The overwhelming interest in UBC at several educational fairs this year, says the co-ordinator of international recruitment, has resulted in attendance of 8,100 students who participated in the event which included a short course for 30-year-old Shahada Evans crosses the finish line during the 15th annual UBC triathlon. Evans was one of 918 swimmers, cyclists and runners who participated in the event which included a short course for 36 youngsters.

### UBC powerful draw for international students

International students indicated overwhelming interest in UBC at several educational fairs held throughout Asia earlier this year, says the co-ordinator of UBC’s international student recruitment initiative.

UBC representatives attended five educational fairs in January — one each in Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia — with a total estimated attendance of 8,100 students.

“UBC was the largest draw at each of the fairs,” says Don Wehrung, a professor of Commerce and Business Administration who was appointed last November to spearhead the university’s drive for international students.

“About 45 percent of the students attending spoke to UBC representatives who were vying with anywhere from 25 to 50 other Canadian educational institutions.”

Although interest was expressed in almost all areas taught at UBC, demand for information on English language programs, engineering, business and computer science was particularly high, he said. Also, interest in graduate programs exceeded that for undergraduate programs in some countries.

Initially, UBC’s international student recruitment efforts will focus on Pacific Rim countries where UBC enjoys a high recognition factor, although students from all nations will be encouraged to apply.

Marketing and operational strategies to make UBC competitive with other institutions seeking a broader-based international student body are being developed, including a streamlined application and admission process.

“The steering committee is exploring ways of providing one-stop shopping at both the undergraduate and graduate levels to ensure that students receive a quicker response, recognizing that this can affect their decision as to which institution they attend,” Wehrung says.

Other considerations in the overall strategic plan for UBC’s international student recruitment initiative include space planning, funding issues and UBC’s language requirement standards.

“Many universities in the U.S., Australia and the United Kingdom offer conditional acceptances to applicants who have strong academic records but English language proficiency is a requirement,” says Wehrung.

Ties with China earn Commerce award

by Stephen Forgacs

Staff writer

The Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration’s success in building educational ties between Chinese universities, academics, business and government officials and the Vancouver academic and business communities has won recognition from the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC).

The faculty’s long relationship with China through its China programs has garnered the AUCC Award for Excellence in Internationalization in the International Partnerships category. The award was presented in Ottawa recently.

Sponsored by Scotiabank, the award recognizes the faculty’s efforts in “integrating an international dimension into the teaching/learning, research and service functions of a university.”

“Business is becoming more global every day,” said Peter Godsoe, Scotiabank chair and CEO. “By preparing our future leaders for the challenges and opportunities of the world marketplace, these leading Canadian educators are helping propel Canada to the forefront in the race for global competitiveness.”

Assistant Dean Grace Wong, who oversees the faculty’s international programs, said the faculty’s early ventures into China allowed it to build on an extensive history of activities and experiences.

“Since 1980, we have been building ties and sharing our expertise with Chinese academics, as well as business and government officials. The way we have structured the programs, with extensive involvement of Canadian businesses and government organizations, has helped build ties and understanding that extend beyond the academic realm,” she said.

Wong cites three aspects of the faculty’s China programs as being particularly valuable.

Hail Hale-Bopp, Spring king of comets

“I expect the comet will perform superhumanly. I honestly don’t see how it can fail us.”

— Brian G. Marsden, Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, in Sky & Telescope (March 1997)

Will Comet Hale-Bopp live up to expectations?

Join astronomers and physicists at the UBC Observatory during the first week in April to find out.

The UBC Dept. of Physics and Astronomy will open its campus observatory for free public viewing of comet Hale-Bopp during the nights of April 4-6.

Experts will be on hand to answer questions about Hale-Bopp, the importance of comet studies and the effects of comet impacts on Earth in the past.

Hale-Bopp’s closest position to Earth is estimated at 200 million kilometres on March 22.

Hale-Bopp, also known as C/1995 OI among learned comet watchers, was discovered on July 22, 1995, when it was more than a billion kilometres from the sun that is seven times further from the sun than the Earth. Experts believe Hale-Bopp is the largest cometary intruder to swing through the inner solar system since 1577.

“Since 1980, we have been developing a strategic plan for UBC’s international student recruitment initiative. This year, we have seen a significant increase in interest from students in China.”

— Stephen Forgacs, co-ordinator of UBC’s international student recruitment initiative.
Letters

Einstein's marks disprove claim

Editor:

In your article, "Scholar urges schools focus on child's 'greatness'" (UBC Reports, Feb. 6), you state that Albert Einstein was dyslexic. While this makes a nice story and seems to be quite widely believed, I doubt that it is anything more than a myth. The UBC story, 'Surely the Lord, the Science and Life of

Albert Einstein, by Abraham Pass (Oxford University Press, 1982) states that although his family had initial apprehensions that he might be backward because of the unusually long time before he began to talk, he was speaking in whole sentences by some point between age two and three years. When Einstein was seven, his mother wrote "Yesterday Albert received his grades, he was again number one, his report card was brilliant." Pais states, "The widespread belief that he was a poor student is unfounded."

Ian Affleck

Physics and Astronomy

China

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larly innovative.

First, the programs were launched before the importance of establishing relationships with China was widely recognized in Canada.

Second, the faculty developed and offered executive programs at UBC in Mandarin in many areas of specialization including general business, international business, real estate, finance and banking, and public administration.

Finally, the faculty included the local business community in the programs, linking the academic and practical sides through the involvement of more than 62 Canadian companies and government organizations.

Michael Goldberg, Dean of Commerce and Business Administration, said the programs have delivered benefits to all participants.

"The programs have provided various opportunities for the faculty to foster the creation of academic and business relationships at a time that are critical to the success of internationalization," he said. "The presence of the 86 Chi

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nese scholars and students in Commerce classrooms, and the experience that 34 UBC faculty members have gained during their research and teaching visits in China have provided a comprehensive opportunity. Many of these relationships have been sustained by the programs over time."

The faculty has formed partnerships with academic and government institutions, including Shanghai Jiao Tong University, the University of International Business and Economics and the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation.

The faculty of business administration, international business, economics and public administration at UBC is keen to expand the relationship with Chinese institutions.

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Food Services

Healthy food can be fast and fun

UBC Food Services is celebrating Nutrition Month in March by introducing new, low-fat menu items and taking an active role in informing and educating clients about the variety and value of healthy food choices on campus.

“Our customers are increasingly becoming more sophisticated and knowledgeable about food,” said UBC Food Services director Judy Vaz. “We hope to take a leadership role in showing people how all foods can fit in their daily lives by emphasizing variety, moderation and balance.”

Among the new low fat products now available at Food Services outlets across campus are muffins, pretzels, fresh fruit and Snackwells, a cookie which contains one gram of fat per serving. Low fat entrees are also being featured.

They join an existing line-up of healthy food alternatives which will continue to be served by Food Services including gourmet popcorn, bagels, vegetarian salad rolls and biscuits.

“Many customers may not be aware of all the low fat choices we present with,” Vaz said. “The noodle bar at Pacific Spirit Place, for example, is a light pasta alternative. Also, the salad bar features low fat dressings and the light pasta alternative. Also, the salad bar features low fat dressings and the light pasta alternative.

“From Sooke hopes to wow New York City judges with her personality and dell,” Gibbons said. “If not better than many of the previous responses were indistinguishable from those of a human, the computer could be said to be thinking. Fifty-seven years later, computer dialogue is still unfailingly fallible. Gibbons has entered a 2,500-word transcript of some of Julie’s conversations to the Loebner competition. Eight computer programs advance to the final showdown with judges at the Salmaigni Grand in New York City. Judges will type questions on any topic and watch as the participating computer personalities type their responses.

One of Julie’s tricks is that she can vary her typing speeds, giving the illusion of human thought.

Gibbons has gone over conversations from past competitions and is confident in Julie’s conversational ability.

“In my opinion, Julie responds as well or better than many of the previous winners,” he says. “She has a natural gift of the gab.”

The Loebner Prize Competition in Artificial Intelligence was established in 1990 by the Cambridge (Massachu- setts) Center for Behavioral Studies. This year’s winner receives $2,000, a bronze medal and the title of Most Human Computer.

Julie and Phoenix Quest, based on a novel by local children’s author Julie Gibbons, can be reached at http://www.cs.ubc.ca/nest/egems/home.html.
March 23 through April 5

E.S. Woodward Lecture Series (Economics)

Pharmaceutical Sciences Seminar
Laminovite In Hepatitis B. Agnes Lo. Pharmacology. Cunningham 160, 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-4645.

Microbiology and Immunology Seminar Series
L. Nicholas Ornston. Biology, Southwestern BC. Paul Morris. Canadian Foundation OAB tion Funding Opportunities. at Stanley Park, 8:30am-5pm. Patrick Luciani, director, Donner Continues Building Envelope Failures In Pediatric Intervention: State Ofme

Wood Science Seminar Series
Building Envelope Failures In Southwestern BC. Paul Morris. research scientist, Fortis Inc. Canada Corp. Macleod 314, 1:30pm. Call 822-3103.

Presentation
The Donner Canadian Foundation - Funding Opportunities. Patrick Lueck, director, Donner Canadian Foundation. OAB Board and Senate rooms, 2pm. Refreshments. Call 822-1519.

Centre for Chinese Research Seminar Relations Of Power: In Search Of A Chinese Canadian History. Prof. Imogene Lam, Malasagia University College. CR Choi 120, 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2629.

Environmental Engineering Seminar Removal Of Resin And Fatty Acids In Biological Treatment Of Pulp And Paper Mill Waste. Doug Weddell, MSc candidate. CEME 1215, 3:30-4:30pm. Refreshments. Call 822-2837.


Genetics Graduate Program Seminar The Function And Mechanism Of Genomic imprinting In Mammals. Shirley Tilghman, Molecular Biology, Princeton. Westbrook 201, 4:30pm. Refreshments at 4:15pm. Call 822-8764.

Friday, Apr. 4


Open Mike Poetry Session Random Arts Of Poetry. Bookstore. April 5-6, 8:30am-1pm. Physicians 8249. Other Health Care Providers 8225. Students 875, Call 822-2626.

T4 Slips
All UBC employees (including stud ents employees) should have received their T4 slips in the mail. If you haven't, please contact Finance Office (x2626).

Occupational Hygiene Program Seminar Respiratory Health Of Composting Workers Exposed To Microorganism: Results Of A Pilot Nasal Lavage Study. Assoc. Prof. Dick Heederick, Wageningen Agricultural University, Wageningen. 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-9565.


Concert University Singers. James Funkhauser, director. Music Recital Hall, 8pm. Call 822-3113.

Saturday, Apr. 5

Health Care & Epidemiology Rounds HIV Prevalence Incidence And Risk Behaviours In The Vancouver Injection Drug Use Study. Dr. Stephanie Strathdee. Vancouver. 10am-1pm. Call 822-2772.

Concert UBC Chamber Stringers. Eric Wilson, director. Music Recital Hall. 8pm. Call 822-3113.

The Vancouver Institute Lecture Newton On Line: The Electronic Revolution In Mathematics. Prof. Peter Borwein. SFU.IBC. 2. 8:15pm. Call 822-4636.

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First projects to be funded will be announced May 22.

Further cash for funding proposals will be used biannually.
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The President’s Office invites proposals from UBC faculty, staff and students for disability-related projects.

Proposals should include:
- project(s) overview
- indication of cost
- how it would create a more accessible environment for persons with disabilities and benefit the campus as a whole

Disability-related projects

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Public Meetings on Key Issues of the Official Community Plan for UBC

Recently the Greater Vancouver Regional District gave third reading to a bylaw to adopt the Official Community Plan for UBC and requested that UBC address issues related to housing, transportation and community services. These issues have been explored by independent consultants with input from community consultation committees.

To learn more about and to comment on the findings on these key issues within the Official Community Plan, plan to attend one or more of the following public meetings:

- On-campus
  Tuesday, April 1 and Thursday, April 3, 11:30am-3pm
  Presentation by consultants at 12:30pm followed by Q&A session
  Graduate Student Centre Ballroom 6371 Crescent Road

- Off-campus
  Tuesday, April 1 and Thursday, April 3, 6pm-10pm
  Presentation by consultants at 7:30pm followed by Q&A session
  Jericho Hill Centre Conference Room 4196 W. 4th Ave., Vancouver
  BC Transit Bus #4 Powell/UBC

For more information call the UBC Information Line at 822-4636 (UBC-INFO).

NOTICES

Garden Hours and Tours March 6 - October 13, 10am-6pm. Botanical Garden tours will be given by garden volunteers Wednesdays and Saturdays, 1pm. Call 822-9066 (gardens), 822-4529 (shop).


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News Digest

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Presenters also include Lorna Marsden, president of Wilfrid Laurier University and Judy Rebk, political commentator and former president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

Public attendance is welcome and audience participation will be encouraged through question periods, focus groups and workshops. For more information call 222-1050, fax 222-1069 or visit the Web site at www.conferences.ubc.ca

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Three UBC Science students have won Governor General's Canada Scholarships in Environmental Sciences for their work in their respective fields of study.

Nicholas Kim Jones (Oceanography/Chemistry), Peter MacPherson (Environmental Sciences) and Samuel Skinner (Biology/Ecology) received the awards from Gov. Gen. Romeo LeBlanc last month.

The UBC students were among 15 winners of the $1,500 scholarships sponsored by DuPont Canada.

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Just as the measles outbreak among young adults seems to be tailing off, 13 cases of mumps have been diagnosed in Vancouver according to the Vancouver-Richmond Health Board.

Mumps is a viral disease causing fever and, in many cases, swelling of the salivary glands in the face.

People who were born prior to 1988, have had mumps before and have already had one dose of mumps vaccine are considered immune. Anyone who believes they have mumps should call their doctor.

For more information, call the Vancouver-Richmond Health Board at 736-2033.

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UBC's Laboratory for Computational Intelligence (LCI) in the Department of Computing Science has received the awards from Gov. Gen. Romeo LeBlanc for the best keynote address on the role of the university in a changing culture.

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Final Fling
Chan Lee (right), and Brendan Wong from Maple Ridge Secondary School prepare to launch a projectile with their homemade catapult. The two budding physicists were among 250 Grade 12 students from across the province who took part in UBC's 1997 Science Olympiad. The event was co-sponsored by the Dept. of Physics and Astronomy and the Faculty of Education's Dept. of Curriculum Studies.

Drug holds promise for steady heartbeat: study

A study co-headed by UBC's department of medicine, Dr. John Cairns, is offering new hope for people who suffer from abnormal heart rhythms (arrhythmias) in the years following a heart attack.

Published in the March 8 edition of the British medical journal The Lancet, the study demonstrates the safety and effectiveness of the antiarrhythmic drug amiodarone.

The results are good news for the 50,000 Canadians who survive heart attacks each year. Up to 20 per cent of these survivors develop ventricular arrhythmias and will be three to four times more likely to die in the following two years than heart attack survivors who do not develop arrhythmias.

Arrhythmias are one of the most common causes of cardiovascular disease-related death in Western society and are one of medicine's most difficult and dangerous conditions to treat.

The Canadian Amiodarone Infarction Arrhythmia Trial (CAMIAT) showed that amiodarone reduces the occurrence of fatal or near-fatal arrhythmias by nearly 50 per cent in the two-year period following a heart attack.

"The CAMIAT study provides us with very good evidence that amiodarone reduces fatal or near-fatal arrhythmias in this population of heart attack survivors," said Cairns, a cardiologist who heads the project with former colleagues at McMaster University. "Of particular importance, the CAMIAT study reassures cardiologists that amiodarone is considered safe in appropriately selected patients."

Amiodarone is the first antiarrhythmic drug to demonstrate overall protection from fatal or near-fatal arrhythmias. Previous studies were terminated prematurely when it was discovered that the drugs used actually increased the risk of death in heart attack survivors.

"Probably one of the greatest uncertainties in current clinical practice is the role of drug therapy in the management of serious cardiac arrhythmias. The results of the CAMIAT and EMIT (a parallel European study) are very exciting and should make a difference in the way we manage those persons who have survived heart attacks and are experiencing ventricular arrhythmias," Cairns said.

The study was designed as a randomised, placebo-controlled clinical trial among heart attack survivors. The findings are based on 1,202 patients in 36 hospitals across Canada.

The patients were given either a placebo or amiodarone in a reducing dosage over the period, and most were followed for two years. As well as Cairns, the other principal investigators were McMaster University professors Dr. Stuart Connolly, Michael Gent and Robin Roberts.

Before joining UBC, Cairns was a member of the Dept. of Medicine at McMaster for 21 years. His research interests include unstable angina and acute myocardial infarction.

Organ Donors Save Lives
Please Discuss Your Decision with your Family

Report to the Community

Thanks to the generosity of British Columbians and the hard work and dedication of those involved in organ donation and transplantation 1996 was a record year with more people receiving organ transplants than ever before. Last year 193 people received life-saving or life-enhancing transplants - an additional 15 patients than received transplants in 1995.

Despite this encouraging news, more than 330 British Columbians are on waiting lists due to shortage of organs for transplant. The waiting times vary from several months to several years and tragically some of these people will die waiting.

Approximately one of every three organs that could be available for transplantation are lost because family members do not know the wishes of their loved one and must struggle with this difficult decision. Please ensure that your wishes are honoured by communicating your decision regarding organ donation to your family. This alone could mean the difference between life and death for many British Columbians on the waiting list. A short conversation with your family today could save a life.

Larry Bell, Chair, Board of Trustees
Bill Barnble, Chief Executive Officer

The BC Transplant Society (BCTS) leads and coordinates all solid organ transplant activities in BC. The Society engages in public education, organ donor awareness, and development of regional programs for pre-transplant assessment and post-transplant management. The BCTS also spearheads research into organ donation, immuno- and ethical issues.

If you would like more information about the BCTS, or would like to make a donation to the TN Transplant Foundation, please call 877-2100 or 1-800-663-5189 or visit our website http://www.transplant.bc.ca
Volleyball team nabs CIAU silver

by Don Wells
Thunderbird Athletics

If you asked TSIS Award winner, Jeune Guichon if she would trade her $3000 bursary for a CIAU gold medal, the answer would probably be yes. The fourth year Family and Nutritional Sciences student was honored with the award, recognizing the best combination of athleticism, academics and community service.

March 6 at Edmon-
ton's Hotel MacDonald on the eve of the Canadian University Athletic Union (CIAU) Women's Volleyball Championships, Teammate Jenny Rauh, a fifth year Edu-
cation student, was named a First Team All Canadian at the same soirée.

UBC stunned the partisan crowd with a 15-1 drawdown in the fourth to force a fifth and deciding game. Buoyed by ear-splitting fan sup-
port, and led by Carole Borns CIAU Player of the Year Mirka Przybylo, Alberta narrowly edged the T-Birds 12-15 to take their third consecu-
tive CIAU crown.

The disappointment of UBC coach Doug Reimer's charges was f\en fully evident. Tears streamed down the faces of most players, particu-
larly the graduating seniors of a team that Edmonton sportswriters predicted was the only one in the nation capable of ousting Alberta. Most didn't even notice the standing ovation con-
ceded by the crowd. It wouldn't occur to them until much later that they had earned the respect of every single witness, most of whom were CIAU Champions.

Another CIAU Top Ten going into the championship in her final match as a classification student, was Laval to qualify for the champi-
onion (CIAU) Women's Volleyball of dethroning Alberta. Havinga

UBC will mark the Interna-
tional Day to Eliminate Racial Discrimination, March 21, with events that include panel discus-
sions, speakers, and theatre.

"The day provides an excellent opportunity for students, faculty and administration to share ideas about their roles and responsibilities in eliminating racial discrimi-
nation through culturally inclusive education and to critically examine UBC's success at establishing a culturally inclusive cam-
Campus," said Adrienne Chan, a member of the Committee for A Cultur-
ally Inclusive Campus which is organizing the day's events.

Beginning at "11 a.m., stu-
dents from the Women of Col-
our Mentorship Program will share their experiences in the educational process at UBC.

At noon, keynote speaker Yvonne Birch, head of the Teacher Education Office will speak on Racism as an Object of Scholarly Inquiry. Attend that includes Dan March, vice-presi-
dent, Academic, Sharon Kahn, asso-
late president, Equity, and Janice Robinson, assistant direc-
tor, Residence Life, Housing and

Conferences, will respond. Dis-
cussion will follow.

A prize-winning play dealing with issues of racism will be per-
formed at 1:30 p.m.

The play, presentations, panel session and speech will take place in rooms 214 and 216 of the Student Union Building.

Eduational displays, in-
cluding prize-winning art and poetry, will be in the south end of the SUB concourse all day.

For more information, call Adrienne Chan at the Equity Office, 822-6533.

Input sought for
goverance study

Proposed terms of reference for a study concerning govern-
ance of the Greater Vancouver Regional District's Electoral Area
A, which includes UBC, are being referred to interested groups for com-
ment.

A review of Electoral Area A governance issues is required so that local government serv-
ces such as police and fire; community services such as local parks, recreation, li-rary, and cultural services, and planning and administration.

The study will exclude any examination of primary and sec-
ondary education, health, and UBC as an institution under the Universities Act.

A consultation program will provide opportunities for input at various stages of the govern-
ance study.

The GVIRD is seeking com-
ment by April 3. Copies of the proposed terms of reference can be obtained from the GVIRD's Electoral Areas Administration Office at 432-6340.

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