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Every photographer hopes to capture a special moment or two in the course of his career... and for Greg Morton, a medical photographer in UBC's Department of Biomedical Communications, one of those moments came March 9 as Queen Elizabeth was leaving the Health Sciences Centre Hospital, the final stop on her hour-an-a-half visit to UBC. A young spectator stepped out of the crowd as the Queen approached, presented a bouquet to her and then, remembering her manners, curtsied, to the obvious delight of the guest of honor and the watching crowd. For another view of the royal visit, turn to page 2 for another instalment in the UBC Reports series, "A Day in a Life at UBC."

Industrial Education in danger

If the provincial government stops paying a grant to UBC to train industrial education teachers, the program will have to be abandoned, Dean of Education Dr. Daniel Birch said this week.

"This program was undertaken by UBC at government request in 1957," said Dean Birch, "when the Faculty of Education had only just begun. The funding has always been via direct grant from the ministry of education or the ministry of universities."

Now, he said, the ministry of universities says there will be no special grant for 1983-84 and that the program should be covered by the regular budget of the University.

"Certainly we could not find \$1.2 million at the expense of other education programs; our other programs already have been pared to the bone," Dean Birch said. "It is disappointing to find that the government is withdrawing special funding for this program for which there is great demand and interest."

There are 79 students in the program this year, including 42 skilled craftsmen who are taking a one-year certificate course to qualify them as teachers of industrial arts at the secondary school level. The other 37 students are in third or fourth year of the regular five-year UBC program that leads to a bachelor's degree for secondary education. Like the craftsmen, they will be qualified to teach industrial education.

Although the program is a division of the UBC Faculty of Education, the actual teaching takes place at a building adjacent to the B.C. Institute of Technology in Burnaby. It was built with federal funds and contains more than a million dollars worth of special equipment — for training in such areas as metalworking, woodworking, electronics, power mechanics, drafting, design, etc.

The program has 10 faculty members, seven technical assistants and a technician.

Dean Birch, noting that UBC is the only university involved in the training of industrial education teachers, said that if the minister of universities wants to tidy up his books by making the \$1.2 million part of the government's grant to the Universities Council, which allots funds to UBC, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria, he would have no objection.

"So long as the money is earmarked for the industrial education program, in keeping with UBC's agreement with the government, then the method of getting the grant to us isn't important," he said. "But it is critical to the maintenance of the program that this million dollars be kept separate from whatever UBC receives as a general operating grant for 1983-84."

Board approves housing increases

Most single students living in campus residences will face slightly higher rates in September, although a few in Totem Park will pay less for their rooms than they are paying this year.

The UBC Board of Governors has approved increases averaging five per cent in Place Vanier and Totem Park, and increases of three per cent for the Walter Gage Residence.

At Totem Park, however, in order to bring daily room rates in line with those of Place Vanier, the rate changes will range from a decrease of 1.6 per cent to an increase of 7.7 per cent.

The daily rate for residence food service also goes up five per cent to \$6.30.

Term fees for the period Sept. 1, 1983, to April 30, 1984, are as follows:

Gage hi-rise—\$1,628.10, Gage low-rise—\$1,720.44, Vanier/Totem suite—\$3,169.53, large single—\$3,079.62, single—\$2,863.35, double—(per person) \$2,664.09. Fees for Totem Park and Place Vanier include meals.

Rents for housing occupied by married students in the Acadia Camp area (mostly Second World War army huts) will increase 27 per cent, or an average of \$30 a month, to provide funds to upgrade and repair some of the camp units. On Sept. 1,

monthly rental rates in the camp will vary from a low of \$107 to a high of \$450.

A rental-rate increase for married students occupying accommodation in Acadia Park (high-rise apartment block and townhouses and units on President's Row) will be postponed until April 1, 1984,

1983 an 'exceptional' year for UBC Conference Centre

When Susanne Nikles, manager of the UBC Conference Centre, says that 1983 is going to be an exceptional year for the centre, she isn't exaggerating.

More than 30,000 delegates have booked 163,000 bed nights at UBC this summer.

"We have several big conferences booked this summer," says Ms. Nikles. "The two largest are the Learned Societies, a group of 70 academic organizations spanning the humanities and the social sciences which meets annually at a university setting in Canada; and the World Council of Churches. The Learned Societies will meet from May 29 to June 8 and the World

in order to bring the rent-increase year in line with the UBC budget year.

The Board of Governors was told that tenants' associations in each campus residence area had agreed to the rental-rate increase following consultations with the UBC housing department.

Council of Churches will be here July 20 to Aug. 11.

"Other groups attending in large numbers are the Association of Country Women, which is, as it sounds, a group of women from rural areas; the Unitarian Universalists and the Association of Neurochemists."

In total, there will be 150 groups on campus during the May to August period.

Ms. Nikles says she is surprised and pleased that the current recession hasn't affected business at the Conference Centre.

"In fact, this year we're busier than usual."

A DAY IN A LIFE AT UBC

A King who became Queen for a day

Joan King is the administrative clerk in the Ceremonies Office and she is the third person to be featured in the series, "A Day in a Life at UBC."

Although many people on campus know there is a Ceremonies Office (the director is Dr. Ben Moyls, head of the Department of Mathematics), few realize just what is involved in making sure that something like the annual Spring Congregation for the granting of degrees goes off without a hitch for three consecutive days. The behind-the-scenes detail and the necessary liaison with the Faculty Club, food services, physical plant, the registrar's office, traffic and security, off-campus printers, etc. is largely the responsibility of Joan King.

Then there are 'extras' such as the Royal Visit. Invitations to the Museum of Anthropology, invitations to the Asian Centre, invitations to the Health Sciences Centre Hospital and the ensuing replies, parking permits and countless other details.

UBC Reports asked Joan King about her work in general and about one day in particular. It was two days before the Royal Visit and it was 'dry run' or 'practice' day, with Joan King playing the key role; it was the day King got to be Queen. Here is Joan King:

The Ceremonies Office at UBC is a wonderful, interesting and exciting place to work.

Life at Ceremonies right now is providing such a variety of functions, with number one being the Royal Visit on March 9.

Today, Monday, I started with my first appointment at 9 a.m. in the Asian Centre, to set the stage for my first dry run at 10 a.m. as 'The Queen.' It went well, even though the Japanese drum dancers that the Queen will see just had to be imagined.

Back to the office to a myriad of messages. Where can the Brownies and the Girl Guides be placed? Where would be a good spot for the children from campus day care centres? Learn about a dear gentleman in his 90's and a grandmother in her 80's who want to see the Queen. Working on it.

Talk to my printer about Congregation, which is ticking away with deadlines looming. Short conversation with a blind student who is graduating this year. Has a wonderful dog. Working on a surprise there. (Editor's note to Joan: If we want off-campus publicity, let Information

Services in on the surprise.)

Shortly before noon and it's off to the Acute Care Unit to play Queen again, chauffeured by none other than my boss, Dr. Moyls, a very patient man indeed. Spent a wonderful hour at the hospital as the Queen. Reaffirmed my thoughts on

what it's like to be her — oh, how lovely it is. One could get used to it.

Quick lunch and back to Ceremonies. The day after the Royal Visit we have a building opening (Home Economics) and on the Friday is the 1983 graduation class tree-planting ceremony. Must have the



Queen King is welcomed to UBC during dry run of last week's Royal Visit. Shaking Joan King's hand is the man who in real life is her boss, Director of Ceremonies, Dr. Ben Moyls. Royal umbrella-holder is Bob Jemison, photographer from UBC Audio-Visual Services.

gold shovel and watering can ready — no tree can grow properly without the blessings of the Chancellor and the President.

Learned that some cedar trees had sprung up overnight, or at least over the weekend, at the Asian Centre — right where the media were scheduled to be for the Queen's visit. I think the Dean of Trees was out there in the middle of the night.

Off to the Asian Centre again at 3:30 p.m. for another round of being the Queen and then at four o'clock it was time for the dry run at the museum. This time Prince Philip, as portrayed by Ben Moyls, was part of the act. All went well, I think.

Back to the office to do some place cards for a dinner (Ed. note: among her many accomplishments, Joan King is an expert calligrapher) and bring some lists up to date for next day. Left for home about 6:30 p.m.

So that was Monday, March 7, but one of the great things about this job is that no two days are the same. And I must make it clear that when you are co-ordinating a large function such as Spring Congregation or a Royal Visit, you can not make it work all by yourself.

Rosanne Rumley, administrative assistant for the Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting professorships, has an adjoining office and willing puts her own work aside to pitch in and help me when the pace becomes frantic.

Tactile atlas published

A three-year joint project between UBC's Crane Library and SFU cartographer Ray Squirrell has resulted in a tactile atlas which can be 'read' by the blind and visually impaired.

The atlas uses four textures — smooth, abrasive, fuzzy and granular — in a combination of horizontal, curved or vertical stripes, solid blocks or chevrons, to provide information on anthropological, demographic, historical, economic or geographical features of B.C.

"The project began in 1979 when the UBC Press first published the Atlas of British Columbia by A.L. Farley," says Crane Library head, Paul Thiele. "The first copy was auctioned off for the purpose of funding research for a project, which at that time was simple envisaged as recording the atlas in a talking book format.

"Then I heard about some work being done in this area by Prof. Squirrell, and it's been a collaborative effort ever since."

In addition to the tactile surfaces, the atlas features clear colors for those with low vision and an accompanying text in large print, braille or on recorded tape.

Although the atlas is not for sale, copies will be donated to the B.C. Ministry of Education's Provincial Resource Centre for the Visually Impaired for use by blind students in the regular school system, the Simon Fraser University Library, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and a number will remain in Crane Library for use by UBC students and for inter-library lending.

Crane Library will be holding an Open House on Thursday, March 24 and Friday, March 25 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. UBC faculty, staff and students are invited to view the library on Thursday, and Friday will be set aside for blind and visually impaired students and their instructors. For details, call 228-6111.

Engineering proposal sent back to Senate

UBC's Senate will have a proposed four-year engineering program in the Faculty of Applied Science back on its agenda when it meets tonight (March 16).

The proposed program, which went to UBC's Board of Governors on March 3 after receiving academic approval by Senate at its February meeting, was referred back to Senate by the Board for further review.

Spearheading opposition to the program at the March 3 Board meeting were UBC's Chancellor, J.V. Clyne, and Allan R. Crawford, a provincial government appointee, both of whom characterized the four-year program as a "serious mistake."

Mr. Clyne said present-day students need to have their education broadened, adding that he was concerned about the quality of education engineering students would receive under the proposed program.

Mr. Crawford said the students graduating from the four-year program would be "followers rather than leaders." He said he had asked colleagues in 35 companies across Canada for their opinion of the program and without exception they thought it was a mistake.

Board member Gerald Hobbs said he thought the proposal was a downgrading of the engineering program and the result would be that UBC would cease to have the reputation for excellence that it now enjoys.

Support for the program came from two UBC faculty members elected to the Board. Prof. Hugh Greenwood of the geological sciences department said studies had shown that a four-year program was adequate for preparing students for careers in engineering.

Prof. Peter Pearse of economics and forestry noted that the four-year program had the endorsement of the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C. "I have to infer from the proposal," he said, "that it

can be implemented without a diminution in academic standards."

President Douglas Kenny, noting that the arguments against the program had also been raised in Senate, said the applied science faculty was not about to debase academic standards. The proposed scheme, he said, would enable a group of highly qualified students to get their degrees over a shorter span of time.

He said the Board was being asked to approve the new program in principle and added that there would be cost impacts which he would bring forward for Board consideration on another occasion. There were no guarantees that the proposed four-year program would be in place for the 1983-84 winter session, he said.

Botanical Garden co-hosts CBC series

UBC's Botanical Garden has launched a television gardening show called The Western Gardener.

The 52-week series is sponsored by the B.C. Nursery Trades Association and is co-hosted by David Tarrant, education co-ordinator of the UBC Botanical Garden,

and Bob Switzer of the CBC.

Included in the show are seasonal weekly tips as well as unusual new plant material from the Botanical Garden.

It airs at 10:30 a.m. Sunday mornings on CBC-TV and is repeated during the week.

