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VCC designated as new B.C. centre for hospitality training



VCC's Conrad Leung (centre) cooks with John Les, minister of small business and economic development, and Shirley Bond, minister of advanced education, at the special event announcing VCC's new designation.

Centre for Leadership and Innovation in Hospitality

Vancouver Community College has been designated as the B.C. Centre for Leadership and Innovation in Hospitality by the B.C. government, a move that further puts the college at the forefront in addressing a skills shortage in the province's hospitality sector.

"This is great news for both VCC and B.C.'s hospitality sector," says VCC president Dale Dorn, who joined Advanced Education Minister Shirley Bond, several MLAs and a host of industry representatives for the announcement last month.

"The designation builds on VCC's long track record in this field," says Dorn.

"This centre will be a focal point for hospitality education, innovation and training, locally, regionally and provincially — a major benefit to this dynamic sector."

It couldn't have come at a better time, say industry officials, who cite projections of an estimated 84,000 new jobs in B.C.'s hospitality sector through 2010 to meet the combined demands of industry growth and the Winter Olympics.

"This action will address B.C.'s critical skills shortage and in doing so, open up opportunities for graduates to apply

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VCC's PNE presence is a big success in 2004



CC made its mark at the PNE again this year with cooking shows, a celebrity

challenge and JJ's Restaurant serving lunch and dinner to hungry fair visitors.

For a seventh year at the PNE, VCC hosted the popular Vancouver Community College Cooking Show, featuring chef instructors and guest chefs from prestigious kitchens around the Lower Mainland. Guests included chefs from the Pear Tree, Diva at the Met, the Marriott Pinnacle, Cardero's, La Belle Auberge and the Fairmont Hotels Vancouver and Waterfront Centre.

Media personalities competed for the coveted VCC at the PNE Media Chef of the Year title during the new Celebrity Culinary Challenge. Stuart Derdyn of the Vancouver Province took first place with Jennifer Thomson of CKNW and Jason McRobbie of Restaurant News tying for second. Margaret Gallagher from CBC's Early Edition and Kevin Hayes of CKNW tied for third place.

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Allan Frank has joined VCC to take on the role of First Nations advisor. Frank has spent the last year working on an Aboriginal project for the college and is very familiar with VCC. Frank replaces Brenda Andrews, who has accepted a one-year position providing services for Aboriginal clients. Frank can be contacted at local 7059 (KEC) or 8638 (CC).

VCC's College Foundations Mathematics department welcomes new faculty member *Hassan Khayambashi*, who brings a wealth of experience in teaching math and computer science.

Jennifer Wong is new to VCC, working as the human resources coordinator for instructional staff. Wong will work closely with the ESL departments to assist with the scheduling of workloads and leaves. She has experience as an HR coordinator for BCIT and Shaw/Rogers Cable. She can be reached at local 7068.

Another addition to the Human Resources department is *Heather Hettiarachchi* as the new labour relations advisor. Hettiarachchi will provide advice and assistance across all employee groups. She comes to VCC from UBC, where she was the manager of HR for the university's 16 libraries. Hettiarachchi has a master's degree in HR management as well as a law degree. She can be reached at local 7069.

Andrea Chan joined VCC International in August as the new international admissions advisor. She replaces Cheryl Burton, who has recently been appointed to a position in the Counselling department at KEC where she is primarily advising students entering VCC's new university transfer programs. Chan comes to VCC from BCIT where she has been the international student advisor for the past five years. Her background includes experience with City Polytechnic University in Hong Kong, as well as in the private and government sectors in Hong Kong and Canada. Chan is fluent in English, Cantonese and Mandarin. She is located at the International Education Centre and can be reached at local 5906.

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Rezoning application marks first step in developing VCC's Broadway campus

VCC has formally applied for rezoning of its Broadway campus property, the first official step in developing the space to meet current and future needs.

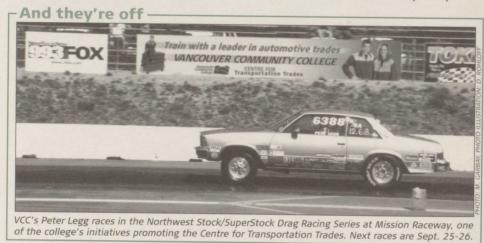
After nine months of hard work on analysis, study and consultation, VCC's rezoning application was filed with the City of Vancouver over the summer. Further evaluation and public consultation will come over the next several months as part of the review process by city planners.

Vancouver officials are expected to hold a public hearing in February; if approved, the rezoning could be in effect a few months after that, clearing the first major hurdle in building new facilities on campus.

Those interested in more details about the college's application to the city can watch the VCC website for the full rezoning application, which will be posted soon.

Rezoning isn't the only project for VCC's facilities department, though, which has been overseeing renovations downtown and on Broadway, where work is underway expanding and improving classroom and learning space.

At King Edward, much-needed study space in the library is expected to be complete by the end of September; in the college's downtown tower, renovations to the fourth floor are scheduled to be finished by the end of October to house the hospitality management program and the new B.C. Centre for Leadership and Innovation in Hospitality.



Charity Golf Classic in its 17th year

On Aug. 19, 200 members of the B.C. retail grocery and pharmacy industry took part in the 17th Annual B.C. Food and Drug Industry Charity Golf Classic, which raises money for VCC's endowment fund honouring Bruce Nicoll.

Held at Surrey's Hazelmere Golf and Tennis Club, the event was a great success. This year, the tournament raised \$45,000 to benefit VCC students with scholarships and bursaries. The event has raised more than \$1.3 million over the years for the endowment fund.

In the past three years, the tournament has also donated \$30,000 to the B.C. Special Olympics to provide opportunities for individuals with an intellectual disability.

Buy-Low Foods, Canada Safeway, Thrifty Foods, Overwaitea/Save On Foods, Marketplace IGA and London Drugs contributed to the success of this year's event.



VCC board chair Gordon Barefoot (left) with cheque for tournament proceeds for the VCC Foundation.

"The money that this tournament raises really impacts the lives of VCC students," says Sheilah Henderson, executive director of the VCC Foundation. "The scholarships and bursaries provided from the Bruce Nicoll Memorial and the B.C. Food and Drug Industry endowment funds make a huge difference to students who are working so hard to realize their educational and career goals."

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Daniel Rohloff has formally joined the Marketing and Communications department as a graphic designer. He has been working in Marketing for some time contributing his talents to projects including the Continuing Studies flyer, Information Night, alumni materials and JJ's at the PNE. His design work, enthusiasm and service-orientation have earned him accolades from around the college. His local is 7064.

The Registrar's Office welcomes a new employee on Sept. 20: Blaine Wiggins has been appointed to the position of associate registrar at King Edward Campus. He will be primarily responsible for supervising the admission/registration/records staff and functions in the Registrar's office at KEC. Wiggins has held senior positions at CDI College, BC Open University, Nicola Valley Institute of Technology (NVIT) and Northern Lights College. At CDI, he held the position of director and at NVIT he was the registrar for approximately five years. His educational background includes a master of arts degree in leadership from Royal Roads and post-secondary diplomas from the University College of the Cariboo.

Barbara Forster-Rickard has been appointed to the position of assistant department head of College Preparatory English effective Aug. 1, 2004.

Ross Barbour has been elected as the coordinator, advanced level, of the ELS department effective Sept. 1, 2004.

Coming soon... employee online services

The college is implementing an Employee Online Services system in October 2004. Soon, you will be able to access your pay information, as well as other personal information, via computer in an electronic format. With a unique login and secure PIN, all VCC employees will be able to view current and historical pay information, leave balances, and be able to change address and other personal information. Watch for detailed information via email and in your pay envelope.

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VCC hospitality management degree approved

Vancouver Community College is now a degree-granting institution.

B.C.'s Minister of Advanced Education has formally approved the college's new bachelor of hospitality management degree, further strengthening VCC's leadership role as the premier hospitality trainer in Western Canada.

"This is exciting news that marks a major step forward for VCC," says college president Dale Dorn. "It is a natural development of our programming – and our tradition of providing graduates with the hands-on skills and technical knowledge that today's employers demand."

VCC's bachelor of hospitality management degree is just the first of four planned degrees that build on the college's long-standing excellence in hospitality management,

music, instructor education and dental sciences.

"Graduates will have a valuable degree that's built on the considerable expertise of B.C.'s No. 1 college," says Joan McArthur-Blair, VCC's vice-president of education, one of the driving forces behind the new credential.

"We are the undisputed leader in these fields," she says. "Now we're taking that reputation and raising the bar even farther, which will take VCC's successful record of applied training to a new level."

It's expected that the new hospitality management degree will begin accepting students over the coming months; VCC's other proposed degrees would follow throughout 2005 and beyond as they receive B.C. government approval.

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their enhanced job-ready skills in the workforce," says Geoffrey Howes, chair of the B.C. Restaurant and Foodservices Association. "Education and training are critical elements of the hospitality industry's growth strategy."

Bringing together educators, industry and government will be a new strategic advisory body—the British Columbia Tourism

and Hospitality Education and Training Consortium — which is charged with guiding education and training efforts to meet sector needs.

Consortium member Stephanie Forsyth calls VCC the ideal place for the new B.C. Centre for Leadership and Innovation in Hospitality, given the college's leading role in culinary arts, baking and pastry arts and hospitality management.

"This is really an opportunity for the system to build on its long history of working together to enhance opportunities for students," says Forsyth, president of Northwest Community Col-



Ministers, MLAs and VCC president Dale Dorn celebrate the announcement.

lege and chair of the British Columbia College Presidents council.

That's echoed by Joan McArthur-Blair, VCC's vice-president of education, who with the dean of VCC's School of Hospitality and Business, Dave Donaldson, was a driving force behind the new centre designation for the college.

"British Columbia needs innovative programming and industry partnerships to address the growing skills shortage in this sector," says McArthur-Blair. "It is very exciting for us to be part of that strategy by having the B.C. Centre for Leadership and Innovation in Hospitality at VCC."

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VCC Foundation 50-50 draw

Congratulations to the recent winners:

April 2004 Sandra Jones
May 2004 Dan Zhang
June 2004 Mary Waddington
July 2004 John Warren
August 2004 Chris De Vaz

Contributions through Foundation initiatives such as the 50-50 draw help support students who are achieving their education and career goals by enrolling at VCC. Here's a sample of what students say when they hear they have been selected for an entrance scholarship:

"Receiving this scholarship motivates me to maintain my desire to pursue post-secondary education and continue my studies. I look forward to starting my new life and starting this adventure. I thank you for your confidence and willingness to help me achieve my goals."

- Maria Jose Hernandez

To sign up for the 50-50 draw, call Rebecca at 7148.

Colour, copying & course packs

Duplicating is pleased to announce that they have a full colour palette to choose from to help meet your duplicating needs. To see the new colours, contact Ron at local 7402 or just drop by duplicating on level one beside the mailroom at KEC.

Many departments are making use of the new colour photocopier in duplicating. The machine produces business-grade colour, so some colours will not be exact. As a reminder, the jobs produced on the colour machine are charged back to your department at a cost of 15 cents per page, which is much less than you can find anywhere outside the college.

The bookstore and duplicating are both ready to work with departments to produce course packs for students. If you need assistance with this project, contact Edmund Leung, bookstore manager, at local 7334 or Sandra MacSorley, manager of ancillary services, at local 8324.

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In Memoriam: Jackie Sandy



ackie Sandy, dean of VCC's career, design, trades and technology programs, passed away over the summer. The following is a speech by VCC's vice-president of education, Joan McArthur-Blair, at Jackie's memorial service:

"Jackie's family asked me to speak today about Jackie from the perspective of her work life. I could tell you of the many positions that she held in her 27 years at VCC. Her counselling roles, her union roles, her administrative roles, but this does not describe who Jackie was to us at VCC. I asked others that I have talked to this week around the college what they would say if they were doing what I am today. Three things stood out.

The first is that everyone has a story of kindness: a moment when Jackie had touched their lives. For some, it was work encouragement, for others it was personal help or just Jackie passing them in the hallways and saying "Hey" and making them smile. One person said it best when she said to me: "For 27 years, Jackie worked with the heart of a counsellor."

The second was that Jackie loved VCC. She always told new people that the place would get under their skin and she loved VCC for 27 years. The third was how she treated people: recently Jackie and I were talking about a problem of some kind and the solution she was planning and I said to her "You know, Jackie, your legacy to VCC will be how you have treated people."

It did not matter where someone worked or what their position was at the college, Jackie treated everyone with love and respect and kindness. And she had a very special place for students. Jackie always believed that students were the centre of the college, that they deserved second and sometimes third chances.

Jackie was also a friend to many of us. We travelled the many journeys of her children and her life with her. Simply said, we loved Jackie and we will miss her.

As I was writing this I thought a lot about my own experiences with Jackie. She hired me at the college and mentored me many times over the years. We became personal friends. She loved good food, good wine and the wonderful laughter of friends. She made the best French onion soup and best pecan pie. She could get lost even driving to work from her house. She had a soft spot for the culinary delights of the lowly hotdog. Gadgets were her passion and she took great joy in the little things of life. She loved her friends, she loved her children and was very proud of who they had become, she loved her partner Jackie and her dog Lucy. Simply said, I will miss her.

Jackie was part of our VCC family and as the poet Elizabeth Carlson said:

Together, Holding one another's hands against the emptiness. This must be the meaning of it all. To be there at the beginning and at the end. A family.

Jackie Sandy, you will be missed by your VCC family, and wherever she is I have an image of her driving her convertible, the music turned up and the wind blowing in her hair."

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Maui? Cancun?

Where will you be going on next year's vacation? Start saving now to make that or any other goal a reality. Vancouver Community College participates in the Canada Savings Bond Payroll Savings program, which enables you to purchase savings bonds by way of payroll deduction. For more information on the program, look online at www.csb. gc.ca. Brochures will be attached with pay stubs in late September; completed applications must be forwarded to the Payroll department by Oct. 18.

VCC Food Services for hire

Food Services is available for barbecues or other events. Contact Les Patterson at local 8709 to make arrangements or for more information. Menus and prices vary to suit the occasion.

Happy birthday, university transfer

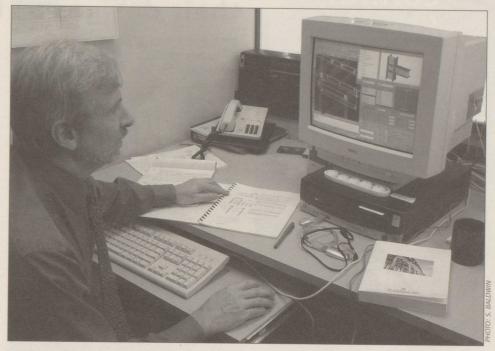
Sept. 7 marked the first anniversary of VCC's university transfer program, which has expanded to 20 sections from the original eight and added three new courses: biology, physics and statistics.

Congratulations go to department heads Costa Karavas (math), Gordon McIntyre (science), John Patterson (humanities), instructional associate Mary Waddington and instructors Pichmony Anhaouy, Wayne Avery, Peter Ballin, Norma Boutillier, Cecilia Burcescu, Andy Sellwood and Judith Wallace.

The program also welcomes two new English instructors, Margaret Fast and Ellie Ting, along with new science instructors, Bruce Clarkson and Maria Morlin. Science lab demonstrators Shirley Lam, Diane Pellerin, Joanna van Liingen and Robyn Wood have helped greatly with the success of the program.

Special thanks are due to Elizabeth Thomson and Stephen Barrington in Marketing, Sandra North, Sueling Chang and all the admissions staff, as well as Counselling at both campuses, who have worked so hard to raise awareness of the program and facilitate student entrance. Best wishes for a great second year!

New software donated to VCC



VCC drafting programs at industry forefront with software donation

Struc-Soft Inc. of Montreal recently donated ProSteel 3D drafting software to Vancouver Community College's drafting programs. The gift-in-kind donation is worth \$230,000 and is a substantial boost to the training available to VCC students.

"Struc-Soft is excited about this collaboration and future involvement with Vancouver Community College," says George Ajami, president of Struc-Soft Inc.

ProSteel 3D allows the drafter to construct an object in three-dimensional space. "It is like 'being there' in a virtual construction site," says Bill Dobie. head of VCC's Drafting department.

ProSteel 3D is modelling and detailing software developed specifically for the steel construction industry. VCC students learn their basic drafting skills predominantly using AutoCAD, with which ProSteel is compatible.

"More and more drafting is now being carried out using 3D applications," says Dobie. "ProSteel is a leading example of this type of software and really furthers our goals of providing relevant training to our students." The software has been incorporated into the curriculum for classes beginning this month.

"By providing VCC access to ProSteel 3D in their curriculum, we hope to provide students and local industry with readily available state-of-the-art technology," says Ajami. "We aim to facilitate a winning situation between these entities, ultimately to promote the already enviable reputation of West Coast detailers and enabling both to compete successfully in local and world construction markets."

■ Notice of Elections

Elections are being held for representatives to the Education Council and to the Board of Governors.

To be eligible to nominate a candidate, to stand for nomination or to vote for a candidate, all parties must be registered (for students) or employed (for employees) as of Sept. 13, 2004. To check on your status, contact the Registrar's Office.

The nomination period runs from Sept. 13 to Sept. 24. Nomination forms are available at the Registrar's Office at both City Centre and King Edward campuses. The

deadline to receive nominations in the Registrar's Office is 3 p.m. on Sept. 24.

The campaign period runs from Sept. 27 to Oct. 1. Campaign materials and forums are the responsibility of the candidates. Candidate information may not be posted before the close of nominations at 3 p.m. on Sept. 24.

The advance poll is scheduled for Sept. 29 and voting is Oct. 5 and 6 at the City Centre Registrar's Office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the Continuing Studies Office from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., as well as at the King Edward Registrar's Office from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. ■

Coming Events

Third annual VCC employee BBQ

Employees are invited to attend the "Just For Fun" BBQ on Sept. 23 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Automotive Trades area at KEC. Last year, more than 250 employees attended the event, where they indulged in an incredible display of food, enjoyed music and shared time with friends and colleagues. This year's event will feature a Western theme, and everyone is encouraged to dress accordingly. The organizing committee is looking for bales of new hay to be used as decorations. Please contact Carol Sicoli at local 7011 or Roseanne Ashworth at local 8313 for more information.

LCD projector workshops

Media Services has been installing LCD projectors in classrooms throughout the college. Workshops are being held to help instructors learn about this new tool and are highly recommended for anyone who will be using an LCD projector in a classroom.

Tues. Sept. 21 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. KEC Room 3275 Wed. Sept. 22 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. CC Room 717

For more information, contact Malcolm McIntosh in Media Services at mmcintosh@vcc.ca or call local 8365.

Campus tours

New employees or employees who have never had an opportunity to take a campus tour will have a chance to attend one with their supervisor's approval. Tours are scheduled on the first Wednesday of each month (Oct 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 1) from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. unless otherwise notified. At City Centre campus, participants will meet at the totem pole in the foyer. At King Edward campus, participants will meet at the reception counter at the Welcome Centre on the 4th Floor.

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Fashion Arts graduates show off their designs at Fiat Mode XVII

ashion Arts graduates thrilled onlookers on July 8 with their inspiring designs at the Fiat Mode XVII fashion show.

Included in the collections of the 26 up-and-coming designers were hip-hop looks, street wear, classic tailored apparel and elaborate costumes for film and theatre.

A jumpsuit with 11 different looks, a skirt made with 400 hand-sewn organza squares and fishing-inspired outerwear were among the designs highlighted.

Syvia Poon's theme, 'heavenly,' incorporated retro elements into her mix of black velvet, champagne silk organza and creamy charmeuse; one dress was made of chandelier crystal strands in what she calls a "celebration of the weightlessness and jubilee" of heaven.

Another graduate, Amelia Shaughnessy, found inspiration in the Transformers comics, using cotton twills, black denims and comic book prints punched up with a dusty rose satin trim; her army-green jumpsuit transforms into 11 looks through 11 zippers — even turning into a jacket and pants combination.



Designer Syvia Poon (left) showcasing her designs.



Heather Martin (left), winner of the Gabriel Levy Scholarship as the top fashion student this year.

Wellness promotion continues at VCC

The Wellness Committee continues to work to create an environment that supports and promotes all aspects of employee wellness. The committee developed a Workplace Wellness Assessment Survey (November 2003) to gain feedback for future planning of wellness initiatives. "We received a great response and thank all the employees who took the time to provide us with their valuable feedback," says Carol Sicoli, who oversees VCC's wellness initiatives in Human Resources.

The program has benefited many employees at the college. "The courses are very informative and supportive,"

says Lorna Brown of Institutional Research. "I hope that more employees will make the time in their schedules to commit to their wellbeing." Brown will continue with yoga this fall and also take other classes being offered.

The Wellness Incentive Program is a great way to track your progress and earn points for reimbursement.

To find out more about classes or the incentive program, visit the HR website linked off the home page: www.vcc.ca. You can also contact Sicoli at local 7011 or email csicoli@vcc.ca.

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Calling all walkers, runners and sponsors

VCC will be entering a team in this year's Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation five-kilometre CIBC Run for the Cure scheduled for Oct. 3 at 9 a.m. at BC Place Stadium. Registration fees are: \$30 by Friday, Sept. 17, and \$35 as of Sept. 18. Register online at www.cibcrunforthecure.com. Team name: Vancouver Community College. Team captain: Pulham.

Organ donor awareness campaign 2004

The campaign is being held Sept. 29 at CC and Oct. 6 at KEC from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The campaign is aimed at increasing the number of organ donors in Canada, and VCC is proud to be a participant. A new computerized registry has been introduced to legally record the wishes of organ donors in B.C. The Organ Donor Registry replaces all previous ways of recording your wishes, including signing up through your B.C. driver's licence or Care Card.

B.C. Transplant Society volunteers will be setting up displays, providing materials and donor cards for completion. A number of transplant recipients are volunteering their time to share their experiences with us.

If you miss the two-day campaign but are interested in becoming an organ donor, pick up a brochure and donor card from Human Resources at KEC or at the City Centre switchboard area.

You will also earn points and rewards in VCC's Wellness Incentive Program by becoming an organ donor.

2005 ACCC conference: call for proposals

The 2005 Association of Canadian Community Colleges conference "Beyond Knowledge" will take place June 5-7, 2005, in Moncton, New Brunswick, hosted by New Brunswick Community College.

ACCC advises that the deadline for presentation proposals is Oct. 8. Details are available on the ACCC website and proposals should be submitted online at http://conference.accc.ca/call/2005.htm.

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For the second year, JJ's was moved to the PNE, and under the direction of Tony Humphries, JC Felicella, Ian Smith and Robert Penman, with the assistance of Tom Rodgers, two seatings for lunch and two seatings for dinner were served during the PNE.

Media coverage of VCC at the PNE was extensive and included an article in the Province, television coverage on Citytv, NowTV and Shaw, along with radio spots on CKNW, Jack FM, AM650 and AM600.

Also at the PNE, CKNW's 60th anniversary was marked by a four-foot-by-eight-foot cake prepared by VCC's Baking and Pastry Arts department. Chef instructor Robert Kraatz

with the assistance of the Donaldsons, Dave, Forrest and Alexandra, served 800 pieces of cake to the fair's attendees.

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is always phenomenal," says Dave Donaldson, dean of VCC's School of Hospitality and Business. VCC participants included Harald Bonkowski, James Hutton, Colin Gill, Ernst Wallgram, Bob Feist, Rick Irwin, Dave Rvan, Mike Steele, Alex Ritchie, Malcolm Bain, Rob Kraatz and Mike Pinter from Culinary Arts; Conrad Leung from Asian Culinary Arts and George Rudolph, Susie Lee, Nuala Cyr and Nancy



Below: VCC president Dale Dom and PNE president



Jensen from

Baking and

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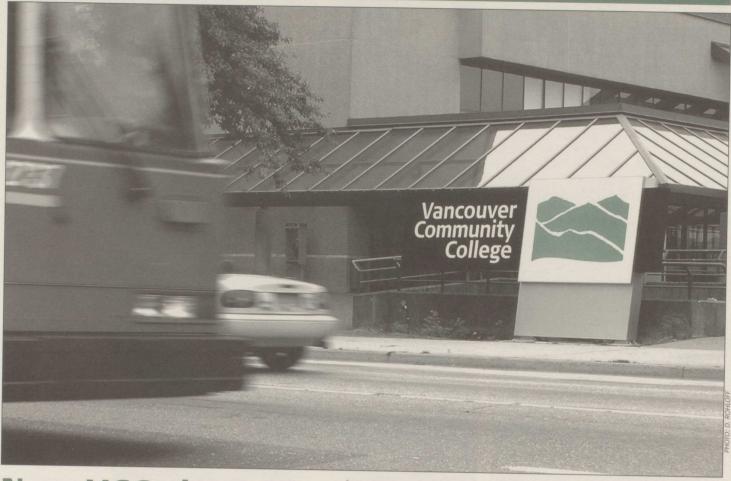
Ashworth was

the show coor-

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dinator.

"Sign(age) of the times"



New VCC signage at King Edward campus

They're big. They're bold. They're backlit.

Four big new signs were installed at VCC's Broadway campus over the summer, dramatically boosting the college's visibility to the tens of thousands of commuters who pass by its doors each day.

"These new signs really give VCC a considerable street presence," says college marketing director Stephen Barrington,

who with facilities director Larry Waddell spearheaded the signage project.

"We wanted to put our name out there in a big way so there could be no mistake that 'VCC is here.'"

Planning, design, fabrication and municipal approvals took several months, including a special application to the city for signs several times larger than previously allowed.

Three of the new signs – those on Broadway and at the northern cor-

ners of the campus property on Great Northern Way – are illuminated for maximum visibility, particularly during Vancouver's grey winter days. A fourth, supplemental, sign is mounted on the building's upper corner at Broadway and Glen.

New signage is now under development for the college's campus downtown at Hamilton and Dunsmuir, another high-traffic location, where VCC again has the potential to present itself to a large audience.

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