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# **MBA** program radically revised

by Abe Heffer

Staff writer

UBC's Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration will implement a radically new 15-month MBA program which will enable students to meet the changing expectations of employers.

The new MBA program curriculum, approved at the April 19 meeting of the UBC Senate, replaces the traditional program that spanned 20 months. The new program will enable graduates to enter the business world five months earlier.

Commerce and Business Administration Dean Michael Goldberg said the curriculum addresses the need to break down the traditional compartmentalized approach to management and management education.

"The business community felt there was an excessive emphasis on quantitative and analytic skills and not enough emphasis on the so-called 'soft skills' such as leadership and teamwork," he said.

To overcome that, the faculty developed a program with a 16-week integrated course which breaks down the disciplinary approach to knowledge. In addition, six, one-week modules devoted to professional development will form a common thread throughout the entire full-time program. Students will have an opportunity to build skills associated with leadership, career guidance and personal communication.

Goldberg said the new program offers students detailed knowledge in 11 areas of specialization, something which other MBA programs don't offer.

"We give students an understanding of a business organization and its environment, both internally and externally, specialist knowledge, and a chance to apply that knowledge while they're still in school through mandatory internships."

Tuition for the new 15-month program will be \$7,000 for 1995-96, which is still far short of full cost-recovery. The faculty may eventually consider recommending a further increase in tuition.

Goldberg said the \$7,000 includes \$5,000 in tuition fees and \$2,000 in student services fees associated with the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration. The student services fees will help defray some of the costs of providing such services as the Commerce Career Centre, Study Abroad and Exchange Programs, and the Master's Programs Office.

"MBA students legitimately have a very high demand for services and we could not have provided the level of service they want and deserve without taking in additional fees to help offset the costs," Goldberg said.

"However, students are getting out five months early which offsets the \$2,400 tuition increase many times over."

A part-time program, which normally requires three years of study, will be available in September, 1996.



#### **Petal Power**

**Blossoms** have been bursting out all over campus in recent weeks. Two women soak up the sun and admire the blooms on the hill near the Student Union Building plaza.

Gavin Wilson photo

# Increase in operating grant to meet cost of non-salary items

by Gavin Wilson

Staff writer

UBC has received notice that its base operating grant from the provincial government for 1995-96 is \$274,177,521, up slightly from last year.

However, most of that increase is for spending that is earmarked for specific expenditures such as employment equity payouts.

The increase also includes a transfer | Gellatly, vice-president, Finance and

of the Biomedical Research Centre's \$1.8million operating budget, which can be used only for that purpose.

For the second year in a row the government has not provided any funding for wage and salary increases.

The grant is up .6 per cent this year, an improvement over the last few years, when there was no increase at all, but still hardly enough to cover the rising costs of non-salary items, said Bruce

For example, the plant operating cost of new space - which this budget year includes the C.K. Choi Building for the Institute of Asian Research, the Advanced Materials and Process Engineering Laboratory Building, the Jack Bell Laboratory at Vancouver Hospital and the Neville Scarfe Building expansion — will be \$564,000 plus another \$272,000 for utili-

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# Physics student takes top spot in national undergraduate exam

by Gavin Wilson

Staff writer

UBC science undergraduates have done it again.

First, three students placed among the top 50 of North America's brightest in the William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition.

Now a UBC physics student has outclassed all others in the country and placed first overall in the 1995 Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) undergraduate exam.

And three other UBC students placed in the top 10.

The first-place showing was by Mark Van Raamsdonk, a fourth- year physics/ math honours student. He was also among the students who placed in the top 50 in

Van Raamsdonk's performance would not surprise his professors or classmates. He often gets grades of 100 per cent in his courses and may have the highest grade point average ever recorded at UBC.

Taking third place in the CAP exam was Michael Montour, a fifth-year engineering physics student.

David Savitt, third-year math, placed fifth. Savitt, 17, came in 10th in North

Third-year physics/math honours student Erich Mueller placed ninth in the

In total, 118 students wrote the prize exam this year, representing 22 universities across the country. UBC had the largest contingent, with 18 students.

"We're extremely pleased with these results," said Physics Head Brian Turrell. "It reflects very well on our students and their teachers."

The three-hour CAP exam consisted of questions based on the principle areas of study in undergraduate physics: mechanics, electromagnetism. atomic physics, relativity, quantum mechanics, thermodynamics and statistical mechanics.

Most students writing the exam were enrolled in either third or fourth year honours programs.

Specific exam marks are not usually revealed, a CAP spokesperson said.

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# Child health focus of conference

About 4,000 delegates will converge at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre from Mav 30 to June 3 for a five-day international congress focusing on child health and related issues such as poverty, education, population and environmental degradation.

Child Health 2000 will host more than 400 speakers including Nobel Prize laureates, health ministers, senior economists,

with one common goal in mind - to eradicate suffering and death from preventable and treatable causes, said Dr. Wah Jun Tze, a UBC professor and Pediatrics founder of the congress.

Tze was recently appointed a member

of the Order of Canada for his outstanding work in the field of children's health, survival, development and protection.



Current figures indicate that approximately 13 million chilscientists and medical experts | dren die each year, most from

> preventable diseases. Of those children, four million are under five vears old. An estimated 30 to 50 per cent of the deaths will be attributed to malaria and acute respiratory infections.

"One of the key aspects of this meeting will be to overcome

the dreadful poverty which still has a global grip on children," Tze said.

"We see so clearly on our television screens and in our newspapers what happens to children caught in a natural disaster or war, but the vast majority of deaths and suffering are silent emergencies and they remain unobserved by the world at large.

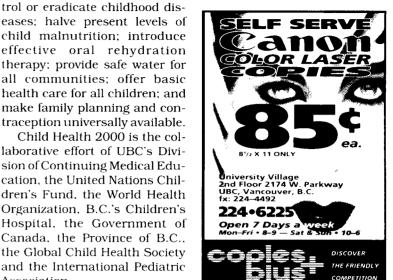
"It is only by addressing the needs of children that we will learn how to solve the problems. We are planning an historical landmark event which will improve the lives of children around the world.

Major conference sessions will include mother and baby's health; population, women and the environment; the information superhighway and telemedicine; AIDS/HIV and infants, children, youth and mothers; nutrition; child health in a changing society and infectious diseases.

Tze, who specializes in pediatric endocrinology and also serves as organizing chair of the event, said that delegates to the second world congress and exposition will have clear working goals.

Their primary task will be to





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#### Budget

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Utility rate increases generally on campus will cost an estimated \$279,000 this year.

"This continues to put a great deal of pressure on the institution," Gellatly said.

A major question mark hanging over the university's budget plans is unresolved agreements for faculty and staff compensa-

The Faculty Association goes to binding arbitration later this month, and campus unions have been without a contract for more than a year. With no funding for pay hikes, any increases will involve direct, offsetting cuts in positions, Gellatly said.

An increase to this year's grant allocation of \$452,000 covers pay equity provisions in previously existing labour agreements.

The province has provided another \$1.6 million as part of effort to increase enrolments at B.C.'s post-secondary institutions. This is expected to allow an additional 228 full-time equivalent undergraduate places at UBC next September.

On top of the base operating grant, UBC will receive a \$400,000 partnership grant to help support degree programs offered on a partnership basis with university-colleges. This funding will be eliminated in future years as university-colleges assume full responsibility for their degree programming.

UBC will also receive \$2 million in cash and \$2.4 million in debenture capital this year to match donations made to the World of Opportunity fundraising campaign for endowment and building capital costs. The funds are part of the University Matching Program, which encouraged private sector donations to B.C. universities by matching them with government funds.

UBC will also receive \$1.2 million in designated funding to support teacher education programs. As in past years, \$3.4 million will be provided for academic equipment funding, down from \$5.2 million in 1994-95.

# Personal security courses offered to campus staff

by Connie Filletti

Staff writer

Wah Jun Tze

Personal security can be as close as five steps away.

UBC faculty and staff are invited to learn how by attending free workshops on campus designed to raise awareness of and deal with personal safety risks specific to the workplace.

"We have developed a fivestep approach to personal security in response to the most common situations UBC employees could find themselves in," said Meg Gaily, UBC's personal security co-ordinator.

She explained that participants study several different scenarios in which their safety may be at risk - including how to deal with violent coworkers and intruders in the workplace — to help them identify solutions and alleviate the situation.

"The workshops are also interactive and tailored to the participants' concerns to give them

an opportunity to express those needs and apply the skills they learn in related scenarios," Gaily said.

Aminimum of 15 participants is required for each 90-minute workshop which is led by a team of volunteer instructors representing a broad range of campus departments including Parking and Security Services, the Women Students' Office and Human Resources.

Gaily said that the university, which funds the workshops as part of its personal security plan, hopes to begin offering a student program by September.

She estimates that approximately 600 faculty and staff members have attended the 40 workshops delivered since the pilot program was launched last November.

Departments interested in scheduling a personal security workshop can call Gaily at 822-6210 or e-mail her at gaily@safety.ubc.ca.

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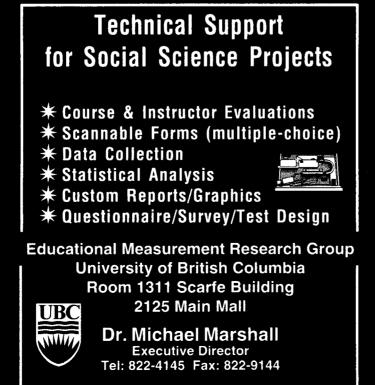
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# Scope of work garners Killam prize

by Gavin Wilson

Staff writer

A physics professor whose interdisciplinary work in physics, chemistry and biology has attracted worldwide acclaim is the winner of the prestigious Izaak Walton Killam Memorial Prize from the Canada Council.

Prof. Emeritus Myer Bloom will receive his \$50,000 prize May 16 in Ottawa from Gov. Gen. Romeo Leblanc. Bloom's award, in recognition of a distinguished career in the natural sciences, is one of three Killam Memorial Prizes. The other two are for engineering and health sciences

Bloom was cited for his capacity for provocative, original thinking that brings together concepts from many different |

First establishing his reputation as a remarkable theoretician experimentalist of solid state nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), in the past 15 years he has used his knowledge of NMR methods to further our understanding of the structure and function of biological membranes.

Bloom has always been at the forefront of research. When he was a PhD student he demonstrated that the then new pulsed nuclear magnetic resonance technique could be used to study pure electric quadrupole interactions. Papers he produced on this topic played a seminal role in establishing this still-important experimental technique.

Bloom joined UBC's Physics Dept. in

1956 where he set up a research program to study liquids and gases, an area that spans both physics and chemistry.

In the early 1970s Bloom used deuterium NMR to demonstrate molecular order in liquid crystals. Today, techniques he pioneered in deuterium NMR are increasingly applied to polymers, proteins, lipids and surfaces.

Later studies have made a major impact on understanding the connections between the physical properties of biological materials and their biological func-

This work led to a new program with the Canadian Institute of Advanced Research called The Science of Soft Surfaces and Interfaces. Bloom is the director of the program, which now includes 11 scientists in Canada, Europe and the

As well as working at UBC, Bloom has carried out research for extended periods of time at other institutions including Harvard, Rome and Kyoto universities. the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research in Sydney, Australia, and the Laboratoire



Myer Bloom

de Physique des Solides at the Universite

#### 1995 Honorary degree recipients

# Native elder revered as traditional healer, mentor

by Connie Filletti

Staff writer

Musqueam healer and elder Vincent Stogan, whose leadership and guidance contributed greatly to the plan- lice, especially to organizations con-

ning of UBC's First Nations Longhouse, will be presented with an honorary degree on May 30.

Stogan, the cultural and spiritual leader of the Musqueam Nation, is also revered for his service as a traditional healer, counsellor and mentor to all First Nations, as well as to many non-native groups

A tireless ambassador for the Musqueam Nation. he travels throughout

B.C., Canada and the United States to practice his gift of healing and participate in traditional gatherings.

His cultural and spiritual activities have promoted understanding of the beliefs and traditions of First Nations peoples for other cultures.

Stogan, a long-time friend of UBC, served on the university's advisory committee of the First Nations House of len's Association in 1993.

Learning where he is currently a resident elder. He is also an elder to the Native Indian Teacher Education Pro-

His dedication to community serv-

cerned with the welfare of abuse victims, is exemplary.

It includes serving on the board of directors of the Vancouver Indian Cultural Society, the Friendship Centre in Mission, B.C. and the Vancouver Aboriginal Child and Family Services Society.

Stogan has also been instrumental in working with the Vancouver School Board to provide

elementary and high school students with knowledge about First Nations culture and values.

Praised as an inspiration in his pursuit to renew ancient ceremonial rites that were slowly eroding due to lack of spiritual leadership, Stogan was presented with the Gold Eagle Feather Award by the Professional Native Wom-

# GVRD to set up UBC planning committee

The Greater Vancouver Regional District is seeking nominations for a Planning Advisory Committee that will guide development of an Official Community Plan for UBC

In December 1994, the GVRD and UBC drafted a memorandum of understanding concerning the preparation of an official community plan for an area including the UBC campus and two lots located in Pacific Spirit Park.

"After extensive discussion with members of the UBC community, the GVRD is eager to appoint an advisory committee to get started on plan development," said Ken Cameron, manager of the GVRD's Strategic Planning Department.

Cameron said the advisory committee will play an important role in advising not only on the content of the official community plan but also on the public consultation process. He added that while the committee will play a key part in that process, other measures will also be required to ensure opportunities for broad public input.

Nominations will be drawn from a wide range of organizations and interest groups both on and off campus.

President David Strangway said UBC's land use objectives, as submitted to the GVRD, incorporate the need for a complete community and an endowment base for the university. These objectives. adopted by the Board of Governors after extensive consultation with the campus community over the past 18 months, also take into account the planning strategies devised by the GVRD.

Seventy per cent of the 383 hectare campus will be reserved for academic and related institutional use under the proposals. Strangway noted that about 40 per cent has been developed with ample latitude for diversification and 30 per cent remains available for future use.

Another 30 per cent of campus could be allocated for long-term housing leases to generate endowments to help meet the university's mission and, at the same time, help the GVRD in its quest to achieve a compact metropolitan region.

All income from long-term leases will be used for endowments directly supporting UBC's academic mission.

# Cultural activist began career at UBC museum

Vincent Stogan

UBC graduate Gloria Webster, renowned as a First Nations scholar and leader in Canadian native cultural affairs, will return to her alma mater on June 1 to receive an honorary degree.

A pioneer in native-owned and operated museums. Webster began her career as an assistant curator at UBC's Museum of Anthropology.

A cultural activist, her negotiations with the Canadian Museum of Civilization, the Royal Ontario Museum and the National Museum of the American Indian were instrumental in repatriating a collection of potlatch ceremonial objects which were illegally confiscated in the 1920s.

Webster, a resident of Alert Bay, B.C.. was the driving force behind the establishment of the U'mista Cultural Centre in that community which was constructed to house the collection.

Groups from across North America, Scandinavia and Asia have since sought her advice as a heritage consultant on the legal and cultural rights of indigenous people.

A writer and film-maker, Webster

I has produced what is considered to be some of the best work that exists on Kwakwaka'wakw culture, art and his-

An ardent supporter of inter-cultural understanding, especially among people dealing with cultural materials, she has served on the advisory council for the First People's Hall of the Museum of Civilization and has been a member of the B.C. Museum Association executive council and the Museums and First Nations task force.

Webster is a former vice-chair of the Heritage, Language and Cultural Council, Ministry of Native Affairs for the province of B.C.

She has been previously recognized by UBC for her outstanding accomplishments with a 75th anniversary medal.

In 1993, Webster was the recipient of the Native American Art Studies Association Biennial Honor Award for Lifetime Achievement.

(These are the final articles in a series on UBC's spring congregation honorary degree recipients.)

# UBC's Open House '95 rapidly gaining momentum

by Connie Filletti

Staff writer

Excitement is building across campus for Open House '95.

More than 14 committees are planning details of the three-day extravaganza, taking place Oct. 13 - 15, featuring the latest in UBC research, teaching and clinical care.

\*Committee members, including faculty, staff, students and alumni, are working with great enthusiasm to ensure that Open House '95 has something for everyone," said Debora Sweeney, UBC marketing manager.

"They have come up with scores of dynamic displays and intriguing exhibits to delight visitors of all ages.'

Attractions planned to date include the mock trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, a simulated earthquake, demonstrations of lie detection and eye witness testimony, a chemistry

magic show, computerized mortgage analysis, a Botancial Garden apple fest, a presentation on the future of B.C.'s forests and advice on healthy

Visitors will also be invited to visit the new, award-winning Morris and Helen Belkin Art Gallery, attend a Vancouver Grizzlies exhibition game at UBC's Thunderbird Stadium and participate in the university's 80th anniversary celebrations taking place during Open House

A giant birthday cake and a plaque commemorating UBC's growth and achievements will mark the festivities on Oct. 15 at 10:00 a.m.

To date, about 75 people have volunteered their services for Open House '95 which is expected to attract over 200,000 visitors during the three days.

For more information about volunteer opportunities with Open House '95, call Carole Forsythe at 822-0548.



**Archival Access** 

University Librarian Ruth Patrick (left) and Jean-Pierre Wallot, national archivist of Canada, were on hand for the April 19 opening of the Vancouver Access Site at the UBC Main Library. The site will enable the public and researchers to look for National Archives material through computer and multimedia displays.

# Conference builds on sense of community

Six high school students from | of a survey asking students aged 15 to 17 Steveston Senior Secondary School finally got to talk to pals in New Zealand last month courtesy of the UBC

The audio conference between the Richmond teens and counterparts from Aotearoa, New Zealand was the finale of a four-day educational conference called Imagining a Pacific Community which brought 106 scholars to Point Grey from 34 universities, colleges and educational centres around the Pacific Rim.

The Steveston students have been participating in a UBC-based study involving close to 700 students from Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, the Solomon Islands and the U.S. The international project assesses students' knowledge of geographical and cultural factors in the region and explores with students the concept of a Pacific community.

Headed by Prof. John Willinsky, the study is an outgrowth of UBC's participation in the Pacific Circle Consortium, an association of educational researchers and officials from the OECD (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development) countries in the Pacific. The first phase of Willinsky's project consists

to write about different aspects of life in their respective regions.

"This pilot phase establishes the best means for tapping into students' understanding of the people, history and geography of the Pacific region and their community's place within it," said Willinsky, director of UBC's Centre for the Study of Curriculum and Instruction. Willinsky hopes to expand the survey to include about 1,500 students in 10 or more nations. The goal is to get student-created materials circulating in classrooms of participating nations to foster co-operative learning.

participating in the teleconference produced and exchanged short videos about their own communities which helped them prepare questions for the audio hookup.

Together with colleagues James Gaskell and Stephen Carey, Willinsky organized the Imagining a Pacific Community conference which featured presentations on multicultural/anti-racism education, educational technologies, cultural studies, aboriginal studies, comparative literature, gender studies, history and geography, and global and language education.

# Call for proposals for former Faculty Club site expected

by Gavin Wilson

Staff writer

The UBC Real Estate Corporation is expected to put out a call this month for proposals for the future use of the land and building formerly occupied by the Faculty Club.

A project team at the corporation is managing the process to determine the future of the site, home of the Faculty Club until it went into receivership last

An advisory committee is guiding the project team and has determined the criteria for judging the proposals. The committee will examine the proposals and determine which will be recommended to President David Strangway.

The criteria for proposals are:

- the facility must include a gathering place for members of the university community
- the facility must generate sufficient cash flow to service and retire existing
- the facility must be financially viable and economically self-sustaining

- the facility must fit compatibly into the physical fabric of the university
- the university will incur no management responsibility or financial liability for the facility

As well, future uses of the site should be in the original spirit of philanthropist Leon Koerner's gift, which made the building possible. Koerner envisioned the site as a place where members of the university community could meet and exchange ideas.

Advisory committee members are: Prof. Joost Blom, Faculty of Law: John Diggens. former head of the Alumni Association; Assoc. Prof. Ann Hilton, School of Nursing: Sanford Hirshen, director, School of Architecture: Joan King, manager, Ceremonies and Events; Maria Klawe, vicepresident, Student and Academic Services: Albert McClean, associate vice-president, Academic; Laurie Peers, legal advisor for the Koerner family; Prof. Elaine Stolar, School of Social Work and Prof. Lawrence Weiler, Chemistry.

Anyone wishing to submit a proposal should call Noel O'Connor at the UBC Real Estate Corporation, 731-3103.

# **Forum**

# The Pacific community: Diversity and Difference

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- Ted Aoki

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Ted Aoki, an adjunct professor associated with the Asia Pacific Education Graduate Program in the Dept. of Language Education, opened the recent international conference, Imagining a Pacific Community: Representation and Education. The following is excerpted from his remarks.

The Pacific Rim. The Asia Pacific. The Pacific Community - these and other newly coined signifiers slide about with shifting images as global attention turns at the end of this

century to this oceanic space we call The Pacific. Such a turn of interest leads to a saying that resonates within me: The regime of the Pacific will arrive.

This saying was cited often early in this century by my parents, both teachers from Tokyo, at the Japanese Language School I attended dutifully in Cumberland on Vancouver Island, a namesake of Cumberland, we were told, in northern England. In this small but thriving mining

community settled migrant coal miners and their families in diverse mining towns - an Italian town, a Chinese town, and two Japanese towns - all situated in clearings carved out for them in the periphery of the main English town, lorded by the huge estate of the Dunsmuirs.

Daily during the morning and early afternoon I attended what we called the "School for Whites" and after that, in late afternoon, I attended Japanese Language School. Students like myself thereby received a doubled schooling that positioned us in the midst of a two-fold of Pacific languages and histories.

At the public school, teachers had to deal with a language problem. I still remember how to encourage us into the discursive world of English, the school set up a language code for recess breaks: "Anyone speaking Japanese during recess shall be strapped." With such a code of conduct, we learned to speak English out loud and to speak Japanese silently, erupting into Japanese at the end of the public school day as we hiked off to Japanese school jabbering in Japanese all the way.

At the other school, the public school, I remember being schooled into the exciting, gung-ho narratives of western discoveries and the daunting exploits of Columbus and Magellan. But here, where we are now, the British and English language prevailed and prevails.

However, new language codes are at work in B.C. In the public school's curricular scene exist legitimized spaces for East Asian languages, such as Japanese, Mandarin, Cantonese and Korean. For some years now the Ministry of Education in B.C. has been promoting what we have learned to call the Pacific

Initiatives. Under such supportive promotion, we have seen the to and fro movement of teachers and students spanning the Pacific; we have seen curricular activities inspired by the initiatives and we have seen teacher education institutions participating through programming and re-programming. At UBC, in the recently inaugurated Asia Pacific Education Graduate Program, studies in Education oriented to the Pacific are underway. Indeed, we are in a position to transform the saving from the future tense into the present tense - "The regime of the

Pacific has come."

However, inherent in the idea of a Pacific Community is a sense of indeterminacy and indefiniteness, situating us in a space of ambiguity and ambivalence. Indeed, "unity in diversity" has become a geopolitical slogan we often hear in North America. Hence, when we speak of the Pacific Community, we find ourselves predisposed to **slip into** the metaphor of diversity.

So disposed, we texture the Pacific Community as one

of diverse cultural and national entities, an anthropological museum of national cultures often exoticized, categorized and labelled. In the field of education, the endorsement of cultural diversity has become the bedrock of multicultural, multinational education that flourishes in our school curricula as exotic studies of Japan, China, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and so on, and on multicultural days often celebrated in schools. And at the university level, this curriculum of diversity appears as an arrangement in Asian Studies programs or entrenched entities in Asian Studies

We need to question this idea of the Pacific Community as diversity because it produces - in its seeming liberal openness and tolerance of others - a silent norm that both contains and constrains differences on the underside of diversity of the community.

What is needed is a disruption, a displacement that relocates us away from the space of demographic plurality inscribed in diversity to a borderline space that as one noted scholar says "permits negotiations of cultural translation".

Such a repositioning is a movement away from the notion of community as diversity to community as difference, an enunciating space of language in movement, a space of signifying activity, a space of inter-language translation. It is that enunciating space of cultural and language differences - in my case, the space which is neither Japan nor Canada, neither Japanese or English, but that interspace where the otherness of others cannot be buried.



#### Growing Support

Forestry Dean Clark Binkley shows a model of the Pacific Forest Sciences Centre to Lignum Ltd. Chair and CEO John Kerr. Lignum contributed \$125,000 toward the naming of a classroom in the new building, with construction scheduled to begin late this summer. Matching funds will come from the province. Kerr and Binkley joined UBC President David Strangway and Chancellor Robert Lee at a reception at the president's residence April 18.

Abe Hefter photo

# President's Service Awards recognize commitment to excellence

The President's Service Award for Excellence was introduced in 1991 to recognize excellence in personal achievement and outstanding contributions to UBC. Recipients of the award are presented with a gold medal and \$5,000. This year's President's Service Award for Excellence winners are:

#### Albert McClean

McClean joined UBC's Faculty of Law in 1960. An early recipient of the Master Teaching Prize, McClean went on to become dean of Law from 1971 to 1976. He also served as editor of the Canadian Bar Review, the

premier academic law review in Canada. He was appointed to his present position as associate vice-president. Academic, and special advisor to the president in 1986.

#### Bill McLennan

Until his appointment as manager of design projects. graphics and photography at the Museum of Anthropology in 1992, most of McLennan's 19 years at UBC were spent as a technical employee. His work as an exhibit designer has won recognition across Canada and internationally. McLennan's scholarly contributions come from his own research into First Nations art - particularly 19th century Northwest Coast painted design - and from his active support of the work of contemporary First Nations artists in a variety of

#### Rolando "Lando" Robillo

For 13 years, Robillo has managed the media room in the Dept. of Microbiology and Immunology. In this capacity he has ensured that a variety of supplies are available as required to support the activities of the department's teaching laboratories. Always cheerful, Robillo continues to make the Microbiology Dept. a welcoming place while at the same time ensuring the success of laboratory exercises.

#### Harvey Burian

Twenty-five years ago, Burian started out as an administrative assistant in what was then known as Personnel and Ancillary Services. His career eventually took him into the area of information systems, where he's been employed since 1986. Today, as manager of the Human Resources Information Centre, Burian is responsible primarily for the computerized employee database system, and extracting system information in the form of various reports.

#### Chris Mewis

From 1970 through 1977. Mewis was employed in a number of areas on campus. including the Dental Hygiene Program and the Faculty of Education. For the last 17 years, she has worked in the Dept. of Oceanography where she acts as assistant to the department head. Mewis is responsible for the administrative functions of the department which include advising faculty on employment and grant application policies and guidelines: advising students on scholarship applications and reconciling and producing department budget summaries. A former assistant boating instructor. Mewis has been sailing for more than 20 years.



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# Calendar

# May 7 through June 17

#### Sunday, May 7

#### Ninth Pacific Institute on Addiction Studies

Through May 10. Share resources, information and experiences in treatment of alcohol and other drug problems. Registration May 7 at 5pm, Curtis (Law) Main Foyer 101/102. Call Janet Bianic at 874-3466.

#### Monday, May 8

#### BC Cancer Research Centre Seminar

MRP-Mediated Multidrug Resistance: In Vitro/In Vivo Studies. Dr. Erasmus Schneider, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland. BC Cancer Research Centre lecture theatre at 12pm. Call 877-6010.

#### Biochemistry/Molecular Biology Seminars

Coronaviruses/Multiple Sclerosis: Interaction Between A Common Cold Virus/The Central Nervous/Immune Systems. Dr. Pierre Talbot. Neuroimmunovirology Laboratory. Institute Armand-Frappier. Laval. Que. D.H. Copp 2002/2004 at 12:30pm. Refreshments at 12:15pm. Call 822-9871.

Guanylate Cyclase Activating Protein: A Calcium Sensitive Regulator Of Phototransduction. Dr. Kris Palczewski, Ophthalmology/ Pharmacology. U. of Washington, Seattle. WA. IRC #4 at 3:45pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-9871.

#### Tuesday, May 9

#### UBC Alumni Association Business Breakfast

Entrepreneurial/The Electronic Age. Paul Lee, BCom, chief operating officer. Electronic Arts (Canada) Inc., chief financial officer, EA Sports Division. Hotel Vancouver, Saturna Island Room from 7:15-8:15am. \$25 per person, includes hot breakfast. Call 822-8923.

#### MOST Workshop

Delegating. Jan Heslop. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-12pm. Refreshments. Call 822-9644.

#### Scholarly Colloquium

Nurses' Decision Making: Ethics In Caring. Dr. Anne Williams. Nursing Studies, U. of Manchester, England. Vancouver Hosp/ HSC Acute Care T-180 from 4:30-5:30pm. Call 822-7453.

#### Wednesday, May 10

#### Orthopedics Grand Rounds

Sports/Athletic Injuries: When The Surgeon Becomes The Patient: Rehabilitation/Disability. Chair: Dr. R.W. McGraw. Speaker: Dr. P. Wright. Eye Care Centre auditorium at 7am. Call 822-4272.

#### Respiratory Seminar Series

Upper Airway Videoendoscopy In Obstructive Sleep Apnea. Dr. Frank Ryan, Medicine. Vancouver Hosp/HSC Laurel Pavilion Taylor-Fiddler conference room from 5-6pm. Call 875-5653.

#### Thursday, May 11

#### Multimedia Event

Innovation Fund Demonstra-

tions. Interactive laboratory simulation; ATM and other high speed computer networking; videoconferencing. Brian Holl, Plant Science; Mike Hrybyk, Central Networking; Ian Franks, Media Services. USB TELEcentre from 1-2pm. Call 822-3062.

#### Friday, May 12

#### **Pediatrics Grand Rounds**

Head Injury: Controversies/Current Research. Dr. Peter Skippen, Pediatrics, Intensive Care Unit, Children's Hospital. GF Strong auditorium at 9am. Call 875-2307.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology Rounds

The "Cost" Of Cost Reductions. Dr. Michael O'Shaughnessy, director, BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772.

#### Sunday, May 14

#### Botanical Garden 5th Annual Perennial Plant Sale

Demonstration by eight garden personalities. Plant sale in Botanical Garden parking lot from 10am-4pm; demonstration from 11am-2:30pm. Garden admission with plant purchase. Call 822-9666.

#### Monday, May 15

#### Biochemistry/Molecular Biology Seminar

Proteins/Nucleotide Modification In The Peptidyl Transferase Centre Of The Yeast Mitochondrial Ribosome. Dr. Tom Mason, Biochemistry, U. of Massachusetts. IRC #4 at 3:45. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-9871.

#### **UBC** Bookstore Reading

The Piano Man's Daughter. Timothy Findley, award-winning Canadian author. Frederic Wood theatre at 7:30pm. Admission \$10. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets available at UBC Bookstore front information desk. Call 822-4749.

#### Tuesday, May 16

#### MOST Workshop

Understanding Your Pension Plan. Pension Administration Office staff. Ponderosa Maple Room from 10-12pm. Refreshment. Call 822-9644.

#### Wednesday, May 17

#### Orthopedics Grand Rounds Inner Extremity: Colf - When Th

Upper Extremity: Golf - When The Swing Isn't There Anymore. Chair: Dr. R.W. McGraw; speaker: Dr. W. Regan. Eye Care Centre auditorium at 7am. Call 875- 4272.

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T-Lymphocytes In Airways And Asthma. Dr. Tony Frew, senior lecturer, U. of Southampton. Vancouver Hosp/HSC Laurel Pavilion Taylor-Fiddler conference room from 5-6pm. Call 875-5653.

#### Senate Meeting

The Ninth Regular Meeting Of The Senate, UBC's Academic Parliament. Curtis 102 at 8pm.

#### Thursday, May 18

#### MOST Workshop

Situational Leadership. Carol Ann Fried, consultant, Friedom Training. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-4pm.Refreshments.Call 822-9644.

#### Friday, May 19

#### **Pediatrics Grand Rounds**

Predictive Genetic Testing: The Consequences Of Knowing. Dr. Bill McKellin, Anthropology/Sociology; Dr. Michael Burgess, visiting research fellow, Bioethics, U. of Calgary. GF Strong Auditorium at 9am. Call 875-2307.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology Rounds

TBA. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772.

#### Tuesday, May 23

#### Green College Seminar

Reforming Juvenile Justice. Anthony Doob, Centre for Criminology, U. of Toronto. Green College recreation lounge at 5:30pm. Call 822-8660.

#### Wednesday, May 24

#### Biochemistry/Molecular Biology Seminar

The Ins-And-Outs And Ups-And-Downs Of Voltage-Sensitive Sodium Channels. Dr. Roland Kallen, Biochemistry/Biophysics. U. of Pennsylvania. IRC #1 at 3:45pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-9871.

# Orthopaedics Grand Rounds Hip Dysplasia, Dr. S. P. Pirani, Dr. H.K. Outerbridge. Vanc. Hosp/

#### H.K. Outerbridge. Vanc. Hosp/ HSC Eye Care Centre Auditorium from 7 - 8am. Call 875-4677.

#### Thursday, May 25

#### MOST Workshop

People with Disabilities In The Work Place. Ruth Warick, director. Disability Resource Centre. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-12pm. Refreshments. Call 822-9644.

#### DOW Distinguished Lecturer

The Physics Of Polymer Adsorption: Applications To Papermaking. Dr. T.G.M. van de Ven. Pulp/Paper Research Institute of Canada, Pulp/Paper Centre, McGill U. UBC Pulp/Paper Centre 101 at 3pm. Call 822-8560.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology Rounds

Physician Resource Management In Canada. Dr. Steve Gray, medical specialist, Ministry of Health. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772

#### Friday, May 26

#### Pediatrics Grand Rounds

Long Term Prediction Of Outcome For Very Preterm Infants From Neonatal Ultrasound. Dr. Ann Stewart, senior lecturer, Perinatal Medicine, U. College London Medical School, UK. GF Strong Auditorium at 9am. Call 875-2307.

## Continuing Education in Applied Science

Three-day workshop. Alternate Energy Series Micro Hydroelectric Systems. Mr. Robert Mathews. CEME 1212. For times and fee call 822-3347.

#### Wednesday, May 31

#### **Orthopaedics Grand Rounds** Medicolegal Issues in 1995. Chris

Continuing Education in
Applied Science
Two-day workshop. UBC Fire Protection, Engineering: Design Cal-

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HSC Eye Care Centre Auditorium

at 7am. Call 875-4272.

Thursday, June 1

tection Engineering: Design Calculations For Fire Resistance. Various speakers. For times and fee call 822-3347.

#### Friday, June 2

#### **Pediatrics Grand Rounds**

Clinicopathological Conference. Dr. Poul Sorensen/Dr. J.F. Magee, both in Pathology, Children's Hospital; Dr. Tarek Momemah. Pediatrics. GF Strong Auditorium at 9am. Call 875-2307.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology Rounds

Radon In BC. Dr. Chris van Netten, Health Care/Epidemiology. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772.

#### MOST Workshop

Risk Taking: Nothing Ventured...Nothing Gained. Gary Harper/Dennis Hilton. management consultants. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-4pm. Refreshments. Call 822-9644.

#### Tuesday, June 6

#### MOST Workshop

Motivating Your Staff: A Challenge For Leaders. Jim Cameron, management consultant. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-4pm. Refreshments. Call 822-9644.

#### Thursday, June 8

#### Multimedia Event

Innovation Fund Demonstrations. WWW courseware, video on-demand over the network; language learning for special purposes. Joerg Roche, Centre for Intercultural Language Studies: Murray Goldberg, Computer Science and Computing Services staff, USB TELEcentre from 1-2pm, Call 822-3062.

#### Friday, June 9

#### Pediatrics Grand Rounds

Hope For Children With Hamburger Disease. The Synsorb Trial. Dr. Nevio Cimolai, Pathology: Dr. James Carter, Pediatric Nephrology. GF Strong Auditorium at 9am. Call 875-2307.

#### Tuesday, June 13

#### MOST Workshop

An Introduction To Health, Safety/Environmental Issues At UBC. Health, Safety/Environment staff. Brock Hall 0017 from 9am-12pm. Refreshments. Call 822-9644.

#### Wednesday, June 14

#### Orthopaedic Update '95

Current Concepts in Orthopaedtcs. Dr. Robert W. McGraw. Sutton Place Hotel June 14, 15, 16. Call 875-4272.

#### Thursday, June 15

#### MOST Workshop

Building Team Effectiveness. Gareth Wood, consultant, Gareth Wood Associates. Ponderosa Cedar Room, June 15 from 9am-4pm; June 16 from 9am-12pm. Refreshments. Call 822 9644.

#### Friday, June 16

#### **Pediatrics Grand Rounds**

Autologous Bone Marrow Transplantation: Collaboration with Czech Republic. Dr. Josef P. Skala, Pediatrics, Oncology/Hematology. GF Strong Auditorium from 9-10am. Call 875-2307.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology Rounds

TBA. Dr. Arminee Kazanjian, assoc. director; Dr. Isabelle Savoie, research assoc., both at Centre for Health Services/Policy Research. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772.

#### Health Care/Epidemiology

Community Medicine In Hospitals. Dr. Peter Riben, Laboratory Medicine. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Call 822-2772.

#### NOTE:

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### **UBC REPORTS**

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Deadline for the June 15 issue of UBC Reports — which covers the period June 18 to July 15 — is noon, June 6.



#### THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW SERVICES TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



#### THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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May 4, 1995

Dear Colleagues:

In October 1993, Ruth Patrick appointed a committee chaired by M. A. Hickling to review the Crane Memorial Library. The Committee presented its report in September, 1994. Its major conclusions and recommendations are summarized below:

- There is an immediate need for a review of the reporting structures that recognizes the current role of the staff in the Crane Library.
- The Crane Library requires additional staff if it is to carry out its mandate.
- Facilitation of the production of "talking books" should be considered.
- There is a need for better coordination of fund raising for the Crane Library and the Disability Resource Centre (DRC).
- There is a need for improved communication within the Library system as it relates to Crane, with particular reference to fund raising.
- The facilities presently occupied by Crane are unsatisfactory and inadequate.
- Crane circulation should be integrated into the Library circulation system and bar coding should replace the traditional procedures.

Following receipt of the Hickling report, and prior to taking action on any of its conclusions, K. D. Srivastava initiated a review of the broader issues relating to the provision of services to the disabled. Attached you will find a copy of the Committee's report for your information. It should be noted that the figures from the Crane Resources Centre and those from the DRC are not comparable. The Committee's recommendations are as follows:

- Where possible, the services to disabled persons should be decentralized and funds provided accordingly. There are, however, certain activities which should remain centralized, including identification of the physical access needs of the Campus and coordinating their implementation with Campus Planning and Development.
- The Disability Resource Centre should continue to fulfill its primary mandate of facilitation and advocacy.
- The services to the disabled popu-

lation deemed as needing to be delivered centrally should be the responsibility of the Student Resources Centre. This unit should support the requirements of disabled faculty, staff and visitors as well as UBC's disabled student population.

- · The production of academic materials for the blind and print impaired should continue to be funded from the general purpose operating fund, however, some campus services, and services to off campus users, should be operated on a fee-for-service basis. It is recommended that a unit within the Student Resources Centre be designated as the Crane Resources Centre. The University should consider the B.C. College/Institute Library Services (CILS) as a possible model for the delivery of services and should seek appropriate funding from the Ministry.
- The Committee recommends that the production facilities be relocated to a new Crane Resources Centre located on the lower floor of the east wing of Brock Hall.
- The Crane collection should continue to be held by the Library.
- Funding for the assessment of disabled persons should be provided through the Student Resources Centre.

While I strongly support most of these recommendations, after having consulted with a significant number of people, including those in the President's Office and those on the Committee, my plan is to implement a slightly different organizational structure than that proposed by the Committee. In particular, I am planning to leave centrally offered services to the disabled within the Disability Resource Centre rather than relocate them in the Student Resources Centre. Likewise, my plan is to have the Crane Resources Centre report to the Disability Resources Centre. This plan is supported by many of the individuals involved in the changes recommended by the Committee.

I am anxious to move ahead with these changes and plan to inform the University community in an upcoming edition of *UBC Reports*.

I would welcome your early comments.

Maria M. Klawe Vice President Student and Academic Services

#### Preamble

The Committee to Review the Delivery of Services to Persons with Disability was established by K.D. Srivastava, Vice President Student & Academic Services in October, 1994 following receipt of the Review of the Crane Memorial Library. The Crane review clearly articulated three functions being carried out by the unit: the traditional library function, the production of materials for blind and print impaired users, and provision of support services to blind and print impaired persons. The Review's major recommendations related to clarification of Crane's role as a library unit and its relationship with the Disability Resource Centre and other services. Prior to making any decision on the Crane Library, it was agreed that a broader review of the provision of services to disabled persons should be carried out. The University has received numerous requests that its services to disabled persons be comprehensive and targeted to include visitors to the campus as well as faculty, staff and students. The Committee chaired by K.D. Srivastava, with membership including Richard Spencer, Lynn Smith, Rick Hansen, and Betty Nobel met on five occasions and heard presentations from Paul Thiele. Heather Keate (on behalf of Ruth Patrick). Ruth Warick, Perry Leslie and Ken Slade (on behalf of Walter Uegama). The chair also met with Sharon Fuller, a sessional lecturer who offered her insights on teaching the disabled. In addition, the Committee also sought information on models of service delivery in place at several other institutions in Canada and the United States.

#### Background

The University has a long history of responding to the concerns of the disabled. The President's Advisory Committee on the Disabled was re-established in 1987. The Committee's terms of reference were to:

- advise the President or the President's designate on matters of policy relating to disabled persons at the University of British Columbia, including issues related to access of disabled persons to services and facilities at the University;
- advise the President on such other matters as the President or the President's designate may from time to time refer to it;
- submit an annual report to the President no later than June 30 in each year.

The President's Advisory Committee was set up three years prior to the establishment of the Disability Resource Centre (DRC) and the Rick Hansen National Fellow Program (RHNFP). With the new DRC Advisory Committee chaired by Rick Hansen in place, the President's Advisory Committee on the Disabled was disbanded in 1993.

The Crane Memorial Library was established in 1969 following receipt of a bequest in 1968, from Charles Crane who had been a deaf and blind student at the University. Paul and Judith Thiele were initially hired to catalogue the Crane collection which became the focus of a reading room attached to the Faculty of Arts, and subsequently developed into a major point of contact for blind and print disabled students and others requiring access to its library collections and the materials produced by its staff and volunteers. It has developed a national and international reputation for the quality of

its services. Crane's resources are frequently borrowed by other post-secondary and other institutions as well as public libraries and service agencies throughout the province, nationally and internationally. In addition to the traditional library role, Crane staff and volunteers produce "talking books" and other non-print media required by its clientele. Paul Thiele is highly regarded for his advocacy on behalf of the interests of blind students, and both he and his staff are appreciated for the advice and support they provide to the blind and print impaired.

Counselling support for blind students and students with other forms of disability was also provided through the predecessor unit to the Student Resources Centre. In 1988 a special budget was created by the Vice President, Student & Academic Services, for a Coordinator for Services to the Disabled. This budget was initially held by the Student Counselling and Resources Centre and later transferred on a temporary basis to the Disability Resource Centre. In both instances the budget for support of the Coordinator was kept separate from the main budget of the unit.

In 1989. Rick Hansen was appointed as a special advisor to the President to examine how the University can best serve its disabled population and the disabled community on a provincial and national basis. In 1990, the Rick Hansen National Fellow Program and the Disability Resource Centre were established.

The mandate of the Rick Hansen National Fellow Program is to:

- foster an environment in which, at all levels, the concerns of the disabled persons are addressed;
- ensure that persons with disabilities (students, faculty, staff, and visitors) are given equal opportunity to benefit from all the University has to offer;
- channel leadership resources into the community in the form of education, awareness and research; and,
- be a model for other post-secondary institutions, nationally and internationally, in their efforts to foster an environment which is fully accessible to, and in support of, persons with disabilities.

Within the University community, the Disability Resource Centre is principally a facilitation and advocacy unit and is mandated to support the ongoing teaching, research and program endeavors undertaken by the University's faculties and departments. It works closely with the Office of the Registrar and the Student Service units as well as the Equity Office, Human Resources and Campus Planning and Development.

In addition to its role at UBC, the Disability Resource Centre has a provincial and national mandate to serve as a resource on disability issues related to post secondary education. Since its inception in 1990, the Disability Resource Centre has:

- Obtained a commitment toward developing a long-term barrier free access plan at UBC and obtained increased funding for physical access improvements.
- Produced the Teaching Students with Disabilities Guidebook, a

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#### THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



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Handbook for Students with Disabilities, and a regular series of monographs and newsletters. In 1994, these publications were awarded four first-place awards from the Association of Higher Education and Disability.

- Developed two half-day awareness programs on disability delivered through Human Resources reaching over 500 UBC staff.
- Undertaken environmental scans of UBC student service offices, a faculty survey, and a survey of students with disabilities.
- Developed and implemented an interpreter captioning services program.
- Developed a Hearing Accessibility network which evolved into the Institute of Hearing Accessibility at UBC
- Developed a resource centre of postsecondary education and disability access and produced an annotated bibliography on these issues.
- Hosted a national conference and formed a national network on research into post-secondary access and disability.
- Hosted a science awareness program for high school students with disabilities and developed science awareness resource materials.
- Developed a program for students with disabilities in high school, and a transition guidebook.
- Coordinated the delivery of note taking, reading, tutoring, mobility and research assistance and accommodated alternate exam arrangements for students with disabilities.

In the period September 1, 1993 to August 31, 1994, 140 students were assisted by the Disability Resource Centre. This number represents students who received specific accommodation supports. The Report of the Charles Crane Memorial Library Review Committee identified a core group served by the Crane Memorial Library consisting of 40 students, one staff member, and four faculty members. Crane staff also provided

information and advice on academic, career, financial technical and advocacy issues to a approximately 400 persons from the campus and a further 260 from off campus. High school students and those attending other post secondary institutions comprised the largest group from off campus.

As the University becomes more accessible to disabled students, the number of students requiring support will increase. Experience at other institutions suggests that the disabled student population is likely to be in the range of 3 - 5% of the student body. While the number of students identifying themselves at UBC is considerably less than 5%, it can be expected to grow steadily over the next few years. In addition to the endowment income provided for the DRC and the GPO funding for the Crane Library, the University presently commits nearly \$800,000 to support disabled access to the campus. Approximately 75% of these funds are being used to address physical access issues. This funding is expected to grow as additional persons with disabilities are able to access University programs and facilities. In the near term the demand for support of disabled persons will vary from year to year and from faculty to faculty. In time when enrollment patterns and needs are more clearly established, some funding commitments may be decentralized.

Identification of gaps in existing services

In its presentation the DRC noted that a major gap in support services for persons with disabilities relates to assessments (the provision of documentation of a disability). The DRC's position on documentation is similar to that of other post secondary institutions in requiring current (within 3 years) documentation from a qualified source. Students with medical and physical disabilities can generally obtain documentation from a medical practitioner. For students with a learning disability, a head injury or a mental health disability, a consultation with a qualified assessor may involve considerable expense. This cost is generally not covered by medical plans. BC universities and colleges tend to either have individuals on staff who can undertake an assessment or provide the funds for the service to be obtained elsewhere. This is not the case for UBC.

A note about the Crane Library Review

The review of the Crane Library was initiated by Ruth Patrick, University Librarian, in October 1993. The review was chaired by Anthony Hickling and included faculty, student and alumni representatives, as well as representatives from the Student Counselling and Resources Centre, the Disability Resource Centre and the Library.

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#### Identification of the Issues and Conclusions

At the extremes, services to disabled persons can either be delivered on a fully distributed basis with faculties and departments providing a full range of support activities for the disabled population, or, alternatively, on a fully centralized basis with all services delivered through one unit. At the present time, UBC has devolved a hybrid with many academic units providing examination accommodation, special tutoring and a limited range of support activities while provision of specialized equipment, financial support and advising have been provided largely through the Disability Resource Centre, the Crane Library and the Awards Office. From a practical point

of view, the optimum model is likely to fall somewhere in the middle with central funding provided to the faculties and departments requiring support for their disabled populations and a centralized unit assuming responsibility for a specified range of activities .

The Committee noted that many services to disabled persons are presently being provided by the DRC. The Committee felt, however, that over the longer term the delivery of these services is inconsistent with the DRC's primary mandate of facilitation and advocacy. Concern was expressed that the provision of service, if it were to remain in the DRC could overwhelm the Centre's essential purpose and provincial/national role.

The Committee was appraised of the recent consolidation of student service units under the Registrar and Director of Student Services and the integration of School and College Liaison, Counselling and Placement Services into the Student Resources Centre. The Committee concluded that the provision of services to the disabled could best be accomplished if the services were included in the mandate of the Student Resources Centre. The budget for the Coordinator of Services to the Disabled should be transferred to the Student Resources Centre.

The staff of the Crane Memorial Library have developed a reputation for the provision of outstanding advice and assistance to their clients. This support has extended far beyond the traditional li $brary\,mandate.\,The\,Committee\,concluded$ that the responsibility for the Crane Memorial collection should remain with the Library and a new unit to be known as the Crane Resources Centre should be established to manage production and transcription services for the disabled. This may involve a realignment of staff responsibilities within the Crane Memorial Library. The details regarding the realignment of the Crane budget should be determined by the Vice President Student and Academic Services in consultation with the Registrar and Director of Student Services and the University Librarian.

The committee was advised of the existence of the B.C. College/Institute Library Services (CILS) which is funded by a grant from the Ministry and operated by Langara College on behalf of all print impaired college and institute students in the province and has as its mandate the provision of assigned texts on tape. The services provided by CILS include lending taped books from its collection or elsewhere in North America, purchasing taped or braille books if not available for loan, production of taped books if not otherwise available, and the provision of reference services for instructors and students. In 1993/94, the Crane Library transcribed or recorded 182 books for on campus clients. A further 171 full or partial titles were transcribed or duplicated for sale to off campus clients. The Crane Library budget presently covers the majority of costs for the production of non print materials, although some revenue is recovered from off campus users. The Committee concluded that the production of assigned texts for UBC students as well as course and other academic material for students, faculty and staff should continue to be funded from the general purpose operating fund. Transcription services for departments, conference participants and off campus users should be operated on a fee for service

The Committee spent considerable time attempting to determine optimum reporting relationship for the production unit.

A strong case can be made for retaining the linkage between the production unit and the Library, however the function could clearly be located elsewhere within the University. The Committee concluded that the production function should be identified as the Crane Resources Centre and should report to the Student Resources Centre. The University should consider CILS as a possible model for the future delivery of services and should seek appropriate funding from the Ministry.

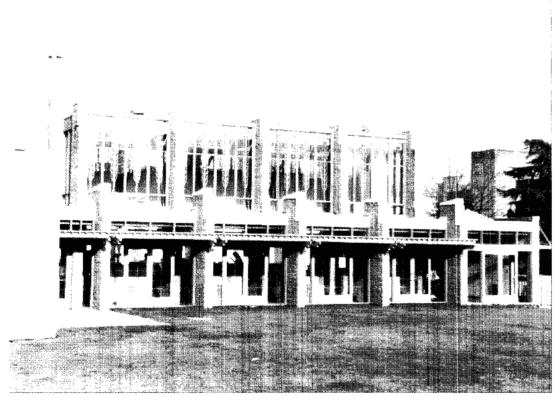
The production unit is presently housed in inadequate space in the Brock Annex. The Committee recommends that as soon as funding can be secured, the production facilities should be relocated to a new Crane Resources Centre located on the lower floor of the east wing of Brock Hall

#### Recommendations

- 1. Where possible, the services to disabled persons should be decentralized and funds provided accordingly. There are, however, certain activities which should remain centralized, including identification of the physical access needs of the Campus and coordinating their implementation with Campus Planning and Development.
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#### NOTE:

Due to space limitations the appendices attached to the original report have not been included in *UBC Reports*. Copies of the appendices are available from the Office of the Vice President, Student and Academic Services.



The Medical Student and Alumni Centre at W. 12th and Fir St. in Vancouver provides medical students and alumni with recreational, social and meeting space.

# Faculty of Medicine raises \$250,000 for centre

by Connie Filletti

Staff writer

UBC's Faculty of Medicine has successfully completed its fund-raising drive to finance the completion of the Medical Student and Alumni Centre.

The faculty has raised \$250,000 of the project's \$1,250,000 price tag through a mail and telephone appeal to individuals and professional groups.

The provincial Ministry of Health, through the Vancouver Hospital and Health Sciences Centre (VH/HSC), has

committed the remaining \$1 million.

"The centre stands as a testament to the generosity and support of the B.C. government, the VH/HSC, professional groups like the British Columbia Medical Association and the Medical and Dental Allied Staff, the UBC Medical Alumni Division and the Medical Undergraduate Society," said Dr. Chuck Slonecker, a professor of Anatomy and campaign chair.

"The facility provides medical students and alumni with needed social, recreational and meeting space at Vancouver Hospital. In addition, it also contains the

medical branch of the UBC Bookstore."

Plans for phase two of the centre, located at W. 12th Ave. and Heather St. on land donated by the VH/HSC, include additional meeting rooms, recreational space, lockers and storage space to replace student facilities lost in the reconstruction of hospital areas.

Construction is expected to begin this summer and be completed in 1996.

A stone cairn erected at the site in recognition of donors will be unveiled on May 11.

# WE NEED YOUR THOUGHTS

The Greater Vancouver Regional District is seeking nominations for a Planning Advisory Committee that will help guide development of an Official Community Plan for UBC.

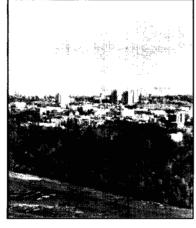
In December 1994, the GVRD and UBC signed a memorandum of understanding concerning the preparation of an official community plan for an area including the UBC campus and two lots located in Pacific Spirit Park.

The advisory committee will play an important role in advising not only on the content of the official community plan but also on the public consultation process.

Nominations will be drawn from a wide range of interests both on and off campus. The total membership of the committee will not exceed 20.

Planning Advisory Committee meetings will be scheduled well in advance and at a time convenient to most members.

Committee members will be appointed by the GVRD Board, in consultation with UBC, for a period of one year.



Committee members will be selected to represent communities of interest including: general public; ratepayers; UBC faculty, staff and students; environmental; business; tenant groups and others.

Please send a one-page summary that includes information about yourself, why you would like to be a member of the committee and which community of interest you represent by May 29, 1995.

Send applications to: The Planning Advisory Committee for UBC Greater Vancouver Regional District 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby B.C. V5H 4G8 Fax: 436-6970

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Creating Our Future: Steps To A More Livable Region

#### **News Digest**

\$1-million scholarship fund has been established by Magna International Inc. for Canadian college and university students. Applicants are asked to respond to the question: "If you were prime minister of Canada, what would you do to improve living standards and unify the country?" The awards program is intended to provide a national forum for new and innovative ideas. The contest is open to all full-time students attending an accredited Canadian university or college. Student essays will be judged based on the extent to which they offer innovative and workable solutions.

Beginning in 1995. 10 regional winners from across the country will receive \$5,000 and internships at Magna International. One of the regional winners will also be declared the national winner and receive an additional \$5,000 with \$10,000 going to the winner's school.

The Magna For Canada Scholarship Fund has been established by Magna and the Fair Enterprise Institute. a non-profit organization founded to improve Canadian living standards.

F ore!
The 1995 Thunderbird Golf Tournament will be held Thursday, May 25 at the UBC Golf Course in support of UBC's men's and women's golf teams.

The format: a five-man/woman Texas scramble. Each men's team will consist of two players. 0-10 handicap, and three players 11 and over. Each women's team will consist of one player, 0-10 handicap and four players 11 and over.

The tournament format includes registration at 11:30~a.m. followed by lunch, a 1:00~p.m. shotgun start, and a meal following your round of golf. Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories.

For more information, call June Carlyle at UBC Athletics at 822-8205.

pring sees the launch of Early Modern Literary Studies (EMLS), a journal of 16th and 17th century English literature, in electronic form on the World Wide Web. Articles in EMLS will examine English literature, literary culture and language of the times from a variety of perspectives. Responses to published papers will also be published as part of a readers' forum. Reviews in EMLS will evaluate recent work in the area as well as academic tools of interest to scholars in the field. Contributions, including critical essays and studies, bibliographies, notices, and letters to the editor may be submitted to the editor at EMLS@arts.ubc.ca or by regular mail at Early Modern Literary Studies, Dept. of English, UBC, #397-1873 East Mall, Vancouver, B.C., V6T 1Z1.

EMLS will be published three times a year by the English dept. with support from the university's Library and Arts Computing Centre. EMLS is available on the World Wide Web at http://unixg.ubc.ca:7001/0/e-sources/EMLS/EMLShome.html. It will also be available for retrieval using GOPHER at edziza.arts.ubc.ca/english/EMLS.

BC has a strong tradition in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. the largest moot court competition in the world involving more than 1,500 law students from 350 law faculties in 40 nations. UBC's team won the event in 1989 and came eighth in 1993.

This year's team of Robert Brookfield, Don Lebans, Siobhan Sams and Jason Tollard placed fifth overall with Sams winning best oralist of the competition.

The Jessup team prepared written and oral pleadings involving a hypothetical case brought before the International Court of Justice. The problem this year concerned international environmental and resource law.

Leading up to the Jessup International, UBC students were first among 17 law schools in the Canadian National Competition hosted by the McGill University Faculty of Law in February. The top two teams from Canada advanced to the international competition held in Philadelphia last month. UBC placed first in the preliminary rounds involving 58 teams from 35 countries. The team was beaten in the quarter finals by a team from Madras, India. Prof. Emeritus Charles Bourne along with faculty colleagues Pitman Potter and Karin Mickelson advised the UBC team. Russell & DuMoulin provided financial support and advocacy training.

BC's film program, in existence for more than 25 years. traditionally has focused on film production. In the ongoing effort to provide young film-makers with a rounded academic education, two UBC scholars have edited the first film studies book published by UBC authors. Asst. Prof. Brian McIlroy of Film Studies and PhD student Andre Loiselle of the Dept. of Theatre and Film Studies enlisted essay writers from Quebec and from English Canada to produce Auteur/provocateur: the films of Denys Arcand (Greenwood and Praeger Press). With the international success of Arcand's The Decline of the American Empire (1986) and Jesus of Montreal (1989), the editors thought it was time to assess the collected works of this Canadian author whose work spans 30 years and explores such issues as the Quebec separatist movement, the Montreal crime underworld and the search for spiritual meaning in a media-obsessed world.

"Given that 90 to 95 per cent of films shown in Canada are foreign, mostly American, it seemed to us even more important that we stand up for and seriously discuss one of our own major film-makers," said McIlroy.

A book launch, reception and screening of an Arcand film takes place at the Pacific Cinematheque, 1131 Howe Street, on May 22. Phone 688-3456 or 688-8202 for more information.

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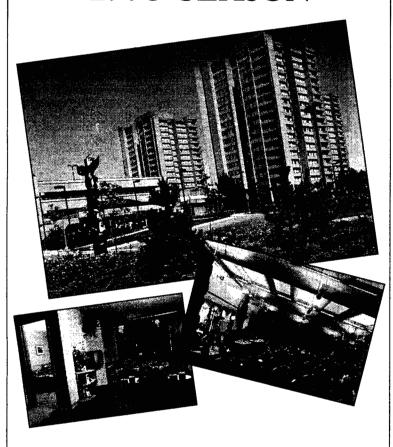


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BRING YOUR NEXT CONFERENCE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

# W.R.I.T.E. conference looks at multimedia

by Abe Hefter

Staff writer

W.R.I.T.E on!

Building on the success of last year's Writers' Retreat on Interactive Technology and Equipment), UBC's W.R.I.T.E'95 conference will focus on the creation of new media products and services for the digital publishing industry.

"The spirit of W.R.I.T.E. is the search for ideas and opportunities to create literature, entertainment and information-based products for CD-ROM, multimedia, interactive TV and the Internet," said conference chair William Koty, project manager for GENESIS at UBC Continuing Studies.

"We want to ensure that Canadians are major content contributors to the global digital publishing industry."

Koty stressed that W.R.I.T.E. '95 is not a technology conference, but a conference for ideas and opportunities.

"We hope to get ordinary creators involved in these new technologies without being hung up on the technology itself."

This year's conference, which takes place June 14-17 at Granville Island, features a keynote address by Paul Saffo, director of the Institute for the Future, a consulting foundation located in California. Other invited speakers include celebrated science fiction author Ray Bradbury, software designer and musician Paul Hoffert, Pulitzer-prize-winning writer-producer David Obst, and Microsoft executive Linda Stone.

Speakers will discuss the conceptual underpinnings of interactive writing, the processes needed to implement these ideas, and how they were able to achieve their vision in the software products they produced.

The conference has established a site on the World Wide Web (http://www.cstudies.ubc.ca), where web site visitors can learn more about W.R.I.T.E '95 and receive information on last year's event.

The special UBC faculty, staff and student rate for the conference is \$275.

Additional details are available by phoning the W.R.I.T.E '95 registration and information line at 822-1432 or through email at write@cce.ubc.ca.

#### Take a walk with the Hearts in Parks Walking Club

Three mornings a week club members walk the scenic trails in Pacific Spirit Regional Park near UBC.

A \$10 membership fee includes heart healthy information, walking tips and a quarterly newsletter.

Spring kick-off guided walk, May 10 at 9:30 a.m. For information call 224-5739

# **People**

by staff writers

wo members of UBC's School of Nursing have been honoured by the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia (RNABC).

Assoc. Prof. **Helen Niskala** received the RNABC Award of Excellence in Nursing Education.

Niskala is well known within the nursing profession for her groundbreaking study on primary health care in the curricula of Canadian university schools of nursing.

From 1976 to 1982, she served as director of Education Services for the Registered Psychiatric Nursing Association of B.C. where she helped to develop, implement and evaluate the association's standards of practice.

The RNABC Award of Excellence in Nursing Research was presented to **Ann Hilton**, also an associate professor in UBC's School of Nursing.

Hilton serves on the executive of the Canadian Nursing Research Group and is a member of the research committee for the Canadian Association for Nurses in Oncology.

Her areas of expertise are breast cancer and decision making in chronic illness.

The RNABC is the professional body of 35,000 registered nurses working throughout B.C.'s health care system.

BC neurologist Dr. **Juhn Wada** will be presented with the Order of Japan for his outstanding contributions to the development of basic and clinical neurosciences in that country.

Wada received his medical degree from Japan's Hokkaido Imperial University where he also earned a doctorate in medical science before joining the university's faculty, initially as an instructor and then as an assistant professor in the Dept. of Neurology and Psychiatry.



Wada

After neurology and neurophysiology fellowships at the University of Minnesota and at Montreal's McGill University, Wada joined UBC's Faculty of Medicine in 1956.

Since that time, approximately 50 Japanese medical scientists have trained with Wada at UBC, many becoming leaders in the fields of epilepsy, neurology and neurosurgery in Japan.

In 1992, Wada was named as an Officer of the Order of Canada in recognition of his research in the areas of human brain asymmetry and surgical treatment of epilepsy.

He will be presented with the Order of Japan at the emperor's palace in Tokyo on May 8.

rest Resources Management Assoc. Prof. **Jonathan Fannin** is the recipient of a B.C. Asia Pacific Scholars

The award is sponsored by the Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour and administered by the British Columbia Centre for International Education.

Funding through the award will enable Fannin to work at the Asian Institute of Technology near Bangkok, Thailand, where he will evaluate the application of an improved technique for assessment of slope stability. The application, developed at UBC in partnership with MacMillan Bloedel, Western Forest Products, the B.C. Ministry of Forests and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, determines the probability of landslides in clearcut areas which experience high rainfall.

Fannin, a geotechnical engineer, has a joint appointment with the Dept. of Civil Engineering.

artha Salcudean, associate vicepresident, Research, for the physical and applied sciences, has won the Julian C. Smith Medal, presented by the Engineering Institute of Canada.

Salcudean, who is also a professor in the Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, was given the medal in recognition of her "achievement in the development of Canada."

The medal, the highest distinction awarded by the institute's council to a member or associate member, is



Salcudean

presented each year to two members of the institute's Engineering Technical Societies. It was established in 1939 by senior members of the institute to perpetuate the name of Julian Smith, who was the institute's president in 1928.

## **Profile**



# Full speed ahead

#### Charles Tremewen is preparing UBC for a multimedia future

by Abe Hefter

Staff writer



The multimedia industry and the information high-

way are both littered with marketing hype that confuses the real issues behind the effective use of these new technologies shaping our world.

And Charles Tremewen says UBC is doing something about it.

Tremewen is the program coordinator for the multimedia studies program at Continuing Studies. He has been actively involved with computer information systems since 1984.

A UBC graduate, he obtained his BA in 1983 and continued his academic studies in Education. Now, after nine years on campus, the last three in his current position, Tremewen has spearheaded a series of multimedia initiatives he believes will propel UBC to the academic forefront of computer technology-based training programs for the multimedia industry of the future.

"Two years ago, UBC began offering multimedia courses. Today, with the support of professional associations, corporations and government agencies, we are developing a certificate in multimedia studies with these stakeholders." said Tremewen.

"The challenge of this ongoing process is to establish a professional standard in education for the multimedia industry, one that will develop with this growing high-tech workforce."

Tremewen feels UBC has begun to meet that challenge with the

development of a certificate in multimedia studies that recognizes the importance of interactive multimedia communications and how it will affect the ways in which we work, learn and communicate.

The certificate, which will be offered by UBC Continuing Studies beginning in September with a June registration, will establish professional standards for individuals entering the new media industry. This will be achieved through an academic, practical and internship approach in a university level certificate credit program designed with industry, government, professional organizations and UBC faculty.



Although UBC is not the first institution to offer a multimedia

certificate program. Tremewen said the university has taken a methodical approach in developing a program that is not driven by the hype of hardware and software companies.

"We're suffering the growing pains of any new technology," said Tremewen. "We've explored, we've developed less than perfect products, and we now realize a superior product is needed in order to encourage the consumer to consider a buy-in to the industry.

"That's where professionals come in. It isn't a matter of just doing it. It's a matter of doing it right."

It's at this moment that Tremewen shifts gears slightly to catch his breath. An absorbing speaker, Tremewen is the antithesis of the proverbial "computer nerd." No horn-rimmed glasses and plastic pen pouches for this 39-year-old Toronto native. However, don't let his cherubic looks fool you. Tremewen is acknowledged as a major contributor in

the development and promotion of the new media industries on the West Coast.

In 1990, he was appointed to establish a comprehensive educational program to address faculty, staff and student training needs from basic computer applications to electronic mail. He has also developed significant educational programs and events which focus on the "converging technologies."

Tremewen chairs MultiComm, a conference that focuses on multimedia solutions for business education and the arts: the Writer's Retreat on Interactive Technology and Equipment (W.R.I.T.E.), that brings writers and new media technologies together; Telecommute, a new conference which will address advancements in communication technologies; and the Cascadia Awards, which will recognize professionals, amateurs and young producers for their excellence in multimedia production.



Multimedia. New media. These buzzwords might

sound like so much alphabet soup to those struggling to come to grips with the opportunities new technologies bring. Even Tremewen is forced to collect his thoughts when asked to define the words that are re-shaping our society.

"Multimedia is the convergence of traditional analog technologies towards a digital environment, usually culminating within a personal computer for manipulation. New media are the result of these multimedia technologies."

These new media have made their way into households at a skyrocketing rate. Statistics indicate that 20 million multimedia personal computers are being sold annually in the United States alone. A wide range of professionals is needed to produce high-quality products that will encourage even more people to embrace this technology, according to Tremewen.

"This is the tip of the iceberg for professionals who are seeking leading-edge career opportunities. We need to criticize and work within a critical environment. We have to produce development teams with people who have converging expertise to bring to the converging technology of multimedia."



As one would guess, there isn't much time to slow

down and smell the roses while gearing up for the 21st century. Tremewen believes the world is changing every three months, in a technological sense, which puts increased pressure on consumers, educators and those making career decisions

"UBC's role is to produce people who know the theory behind the practice, while using the tools for the time," said Tremewen.

"We believe initiatives like the certificate in Multimedia Studies will train multimedia career professionals to address the needs of the expanding new media industry."

For more information, contact the program office at 822-0693 or multimedia@cce.ubc.ca.