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MARCH IS ... LEARNING DISABILITIES A WARENESS MONTH



A learning disability (LD) is a handicap which affects the manner in which individuals take in information, retain it, and express the knowledge and understanding they possess. The most serious and common deficits in adults with LD are in reading comprehension, spelling, mechanics if writing, math computation, and/or problem solving. Less frequent, but no less troublesome, are problems in organizational skills, time management, and test-taking strategies. For most adults with LD, language-based and/or perceptual problems are still evident.

The most widely accepted formal definition of learning disabilities was formulated in 1968 by the National Advisory Committee on Handicapped Children and later incorporated into the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975, Public Law 94-142.

The definition has been revised several times to reflect our increase in awareness that learning disabilities do not disappear in adulthood. As information was disseminated about learning disabilities, there was no longer the necessity to refer to previous nomenclature such as aphasia. Moreover, the children with learning disabilities identified in the 1970s have reached adulthood

and they themselves, their parents, and professionals have come to realize that a learning disability is a lifelong condition and, thus, the definition needed to be revised. The most widely accepted revision was developed in 1981 (revised in 1988) by the National Joint Committee on Learning Disabilities. It states:

Learning disabilities is a general term that refers to a heterogenous group of disorders manifested by significant difficulties in the acquisition and use of listening, speaking, reading, writing, reasoning, or mathematical abilities. disorders are intrinsic to the individual, presumed to be due to central nervous system dysfunction, and many occur across the life span. Problems in self-regulatory behaviours, social perception, and social interaction may exist with learning disabilities but do not by themselves constitute a learning disability. Although learning disabilities may occur concomitantly. with other handicapping conditions (for example, sensory impairment, mental retardation, serious emotional disturbance) or with extrinsic influences (such as cultural differences, insufficient or inappropriate instruction), they are not the result of those conditions or influences.

The major underlying disorders in basic psychological processes include difficulties in discrimination (eg., in perceiving differences between two similar but unlike sounds, words,

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or symbols), in retaining what is heard or seen, and in expressing what one knows either through oral or written language.

Lack of experience and knowledge about learning disabilities among college and university personnel has caused some individuals to confuse the individual with LD with the retarded individual. Students with LD are not mentally retarded. It may be helpful to keep in mind that Niels Bohr, Albert Einstein, Thomas Edison, and Woodrow Wilson, among other eminent individuals, all had learning disabilities.

A second common misperception is that students with LD are unmotivated or lazy and, therefore, do not achieve to the level of their potential. In fact, neither is the case for most college students with LD who often work twice or three times as hard as their non-LD classmates to achieve the same goals. In fact, taking longer to complete reading assignments, papers, and/or exams is a result of the continuing effects of their learning disability.

[Susan Vogel, <u>College Students With Learning Disabilities: A Handbook.</u> 1993].

FINANCIAL AID UPDATE...

ABESAP applications for summer term are now available from the Financial Aid Office. Please apply early. Financial Aid Office personnel are also available to give mini-talks. If you would like to book one, please call at local 7046.

Bursary cheques will be mailed out first week of April.

MAKE A NOTE OF THIS...

On March 12, 1994, the Diesel Department will host the **26th Annual S.A.E. Spring** Seminar

The theme for this year's seminar will be:

IS TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTALLY CHALLENGED?

SAE 1994 President Randall R. Richards, Director of New Product Technology, Caterpillar Inc., will give the keynote address in this important seminar. The impact of the motor vehicle on the environment, and future stringent regulations to minimise this still further will be reviewed by a panel of experts in automotive recycling, A/C refrigerant and equipment retrofitting, reformulated fuels and on-board diagnostics.

Equipment relating to this exciting new challenge will be on display in the Diesel Department.

For further information or registration, contact Dave Niessen at 871-7391.

CE GRADUATE FASHION SHOW

The Continuing Education Division Fashion Arts Certificate Program GRADUATE FASHION SHOW- FIAT MODE IV- will be held at 8:00 p.m., on Friday, April 08 in the Assembly Hall, City Centre Campus.

Seven graduating students will present individual mini-collections of their work.

Tickets cost \$10.00 and are available at the City Centre CE Office.

For further information call 443-8380.

Thank you.

Donald Oakes

NEW FROM THE ESL DIVISION

Members of the ESL Division have been awarded a \$17,000 grant to survey, evaluate and catalogue ESL computer software presently in use in B.C. post-secondary institutions. Instructors involved are John Kostoff and Dan Rieb of ESL-Vocational, Carol Tulpar of ESL-CPE, and Richard Taylor of ESL-ELS. The project chair will be Raymonde Jabaji of ESL-Vocational, who be assisted by Chris Joyce of the ESL Division.

The grant funds will provide release time for the above-mentioned individuals. While Chris Joyce is on half-time release in March and April, his responsibilities in the ESL Audio and Computer Labs will be handled by Paul Boissonnault.

Jack Whelan

AUTOMOTIVE DEPARTMENT



VCC Automotive Department (KEC)

urgently needs work for our Engine class. We are looking for jobs like water pumps, timing belt replacement, valve work and the like. Varied requests would be considered. There is no labour charge for work done in our shop. Contact Robert, local 7426 (leave message).

Automotive Department

From the Mailroom and KEC Times Expert

CAROL MERCIER IS BACK!!!

So seldom does this happen someone leaves and then returns!

WELCOME!!!

Carol's office will be located on the 5th Floor, Employee Relations Department, and she can be contacted at local 7019.



"ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT" - MARCH 17TH

The KEC social Event Committee is moving along well with the planning for



this event on Thursday, March 17th, at 3:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge. As the theme is Celtic, we have arranged for Irish dancers to perform. As well, there will be live music, a beer and wine bar, beer and wine tasting (from our own KEFS Cellar) and a food menu from ICL that will include "stuffed tatties" and other goodies to munch on. Watch for posters with more details soon "in a mailbox near you"!

Volunteers to assist on the day are requested to contact any member of the Social Events Committee, (Sue Aro, Barbara Ash, Malcolm Cant, Wayne Decle, Dave Keen, Sam Lewindon, Jean Macleod, Carla Pitton, Terry Smith). More details to follow in the next edition of King Edward Times.

FROM THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

In order to prepare for changes to our computer system, the Admissions/Cashier service hours will be affected as follows:

On Friday, March 11, the Registration/Cashier computer systems will be closed down at 1:00 p.m. Admissions will be open for information only.

On Monday, March 07 we will open at 10:00 a.m.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

MENTAL FITNESS CORNER

PUZZLE:

Last Sunday, when Sally went for a walk, she saw policeman skipping rope; she saw a fire engine eating an ice-cream cone; she saw a squirrel humming a tune; she saw a puppy climbing a tree; she saw two robins playing hopscotch.

Fix the punctuation so that the above makes logical sense.

TRIVIA:

As most of you are aware, the fiftieth anniversary of D-Day is coming up very shortly. See if you know the answers to some of these basic questions:

- What was the code name given to the operation?
- What were the name of the 5 beaches that the Allies landed on?
- What was the name of the beach that the Canadians landed on?
- Why was the date June 06, 1994, chosen for the operation?

ANSWERS FROM THE PREVIOUS SUBMISSION:

PUZZLE:

Diane is a baby or a pet etc.

TRIVIA:

Your sweetheart's weight on Jupiter would be about 2.5 times the weight on Earth. Therefore, it would not be a good idea for your sweetheart to be sitting on your lap.

Wayne Ko

Pam Ottridge



Alumni Association

MEMO TO: King Edward Campus Faculty FOR CLASSROOM ANNOUNCEMENT

FROM:

Tracy Manrell, Alumni Relations Coordinator

DATE:

March 1, 1994

V.C.C. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOSTS FIFTH ANNUAL CAREER FAIR AT CITY CENTRE

Please help us to advertise the Career Fair to City Centre students by announcing it in your classes and encouraging your students to attend.

The Career Fair is a one day event where potential employers come together to meet VCC students and graduates! This is a valuable opportunity for your students to apply for available jobs, learn more about career options, ask questions of company recruiters and discover services available to support them in their current or future job searches.

· We encourage students to consider the Fair as a job interview: bring resumes and be aware that the exhibitors they meet currently work in that company's personnel department!

WHEN:

Thursday, March 17, 1994

WHERE:

Main Foyer, VCC City Centre, 250 West Pender Street

WHO:

To date, 19 businesses, professional associations and community groups have registered to:

- * recruit new employees (permanent or summer positions)
- * provide information on specific career areas or professions
- display services, programs and options available to people seeking work

WHY:

Because in today's fast paced world of work, everybody needs help with career planning and job finding -- especially students and recent graduates. The Alumni Association is concerned with providing support to graduates of the college and our future members, VCC STUDENTS!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tracy Manrell Alumni Relations Coordinator 871-7147

** In the week prior to the Fair, Career Fair newsletters listing all exhibitors will be available in the Counselling Department or by calling the Alumni office at local 7147. Event:

CYPRESS BOWL SKI TRIP

Date:

Friday, March 11

Who For:

VCC students, Instructors & Staff

Cost:

See below* Rental clothes Aunilable

Students must add \$5.00 to costs listed below to cover Shuttle bus from Cypress Bowl Sports to the Mountain.

Package #1	Lift + Equipment + lesson	13 yrs & over	\$ 41.73
Package #2	Lift + lesson	13 yrs & over	\$ 26.75
Package #3	Lift + Equipment	13 yrs & over 06 - 12 yrs	\$ 32.10 \$ 21.40
Package #4	Lift only	13 yrs & over 06 - 12 yrs	\$ 16.05 \$ 12.84
Package #6	Snowboard rental + lesson Min. 10 people	13 yrs & over	\$ 55.64
Package #7	Lift + snowboard rental	13 yrs & over	\$ 39.59
Package #8	Snowboard rental only	13 yrs & over	\$ 27.00

For futher information contact Steph Jewell, local 7010.

Pay the Cashier at KEC on the 4th floor by 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 07th NO REFUNDS after 5:00 p.m. March 07, 1994



A ONE-DAY CROSS COUNTRY SKI TRIP TO MANNING PARK SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

Many of you will have been on these bus trips before, so please come along again, tell your friends and for those of you who have not tried it, you JUST HAVE TO EXPERIENCE SKIING AT MANNING.

The cost per person for a full bus (approximately 47 people*) will be:

\$29.00 per adult (includes bus trip and trail fee) \$24.00 per child (12 and under) Additional \$12.00 for rental of equipment \$55.00 includes bus trip, trail fee, rental and lessons.

*The price will be a little higher if less people attend.

The bus will leave 7:00 a.m. Sunday, March 13 at the KEC parking lot between Glen and Keith on 7th Avenue. It takes approximately three hours to get to Manning. You will arrive back in Vancouver between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday evening.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME - STUDENTS, STAFF AND FACULTY (WILL EVEN TAKE THE ODD ADMINISTRATOR - DEPENDING ON HOW ODD YOU ARE!!!!!)

Phone me at local 7277 to sign up and for further information. ASAP.

Gillian Akin 871-7277



CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS FOR THE CBIE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1994 Vancouver, British Columbia

CBIE invites you to submit proposals for the 1994 Annual Conference. Workshops can either address the theme or be of a general nature related to the field of international education.

Dates:

Thursday, November 3 to Sunday, November 6, 1994

Location:

Vancouver Renaissance Hotel, Vancouver, B.C.

Theme:

Expanding Horizons through Student Mobility

Highlights:

- Emeka Anyaoku, Secretary General of the Commonwealth as a keynote speaker
- Presidents' Day
- CBIE's Annual Conference will be held back-to-back with the Annual Conference of the New York-based Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), from November 2-4, 1994 at the Pan-Pacific Hotel.

Proposals should be sent to Mary Kane at CBIE by March 15, 1994.

CBIE CONFERENCE 1994:

EXPANDING HORIZONS THROUGH STUDENT MOBILITY

Student mobility has been on the agenda of many post-secondary institutions over the last number of years. Educational establishments the world over are starting to see the advantages of encouraging students to experience academic life in another country. To offer students a window on another culture, another language, another academic viewpoint has become an imperative in the era of global interdependency. With an ambitious target of encouraging 1 in 10 students to study outside their home country by 1995, the European Community has set the stage for greatly increased mobility among students and professors. Japan has a target of hosting 100,000 international students by the year 2000. The United States has signed an agreement with the European Community to encourage a greater two-way flow of students and academics.

Where do Canada and CBIE stand in encouraging greater student mobility?

The original mandate of CBIE was to provide support to overseas students. Student mobility was seen as encouraging students, mainly from Africa and Asia, to come to Canada for higher education. Since then, CBIE's concept, and that of the member institutions, has expanded to include:

Students coming from a variety of developing countries.

Students from developed countries who see Canada as having quality programs.

The concept of "student" has changed, from the traditional 18-24 year old in a full-time formal program to the lifelong learner. From a CBIE perspective, this means that "student mobility" now encompasses:

lifelong learners

trainees

researchers

educational tourists

interns

visiting faculty

non-credit learners

study visitors

short-course students/part-time students

Even among traditional students there has been a shift:

There are proportionately more graduate students and more graduate women students; technology has advanced with distance learning taking on greater significance.



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CBIE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1994 VANCOUVER, B.C. CONGRÈS ANNUEL DE 1994 DU BCEI VANCOUVER (C.-B.)

CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS INVITATION À PROPOSER DES ATELIERS

CBIE's 1994 Conference Planning Committee invites you to submit proposals for the 1994 Annual Conference. Workshops can either address the theme or be of a general nature related to the field of international education. Le Comité de planification du congrès de 1994 du BCEI vous invite à proposer des ateliers pour le congrès annuel de 1994. Les ateliers peuvent se rapporter au thème du congrès ou, plus généralement, à l'éducation internationale

Deadline for proposals: March 15, 1994

Date limite de remise des propositions: Le 15 mars 1994

Workshop Title (limit 10 words) - Titre de l'atelier (10 mots max.) Presenter / Responsable de l'atelier Name: Nom: _____ Position Title: Titre du poste: Organization: Organisme: ____ Address: Adresse: _____ City: Province: Postal Code: Ville: _____ Province: Code postal: _____ Telephone: Téléphone: ______ Télécopieur: _____ | Other Presenters - Autres responsables d'ateliers Name: Nom: _____ Position Title: Titre du poste:

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Send to: Veuillez faire parvenir à:

Mary Kane

Canadian Bureau for International Education/Bureau canadien de l'éducation internationale

220 Laurier Avenue West

Suite 1100 Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5Z9

Fax: (613) 237-1073/1300

FIFTH ANNUAL CAREER FAIR AT VCC!

ORGANIZED BYTHEVCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAREER FAIR

LOOKING? FOR A CAREER

MEET RECRUITERS
FROM DOZENS OF FIELDS!
FREE ADMISSION!

APPLY FOR JOBS,

EXPLORE OPTIONS OR ASK CAREER RELATED QUESTIONS
OF THE PEOPLE WHO DO THE HIRING IN VANCOUVER!

THURSDAY MARCH 17, 1994 9:30 AM TO 3:30 PM

VCC CITY CENTRE

250 WEST PENDER STREET • VANCOUVER

FOR MORE INFO CALL 871-7147 • ORGANIZED BY VCC ALUMNI ASSOCATION

THE ALUMNI ASSN. EXTENDS A WARM INVITATION TO STUDENTS, GRADS AND ALL OTHERS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT!



Doreen Sharan, Editor KEC Times VCC, King Edward Campus 1155 E. Broadway Vancouver, BC

February 24, 1994

CAREER FAIR AT CITY CENTRE!

Do your students (or friends or family) need help with their job search; with locating companies that are hiring; with discovering interesting career fields?

The VCC Alumni Association is holding our Fifth Annual Career Fair for VCC students, graduates -- and the public -- to help with these concerns!

Visitors can apply for jobs, ask career related questions and meet the people who do the hiring in Vancouver. Some exhibits will also raise awareness of services available to job seekers and Volunteer Vancouver will promote volunteer openings that offer work experience, networking and training in most any field!

WHEN:

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1994

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

WHERE:

VCC CITY CENTRE

250 WEST PENDER ST., VANCOUVER

Please help up to promote the Fair by reading this notice in your classes or passing it to others who might want to attend.

Newsletters describing exhibitors will be available in the Counselling Dept. during the first week of March.

For more information call Tracy Manrell, Alumni Relations Coordinator, local 7147.

POSITION OPENINGS

King Edward Campus

Admissions Receptionist, Office Clerk (b). Closing date: March 08, 1994.

Clerk Cashier (c) Registrar's Office. This position is temporary until approximately October 28, 1994. Closing date: March 08, 1994.

Temporary Building Services Manager. Currently not filling at this time.

City Centre

Computer Support Analyst (a), Information and Computer Services. Closing date: March 11, 1994.

Langara Campus

Office Clerk (b)(Student Services). Closing date: March 15, 1994.

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For Sale

Ski boots, excellent condition, Dachstein Int. (Austria) "Phantom", grey and black; Size 7 1/2 (mens'), fits womens' 9; worn only 2 times, \$100.00 (original price \$340.00). Call Ingrid 430-9093.

Rolleicord twin lens reflex camera, medium format, purchased in Germany 1956, excellent working condition, \$150; Goya 6 string guitar (like new), hard shell case, some instruction books, \$150; Anjo mandolin (like new), soft case, some instruction books, \$150; Ax-all electronic typewriter with Centronics parallel interface card and printer cable. Several ribbons included. This is an electronic typewriter that

also can be used as a computer driven printer, \$150, obo; camera, Canon T70 (1985) with 50 mm lens and 80-200 mm lens \$150, obo; one IBM compatible personal computer (1986), monochrome monitor, keyboard, logitech mouse, 2 5 1/4 floppy drives, one 40 mb hard drive, software included: WordPerfect 5.1, Word 1.0, Word 5.0, Popdos, Norton editor, Norton utilities, PC shell, \$200; pocket camera, Olympus Infinity, \$50, built in flash. Call Ted 871-7359 (work) or 734-3812 (home).

5 copies of Lotus 1-2-3 release 2.2 available to staff at \$35 each. Please contact Una at local 5302 if you are interested.

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Moving?

Need boxes? Call Gayle at 871-7078.

Wanted Used Tools

I am looking for <u>all</u> types of used garden tools. Must be in good condition. Please call Michele Davidson at 871-7174.