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Budget Blues May Be Bluebirds

"Money isn't everything."

"Money won't buy happiness."

"Quality is free - it's a matter of attitude."

The recent budget imbroglio has sent us in search of saws and clichés appropriate to our circumstances. How does one at once convey a sense of relief for a calamity averted, a sense of concern for a difficult passage to be navigated and a sense of cautious optimism that yet another study will result in funding which bears some relation to the service we provide?

College officials and board members were shocked when the Ministry of Advanced Education estimates were presented in the Legislature and the line 'Operating Contribution - Colleges and Institutes' showed an increase from \$284,574,400 to \$287,111,400 or .89 percent. The numerically inclined quickly calculated that another budget announcement of an increase in Medical Services Plan premiums would cost the colleges .5 percent, leaving a .39 percent increase in budgets to cover salary increases and inflated prices for purchases of necessary supplies.

A meeting of the executives of the B.C. Association of Colleges and the Council of Principals with the Hon. Stan Hagen, Minister of Advanced Education and Job Training, resulted in the following announcements:

- The system will be funded to deliver 100 percent of the full time equivalent students funded in 1987-88
- There will be a three percent inflation life for the system, plus the additional costs of MSP premiums
- The operating capital budget for the system will be \$8 million (it was \$9 million in 1987/1988)
- Business Development Centres will continue to be funded at 1987/1988 levels
- The revised budgetary plan will be accomplished by a significant reduction of the BCIT budget, by a reduction in RAC (Request for Additional Course) activity — which relates to vocational training offered outside institutional base budgets — and by other minor budgetary items
- The Minister has established a task force to examine the deployment of existing resources within colleges and institutes and to recommend redeployments to address expected increased in demand for admission.

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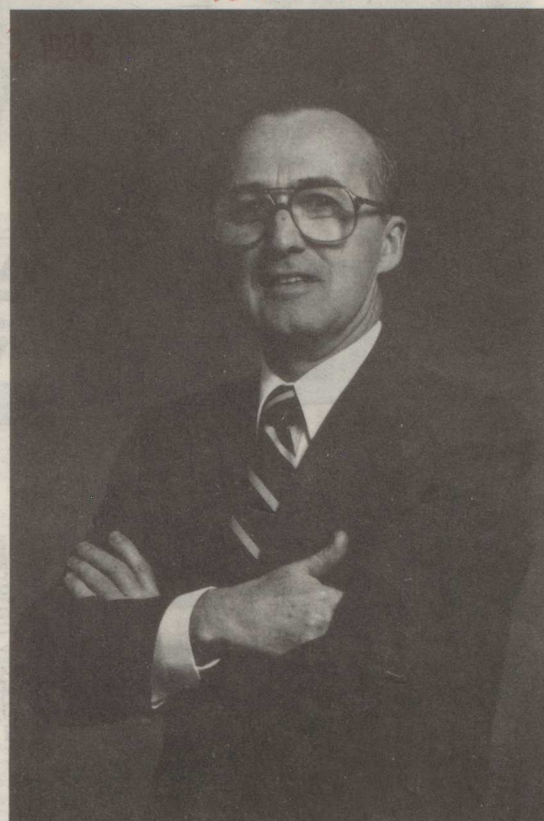
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Paul Gallagher, VCC President

COMING EVENTS

- VCC Golf Tourney
Sunday, May 1st, Ft. Langley
- 3rd Annual KEC
Cultural Festival
Wednesday, May 18th
- "To HEALTH with YOU"
KEC HEALTH FAIR
Tuesday, June 14th

VCC Lottery Gets Secure Start



Paul Gallagher and Darcy Munro arm wrestling for the \$1,000.

YOU'RE NEXT!

The VCC Lottery got off to a good start on Tuesday, February 23. A syndicate from KEC Security composed of Darcy Munro, Levi Joseph, Sar Mann and Keith Andretta came up winners in the draw for a year's free subscription to the Lottery. The winning number was 004.

Disbelief was written on many faces, particularly on those who didn't win, when, in the first money prize draw on March 11, the number 004 was again drawn.

Suspicion has fortunately been allayed. The following week's winning number was 200, held by Marta Gardiner of the Assessments Dept. and a group of E.S.L. instructors at KEC.

On March 25, VVI instructor, Leslie Kitson was the big money winner.

Dr. Richard Pearce, number 200; Director of Continuing Education, was the winner on March 31st.

Renee Rouveroy of Langara Campus, number 160, won \$1,000 on April 8th and Ross Barbeau, ticket number 205 of K.E.C. won on April 15th.

Budget Blues May Be Bluebirds...

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The chairman of the task force will be Mr. Bob Elton, the consultant from Price Waterhouse, earlier retained by the ministry to examine the funding formula.

While funding at the new three percent lift continues to pose problems for VCC because of the impacts of collective agreements previously negotiated, the apparent willingness by the government to look at redeployment and the appointment of Mr. Elton offer a glimmer of hope for the College.

A draft report of Mr. Elton's study of the funding formula is now in circulation, and among his conclusions he states that, "VCC's economy of scale factor should be increased."

He states the ministry's calculation of support dollars appropriate for VCC is flawed, including instructional administration, student services (other than student records) and most facility costs.

In addition to Mr. Elton there will be four task force members, one from the ministry and three from the college system. Max Fleming, VCC's Bursar and Director of Administrative Services, will be one of the three college representatives.

The report of the task force is to be presented confidentially to the minister by May 13.

VCC President Paul Gallagher has expressed the view that the task force report should provide the minister with the ammunition he needs to go back to cabinet for the additional resources needed to deliver the quantity and the quality of educational opportunities British Columbians require and deserve.

We began with a cliché and we end with a quote (Emerson): "Can anybody remember when the times were not hard and money not scarce?"

HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

Our Homestay Program requires families in the Vancouver area who are willing to host International students to give them the opportunity to improve their English and experience Canadian culture and family life. Students desiring Homestay attend classes at VCC's King Edward or Langara campuses, or at one of the high schools in the VSB system and stay with their host families for periods of three weeks to eight months. The VSB and VCC jointly offer a Summer English Language Program at Eric Hamber High School. Students will participate in an integrated program of language study and cultural/recreational activities.

Host families provide three meals a day, an English-speaking environment and a welcoming atmosphere. Hosts will be reimbursed \$16/day per student for the three week program or \$450/month for the long-term programs. Homestay adds a uniquely enriching dimension to the students' learning experience in Canada.

If you would like to participate or would like more information, please call Valerie Peters at 324-5444.

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New Board Members Appointed



L to R, back: Tony Saunders, John Chapman, Doug Brandes. *Absent:* H. Wotherspoon.
L to R, front: Barbara Spitz, Ruth Preston, Colleen Miller, Elizabeth Jarvis, Deborah Ross-Lee.

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■ ABOUT THEM...
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■ MEET THEM...
■ YOUR CAMPUS
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HERITAGE RESTORATION PROGRAM WINS AWARD

The prestigious City of Vancouver Heritage Awards were held at Brock House on February 18th. VVI was the recipient of a special Heritage Award for the creation of the Heritage Building Restoration Program.

This program was developed with the guidance of a special Program Advisory Committee under the leadership of Ron Atkinson. Letters of congratulations have come to the College from the Minister of Advanced Education and Job Training and from his Deputy Minister.



VCC President, Paul Gallagher, accepts Heritage Award from Alderman Gordon Price for the establishment of the VVI Restoration of Heritage Building Program.



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57 CLASSIC FILMS DONATED TO VCC

by Mary Anne Epp

Vancouver Community College has been honoured with a gift of 57 Chinese feature films from the classic period of Asian film production during the 1940's and 50's.

The films were donated by Mr. Wai Sum Lai, now living in Ontario. His father, Mr. Quing Ling Lai, acquired the films and their distribution rights when he was a film distributor in Hong Kong. Now residing in Vancouver, Mr. Quing Ying Lai was a student at School Canadiana, a branch of the King Edward Campus' English as a Second Language Division.

The film collection is an invaluable resource for film study, as well as Chinese cultural and literature study. The collection includes comedies, love stories, and adaptations of famous Chinese stories. In addition, there is a series on popular "kung fu" character derived from story books on the martial arts. Some of the films have English sub-titles. Although many of the films are black and white (16 mm), there are also 10 colour films.

Below: From left to right: Mary Anne Epp, Media Library co-ordinator, Wai Sum Lai, Quing Ling Lai, Barbara Spitz, Vice-President of the College Board, and Paul Gallagher.



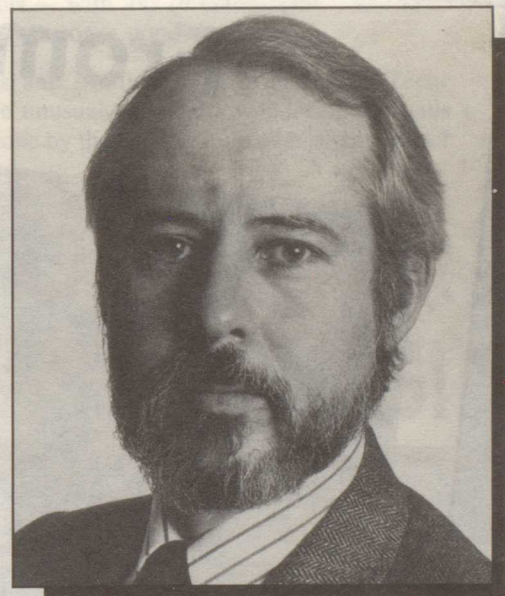
Above: *Mssrs. Wai Sum Lai and Quing Ling Lai were guests of honour at a reception at Langara Campus, given in appreciation of their films donation to the Media Library.*

The Library has a number of tasks to complete before the film collection will be ready for use. Each film will be inspected, cleaned, and repaired if necessary. The Library is also investigating the process of making a preservation copy in videotape format, as well as a circulating videotape copy.

Since some of the films are in cinemascope format, these will need to be transferred to videotape for educational use.

The final process includes cataloguing, labelling, and packaging of the films and tapes for use.

When the procedures for preservation and listing are completed, the college will publicize the collection to the community.



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Graduating students perform scene from "Butterflies Are Free."

would be in retaining the fluency in English they had gained while in Canada.

The evening was highlighted by the student presentation of three scenes from the play, *Butterflies Are Free*.

Vancouver Community College President, Paul Gallagher presented the President's Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement to Keiko Fujimoto. In making the presentation, Dr. Gallagher emphasized the word "Community" in the College's title and pointed out that "Vancouver is part of the larger community of the world and the Takudai program plays an important role in underlining our commitment to that community."

TAKUDAI CLASS BIDS FAREWELL

This is the time of year for graduations, the time when students say goodbye to the College, to the friends they have made — albeit with promises and best of intentions to stay in touch — and to the familiar, daily routine of a student. It's a time of fondness and evocation, remembrance and union. And a time of departure and letting go.

On the evening of Thursday, March 24, the 9th Annual class of the Canadian School of Takudai held their closing ceremony in the Langara auditorium. Thirty students from Tokyo's Takushoku University have completed their year's stay at Vancouver Community College.

The auditorium was full with members of the College community, including students from Langara's Pacific Rim program. More moving was the turnout from the friends the students have made during their stay in Vancouver and the families who hosted the students.

Marilyn Rushton, speaking for all the host families, noted that, "It is the host families, particularly those with children, who have gotten so much and learned so much from the Japanese students who have stayed with us."

The Consul General of Japan, Fumihito Yagawa, spoke of his pride in the accomplishments of the students and pointed out that "the Takudai program is an example of the efforts of Japan to broaden its international outlook."

In his keynote address, Richard Pearce, Director of Continuing Education, cautioned the students that their greatest challenge upon returning to Japan

From Soup to Nuts



First year Recreation Facilities Management students Sue Boeschoten and Mike Knight learn how **not** to spoil the broth from VVI's Culinary Arts Dept. Head, Fred Naso.

VCC campuses, and is unique in that it is the only recreation facilities program offered in the province."

The program's graduates have gone on to pursue careers as managers and assistant managers at community recreation centres, private sports clubs, YM/YWCA's, and ski resorts.

Continuing Education has recently acquired a second Recreation Facilities Management Program. It is designed primarily for those who are already on a weekend or evening course basis.

It seems the students in the Recreation Facilities Management Program experience everything from soup to nuts. Whether they're at VVI preparing the soup du jour or at a local ski resort learning how to groom a hill, these future recreation facilities managers experience variety while at VCC.

Langara Campus runs the two-year full-time career diploma program through the Department of Physical Education and Recreation. Co-ordinator Vince Kreiser is enthusiastic about the program, which was transferred from BCIT in 1986. "The program taps into many courses offered at all



Taking a New Look at PHOTOGRAPHY

Continuing Education has a new Certificate program.

At the January meeting of the Vancouver Community College Board, a proposal to give certificate status to the C.E. Photography program was approved. The program is entitled "Visual Arts Certificate - Photography Major".

The program will be offered through Focal Point, a professional photographic studio, with classroom space, located near the U.B.C. Gate. Continuing Education has been offering courses in photography for approximately 13 years.

"In Continuing Education, change is the rule rather than the exception," says Donald Oakes, Senior Program Coordinator. "This recent change will ensure that the photography program will meet the needs of photographers into the next decade."

The new program structure is intended for those who use photography in their work and for professional photographers wishing to upgrade their skills.

Students in the Certificate program will choose from courses such as Fashion, Photojournalism, Travel, Video, Styling and Industrial Photography. They will also have the opportunity to learn practical business skills, from bookkeeping to marketing, to ensure that they will be able to pay the rent with the creative skills they develop. Some of these courses have been previously offered, others have been developed especially for the Certificate program.

The program has been designed with the assistance of a group of advisors involved in the many facets of the photographic industry. One of the program's greatest strengths is that each course is taught by working professionals, many of whom are featured in local magazines such as *Vancouver Magazine* and *Western Living*, and in internationally recognized publications such as *National Geographic*.

The new program compliments Langara's Photography Technical Program which is for full-time, entry-level students. The C.E. program is offered on a part-time basis, evenings and weekends. It is primarily seen as an upgrading program to skilled professionals. Staff from both programs will meet regularly to ensure coordination between the two programs.

"For many years the Photography program has been offered in courses in cooperation with C.E.'s Business Administration Certificate program," reports Mr. Oakes. "Now, the changes to the program will mean that the training is more effectively directed to meet the specific needs of photography students."

The change will not mean any change for the hundreds of amateur photographers attending basic photography and dark room courses with the intention of "taking a better picture".

"These students are the bread and butter of the Photography program. Of course, our hope is that these amateurs will become sufficiently skilled and excited enough to further their photographic education through the "Visual Arts Certificate - Photography Major" program," Mr. Oakes reports.

At the end of each term, the work of all students is displayed at an open house. Staff, students, family and friends attend to celebrate that term's work.



Langara principal Jock Denholm congratulates 2nd year Fine Arts student Colleen Simpson, recognized as the program's Outstanding Achiever. The Awards Day was part of the 1988 Student Art Exhibit and Open House, which featured works by students in various mediums. The four-day event was well attended by faculty, staff and the general public.

FINE ARTS DEPT. OPEN HOUSE



Dame of Grace, Yvonne Coveney-Boyd

in Ottawa. She is qualified nationally to train instructors in first aid, home nursing, child care and care of the aging.

Mrs. Boyd was made a commander in the Order of St. John in 1981 and has been presented to Her Majesty the Queen in Buckingham Palace in 1981 and 1987.

A DAME OF GRACE

The Honourable Robert Gordon Rogers, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, will bestow the honour of the appointment of Dame of Grace to Mrs. Yvonne Coveney-Boyd at an investiture at Government House on May 14.

The title befits the lady who has earned the highest honour accorded by the Queen.

And the lady so deserving of this recognition is Mrs. Yvonne Coveney-Boyd, part-time instructor in VVI's Homemaking and Home Support Programs for the past 13 years, and recent graduate of the Provincial Instructor Program at VVI.

Mrs. Boyd is currently the manager of the Vancouver Branch of St. John's Ambulance, a post she has held for the past dozen years. She has been a volunteer for St. John's for more than 22 years, and has accumulated more than 14,000 hours of volunteer community service. She also wears the hat of provincial training officer, responsible for the training of all volunteers, and she serves on the National Training Committee

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THE
OPEN HOUSE
WAS A SMASHING SUCCESS!!!

VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Vancouver Vocational Institute

V.V.I. Open House Chairman Jackie Sandy was just delighted.

Approximately 4,000 people had showed up for this year's open house day compared to about 3,000 in 1986.

"It really was a good effort — with lots of enthusiasm," she said. "Virtually every department put on a good display."

A robot from Electronics and Mollie Molar from Dental Tech/Mech were among the more unusual characters wandering the halls but they may have been outdone by the CKVU male television reporter seen wearing hair curlers!

Acting Mayor, Alderman Helen Boyce promised to drop in for five minutes — she stayed for three hours. It was the kind of day where everyone wore a grin.

CONGRATULATIONS!

INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR WELCOMED



Langara Campus welcomed the Ambassador of Indonesia at a reception during "Indonesia Week" (March 7-11). From left to right: Dr. J.J. Denholm, Langara's principal, A. Adiwoso, Indonesian Ambassador, Mrs. Colleen Miller, Chairman of the College Board, and Dr. Gordon Jones, Co-ordinator of the Pacific Rim (Academic) Program.