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*May you have the gladness of
Christmas*

Which is hope ;

The spirit of Christmas

Which is peace ;

The heart of Christmas

Which is love.

Ada V. Hendricks

CONGRATULATIONS....

Dr. Lawrence Fast, Principal is pleased to announce the appointment of Jean MacLeod as the Department Head - Mathematics in the Adult Basic Education Division at King Edward Campus, effective January 1, 1992. Jean joined the college in 1986 and became a regular full-time instructor on May 1, 1990. Please join me in extending best wishes to Jean on this appointment.

Lawrence Fast

**THE LOWER MAINLAND
CHRISTMAS BUREAU EMPTY
STOCKING FUND** needs our
support.

The Bureau administers and distributes the Empty Stocking Fund, helping economically disadvantaged children, families and individuals at Christmas, by providing financial and material assistance. Money and "in-kind" donations of toys and food (for hampers prepared and distributed to "special need" families) are collected and distributed by the Bureau. If you would like to donate or volunteer your help during this Christmas season, please call 253-7191 or send your donation to :

Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau
1035 Commercial Drive
Vancouver, B.C. V4C 5B9



Please specify if you require a receipt for income tax purposes.

Sarah Lucas

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COMMUNITY
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Vancouver Community College
King Edward Campus - Library
P.O. Box 24620 - Stn. C
1155 East Broadway
Vancouver, B.C. V5T 4M2

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The following letter came in last week. It addresses a concern shared by many and is an issue in which we invite your input. 1992 offers an opportunity for New Year resolutions. We will endeavour to cut down on the quantity of paper - quality is another matter! We would like to hear your suggestions on the format and content you would like to see for the KEC Times. Please let us hear from you.

Dear Editor:

Please be mindful of the quantity of paper used in the production of the KEC Times, by not repeating advertisements for upcoming workshops - HRD, ICSC, etc. (If your concern is that faculty may not read each issue, couldn't these notices be posted?) Other measures might be to cut down on the use of oversize type face. These two simple measures could be a starting point in reducing paper consumption.

I hope you print this letter as a way of encouraging feedback related to this concern.

Grant Richards
Basic Education
7369/7380/7381

UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

REVIEW OF COLLEGE ORGANIZATION

I know you have all heard many things about the joint committee (Ministry, College, Faculty Associations) study concerning the long-term financial needs of the College and its organizational structure.

Meetings with representatives of the three groups are now held regularly on Friday mornings. Bob Elton and Mary King, of Peat Marwick Thorne have been retained to do a study and to make recommendations to the joint committee. Remember that background material is available in the library or from the VIA office.

At King Edward Campus we have signed a new Innovations Assessment Project contract to develop assessment tools for use by EIC across Canada to assess the training needs of recent immigrants. The developmental work will be done by Helen Tegenfeldt and Virginia Monk and I am sure either one would be pleased to tell you about the project.

At City Centre a very active Orientation Committee, chaired by Linda Martin, has prepared a fine orientation program for all new employees. It includes:

- (a) An orientation package
- (b) A lunch reception three times a year
- (c) A training workshop for supervisors who help to orient new employees

At King Edward Campus, Karen Kelly is forming a similar committee and would welcome volunteers.

I am pleased that we now have a newly organized Council of Educational Managers on Campus (chair: Barbara Ash, vice-chair: Malcolm Cant). I look forward to working with their group on various educational matters on campus.

Finally, I wish you all a well-deserved rest and a wonderful Christmas with your families and friends.

Lawrence Fast

CHRISTMAS AT KEC

14 DAYS TO GO!

The campus never looked so festive! When the Christmas Planning Group suggested the Inter-Departmental Decorating Competition, we could not have imagined such a tremendous response. The judges (David Kolot and Jay Strachan) were overwhelmed by the effort and enthusiasm in all areas. The decision was tough! They finally agreed that three prizes should be awarded:

- First:** Admissions
Second: Purchasing
Third: Computer Services

Prizes will be awarded at the Christmas Party on December 19th. Special mention goes to the Daycare for the extraordinary effort by the little ones who made all their own decorations, and to the B.T.S.D. Department. Congratulations to the winners and to all who participated. Thank you all for creating so much warmth and Christmas spirit on campus. We hope this will become an annual event.

The Results of the DEPARTMENTAL GIFT EXCHANGE DRAW are listed below:-

<u>Gift Giver</u>	<u>Gift Receiver</u>
Administration	Bookstore
Assessment Centre	BTSD
Auto Collision	Outreach
Automotive Technician	Hearing Impaired
Basic Education	Administration
Bookstore	Financial Aid
BTSD	I.E.P.A.
Bus. & Comp. Studies	Science
C.P.E.	Sign Language
Counselling	Humanities
Diesel Technician	Small Business
E.L.S.	Counselling
Financial Aid	C.P.E.
Hearing Impaired	Mathematics
Humanities	Auto Collision
I.E.P.A.	ELS
Institutional Aide	ESL Vocational

Learning Centre	Bus. & Comp. Studies
Mathematics	Visually Impaired
Music Department	Registrar's Office
Outreach	Assessment Centre
Pharmacy	Basic Education
Registrar's Office	Learning Centre
Science	Institutional Aide
Sign Language	Diesel
Small Business	Auto Technician
Visually Impaired	Music
ESL Vocational	Pharmacy

CHRISTMAS TIDBITS

- The first Canadian Christmas was observed in 1535 by Jacques Cartier and his men on the banks of the St. Croix River (now the St. Charles) near Quebec City. Supplies were low and many of the 110 men were beginning to suffer from scurvy. They dined on salt, meat and stale vegetables.
- Many of today's Christmas customs originated with the pagan celebrations of the winter solstice. The return of light as the days became longer, were signified with great bonfires, burning of the yule log, and the lighting of candles.
- For good luck, mincemeat of tartlet size is to be eaten every day between Christmas Day and Twelfth Night.
- Mincemeat is a symbol of the gifts of the Wise Men, its composition being of the products of the East.
- Twelfth Night Cake originated in Christmas celebrations in France. The cake was baked containing a bean and a pea. The man to find the bean in his slice, and the woman to find the pea, became the Twelfth Night King and Queen of the evening. The bean King derives from the Saturnalian King

chosen by lot. In parts of France, Spain and even Mexico, the tradition of baking the cake with the bean and pea still continues, although not in England. However, at Drury Lane Theatre, in London, a Twelfth Night Cake is delivered to the actresses and actors in the Green Room, a practice first begun in 1794 by an actor who was also a chef.

- Legend has it that Clement C. Moore began composing "The Night Before Christmas" while on a trip to market by sleigh, to buy the Christmas turkey. This poem is the origin of Santa arriving by sleigh.

*We hope you and your family
will join us
at*

**Christmas '91
December 19, 1991**

**3:00 PM
Christmas In Concert
a faculty presentation
In
the Auditorium**

**3:30 PM
Christmas Party
with KEC, Central Administration
and Continuing Education
In
the Faculty Lounge**

*gifts are being prepared for the children
if your children are joining us
please let Santa know at 7021*

L A S T C A L L F O R ENTERTAINMENT '92 - THE PERFECT GIFT FOR FRIEND & FAMILY

If you enjoy dining out, movies, concerts, sports, travel, etc., You are probably anxious to get your Entertainment 1992 and save money in these areas. The books are available from Faye Rice (Admissions, local 7034) at a cost of \$43.00. Get your copy NOW! Proceeds from the sale of these books go to charity.

ALL INSTRUCTORS & STAFF ON TIMESHEETS

Please note that the Campus will be closed between Christmas & New Year's Day. For the pay period ending December 27, all timesheets must be submitted to the Payroll Clerk on the 4th Floor **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY NOON, DECEMBER 13.** Cheques will be available for pick up December 24, 9:00 a.m. to

11:00 a.m. Late timesheets will not be processed until after the New Year.

Karen Kelly

LEARNING CENTRE HOURS

*The Learning Centre will be
open December 16-18, from
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., but we
will be closed December 19 -
24.*

*We look forward to serving you
in the New Year.*

Seasons Greetings!

KEC CREATIVITY CLUB, KEC

Our name has changed. You are invited to our next meeting:

Tuesday, December 17, 1991
4:00 p.m. in Room 4043

"We are not square, we are three dimensional."
Join us!

Members

Peter Ballin
Jean Cockell
Carol Harrison
Pat May
Janice Welbourne

Robert Caldwell
Wayne Decle
Sam Lewindon
Richard Pearce

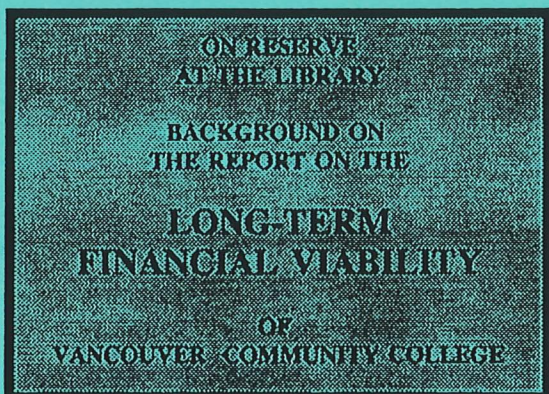
Joyce Jarrett

ON VACATION

Karen Kelly, Administrative Manager, KEC/City Centre, will be on vacation from December 23, 1991 to January 14, 1992. Please direct any problems or requests to Doreen Sharan, local 7004.

Mark Goertz, Public Services Librarian, will be on vacation from December 09, 1991 to January 02, 1992. Please contact Aphrodite Harris, local 7318.

Brenda Appleton, Campus Librarian, will be on vacation from December 09, 1991 to January 02, 1992. Aphrodite Harris will be Acting Campus Librarian and may be reached at local 7318.



FROM THE COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

Janice Welbourn will be the Acting Department Head of Counselling from December 12th to 23rd inclusive.

Loren Houldson

IMS Christmas Hours

PLEASE NOTE:

Mon., Tues., Dec. 9, 10: 08:00 to 16:30
Wed., Thurs., Dec. 11, 12: 08:00 to 20:30
Fri., Dec. 13: 08:00 to 16:00

Dec. 16, 1991 to Jan. 6, 1992:
Monday to Thursday: 08:00 to 16:30
Friday: 08:00 to 16:00

Merry Christmas from IMS

GINGERBREAD HOUSE RAFFLE

The Institutional Aide students have made a gingerbread house for a Christmas raffle. The house will be on display and tickets will be sold in the cafeteria from December 11 to December 18, 1991.

Tickets - 50¢ each or 3 for \$1.00. Proceeds to "Save the Children Fund." Draw for the lucky winner will be on December 19, 1991.

Nadine Johnson

ONE TIME ONLY RECYCLING OPPORTUNITY

DECEMBER 19, 1991

For those dedicated recyclers who have been hoping that the recycling program will kick into gear and have been hoarding recyclable paper in corners, help is at hand. While the recycling program is not yet off the ground, and won't be until the new year, we have arranged to have a one time pick up to clear up the back log.

During the next week there will be big blue (and somewhat ugly) recycling barrels placed in three strategic locations on campus.

Fifth floor reception area
Fourth floor corridor (near the stairs on the Admin. side)
Cafeteria (Faculty side next to Rm.2145)

LOOK FOR THE SIGNS!!

Would you please bring your paper to the container. The containers are for bond (coloured and white and computer paper only - no mixed waste).

Remember, this is one time only
...December 19, 1991...the barrels will not be kept permanently in these locations.

Pat May, Local 7259

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Department of Administrative,
Adult & Higher Education

HIGHER EDUCATION 513

Current Issues in Higher Education
"Higher Education in the 1990's - Higher Education and its Environments"

1991/92

Winter Session, Term 2
Saturday 9:15 - 4:00 p.m.

Higher Education 513 addresses selected issues in higher education under the general topic "Higher Education in the 1990's - Higher Education and its Environments". The course will provide a forum for common exploration and discussion, looking into several directions, drawings from a variety of sources, and involving a number of experts from inside and outside U.B.C.

The course is open for auditors to the extent that space is available. To preserve the seminar character of the course the number of students will be limited to a maximum of 20.

To allow more time for the course requirements, students taking the course for credit are encouraged to contact Dr. Hans G. Schutze prior to the first session in order to discuss topics of paper and presentations.

For further information please contact Sarah Lucas at Local 7021.

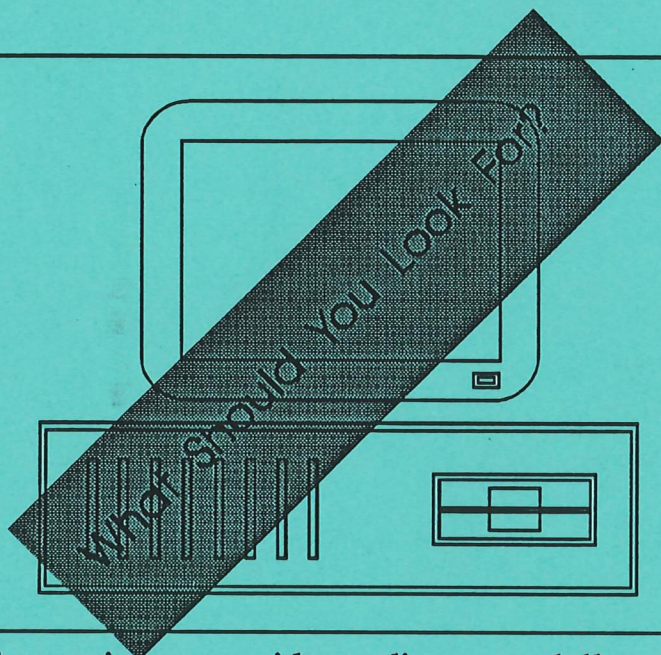




ICSC COMPUTING CORNER

PURCHASING A COMPUTER 11

QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE YOU BUY.



Ask questions to avoid spending extra dollars on a complex system which may be more than you need.

For what purpose will I use a computer?

Word Processing:

Student handouts, class notes, correspondence, manuals or books.

Spreadsheets:

Entering and calculating student marks, budget preparation.

Databases:

Managing information; for example, organizing all the magazine articles you have accumulated on a particular topic.

Electronic Communications:

Sending and receiving E-mail;

conferencing with colleagues across the province or across the country; retrieving information; for example ERIC searches.

What software will I use?

WordPerfect, MS Word or Microsoft Works are among the most popular word processors

Lotus 123 or Microsoft Works, are two popular spreadsheets.

dBase, Foxbase are popular databases. Microsoft Works also contains a database.

ProcommPlus and Microsoft Works

are two widely used communication packages.

Decide on software first, then a computer.

Comparisons have been drawn between purchasing a VCR unit and purchasing a computer. You purchase the unit which will play the video tapes you wish to see. So you should purchase a computer which will run the software you intend to use.

An older system with a hard drive and at least one floppy drive, for example, an XT or a 286, will be perfectly adequate for any of this software .

Graphics will require a more powerful system, 386 or 486.

Where should I purchase my computer?

The service which you receive before and after the sale is of the utmost importance. It is advisable to establish a good working relationship with the salesperson before the sale, and essential to assure that help is available afterwards.

To whom should I talk before purchasing a computer?

Talk to your colleagues and friends. Find out where they purchased their computers and if they were satisfied with the level of service before and after the sale.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ASIA PACIFIC SCHOLARS' AWARDS

COLLEGES AND INSTITUTES

INTRODUCTION

The British Columbia Centre for International Education has received an allocation from the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology to fund the British Columbia Asia Pacific Scholars' Awards program. The program has been established to provide an opportunity for British Columbia public post-secondary employees to gain a better understanding of the cultures, economies and languages of Asian countries and to establish working relationships with peoples of the Asia Pacific region.

The British Columbia Asia Pacific Scholars' Awards will provide financial support for faculty members or professional staff from British Columbia public post-secondary colleges and institutes to visit Asian post-secondary institutes in order to teach courses, develop programs and/or curricula, or carry out other related professional activities (excluding research).

A budget will be set annually by the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology for the British Columbia Asia Pacific Scholars' Awards program. The awards will be administered through the British Columbia Centre for International Education and will be adjudicated by a committee representing the British Columbia public post-secondary system.

CONDITIONS

- 1) To be eligible for the British Columbia Asia Pacific Scholars' Awards, the applicant must be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant, a British Columbian resident and a faculty member or professional at a public community college or provincial institute.
- 2) Individuals are encouraged to utilize existing linkages between British Columbian and overseas institutions, whenever possible.
- 3) Awards will be in predetermined amounts according to the country of study and are intended to be applied towards travel and living expenses. Awards may be paid either to the applicant's present institution or to the applicant directly. The choice of payee will be made with the agreement of both parties. Overseas assignments must commence within one year of notification of receipt of the award.
- 4) Assignments overseas must be a minimum of 2 months. Funding will be provided for a maximum of 10 months.
- 5) The successful applicant will be required to submit to the British Columbia Centre for International Education two copies of a typed, double-spaced report (minimum of 5 pages) within one month of the completion of the program. The report should summarize the assignment abroad and outline the benefits that will accrue to the overseas institutions, home institutions and to the applicant's work, and discuss the potential for ongoing liaison with the overseas institution.
- 6) Individuals may receive only one award from this program during any five-year period.
- 7) Applications must be submitted to the International Liaison Officer of the applicant's home institution using the approved application form.see next page

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COLLEGES AND INSTITUTES

- 8) The deadlines for submission of applications will be July 1, November 1, and February 1.
- 9) Individuals who accept these awards are responsible for arranging their own travel, program, accommodation, and all other details of their program overseas.
- 10) It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure that documents in a language other than English be translated into English. Both the original document and the translated version must be submitted. All information submitted by the candidate is subject to verification.
- 11) The application form and all supporting documents including letters of support and confirmation from the host institution must be received by the International Office of the applicant's home institution by the appropriate closing date. An incomplete application hampers the assessment of the application. Material received after the deadline will not be considered.
- 12) Applicants will be advised of the results of the evaluation and selection process within thirty days of the application deadline.
- 13) It is the responsibility of each candidate to advise his/her home institution in writing of the location at which he/she can be contacted through the duration of his/her program overseas. Updates should include complete addresses, telephone numbers and/or fax numbers if applicable.

Form Applications Available in International Office on 5th Floor or in Sarah Lucas's Office



ATTENTION
INSTRUCTORS



HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

February 1992

BEYOND COOPERATIVE LEARNING with John Parker

The main result of introducing active learning into a classroom is that passive listeners soon become active learners. Through active participation, you will experience many practical active-learning workshop ideas on how to transform your students into independent writers, readers, speakers, listeners, and thinkers.

During this active-learning workshop, teachers will receive ideas on how to go "beyond cooperative learning" to make their classrooms truly student-centered. Because people remember 20-30% of what they are involved in (cooperative learning) but 80% of what they teach (active learning), John Parker helps teachers ease their students into teaching. Within a month, students take over portions of every lesson. By the end of the term, groups of students can take over the instruction of an entire class period, engaging the rest of the students in their own high-quality, creative, active-learning workshops.

By making everything they write in school real, students readily take ownership of their writing. By engaging in a variety of well-designed, peer-editing sessions, students learn to depend on their peers instead of their teachers. Finally, by participating in a teacher-editing session with their peer editor, both writer and editor become more efficient.

Since his retirement from the faculty of VCC, John Parker has given many workshops on active learning throughout North America and England. He has won teaching awards for his innovative approaches from the Association of Canadian Community Colleges and the University of Texas. John has authored six textbooks and is currently Senior Consultant with McDougal Littell for their composition series.

For those who may be interested in purchasing instructional materials, John Parker's book, Workshops for Active Learning, will be available at a reduced cost of \$18.00. The book includes over 200 workshop ideas and, because the book is inter-active, instructors will be able to add specific details about the various active-learning workshops in which they participate so that they leave with dozens of practical ideas.

DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1992

TIME: 9:00 a.m. TO 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION: ROOM 5025 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

To Register:

- 1 - Discuss with your Department Head and complete a "Request for Leave from Duty" form.
- 2 - Complete and send the form below to Human Resource Development. Your registration will be confirmed. Call 871-7142 if you require more information or assistance.

BEYOND COOPERATIVE LEARNING with John Parker

Name: _____ Position: _____ Department: _____

Campus: _____ Phone Local: _____ Date sent to HRD: _____

*Please complete form and return to Carol Harrison, Human Resource Development
Central Administration*

VANCOUVER
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This Christmas Carry A Lifesaver



No one plans to drink and drive...But we should all plan not to.

This year, Vancouver Community College, Employee Relations,
will make available two
FREE LIFESAVER TRANSIT TICKETS
to all College employees.
Lifesaver tickets are good for
travel by Bus, Seabus and SkyTrain right across the Lower Mainland.
Think of it as a free designated driver.



BECAUSE you are VCC, we want you back after the holidays.



To obtain your Lifesaver Travel Tickets,
phone or drop by the
EMPLOYEE RELATIONS OFFICE.



POSITIONS OPENING

City Centre

Clerk Cashier (Student Records). Closing date: December 16, 1991.

Library Assistant II. Closing date: December 16, 1991.

King Edward Campus

Coordinator II (Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing). Closing date: December 13, 1992. Please note the amendment of closing date.

Temporary Clerk Typist II (Mailroom). Closing date: December 16, 1991.

Permanent Part-Time Term Instructional Assistant II (13/35 basis) (ESL Outreach Department) (South Hill Learning Centre). Closing date: December 18, 1991.

Permanent Part-Time Term Instructional Assistant II (13/35 basis) (ESL Outreach Department) (Canadiana Centre). Closing date: December 18, 1991.

Permanent Part-Time Term Instructional Assistant II (17.5/35 basis) (ESL Outreach Department) (KEC West Learning Centre). Closing date: December 20, 1991.

Langara

Laboratory Demonstrator I (Biology Department). Closing date: December 23, 1991.

Telephone Operator/Receptionist Relief. Closing date: December 19, 1991.

FOR RENT

MAIN FLOOR of house near KEC, 1 bedroom, bay window, 2 decks, garden, garage, 900 sq. feet; view of mountains, sunny, good deal; available Jan. 01 or sooner; \$581/month; call 597-1192.

