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# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

My thanks to you all for the good wishes on my "retirement" and for the most generous gifts: The Doris Shadbolt book on Emily Carr has a special meaning for me, as I think I explained already; the forty dollars for records is so opulent that I am still brooding over my rather lengthy list trying to decide what to get.

I would also particularly like to thank Jerry Domer, Nic Morelli and Hilary Slatter for their help and support during my term as Division Chairman. To Barbara Bowers, our new Chairman, I wish every success. She has taken on a tough job, but she has the leadership abilities, the persistence and the good sense necessary to meet the new challenges successfully. I know that she will have the loyalty and the support of everyone within the Division and I believe that, under her leadership, Communications Arts looks forward to a bright future.

Thank you all again for everything. Onwards and upwards and all best wishes for the New Year.

Rosemary Meyer





King Edward Campus

#### RETURN ENGAGEMENT!

Mount Loyal College, Calgary, English Language Training instructors were so impressed by Eloah Giacomelli's excellent presentation at the ATESL Conference in November, that they have invited her back to conduct a workshop on her methods. They feel that there are "many other instructors in the city who would like to have more details."

Congratulations, Eloah, on helping others in your field so successfully.

R.F.C.

#### WELCOME (BACK)

I would like to welcome back all instructors after a well-earned vacation, at the same time expressing my appreciation to the support staff who laboured here on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve in order to ensure that everything would be ready for our January registrations and the start of instruction again.

I would particularly like to welcome the following new instructors, all in English Language Training, Night School Department. They are:

Jill Clark, Roy Davis, Avis Hanley, Janet Lee, Mary Oxtaby, Donna Pollack, Jadzia Prenosil, Betty Taniguchi and Hank Virani.

The five new full-time classes for refugees, three for the first time at the Carnegie Centre and two additional ones at the Italian Cultural Centre will be taught, in part, by instructors previously with Neighbourhood English and Night School Departments.

R.F.C.

#### A REMINDER TO ALL INSTRUCTORS

The Instructor's Diploma (I.D.) Program Courses return to the V.V.I. Campus for January 1980.

I.D. 102: January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22 Room 410 from 0900 to 1600

I.D. 103: January 18, 19, 25, 26, February 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16

Room 220

1600 - 2200 on January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15

0900 - 1600 on January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16

ALL CLASSES MUST BE TAKEN

I.D. 104: January 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31, February 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21 Room 410 1600 - 1800

REMEMBER: Ministry policy states you <u>must</u> take I.D. 102 <u>before</u> I.D. 103 and you must take I.D. 103 before I.D. 104.

If you wish to take any of the above courses, please phone Kim Berti, V.V.I. at 681-8111 or see the Dean of Instruction.

R.F.C.

### FROM THE AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT

Block Bookings: If you plan to use equipment on a regular basis, please come in and reserve it as soon as possible, especially if you need several pieces at a time. We can then have everything ready for you to pick up in advance.

<u>Videotape Requests</u>: Remember that we need one week's notice to request off-air recordings and copies of videotapes from Langara.

A.W.

#### FURNITURE INVENTORY

Over the holiday season, the classrooms in the lower building were inventoried and furniture was set up to accommodate the anticipated number of students for each room. In order to keep this properly organized, we ask that you do not let any furniture be removed from your classroom. Any furniture that is found in the corridors will be removed. Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

S.B.

#### METRIC SYSTEM NEWS

From Ottawa, December 17, 1979 - - The Minister of State for small business, Ron Huntington, said today that the Government is postponing the mandatory implementation of the Metric conversion of scales in the retail food sector for a minimum of one year.

Mr. Huntington said the postponement also applied to the weighing, advertising and selling of food products that are weighed individually in stores and that it would particularly affect retain food stores in the three pilot areas of Kamloops, Peterborough and Sherbrooke that have already converted to metric.

The majority of Canadians do not feel confortable with the speed of implementation because the conversion to Metric has not been properly explained. A study by the Metric Overview Committee shows that there is an urgent situation and deep public concern that most Canadians are unprepared to use an entirely different and unfamiliar system in their everyday lives.

Mr. Huntington emphasized that the postponement provides time for a consultative review of the implementation process. Any timetable for renewed implementation of the retail scale conversion program will be given six months advance notice, the Minister said.

E.C.C.

#### KING EDWARD DAY COMMITTEE

A reminder that we meet at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th of January in the Assessment Room.

M.C.



Lynne and Wayne Wilson are the proud parents of a baby girl!
Laura Ellis was born on Friday, December 28 at 10:30 a.m.
and weighed in at 6 lb. 14 oz.

Mother, father and baby are all doing well!

Congratulations, Lynne and Wayne. We all wish you much joy and happiness and are looking forward to pictures soon.

M.G.



#### WELCOME!

A warm welcome to Teresa Blondal, our new mail clerk, who is taking Lynne Wilson's place until Lynne returns in the Spring.

We hope you enjoy your new position, Teresa, and we look forward to enjoying your warm smile and pleasant personality for several months.

M.G.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS

Please advise students that each year the B.C. Government Employees' Union awards 10 scholarships for post-secondary education to relatives of B.C. Gov't. Employees' Union members. Application deadline date is February 28, 1980.

Please contact Rita Shelley in the Admin. Office for further information.

R.S.

# FACULTY MAIL BOXES

Students are sometimes sent to the office to put materials in faculty mail boxes. Some of the students have been going through instructors' mail. If you find it important enough to send a student to the office with material to be placed in your letter box, please send a note to this effect and ask the student to please not go through the rear door as this is for faculty and staff only.

M.G.

# VCC offers deaf advanced training

Education and training for the hearing-impaired does not always end at Jericho Hill, nor with a special program in one of the many secondary schools in the province that cater to their needs.

Vancouver Community College has a department called Programs on Deafness which provides postsecondary opportunity for men and women who are at least 18 years old and have the ability and desire to advance.

Programs on Deafness, which is conducted at the College's King Edward campus under the direction of department head Wayne Bottlinger, provides most of its students with vocational orientation programs in English, mathematics, science, communication and life skills.

In the current year about 40 adults have taken advantage of vocational orientation, preparing for more advanced work at other VCC campuses, the Pacific Vocational Institute, or to training-on-the-job situations. Employer reaction to hearing-impaired employees is generally positive, Bottlinger says. "As with other students, those who do well in vocational orientation tend to do well in their occupations."

For a very few, the VCC program opens the door to a university education. Each year

one or two British Columbia students get to Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., a liberal arts school which is the only university in the world maintained exclusively for the hearingimpaired.

The department is called Programs on Deafness because it not only serves the hearing-impaired, but also prepares people with normal hearing to work with the hearing-impaired and to communicate with them. A ten-month full time program for para-professional workers trains students to interpret for the deaf and to work in other areas with the hearing-impaired.

In the interpreters program, part-time sign language classes are offered, and 240 people are enrolled.

Students who enrol in the deaf program at King Edward have an initial two-month assessment period but can stay up to 10 months, depending on their need.

"We serve all levels of hearing impaired, from the hard of hearing to the profoundly deaf, and all education levels," said Bottlinger. "We try to give our students all the assistance they need and in some cases have even integrated hard-of-hearing people into other departments or divisions of the College."

"If you can't come to us, then we'll come to you" accurately describes a new English language training program at Vancouver Community College's King Edward Campus.

The Homefront Learning Program will provide free English language instruction in homes or neighborhoods to non-English speaking individuals living in Vancouver who are unable to attend existing classes for physical, cultural or personal reasons. The program is aimed at individuals with little or no English.

The project, which began in September, is being funded by the Ministry of Education for a period of six months. The head community teacher is Rose Marie Watson.

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# CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

If, for any reason, you change your name, address or telephone number, please inform Ms. McClure immediately (this information will be kept confidential.)

On December 18, Student Records had to query a mark awarded to a student. When I tried to contact the instructor, using our information file, a recorded voice said: "The number you have reached is not in service." Neither her Department nor "enquiries" could help me and her department head was out Christmas shopping.

As a consequence, a student may have been mailed a wrong mark.

Therefore, please, if you move, let us know as soon as is possible.

R.F.C.

# START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT: LIBRARY STYLE

Do you have books overdue from the library? Are they so far overdue that you are embarrassed to bring them back?

Now is your opportunity! For a period of one week, starting Monday, January 14 to Friday, January 18, 1980, you may return books to the library without overdues charges - in fact, without questions asked!

For those who are persistent, and may have books overdue from their local public library as well, the same offer is made for the same limited period.

P.C.

# SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL FACULTY AND STAFF:

The TDl form that you received with your pay slip must be filled out and returned to Payroll at Regional as soon as possible. Although you may not make any changes, the Payroll Department wants to make sure that they have a form from each employee that is up-to-date.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

M.G.

#### CONDOLENCES

The sympathy of all of their friends at King Edward Campus is extended to Wayne and Ron Wilson on the passing of their mother.

G. Pawelchak and

E. MacLeod

#### COLLEGE BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the College Board is scheduled for January 23rd. The Board will NOT meet next week Wednesday.

H.E.P.

## VISIT

The Hon. Brian Smith, Minister of Education, will be visiting our Campus next Friday afternoon. More details in next week's Times.

H.E.P.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I'd like to take this opportunity to extend to all members of faculty and staff my sincerest best wishes for 1980. I'm optimistic that 1980 will be KEC's year.

H.E.P.



