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PEDAL PUSHERS The action was fast and furious for the participants pictured above at the annual trike race on the SUB plaza, a yearly ritual in the bonanza of events held by the Science Undergraduate Society to celebrate Science Week. Another annual favourite, Beyond First Year, attracted more than 1,000 students to the SUB ballroom to explore program options available after first year in Science as well as 11 other faculties. *John Chong photo*

Undergraduates put peer teaching to the test in pilot

Students choose the topics they tackle in a trial student-led initiative

by **Andy Poon** staff writer

SOME SENIOR UNDERGRADUATE students are taking part in a unique experiment on campus this term—earning university course credits in a class that they help create and conduct.

The student-led initiative, called Group Directed Studies, is a pilot project based on similar classes given at the University of California at Berkeley.

Each three-credit course has a student co-ordinator who handles course content under faculty supervision. Eight to 15 students who are currently in their third or fourth year of study are enrolled in each of the classes.

"It was truly a student-generated idea," says Neil Guppy, associate vice-president, Academic Programs. He says that Vivian Hoffman—former Alma Mater Society president—championed the idea.

"The basic idea is to enhance student-directed learning at UBC," he says. "It is a way for students to come up with topics for study that are not part of our curriculum."

Guppy says that while students were free to come up with whatever area of study they wished to pursue, the topics had to be academically sound and each course had to have a faculty member willing to sponsor the class.

Besides helping students develop a course outline, the supervising faculty member attends some

of the student-run classes and meets individually with students to discuss their work and help evaluate their assignments.

This term, there are four classes being offered: Film in Post-Colonial Asia; Integrative, Alternative and Complementary Medicine; Management of Natural and Human Health. *See Peer page 2*

Vice-president's job all about students

Adventure, passion, engagement are all words Brian Sullivan uses to describe why he's at this university

by **Bruce Mason** staff writer

BRIAN SULLIVAN'S JOB TITLE—vice-president, Students—is unique in Canada. He was intrigued when, one year ago, he first heard about a position being created at UBC, thousands of miles away.

"Sounds like an adventure," said his wife and four teen-aged children.

"Last February, I was associate vice-president, Student Affairs, at the University of Guelph and had no intention of leaving," he recalls.

"But I have a passion for universities and making them better for students, so I seized the opportunity of a portfolio which bundles together all the concerns for and of students, from A to Z."

Sullivan is the senior university officer responsible for shaping the student experience on a continuum that encompasses prospective students, current undergraduate and graduate students and alumni. He jokes that the portfolio covers the spectrum from "cradle to grave."

Two chemists win top research prizes

"I remember thinking, 'Why isn't everybody up here,'" says Chemistry Assoc. Prof. John Sherman

A PAIR OF CHEMISTRY professors have won UBC's top research prizes for 1999.

Prof. Anthony Merer was named the recipient of the Prof. Jacob Biely Faculty Research Prize. Assoc. Prof. John Sherman was awarded the Charles A. McDowell Award for Excellence in Research.

Looked upon as UBC's premier research award, the Biely Prize is given in recognition of a distinguished record of recently accomplished published research in any discipline.

"I have to admit, it was a total surprise," says Merer, who has been conducting research in the field of laser spectroscopy at UBC since the mid-1970s.

The Oxford University-educated Merer, who describes his research as "measuring the sizes and shapes of small molecules using their interaction with light," joined the Chemistry Dept. in 1968.

His current experiments use intense coloured lasers to study free radicals—chemical molecules that tend to be highly unstable because of the presence of unpaired electrons. He recently discovered the family of the simplest possible organometallic radicals made up of just three atoms: carbon, hydrogen and a metal.



Prof. Anthony Merer



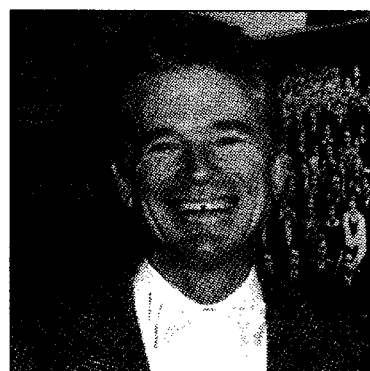
Assoc. Prof. John Sherman

For Sherman, receiving the McDowell award—presented for excellence in pure or applied research—was merely half of the accolades he received in one day.

The 38-year-old organic chemist was also named one of 10 recipients of the UBC Killam Research Prize.

"It was a very good week," chuckled Sherman.

Since arriving on campus in 1991, Sherman has focused his research on... *see Killam page 2*



Brian Sullivan, vice-president, Students

Since arriving on campus in August, he has become ubiquitous—an easily approachable, bow-tied figure, equally at home with students and senior administrators and comfort-

able in the remarkable diversity of a large, complex university.

Anchored in a role he describes as a "constructive conscience concerned for the student view," he is immersed in change. "Engagement" is a word he uses often and very seriously—particularly "student engagement."

Pushing aside a slice of pizza he has picked up enroute from a meeting with student leaders, he produces an eight-page questionnaire currently being widely circulated. It surveys students' overall health and level of stress, use and degree of satisfaction with campus health services and extracurricular... *see Sullivan page 2*

Sullivan

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activity, hours of sleep and degree of support, substance use and demographic profile.

"My office will be data-driven and share the large body of applied research available on student services," says Sullivan.

"We are a learning community and need to know precisely what we are doing and how best to improve it," he says. "Paying close attention to student needs and experiences is a critical tenet of the Trek 2000 vision."

First-year experience programs are one example of initiatives intended to help achieve that vision, Sullivan says.

"Research demonstrates that campus involvement promotes student learning. The new programs will help the 75 per cent of new students who live off campus get more involved on campus beyond the classroom."

Student Services units are also working with faculties to support other Trek 2000 goals, such as adding work skills to the credit curriculum and expanding volunteer service-learning opportunities. An expanded housing guarantee will assure students from outside the Lower Mainland who meet registration requirements of a place to stay.

Acutely aware of the complexity of his job, Sullivan says that the collegiality of the university's

senior administrative team, highly motivated staff and student governments have smoothed the transition.

"These first six months have been exciting and affirming," says Sullivan. "I think it's a great fit and look forward to contributing for some time to come."

Killam prizes awarded

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search in two areas: the study of carceplexes, or complex molecules within molecules; and the creation of proteins "from scratch." He says

building synthetic proteins sheds light on the structure of natural proteins.

Sherman, a New York native, admits he knew little about UBC before he interviewed here. But once he visited, Sherman says he was impressed by the calibre of research.

"I remember thinking, 'Why isn't everybody up here,'" he says.

The university has also announced the list of recipients of Killam Research Prizes and 1999 Killam Fellowships.

The \$5,000 UBC Killam Research Prizes are awarded annually to top campus researchers and are equally divided between the arts and sciences.

The recipients are: Paul Beaudry, Economics; Doug Bonn, Physics and Astronomy; Anthony Dawson, English; Clarence de Silva, Mechanical Engineering; Robert Evans, Economics; Gerald Feltham, Commerce and Business Administration; Robert Jackson, Political Science; John Schrader, Medicine; and Philip Stamp, Physics and Astronomy.

Isaac Walton Killam Memorial Fellowships are given to top up faculty salaries by up to \$15,000 while they are on sabbatical leave. As well, scholars receive a \$3,000 grant for research and travel expenses.

Fellowship winners are: Paul Beaudry, Economics; Gregory Dipple, Earth and Ocean Sciences; Isabel Grant, Law; Nancy Heckman, Statistics; Scott Hinch, Forest Sciences; Faouzi Kossentini, Electrical and Computer Engineering; and Alan Richardson, Philosophy.

Peer teaching

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man Resources in the Georgia Basin; and Patterns in Nature (a course that explores mathematical ratios and geophysical patterning).

Tom Bird, a fourth-year Integrated Sciences student proposed the Management of Natural and Human Resources course because he wanted to explore more deeply the concept of sustainable development in the area.

"It is such a controversial topic and so many different view-

points on how things should be run in the area are out there," says Bird.

With the help of John Robinson, director of the Sustainable Development Research Institute, Bird set up the course and says it has become his favourite class.

"Every class is a challenge," he says. "It is a group effort to make sure we all come away from it having learned something."

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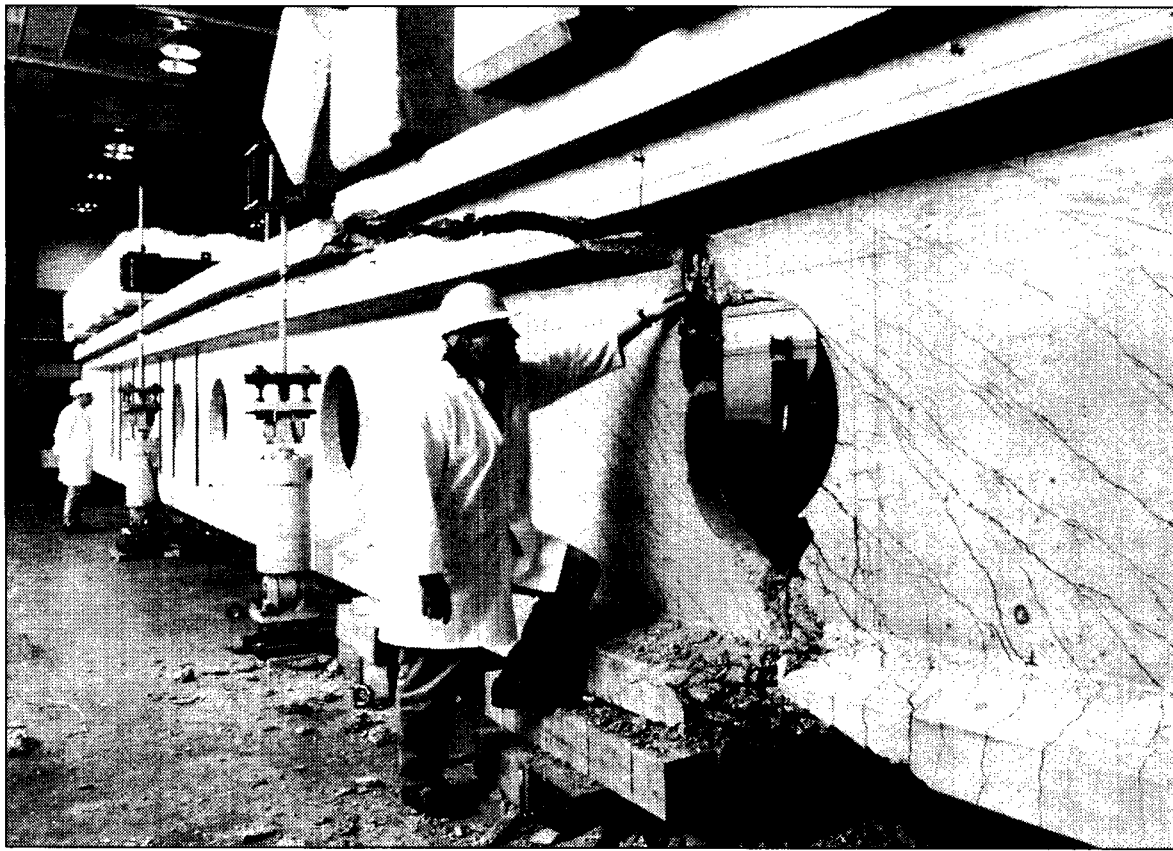
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CRACK CONTROL Civil Engineering Assoc. Prof. Perry Adebar, associate dean in the Faculty of Applied Science, inspects the remains of a test concrete roof girder in UBC's Structures Laboratory. The specimen weighs more than 50 metric tonnes and stretches 21 metres in length. Load was applied to the concrete through four hydraulic jacks that pulled down on the structure during the test. The results allowed engineers to certify the safety of an existing cracked concrete roof structure—saving the building's owners from a \$1-million repair bill. *John Chong photo*

Parental choice key researchers suggest

Traditional schools make difference says study

by Bruce Mason staff writer

A UBC STUDY is helping inform the heated debate over public school choice, particularly regarding traditional schools in B.C.

Education Prof. Daniel Brown worked with eight graduate students from 1997-99 on the *Alternative Schools Report: The Impact of Parental Choice on Three Canadian Public Schools*. The study focused on parents' choice of traditional schools over the norm—neighbourhood schools which have progressive elements that some parents question.

"The evidence strongly suggests that parental choice in public schools makes an important

difference in the lives of children, parents and educators," he says.

"We were able to make recommendations that may serve three important needs in the school system at large: elevating student achievement; increasing student sense of safety and community; and strengthening public support in an era in which confidence in public education has declined," he adds.

The UBC research team found that the three traditional elementary schools studied performed above district norms in academic achievement. A pronounced emphasis on respect and citizenship was present and parents and teachers demonstrated a 'remarkable' consensus on their mission. All experienced committed family support and high satisfaction ratings.

The schools in the study differ in size, history and circumstances.

Topham Elementary in Langley teaches Japanese language and culture augmented with a technology program.

Langley Fundamental, a large traditional school with 558 students, has offered a distinctive program for more than 25 years. It has a waiting list of 600 names.

The third school, King Traditional, established in Abbotsford in 1995, emphasizes academic excellence and a disciplined environment. Its 304 students wear a uniform and despite its cramped facility and portables the waiting list is long.

The traditional schools were formed partly as a reaction against what were considered to be less effective "progressive" teaching methods. Topham's distinctive program derived from the vision of its principal.

By providing choice the three schools draw from large catchment areas, increasing district enrolment and retaining parents who may have otherwise left the system.

The report offers recommendations to make the benefits more widely available. They require neither substantial regulatory changes nor increased costs.

The report was made possible through a grant from the Society for the Advancement of Excellence in Education.

MORE INFORMATION
The report can be ordered from www.sae.bc.ca.

Former PM, Nobel alumnus, filmmaker to receive honorary degrees

Alumni achievers renowned in fields from politics to medicine make up seven of this year's 14 recipients

FORMER PRIME MINISTER Kim Campbell, Nobel Prize winner Robert Mundell—both UBC alumni—and filmmaker Atom Egoyan are among the 14 individuals who will receive honorary degrees from the university this year.

Recipients are recognized for their distinguished career achievements and for their contributions to UBC and to Canada.

Honorary degrees will be awarded during Spring Congregation May 24-31 and at Fall Congregation Nov. 23-24.

Kim Campbell is a graduate of UBC's Faculty of Law and lectured in the Dept. of Political Science before becoming a member of B.C.'s Legislative Assembly in 1986 and a member of Parliament in 1988. She held a variety of cabinet positions, including minister of Justice and

attorney general of Canada.

In 1993 she served as Canada's first woman prime minister. Campbell is currently the Canadian consul general in Los Angeles.

Robert A. Mundell, who graduated from UBC's Faculty of Arts in 1953, was awarded the 1999 Nobel Prize in Economics for his work in the comparative economics of fixed and flexible exchange rates. He also proposed an early version of a European common currency now known as the Euro.

Atom Egoyan has earned international recognition including the International Critics' Prize at the Cannes Film Festival for both *Exotica* and *The Sweet Hereafter*, which also earned eight Genie awards and an Oscar nomination. His latest film, *Felicia's Journey*, recently won four Genie awards.



Kim Campbell

Egoyan works in a variety of media and recently directed the opera *Salome* for Vancouver Opera.

Other alumni and faculty receiving honorary degrees are: UBC alumna and leader in nursing, health care and academic administration Alice Baumgart; Professor emeritus of Physics and Astronomy Myer Bloom; neurological researchers Edith McGeer and alumnus Patrick McGeer; Walter Hardwick, UBC alumnus, professor emeritus and former deputy minister of Education; alumnus and former UBC dean of Medicine William Webber;



Atom Egoyan

and alumnus and pioneering geologist John Wheeler.

Honorary degrees will also be given to Maureen Mitchell Donald, the first deaf person in Canada hired as a teacher of the deaf; Henry Friesen, medical scientist, educator and head of the Medical Research Council of Canada; shipping magnate and international education leader Robert Ho; and conservation ecologist Evelyn Chrystalla Pielou.

Donald, Pielou and Campbell will receive their honorary degrees at Fall Congregation.

Theft suspect charged

A 27-YEAR-OLD Vancouver male has been charged by the RCMP with the theft of musical instruments worth more than \$40,000 from lockers at the School of Music over the Christmas break.

Aaron Patrick Switzer, a former UBC Arts student and ex-UBC employee, has been charged with five counts of break, enter and theft and one count of theft at Richmond Provincial Court and has been remanded into custody.

According to Staff Sgt. Lloyde Plante of the campus RCMP detach-

ment, Switzer allegedly stole the instruments for money to support a drug addiction. With the help of the Vancouver Police Department's property crime section, Plante says the RCMP were able to locate two of the stolen items—a pair of clarinets—at a local pawn shop.

A number of musical instruments belonging to students and the university were stolen from School of Music lockers last month. Among the items still missing are three trumpets, six trombones, two French horns, and a new bass clarinet.

Tentative CUPE settlements reached

UBC AND CANADIAN UNION of Public Employees (CUPE) locals 116, 2950 and 2278 reached tentative collective agreements on Jan. 31, after multiple days of special mediation and a half-day full strike. SFU, the University of Victoria and UBC also reached tentative collective agreements with their CUPE locals.

The settlements are for three years retroactive to April 1, 1999 for both locals 116 and 2950 and to Sept. 1, 1999 for Local 2278.

The agreements, which fall under the provincial wage guidelines of zero, zero and two per cent wage increases over three years contain a number of lan-

guage and other improvements and must now be ratified by both the union membership and the university.

The universities and the unions also reached a public sector accord on university issues, specifically pay equity and health and welfare benefits.

SUNDAY, FEB. 13

Opera In Three Acts

The Merry Wives Of Windsor. School of Music. Chan Centre at 3pm. For tickets, call Ticketmaster 280-3311 or in person at the Chan Centre box office.

MONDAY, FEB. 14

Chalmers Institute Seminar

Centering Prayer Intensive. Cynthia Bourgeault. vsr at 10am. Continues to Feb. 18 at 4pm. \$190; \$180 team; \$95 seniors. To register e-mail: cl@vst.edu; call 822-9815.

Biochemistry Seminar

Three-Dimensional Structures Of Coagulation Factors: Pieces Of A Complicated Puzzle. Wolfram Bode. IRC#4 at 3:45pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-3178.

Chemoprevention Group Seminar

Evidence Supporting Lycopene As A Chemopreventive In Prostate Cancer. Venket Rao, director, Program in Food Safety, U of Toronto. BC Cancer Research Centre lecture theatre from 12noon-1pm. Call Dr. Kirsten Skov 877-6098, local 3021.

Museum Of Anthropology Public Lecture

Contemporary First Nations Art: Challenging Stereotypes. Lynn Hill; John Powell; Connie Sterritt. MOA theatre gallery from at 7:30-9pm. \$37; \$32 museum members. To register call 822-1420.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17

Biochemistry Seminar

Realities Of Virus-Host Interactions: Evasion Of The Host Defense, Hijacking Of The Protein Synthesizing Machinery,

Chalmers Institute Seminar

War And Human Rights: When Peace And Justice Clash. Various speakers. vsr from 7:30-9pm. Continues to Feb. 19 from 9:30am-4pm. \$35; \$20 seniors/team. To register e-mail: cl@vst.edu; call 822-9815.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19

Institute For European Studies Special Seminar

How Do You Know It's Real Thing? Authentic Records In The Electronic Age. Various speakers. Chan Centre Royal Bank Cinema from 9am-5pm. To register e-mail: italcult@iicvancouver.ca; call 822-1452; 688-0809.

Continuing Studies Writing Workshop

Between The Wars: Literature Of The Lost Generation. Isabel Nanton, writer; Graham Osborne, photographer.

Astronomy Seminar

A Mass Function To 0.15 Msun In The Galactic Bulge. Michael Rich, U of California. Hennings 318 at 4pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-2267.

Member Speaker Series

How We Learn About Other People's Poverty: International Development And The Role Of The University. Jim Delaney, Political Science. Green College at 5:30pm. Call 822-1878.

G. Peter Kaye Public Lecture

The Church And The International Community. Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador to the UN. Frederic Wood Theatre at 7:30pm. Call 822-9815.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

Great Thinkers Of The 20th Century. Various speakers. Lasserre 102 from 7:30-9pm. Continues to March 20. \$57; \$52 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

Regent College Public Lecture

Is Darwinism Defeated? A Response To Anti-Evolutionism. Denis O. Lamoureux, St. Joseph's College, U of Alberta. Regent College Chapel at 7:30pm. Booksigning to follow. Call 224-3245.

Science And Society

The Threat Of Intellectual Property: Academic Science In The Knowledge Society. Claire Polster, Sociology and Social Studies, U of Regina. Green College at 7:30pm. Call 822-1878.

TUESDAY, FEB. 22

G. Peter Kaye Public Lecture

Are Civilized Values Crushed In Contemporary Society? Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador to the UN. Frederic Wood Theatre at 12:30pm. Call 822-9815.

Carr Hall conference room from 10am-5pm. \$135. Refreshments. Please bring lunch. To register call 822-1420.

Vancouver Institute Lecture

Information In War And Emergencies: Who Really Commands The High Ground? Nik Gowing, correspondent, BBC. IRC#2 at 8:15pm. Call 822-3131.

SUNDAY, FEB. 20

Chan Centre Concert

Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir And Tallinn Chamber Orchestra. Tonu Kaljuste, conductor. Chan Centre at 8pm. For tickets call Ticketmaster 280-3311; info 662-7706.

MONDAY, FEB. 21

Chalmers Institute Continuing Education Event

Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador to the UN; vsr and other faculty. vsr from 9am-9pm. Continues to Feb. 22 from 9am-4pm. \$110; \$100 team; \$55 seniors. To register e-mail: cl@vst.edu; call 822-9815.

Cecil And Ida Green Visiting Professorships

Women In Science. Prof. Virginia Valian, Psychology, Hunter College. Cecil Green House Yorkeen room from 9am-12noon. To register call 822-5675.

G. Peter Kaye Public Lecture Church And State: Do The Twain Meet? Stephen Lewis, Canada's Ambassador to the UN. Frederic Wood Theatre at 12:30pm. Call 822-9815.

Ritsumeikan Japanese Lunch Hour Complimentary Lunch And Craft Session. International House upper lounge from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-5021.

Mechanical Engineering Seminar Understanding And Optimizing Classroom Acoustics. Murray Hodgson, associate professor. CEME 1204 at 3:30pm. Refreshments at 3:25pm. Call 822-3770.

Botany Seminar

A Physiological Dissection Of Ammonium Fluxes And Pools In Plant Tissues. Dev Britto. BioSciences 2000 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2133.

Xerox Lecture In Industrial/ Applied Chemistry

The Emergence Of Hydrogenated Nitrile Butadiene Rubber As A High Performance Elastomer. Prof. Garry Rempel, U of Waterloo. Chemistry B-250 at 1pm. Refreshments at 12:40pm. Call 822-3057.

Computer Science Invited Speaker Seminar

The Sense Of Touch: Designing Haptic Interfaces For Teleoperation And Virtual Environments. Susan Lederman, Queen's U. CICS/CS 208 from 4-5:30pm. Refreshments. Call 822-0557.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

Surgery Grand Rounds

Determinants Of Survival In Esophageal Cancer. Dr. John Wong, head, U of Hong Kong. GF Strong Aud. from 7-8am. Call 875-4545.

Orthopedics Grand Rounds

Control Spasticity With Botulinum Toxin. Dr. Richard Beauchamp. VGH, Eye Care Centre Aud. at 7am. Call 875-4192.

99 Chairs Grand Opening

David Lam Centre from 8am-10pm. Entertainment, refreshments, giveaways. Call 822-3256.

Centre For Japanese Research Seminar

Plant Location And Embeddedness Of Firms In The Higashi Osaka Industrial District. Prof. Kenkichi Nagao, Osaka City U. CK Choi 120 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2629.

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FEBRUARY 13 THROUGH FEBRUARY 26

Theatre, Film And Creative Writing Festival

Vanfest 2000 - Beginning The Millennium. Frederic Wood Theatre at 7pm. Continues to Feb. 18. \$5 at the door. Call Peggy Bochun, Vancouver School Board 713-5206.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

A Brief History Of The Soul. Leonard George, psychologist, writer, broadcaster. Carr Hall conference room from 7-9pm. Continues to April 3. \$135; \$125 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

TUESDAY, FEB. 15

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

Centres Of Islamic Art And Architecture. Hanna Kassis, professor emeritus. Vancouver Public Library (downtown) from 2-3:30pm. Continues to March 21. \$67; \$62 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

Biochemistry Seminar

Structural Basis Of The Matrix Metalloproteinases (MMPs), The Tissue Inhibitors Of Metalloproteinases (TIMPs), And The TnFalpha-Converting Enzyme (TACE). Wolfram Bode. Copp 2002/2004 at 12noon. Refreshments at 11:45am. Call 822-3178.

Continuing Studies Writing Workshop

Writing For Kids And Teens. Marion Crook, children's author. Carr Hall 115 from 7:30-9pm. Continues to March 21. \$170. To register call 822-1420.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

Orthopedics Grand Rounds

TBA. Dr. H. Broekhuysen. VGH, Eye Care Centre Aud. at 7am. Call 875-4192.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

Journey Of A Soul: The Drama Of Spiritual Transformation In Dante's *Divine Comedy*. Shiella Fodchuk, executive director, The Cathedral For Spiritual Direction. Vancouver Public Library (downtown) from 10-11:30am. Continues to March 22. \$67; \$62 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

And DNA Microarray Surprises In The HIV Hepatitis C and Influenza Virus Systems. Michael Katze, U of Washington. IRC#7 at 10:45am. Refreshments at 10:30pm. Call 822-3178.

New Faculty Orientation

Orientation And Walking Tour. David Lam basement seminar room from 12noon-4:30pm. To register www.cstudies.ubc.ca/facdev/; call 822-6827.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

International Scene. Various speakers. Vancouver Public Library (downtown) from 12noon-1:30pm. Continues to March 23. \$67; \$62 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture

Between The Wars: Literature Of The Lost Generation. Deborah Lendon, English language and literature teacher. Vancouver Public Library (downtown) from 2pm-3:30pm. Continues to March 23. \$67; \$62 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

Centre For Japanese Research Seminar

Canada And Japan 2000: Changing Relations In A Changing World. Leonard Edwards, Canada's ambassador to Japan. CK Choi 120 from 3-4:15pm. Call 822-2629.

UILO Seminar

Incorporation: Whoops! Things To Remember Before You Leave. Various speakers. ForSciences 1005 from 4-6pm. To register www.uilo.ubc.ca; call 822-8580.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18

Pediatric Grand Rounds

Exercise Rehabilitation In Children With Congenital Heart Disease: The BCCH Experience. Jim Potts, Cardiology. GF Strong Aud. from 9-10am. Call 875-2307.

Fish 500 Seminar

Larkin Lecture Discussion: *MSY* Reborn, But With A New Identity—Is It Necessary, Is It Sufficient? Hut B-8, Ralf Yorke Room at 11:30am. Refreshments at 11am. Call 822-2731.

The Disability Resource Centre at the University of British Columbia is pleased to present:

The Year 2000 Paul Jones Memorial Symposium

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Friday, March 10th, 2000

Student Union Building, Room # 214

Speaker: Rod Michalko, PhD

Dr. Michalko received his PhD from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of British Columbia. He currently is an Assistant Professor of Sociology at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, NS. An exciting and engaging speaker, Rod Michalko has spoken to audiences across Canada with his fascinating lecture "Identity and the Language of Disability." Dr. Michalko will speak about the concept of disability, how it affects those who deal with it daily and how society deals with them.

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Institute Of Asian Research Seminar
Governance In New Asia: The Conflict Between Globalization And Regionalism. Paul Evans, director Program for Canada-Asia Policy Studies. CK Choi 120 from 4:30-6pm. Call 822-2629.

Cecil And Ida Green Visiting Professorships
Bringing Up Baby. Prof. Virginia Valian, Psychology, Hunter College. Green College Coach House at 12:30pm. Call 822-5675.

Asian Studies Lecture Series
Of Colony, Gender And Sexuality: The Sikhs And The Raj. Doris Jakobsh, U of Guelph. Asian Centre 604 at 12:30pm. Call 822-9266.

Another Look At Human Development Colloquium
The Nature Of Children, The Nurture Of Design. Susan Herrington, Landscape Architecture. Scarfe 278 from 12:30-1:20pm. Call 822-5232.

Laing Lectures
Stories, Tales And Truth. Maxine Hancock, Regent College. First Baptist Church (downtown) at 12:30pm. Call 224-3245.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture
Children Of The Raven: Indigenous Peoples Of Pacific Asia. Sherry Tanaka, poet, performance artist. Buchanan B-219 from 7:30-9pm. Continues to March 22. \$57; \$52 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

Geography Outreach Seminar
When Minority Become Majorities: The Changing Face Of Vancouver And Richmond. Dan Hiebert. Richmond Nature Park at 7:30pm. Refreshments. Call 822-3534.

Cecil And Ida Green Visiting Professorships
Gender And Math. Prof. Virginia Valian, Psychology, Hunter College. Green College Graham House at 7:30pm. Call 822-5675.

Laing Lectures
Where Do We Go From Here? Loren Wilkinson. Regent College at 7:30pm. Booksigning at 6:30pm. Call 224-3245.

Senate Meeting
Regular Meeting Of The Senate. UBC's Academic Parliament. Curtis 102 at 8pm. Call 822-2951.

Laing Lectures
The Blessing And The Curse Of Technology. Craig Gay, Regent College. Chan Centre at 8pm. Call 224-3245.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24

Earth And Ocean Sciences Colloquium
Geology, Petrology, Geochemistry, PGE-Au-Cu-Ni Ore Assemblage Of The Roby Zone, Lac Des Iles, NW Ontario. Mike Michaud, SRK Consulting. GeoSciences 330-A at 12:30pm. Call 822-3278.

Centre For Feminist Legal Studies Lecture
Barriers To Justice For Street Involved Girls. Annabell Webb, Justice for Girls. Curtis 157 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-6523.

Biostatistics/SFU Seminar
Statistical Modelling Of Species Occurrences. Fangliang He, Canadian Forest Service, Pacific Forestry Centre. SFU Campus, Math and Statistics K-9509 at 3:30pm. Call 822-0570.

Cecil And Ida Green Visiting Professorships
Input And Innateness: Controversies In Language Acquisition. Prof. Virginia Valian, Psychology, Hunter College. Kenny, Suedfeld lounge at 4pm. Call 822-5675.

Centre For Integrated Computer Systems Research Seminar
The Digital Michelangelo Project. Marc Levy, Computer Science, Stanford U. CICSR/CS 208 from 4-5:30pm. Refreshments. Call 822-6894.

79th Annual Osler Dinner
Towards Transparency In Medical Care In The 21st Century. Dr. Noel Buskard, Medicine. Pan Pacific Hotel Governor General Suite at 6:30pm. \$65; \$45 residents/students. Dinner at 7:30pm. Call 736-5551.

Thematic Lecture Series: Myths Of Nations
The Nature Of Race: Re-thinking The Colonial Encounter In Australia. Kay Anderson, Geography. University College, Australian Defence Force Academy. Green College at 7:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture
Guenter Grass: The Last Nobel Prize Winner. Steven Taubeneck, Germanic Studies. Buchanan B-221 from 7:30-9pm. Continues to March 30. \$67; \$62 seniors. To register call 822-1420.

FRIDAY, FEB. 25

Pediatric Site-Wide Grand Rounds
A Clinicians Perspective On The Conflict Of Ethics And Economics In Resource Allocation: Who Is The Gatekeeper? Dr. Paul Rogers, Oncology, B.C.'s Children's Hosp. GF Strong Aud. from 9-10am. Call 875-2307.

Fish 500 Seminar
Building A Marine Mammal Database On Longhurst Areas. Amy Poon, Fisheries Centre. Hut B-8, Ralf Yorke Room at 11:30am. Refreshments at 11am. Call 822-2731.

Peter Wall Institute Colloquium
The Declining Difference Alienage Makes: The U.S. And Germany. David Abraham, Law, U of Miami. Peter Wall Institute University Centre 307 at 12noon. Call 822-4837.

Occupational And Environmental Hygiene Seminar
Using Noise To Cancel Noise: Active Noise Control At Vancouver International Airport. Pierre Germain, Mechanical Engineering. UBC Hosp., Koerner G-279 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call Kathryn Lewis 822-9861; Dr. Murray Hodgson 822-3073.

Institute For European Studies Symposium
Politics And The Past: On Repairing Historical Injustices. Various speakers. Peter Wall Institute University Centre from 3-5pm. Continues to Feb. 26 9am-4:45pm. Call 822-1452.

Mathematics Colloquium
Universality And Conformal Invariance In Two-Dimensional Statistical Physics. Gregory F. Lawler, Duke U. Mathematics 100 at 3:30pm. Refreshments Math Annex 1115 at 3:15pm. Call 822-2666.

Chemical And Biological Engineering Seminar
Detoxification Of Logyard Run-Off. Michael Zenaitis. ChemEng 206 at 3:30pm. Call 822-3238.

Linguistics Colloquium
Slavic Clitics: An A-Morphous, Feature-Based Approach. Gilbert C. Rappaport. Buchanan B-223 from 3:30-5pm. Refreshments. Call 822-4256.

St. John's College Speaker Series
Tibet And Tangs Grand Strategy. Prof. Denis Twitchett, Princeton U. St. John's College 1080 at 4pm. Call 822-8781.

SATURDAY, FEB. 26

Amnesty UBC's 5th Annual Student Conference
Globalization And Social Justice. Various speakers. SUB from 9am-5pm. \$10 (\$15 after Feb. 15) includes lunch, refreshments. Call 822-9098.

Vancouver Institute Lecture
The Advancement Of Women: Why So Slow? Prof. Virginia Valian, Psychology, Hunter College. IRC#2 at 8:15pm. Call 822-3131.

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Research Study
Volunteer subjects needed for study on aging and speech understanding. Must be native English speakers 18-30 or 60-80 years old with good hearing in both ears. Involves one two-hour session on UBC campus. \$15 honorarium. Contact Wendy Lam e-mail: wendylam@audiospeech.ubc.ca or call 263-0677.

Four visiting Tibetan monks spent five days creating an intricate sand mandala (foreground) at a recent exhibit at the Museum of Anthropology. Ritually destroyed, its elements were then ceremonially returned to the sea. The monks also constructed a three-dimensional, hand-carved, wooden mandala (background). The exhibit was part of a North American tour to raise awareness about Tibet and raise money for a museum to store ancient, sacred objects. For information about upcoming exhibits at the Museum of Anthropology, call 822-5087 or visit www.moa.ubc.ca. Dianne Longson photo



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How do parents see challenging child behaviours? We are asking parents of seven-14 year olds to tell us by completing an anonymous, 30-minute questionnaire. You can receive the results. Please call Assoc. Prof. Johnston's lab, 822-9037.

Traumatic Stress Clinic
Psychologists conducting research at the Traumatic Stress Clinic at UBC Psychiatry are offering free treatment to people suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). PTSD is caused by events such as physical or sexual assault, and motor vehicle accidents. Call the Traumatic Stress Clinic at 822-8040.

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Honour Roll

Senior TRIUMF researcher **Doug Bryman** has been appointed to the Warren Chair in the Physics and Astronomy Dept.

The Warren Chair was established in 1991 in memory of John B. Warren, the founder and first director of TRIUMF—Canada's national laboratory for particle and nuclear physics.

The chair was created through private grants, funding from TRIUMF and matching provincial government contributions.

Bryman's research is in experimental particle physics concentrating on rare decay processes of elementary particles. He has been at TRIUMF since 1972.

Electrical and Computer Engineering Prof. **David Pulfrey** has been elected a fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

The honour recognizes his contributions to the field of modeling of semiconductor devices used in



Award winner Jo-ann Archibald

personal communications products and fibre-optic systems.

Pulfrey was also elected to serve a three-year term on the administration committee of the Electron Devices Society of the IEEE.

New York-based IEEE has over 330,000 members in 150 countries and its membership produces 30 per cent of the world's published literature in electrical engineering, computers and control technology.

Jo-ann Archibald, director of the First Nations House of Learning (FNHL), has been selected as a recipient of the 2000 National Aboriginal Achievement Awards—the highest award given by Canada's aboriginal community.

Archibald, a UBC alumna who is a member of the Stó:lō First Nation, joined the Faculty of Education in 1981 and has served as director of FNHL since 1993. Her specialty is First Nations curriculum development.

She has also been active in aboriginal affairs at the community, provincial and national levels.

Chief Simon Baker, a 1990 UBC honorary degree recipient and leader of the Squamish Nation, also received the award.

Baker has lectured at UBC, across Canada and internationally and is recognized as an ambassador for the Squamish people.

The award, which recognizes commitment to ideals and level of achievement, is judged by 16 aboriginal leaders representing diverse career backgrounds and geographic regions and the three major aboriginal groups.

NEWS DIGEST

Symposium probes record-keeping

An international symposium called *How Do You Know It's The Real Thing: Authentic Records in the Electronic Age*, will be held at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts Feb. 19 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The symposium is co-sponsored by the UBC Institute for European Studies, Vancouver's Instituto Italiano di Cultura and the InterPARES Project, an international research

initiative directed by Archival Studies Prof. Luciana Duranti.

The symposium is free and open to the public, but registration is required. For further information contact (604) 688-0809 or italcult@iicvan-ca.org.

Alumni office opens in Hong Kong

A new Alumni Office has been opened in Hong Kong.

The office will serve as a link among UBC, its alumni and potential students. It will also be made available to visiting UBC faculty.

The office is the result of support from the UBC Alumni Branch in Hong Kong, the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration and the Alumni Association.

Space for the office, which is located in central Hong Kong, was provided by UBC alumnus and Hong Kong alumni branch governor Dr. Anthony Cheng.

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DEPT. OF RADIOLOGY HEAD

The Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia (UBC) and Vancouver Hospital and Health Sciences Centre (VHHSC) invite applications and nominations, internal to the University, for the position of Head of the Department of Radiology at UBC and VHHSC.

We seek an academic leader to be responsible for directing and developing the teaching, research and service programs of the Department. The Department has 6 full-time, 23 part-time and 32 clinical faculty members and attracts strong research support. There is an extensive undergraduate education endeavour and an excellent residency program. The successful candidate should hold a specialty qualification in Radiology, have broad and proven administrative experience, substantial academic and clinical experience, a proven record of scholarly activity, and a commitment to undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate medical education. Anticipated start date will be July 1, 2000. Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

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The University of British Columbia hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified persons to apply. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, this advertisement is directed to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Applications, accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae and names of three references, should be directed by March 15, 2000 to: Dr. J.A. Cairns, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia, Room 317, Instructional Resources Centre, 2194 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z3.



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DEPT. OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY HEAD

The Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia along with Children's and Women's Health Centre of British Columbia, the Vancouver Hospital and Health and Sciences Centre, Providence Health Care and British Columbia Cancer Agency invite applications and nominations for the position of Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

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PROFILE

Lesley Bainbridge teaches students the importance of teamwork

A delicate balance



Think physiotherapy is about getting patients to perform exercises? Think again. Today it's about putting the patient at the centre of a caregiving team, says Physical Therapy head Lesley Bainbridge. Hilary Thomson photo

She served on the management teams of Langley Memorial Hospital and what was then University Hospital before moving to Holy Family Hospital, a Vancouver facility that specializes in geriatric rehabilitation. There she was director of physiotherapy before taking the position of vice-president of Rehabilitation Services.

In 1994, Bainbridge joined the School of Rehabilitation Sciences with expertise in administration and geriatric care and a growing interest in education as well as research interests in interprofessional practice and teaching.

"I love physiotherapy," she says. "But I find it even more rewarding when I work with other disciplines. It brings a richer perspective to our work whether it is teaching, client care or research."

BAINBRIDGE COMPLETED a Master of Education in Adult Education at UBC in 1995. She currently chairs the Interprofessional Education Committee of the Health and Human Services Programs at UBC, which originated in the Office of the Co-ordinator of Health Sciences.

"We need to teach our students to work as a team because this is how health care is practiced today," she says.

"Turf wars haven't gone away but professions have more to learn than fear from working in consultation."

In more than 25 years of practice, Bainbridge has seen a shift in the philosophy of care.

She characterizes physiotherapy's original approach as a militaristic one that focused on performing exercises.

The developing trend, however, is to have the patient at the centre

of a team of caregivers that also may include occupational therapists, physicians, nurses, and speech language pathologists.

FACTORS SUCH AS COMMUNITY involvement in decision-making through regional health boards, a demand for accountability in practice and a better-informed public with higher expectations of care contribute to the move to client-focused care, she says.

Bainbridge was one of the creators of the Clinical Teaching and Research Unit in the Purdy Pavilion at UBC Hospital.

The unit aims to be a model of interprofessionalism and will be one of the sites for her research project that looks at teaching teamwork strategies to students in clinical practice.

The two-year project sees undergraduate students and clinicians participate in team-building workshops to learn strategies and skills such as non-confrontational disagreement and defusing conflict. When students move to jobs, Bainbridge will evaluate the effect of team-building skills on practice effectiveness.

In addition to her commitment to client care, she is passionate about teaching and describes it as the most satisfying part of her job.

"Teaching is scholarship," says Bainbridge, a participant in UBC's Certificate Program on Teaching in Higher Education.

"I find a great sense of academic achievement in teaching, trying new things and seeing a change in students' understanding."

She teaches courses on the psycho-social aspects of disability, social and professional issues and

assists with teaching interpersonal communication in rehabilitation.

The hardest part of teaching, she says, is creating curriculum that is both contemporary and fits with future directions.

Some of those directions may be identified at the first-ever interprofessional rehabilitation national congress, called Tri-Joint Congress 2000, to be held in Toronto in May.

Bainbridge co-chairs the steering committee for the event which she describes as "amazing."

"It's taken years of planning but now there is a real groundswell of enthusiasm. The range of topics offered at the congress demonstrates the extent of learning possible between and among the professions."

Among the subjects to be covered are interdisciplinary team-building, joint concerns in program evaluation, communication with clients, and interprofessional education.

THE INTENSITY of Bainbridge's work life is balanced by the sense of peace she gains from her 2.4-hectare farm outside Victoria.

The weekly commute allows her to change gears and once back home she relaxes by caring for the farm's inhabitants—14 chickens, one rooster, four horses, two dogs and 13 cats.

In the midst of this busy personal and professional life, Bainbridge has also been able to satisfy two goals she wanted to achieve before age 50—seeing Elton John perform live and running a half marathon.

So what is next?

"Professionally, there are research and teaching challenges and I'm still getting accustomed to the academic environment," she says. "Personally, I'll be running more races and perhaps get a doctoral degree in education."

The book that inspired Lesley Bainbridge's professional life was closed long ago. Her own story is far from over, however, and it would appear that the plot thickens.

by Hilary Thomson staff writer

IT WAS A STORY SHE READ as a teenager that inspired the recent recipient of Canada's top honour in physiotherapy to enter the profession.

"I had previously considered becoming a librarian or a hairdresser," says Lesley Bainbridge, winner of the Enid Graham Lecture Award, the most prestigious award given for national and international leadership by the Canadian Physiotherapy Association. "But when I read the story about a physiotherapist who helped a little girl with cerebral palsy I was impressed. I wanted to make a difference, too."

That desire to make positive changes still motivates Bainbridge, who heads the division of Physical Therapy in the School of Rehabilitation Sciences.

A past president of both the provincial and national associations of physiotherapists, she is known to colleagues as "an ambassador for physiotherapy."

After obtaining a Physiotherapy diploma in England, Bainbridge completed a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy at UBC. After working as a physiotherapist for about five years, she decided to "stop squawking about what was wrong" and do something about it.