make a speech during the evening, please let Glen know. If you know anyone that might like to come to the event, let them know about it.

For reservations call: Suzan Gouin, Culinary Arts Department, VCC, 604-443-8488

If you have photos, stories or ideas, please call Glen O'Flaherty @ 604-443-8487 or at home 604-588-6782

Valentine Bake Sale

As a fund-raising effort for the McGregor Daycare, we are hosting a Valentine Bake Sale on Tuesday, February 12th.

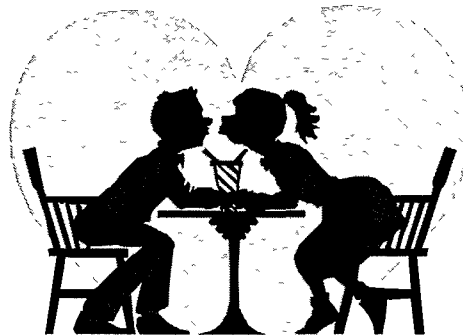
Location. 4th Floor (across from the elevators)

Time: 10am to 2pm

We are looking for staff, faculty or administrators to donate their baked goods. We will also need volunteers to help out on the sale day

Please feel free to contact us if you're interested in contributing to this effort.

Email or call Liz Monaghan, local 7105 or Shanez Hirji, local 7101.





Weight Watchers at Work Program

The Weight Watchers at Work Program is a hit with those employees who have registered. The leader is excellent. The pounds are dropping. Controlling your weight not only makes you look and feel better, but is an important component to overall wellness.

What makes VCC's At-Work Program so successful? Members appreciate the:

- * convenience of meeting at work every Wednesday at 12:00 noon;
- * encouragement from a highly motivated leader;
- * support from co-workers on an ongoing basis;
- * sharing the success stories along the way.

With increased membership, we are now eligible to receive additional weekly meetings for the same fee as the standard 8-week program. At present, we receive 12 weeks of meetings (with 20+ members).

The prepaid membership fee is \$145.00 (G.S.T. included) for new At-Work Meeting members and \$135.00 (G.S.T. included) for Continuing At-Work Meeting members and Lifetime members and is to be paid before the first meeting attended. Membership fees may be paid by cash, personal cheque, Mastercard or Visa.

If you've tried other methods of dieting but find your motivation lags after a few meetings, try this instead!

New members are always welcome. If you're interested in joining, please contact Carol Sicoli at csicoli@vcc.bc.ca or local 7011

Every Wednesday
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.
Room 3121
King Edward Campus

VCC Walking Group

Calling all walkers! Calling all walkers!

Once again, we are inviting members to join our Sunday Walking Group. The Group has met at 9.30 a.m. at various Lower Mainland locations. However, we will re-start the Group by meeting at the Vancouver Planetarium at 9:30 a.m. January 13, 2002. There is free parking available. The walking group has enjoyed this route and taking time out for a coffee break at Granville Island is optional

This is an opportunity to:

- * share a walk with co-workers
- * enjoy some friendly conversation
- * meet new people
- * enjoy the great outdoors
- * experience a holistic approach to walking and wellness

This is not limited to just employees! Please feel free to invite friends or family and you're welcome to bring along the family pet.

You do not have to be an avid walker to join, just eager to venture out to the great outdoors. There will be people at various levels to share the walk. The walks may vary in length from one to two hours depending on your speed, fitness and enthusiasm. Each time you are out enjoying a walk you will also be earning points toward the VCC

Wellness Incentive Program. If there is sufficient interest, we will try to form a Weekly Walking Group starting at 5.00 p.m. every Wednesday.

If you're interested in joining, please contact Carol Sicoli (csicoli@vcc.bc.ca) or local 7011.

Vancouver Sun Run

Sunday, April 21, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

Calling all walkers, runners and wheelchair participants to form another VCC Team for the upcoming Vancouver Sun Run. Minimum of 10 participants required to form a team. We had a terrific response last year with 48 participants and we're looking to increase our level of participation in 2002.

Diane Miller and Tami Pulham have kindly volunteered to be our Team Captains.

Registration:

Teams: prior to February 15

Early Bird: prior to March 15

\$32/person* by March 15

\$37/person* after March 15

* No Refund.

Members of BC Athletics save an extra \$3!

As a way of promoting VCC's Wellness Program, Human Resources is pleased to be able to contribute \$10.00/person for the Early Bird fee (\$32 - \$10 = \$22/person).

Your entry fee includes a 100% cotton souvenir T-shirt with VCC Logo.

The Sun Run supports B.C.'s amateur athletes and The Vancouver Sun's Raise-A-Reader campaign

If you're interested in joining VCC's Sun Run team, please contact Carol Sicoli (csicoli@vcc.bc.ca) or local 7011 no later than February 9, 2002.

NEWS FROM THE THREE LEARNING CENTRES AT VCC

KEC Learning Centre Open House

On December 17, 2001, the KEC Learning Centre hosted a highly successful holiday workshop and open house for students. The TLC workshop room was transformed with lights, candles, cedar boughs and a beautiful Christmas tree. Students enjoyed seasonal music and lively conversation, decorated gingerbread people and sampled home-made tasty treats which the staff provided. An entertaining time was had by all.

Free Workshops for Students at KEC Learning Centre

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. Check KEC Learning Centre bulletin boards for details.

International Education Centre Learning Centre, 1080 Alberni Street

Please encourage your international students to drop by and see Diana Lamare, the tutor. Her hours have been extended. They are Monday to Thursday, 11:00 - 4:00. She can be reached at (604) 628-5908.

Learning Centre Orientations for KEC and City Centre

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

Tours at CC take 20-30 minutes and should be booked in advance. The best times are before 11 and between 1 and 3.

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 at KEC 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. Copies are available at KEC Library and in some departments. Check your resource area or call 871-7219 to borrow a copy.

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 current student I.D. to sign up. Printing is 20 cents a page.

Operations Council Revised 2002 Schedule

2nd Tuesday of Month
or at the Call of the Chair

King Edward Campus
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Room 5025, KEC

January 7 (No Meeting)

February 12

March 12

April 9 (No Meeting)

May 14

June 11

July 9 (No Meeting)

August (No Meeting)

September 10

October 8 (No Meeting)

November 12

December 10 (No Meeting)

Next College Board Meeting:

February 28, 2002

Summary of Operations Council Meeting

(Held December 11, 2001)

Cafeteria Contract

Information about the new contract between VCC and Sodexo-Marriott Services for the operation of the KEC cafeteria was presented to the Council. As well as providing normal cafeteria services, the Company will be working closely with the VCC community on College events. All current cafeteria employees have signed up for employment interviews with the Sodexo company.

Student Grievance Policy Revisions

The revised Student Grievance Policy was introduced to Operations Council. The Policy will be presented for approval to the next meeting of the Council.

Revised Meeting Schedule

A motion to revise the current meeting schedule of Operations Council to bi-monthly with certain exceptions was approved. All meetings are held in KEC Room 5025 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Meetings for 2002 will be held on February 12, March 12, May 14, June 11, September 10, and November 12.

Retrofit Project

The Provincial Government has initiated a "Green Buildings" project to improve building systems in order to lower utility costs and reduce greenhouse gases. To take advantage of this opportunity, VCC is preparing a proposal which will be presented to the College Board for endorsement before being submitted to the Ministry for approval.

Next Operations Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 12, 2002,

2:00 p.m., KEC Room 5025

Snow Closures

Please pay attention to CKNW radio and BCTV News on Global (early morning news) for any information on college closures if there's a snow storm.

Can I Copy?

Some ESL instructors have been asking whether it is legal to copy audiocassettes. While it is never legal to copy an audiocassette without the written permission of the publisher, many ESL publishers grant blanket permission for the purchaser of the cassette to make one working copy for use in the classroom. You will often find a permission statement in the publisher's catalogue. To quote one publisher, the intent is that the master will be kept "under lock and key and that there will never be more than one copy in existence at one time".

Media Services is available to make high quality cassette copies from your master tapes. Copies made in the language lab and elsewhere are often of an inferior quality, with only half of the audio information reproduced.

When you go to Media Services to have a copy made, you will be asked to sign a statement that you are making a legal copy. The library has confirmed that Cambridge University Press, Longman, Oxford University Press, and Pearson International grant permission for one working copy of ESL audio-cassettes. For others, you need to contact the publisher. A quick e-mail is often all it takes; the e-mail reply from the publisher constitutes written permission.

Questions? Please contact Lila Heilbrunn, Library Director (7318 or lheilbrunn@vcc.bc.ca) or Cathie Perry, ESL Librarian (7487 or cperry@vcc.bc.ca)

Summary of Minutes of the Education Council Meeting

(Held on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 in KEC Room 5025 at 3:30 p.m.)

1. Report of Education Chair

- * The Chair reported that the letter to the Minister of Advanced Education regarding the tuition fee freeze has been sent
- * As a follow up to the December meeting, the chair sent a memo to members of Education Council stating the College Board motion regarding the budget deficit and the list of deficit mitigation strategies

2. VCC Board Report

- * The Chair reported that the Board did not meet in December.

3. The following was referred to the February Agenda:

- * Revisions to the Standards of Student Conduct Policy

4. The following was approved for recommendation to the Board:

- * Appeal of Final Grade Policy #C.I.2 - revisions
- * Student Grievance Policy #D.4.2 - revisions
- * ESL Technical & Professional English 12 - correction

5. The following was approved for recommendation to the President:

- * Academic amnesty for students participating in National Day of Action activities on February 6, 2002.

6. For Information

Pre-requisites for Entrance into English 101. A score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) has been added to the list.



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Elizabeth Thomson

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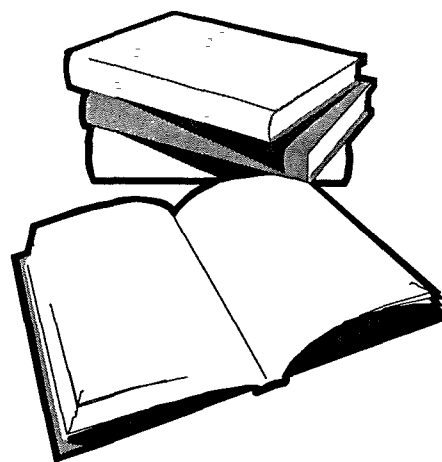
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