Class of 2000 first to get degree and story

The timing of the journalism school's first graduates couldn't be better, says its director

by Bruce Mason staff writer

The Information Age has continued to change exponentially since Western Canada's only graduate school in journalism opened its doors in September 1998. The first 17 graduates to earn a UBC Master of Journalism degree now have the skills to seize some brand new opportunities.

They are among more than 5,600 graduates who will receive degrees in the first Congregation of the millennium at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, May 24-31.

"It's a great time to be graduating with this degree," says Prof. Donna Logan, director of the School of Journalism. "People who will provide the content in the Information Age are in very high demand. I am confident all our graduates will find work in this fascinating field."

Logan's extensive experience is typical of the school's faculty. It includes senior positions at the Montreal Star and the cbc, most recently as regional director for cbc and vice-president, Media Accountability, for all of the public broadcaster's services in English, French, radio and television.

She says widespread predictions that newspapers would become anachronisms in new media were fundamentally flawed. Instead they maintain a key role as a database for all media. In fact, newspapers are evolving at the leading edge of global technology. Electronic versions appear daily as the familiar newspapers continue to create new jobs. So do innovations such as zoned editions, designed to compete with new information services.

Many factors set the UBC journalism graduates apart. They are critical thinkers trained in the fundamentals of researching, reporting and writing for all media. That means they have a clear way of thinking about the world and of communicating in all media. They are also able to approach their work in a great variety of ways, to create new forms of content for a variety of new media."

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Stephen Ward, a former Canadian Press foreign correspondent and bureau chief, and a long list of leading journalists who are associated with the school.

Student research has emphasized current journalistic issues, especially the impact of new media on traditional communication.

Seminars, conferences and special lectures involving the public have a similar focus. Brown bag lunch sessions alone have provided a warehouse of journalistic insight and experience from the world's leading journalists. "An outstanding success," is how Logan categorizes the first class

and the first two years of the school, which is part of the Faculty of Arts and governed by the Faculty of Graduate Studies.
The entrance requirements include superior performance at the baccalaureate level and some in the class will capitalize on their expertise by reporting in specialized areas such as law or science. Others will raise the standards in traditional venues or excel in unimagined areas.

You're only as good as your last story is an old journalism cliché.

"Work terms included: Time Magazine, The Hong Kong Standard, wire services and national television networks, newspapers in Vancouver and reports Logan. "The uniform response from the editors has been rare reviews. We have high expectations."

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of a newsroom. They are also schooled in contemporary journalistic issues, ethics and responsibilities as well as deadline, interview techniques and the need for accuracy.
The philosophy of the school is that journalists need superior academic skills as well as excellent journalistic skills. Required courses are one-third academic.
The faculty includes visiting lecturer Peter C. Newman, one of Canada's best-known journalists, authors and editors, Assoc. Prof.

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says Science Dean Maria Klawe. "We know they will excel in academic areas and will join the many other science students who make outstanding contribution services to the university and community each year."

Established in 1986, the awards are based on students' academic achievements and outstanding service to their communities and schools. They include a nominal award and a $5,000 scholarship to attend a n. university, college or institute.

The students who chose ubc are: Ryan Alkins, Sardis; Pavanejree Bhatty, Kitimat; Laura Blue, Victoria; Carly Buchanan, Vancouver; Andrew Horne, Kamloops; Beverly Martin, Nanaimo; Jared Mawhirt, Prince George; Cathrine Neish, Penticton; Melissa Tan, Coquitlam; Erik Weiss, Langley; and Amanda Wilmer, Grand Forks.

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Top teachers set the stage for education

One of the campuses top teachers wants students to know you can look foolish and still make a point

by Hilary Thomson staff writer

A unique hybrid of improvisational theatre and speech language pathology, the course students can expect to find in Barbara Bernhardt's classes.

An associate professor in the School of Applied Psychology and Speech Sciences, Bernhardt is one of 22 faculty members to receive University of British Columbia teaching prizes during Spring Convocation.

Losing inhibitions and learning to take risks to help children overcome communication barriers is a critical skill for speech language pathologists, says Bernhardt.

That's where the 'Good Speech Fairy' begins.

Bernhardt uses the costumed character, complete with magic wand, to foster children's creativity.

A regular student at improvtheatre classes, she uses the mental and verbal agility learned there to teach students how to incorporate fun role-playing into their interactions with kids.

In addition to the 'Good Speech Fairy', she uses the 'Fun Lab', a magic wand, to foster students' creativity.

Putting students first earns awards

Geography and Commerce recognized for innovations

A senior writing instructor lauded for her tireless commitment to helping students succeed and a graduate student who spearheaded a drive for student health and dental benefits are among the winners of this year's student development awards.

English instructor Judy Brown and Psychology PhD candidate Candace Hofmann were named recipients of the Margaret Fulton Individual Award. The award recognizes individuals on campus who have made a significant contribution to students' lives.

"It's a lovely surprise," says Brown.

In addition to teaching, Brown spends up to 10 hours a week advising students. She also finds the time to recruit faculty members for Imagine UBC's year-long mentoring program for first-year students.

Hofmann worked on the Alma Mater Society/Graduate Student Society Health and Dental Plan, which was launched in January. Her efforts are cited as being instrumental.

The Geography Dept. received the Alfred Scow Undergraduate Program Award. Its proposed course, Geography 4477, would see students perform fieldwork in the community.

The Faculty of Commerce MBA program received the Peter Larkin Graduate Program Award for its unique 15-month program, most notably a 13-week course which
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Health Care And Epidemiology Rounds
Public Health Risks From Antimicrobial Resistance. Dr. Craig Stephen, director, Centre For Coastal Health; Dr. William Bowie, professor, University of Victoria. Mather 233 from 9:00-9:30am. Paid parking available in Lot B. Call 822-3772.

MONDAY, MAY 5

Chalmers Institute Seminar
Frontline Ministry Inria, Dr. Peter Landory, uC Cancer Agency. Webcast 101 at 9:30am.

Tuesday, May 15

International Sports Championships with World Veterans Table Tennis Championships. War Memorial Gym from 4-5pm. Continue to May 27.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

Orthopedics Grand Rounds
Reconstruction Of Cartilage Defects In The Ankle. Dr. A. Younger, vio, Eye Care Centre at 7am. Call 875-2490.

Board Of Governors Meeting
Open Session begins at 8am. Board and Senate room. Fifteen tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis on application to the Board Secretary at least 24 hrs. before each meeting. To confirm date and time, check under Board Announcements on the Board home page prior to the meeting.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

Pathology Distinguished Lecture On Selection And Maintenance Of The 1 Cell Repertoire. Charles D. Sunb, Immunology, Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla. Eye Care Centre at 8am. Call 875-2490.

Engineering And Architecture Continuing Education uC: Building Regulation And Permits - Process Seminar 2. ForSciences 101 from 8am-3:30pm. 1000 includes course materials, refreshments, certificate. To register call 822-3347.

Peter Wall Institute Theme Development Workshop Perspectives On Traumatic Stress - A Discussion Of A Potential Research Agenda On Aspects Of Creativity University Centre Lecture Theatre at 12:30pm. To register e-mail pwi@interchange.ubc.ca. Call 822-9727-322.

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Program Seminar
Genomic Complexity Of The Mouse Lepid A Case Study In Identiﬁcation And Characterization Of Novel Genes. Karina McQueen, uC Cancer Research Centre Lecture Theatre at 12:30noon-1:50pm. Call 822-3347.

Monday, May 29

Scholastic Book Fair
Take The Road To Reading. Pacific Spirit Denim of UBC Child Care Services, 5380 Osoyoos Crescent. Continues to June 16. Call 822-5420.

Member Speaker Series

Tuesday, May 30

Cultural And Media Studies
International Monetary Systems In The Ancient World And Today.

Wednesday, May 30

Chalmers Institute Seminar
Dreams And Soul-Healing. Janet Case Los Angeles, uC Child Care Services, 5380 Osoyoos Crescent. Continues to June 16 from 8:30am-9:30am. To register e-mail cl@vst.edu. Call 822-3772.

Health Care And Epidemiology Rounds
**Grads build community**

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Tomorrow's leaders take charge of their future in disciplines ranging from law to animal welfare

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### A dance for social justice

A mother, dancer, filmmaker and now lawyer finds her own beat seeking opportunities to "build a better world"

**By Bruce Mason, Staff Writer**

**TASCHA IS QUICK TO ANSWER.**

"I'm three-years-eight-months old." So what about her mother's new Law degree?

"I guess she's my mother and a lawyer now. We still dance."

"I made fundamental changes when he arrived," says Mojdeh Shahriari. dancer, filmmaker and single mother with an intense passion for social justice.

"I'm proud and honoured to have volunteered with the Law Students' Legal Advice Program (LSLAP)," she says. "I've worked with abused women, people with welfare and employment insurance problems and some who were in a lot of trouble, but couldn't afford a lawyer.

"L.S.L.A.P. is a student initiative in the Faculty of Law which provides free legal advice and representation to the poor and disadvantaged. In 30 years it has grown into a non-profit organization of 150 dedicated volunteer student clinicians staffing more than 25 legal clinics across the Greater Vancouver Regional District year-round."

Shahriari was also the first director of Pro Bono Students Canada at UBC, which provides volunteer law students for non-profit organizations.

"I left my native Iran for political reasons in the mid-'80s and pursued the only double honours bachelor's degree in Film Studies and Sociology ever at UBC," she recalls. Comfortable in the combination of art and advocacy that film provided, she earned a master's degree in Film Studies in 1994.

"As an independent filmmaker I could say what I had to say and survive by finding odd jobs," she says. "But the financial pressures of raising a child forced me to consider options. Law wasn't too alien and would provide opportunities to help build a better world."

The courses were technical and corporate. There was more memorization than discussion and critical analysis. But she excelled in small group seminars and L.S.L.A.P.

"I'm finding my balance," says Shahriari, who is now articling with the law firm Peterson Stark.

Schooled in Persian dance, she found her first dance troupe Atash 10 years ago. Tascha is among the 15 to 35 member/performers.

"We danced on TV," he reports, beaming from her embrace.

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### Educator's vision gives hometown global voice

**Mario Lopez plans to open an English school when he returns to Oaxaca, Mexico**

**By Bruce Mason, Staff Writer**

He is the first of his family's nine children to be educated outside Mexico and Mario Lopez's goal is that others from his country will seize global opportunities. He is establishing an English/ Spanish school in his hometown Oaxaca for lower income students.

Research for his master's degree in Language and Literacy Education explored parental views of the value of literacy education in his hometown. He will apply what he learned at UBC about emergent literacy to design his school's curriculum.

"English schools only exist for the elite," he explains. "Mine will educate lower and middle class students so that they can get better jobs in tourism and other areas, or go on to university which requires English in upper levels. Without it, they can't compete."

Mario recalls his mother saying, "Your education is your job. It is your responsibility to somebody. Take it."

Parental encouragement paid off. Among the Lopez children are two accountants, a chemist, a dental technician, an architect, two doctors and a teacher.

"My research found very strong support for literacy and English education among all the socio-economic classes in Oaxaca," he says.

Mario arrived in B.C. with a scholarship to the Canadian International College. He immediately began organizing exchanges between Canadian teachers and Mexican students, which eventually involved 25 teachers.

Two of the teachers, Clayton see School page 8.

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### Graduate prescribes flexibility

**Mentor helps inspire Pharmaceutical Sciences graduate to residency at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children**

**By Hilary Thomson, Staff Writer**

Her hometown of Trail, B.C. was just the first of many communities that make up Elaine Chong's world.

"I think the word community is defined by people rather than places," says the Pharmaceutical Sciences graduate. "My different facets put me in a multitude of communities—I guess I really can be in two places at one time."

Attracted to Pharmaceutical Sciences because it offered "a flexible degree," Chong has established her own multi-disciplinary sphere of students, teachers, mentors and employers.

Her academic credits include numerous scholarships and honours. A 1999/2000 Webbrook Scholar, she is one of the first pharmacy students to be awarded this distinction. She is also an executive member of UBC's chapter of the Golden Key National Honour Society, an international group of academic top achievers.

Thanks to last year's student-ship with pharmaceutical manufacturer Janssen-Ortho Inc., she has also explored clinical research, sales and marketing and medical information services.

Working at Children's and Women's Health Centre of B.C., with clinical researcher Mary Ensom—someone she describes as inspirational—helped convince Chong to specialize in hospital pharmacy.

She is about to start a one-year residency at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children.

"My residency gives me the chance to practise pharmacy care on the wards—it will open doors to further professional development," says Chong, who is also a fluent Cantonese speaker.

Her intellectual demands are balanced by what she describes as "a huge part of my life"—music.

An accomplished performer and teacher who started playing piano at age three, Chong regularly performs with her sister, Gina, also a Pharmaceutical Sciences student.

After her residency, Chong plans to pursue a Doctor of Pharmacy degree as well as a Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacy and sees herself in a career that combines teaching, research and clinical practice.

"Coming to UBC made me a small fish in a big pond," she says. "I'll miss the comfortable pond I came from, but I'm looking forward to the expanse of ocean ahead."
Hands-on teaching informs career choice

by Andy Poon staff writer

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and Susan Knowlton, offered to help him out with room and board and he supported himself as a graduate research assistant in UBC's Language Education Research Centre. He also worked as a peer adviser for his department and helped plan and develop a graduate student conference which included 25 presentations of student work from the University of Washington and UBC.

"He is quite extraordinary," says Education Prof. Lee Gaudetson. "Not only did he organize social events to make the department more welcoming, he is renowned for his guitar playing, his singing in different languages, and his dancing. He has a talent for getting others, including faculty, up on the dance floor."

Mario is now encouraging others to get involved in his school. He will need English books which are expensive in Mexico. His e-mail address is lpezmario@hotmail.com.

Scott MacLachlan

Student evaluations of MacLachlan's performance have been overwhelmingly positive; says Mathematics Dept. head Prof. George Bluman.

"He's done a fabulous job," says Bluman. "It's one of our best instructors."

Although MacLachlan excels academically, he also managed to find time to be heavily involved in student politics as well as volunteering in the community. The recipient of numerous scholarships and awards, MacLachlan has twice been named a Wesbrook Scholar at UBC. The honour is given each year to the top 20 undergraduate students at UBC. Recipients are selected on the basis of academic achievement and community leadership.

MacLachlan was a student senator-at-large on the UBC Senate this year and served on the board of directors of the Alma Mater Society. He is also a member of the executive of the 2000 Grad Class Council and volunteered with Vancouver's South Slope Family Yincea.

"I am really interested in getting involved and getting things done," says MacLachlan. He will start a doctorate degree in Applied Mathematics at the University of Colorado this fall with the goal to eventually become a professor.
Training has teeth at home and abroad

by Hilary Thomson

Volunteer experience reinforces pair's commitment to studies and chosen profession

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Lawyer turned scribe learns all the write stuff

Stints with CBC Newsworld and advanced studies lay groundwork for graduate to make people aware of issues

by Bruce Mason staff writer

IAN CLAYTON is ready to report on the 21st century and share stories which will influence your life.

"I want to inform, provide context, perspective and objectivity on important issues to help make people aware so they can respond," says Clayton. He is one of the first 17 graduates to earn a master's degree from the UBC School of Journalism in the Faculty of Arts.

To get in and stay in the program, Clayton, a native of Winnipeg, and a University of Minnesota graduate with a Bachelor of Science, found the innovative program that combines ethics and research beyond.

"I am carefully studying the environment and taking the first graders to graduate," Clayton said. "You could say the message is becoming the medium."

Clayton won't be confined to a law book. Arts, sports, news, and business are equally appealing when you strive for "an accurate take and not being boring."

He credits the School of Journalism for providing a once-in-a-career opportunity to look in-depth at the myriad issues he faces as a journalist. "The best in the business have lined up to share insights with the class. One-third of the credits Clayton earned were in disciplines outside journalism. Clayton and his colleagues are good news for Canadians who complain about the media. Watch for his byline.

"Deadlines are disappearing as news is covered in real time, online," he says. "Content is needed to feed technology's rapid growth."

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by Bruce Mason staff writer

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Working closely with UBC's Animal Care Centre, she is conducting a research project to improve the quality of life for the 400,000 laboratory rats used in Canada every year.

"I am carefully studying the enclosures in which they give birth," she says. "We want to find the optimum size, amount of light, bedding material and play toys which interest them, to create an environment which is as natural as possible."

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Some 70 graduates will pass through a ceremonial door located on the north side of the First Nations House of Learning on Saturday, May 27th. Since the official opening of the Longhouse in 1993, hundreds of First Nations graduates have marked their achievement in this way. The door features an eagle design carved by First Nations artist Lyle Wilson. Dianne Longson photo

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**Schedule of Congregation ceremonies**

**MAY 24, THROUGH MAY 31**

All ceremonies take place in the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts. A general reception follows each ceremony at the Buchanan Building quadrangle.

**THURSDAY, MAY 25**
3:00pm - Arts (General) A: Program, Geogra- phy, German, History, phi, ma, ba Honorary degree: Walter Hardwick

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24**
3:00pm - Arts (Asian Area Studies, Asian Stud- ies, Chinese, Canadian Studies, Classi- cal Studies, Classics, Comparative Literature, Economics, Greek, Japa- nese, Latin, Religion and Literature, Religious Studies, South Asian Lan- guages, Women's Studies), Social Work, phi, ma, msw, bs, bsw

**SATURDAY, MAY 27**
8:30pm - Baccalaureate Concert

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**BC SMILE**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31**
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Actors, former councillor garner alumni awards

Environmentalist, medical researchers among winners

The dozen individuals who will receive UBC's annual alumni awards include an Order of Canada recipient, academic, business and political leaders, outstanding students and an award-winning thespian.

Nicola Cavendish (BA '76) and George Pull (BA '52, BEd '53) are this year's winners of the Alumni Award of Distinction. Cavendish, one of Canada's finest actors, is often referred to as a "national treasure."

The winner of three Jesse Richardson Awards for Outstanding Performance in a lead role and a past recipient of the Montreal Critics Award for Best Actress, she has given more than 2,000 live performances during her storied acting career.

Pul, who has long been associated with municipal politics, serving as an elected member of the Vancouver City Council since 1976, is presently the chair of both TransLink and the Greater Vancouver Regional District.

The Lifetime Achievement Award goes to May Brown (MPE '61, LLD '87). For more than 30 years, Brown served on the Vancouver City Council for a decade beginning in 1973, long involved in women's work and physical education. She has received numerous awards, including the Order of Canada.

Suzuki has won acclaim for his work with the CBC and is a strong advocate for environmental issues. The prolific broadcaster was a proponent in UBC's Dept. of Zoology.

Dr. Donald McKenzie (MPE '72, M.D '77) is the recipient of the Faculty Citation Community Service Award.

During his research into the effects of exercise on breast cancer patients, the Family Practice professor came up with the Aerobic in A Boat program of rehabilitation and information. The program sees breast cancer survivors participate in dragon boat racing.

The Outstanding Young Alumnus Award goes to Paul Rosenau, an adjunct professor in the School of Community and Regional Planning, has spearheaded a rethinking of standard land development models.

Verchere, an assistant professor of Pathology, has received wide recognition for his research into diabetes. He is the first non-European to have been awarded the Alberta Roloff Fellowship from the European Association for the Study of Diabetes.

The Blythe Eagles Volunteer Service Award winner is Lyall Knott (BComm '71, LLB '72).

Edward Way campaigned and serving on the President's advisory committee on developing a downtown presence for the university.

The Outstanding Student Award winners are Goodle Atken and Jesse Sims.

Atken, a fourth-year English honours co-op student, developed a workshop which helps secondary school students identify personal goals and values.

Sims, who graduates this month from Commerce, has served as chair of the UBC International Business Conference and worked for the UBC TREK Programme.

The Alumni Award for Research winner is Donald Brooks (MSc '64, MSc '67). He is the director of Graduate Studies for Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. Brooks' experiments have flown on four space shuttle missions. He has also published approximately 450 papers about the basic biochemistry of individual cancer disease and diabetes.

The Honorary Alumnus Award recipient is Harold Kalo. A former chair of the UBC's Board of Governors, Kalo has a long association with community-based organizations with a focus on neighbourhoods, urban planning and development issues.

The awards will be presented at a dinner reception at the Westin Bayshore on Nov. 2, UBC Athletics Hall of Fame inductees will also be honoured.

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Honour Roll

Robert Evans has been honoured with a Career Achievement Award from the Confederation of University Faculty Associations of B.C. (CUFA/BC) for his contributions to the study of health-care economics.

Evans was awarded the award for his work with the Royal Bank of Canada, both in the仙女 here and the U.S. His research has focused on the economics of health care, with a particular emphasis on the impact of policy changes on the supply of health care services.

The award was presented at a ceremony held in Vancouver, B.C., on May 17, 2000. The event was attended by Evans' family, friends, and former students.

Evans graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1968 with a degree in economics. He then went on to earn a Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University in 1973.

Since 1973, Evans has been a professor at the University of British Columbia, where he has been a leader in the field of health-care economics.

Evans has been a member of the Canadian Medical Association, the Canadian Institute of Health Economics, and the American Economic Association. He has also been a visiting scholar at the National Bureau of Economic Research and the National Bureau of Economic Research in the United States.

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Student youth project resonates around globe

by Bruce Mason staff writer

The Youth Millennium Project (YMP) hasn’t changed the world—not yet—but more than 4,000 youth have begun 80 innovative projects in 35 countries on five continents.

That’s a start, say the organizers of the YMC/ONCe project, which was officially launched in April. And it’s proof positive that the world’s young people—particularly in developing countries—are apprehensive about their future and are eager to get involved on a grassroots level.

"We knew it was an audacious idea,” says YMC co-founders Rebecca Slate and Justine Wiltshire. “But we decided to do something about the ongoing universal tragedy that young people feel that they have no control over the world’s future.”

"This project is a testament to what young people can accomplish if they are given an opportunity to exercise their ideas,” says UBC President Martha Piper.

After graduating from UBC in June of 1998 in Education and Law, respectively, Slate and Wiltshire conceived the project in which people aged 14-16 in every country would be invited to discuss global issues of concern to them and to create local action plans.

A year later, YMP was wholeheartedly endorsed at UNICEF headquarters in New York and the invitation went out to 190 countries in 70 languages through the organization’s international offices.

Almost immediately, youth in Vietnam started raising money for school supplies. In Sierra Leone, an education campaign on a peace agreement began following nine years of civil war. The subject of a similar campaign in Azerbaijan is HIV/AIDS, and in Estonia, funds are being raised for Mozambique in Germany, and trees are being planted in Tanzania.

At UBC, the Lien Centre for the Study of Global Issues, where Slate and Wiltshire work with a small army of dedicated volunteers and work-study students, word has been received that 500 Tibetan children living in exile in India have joined YMP. In Namibia, youth have pledged to eradicate poverty in their village by 2020.

"Although we do use the Internet, much of this overwhelming response is on pencil and paper and from Africa and South America,” reports Slate. "People are honored to be invited and take us more seriously because we communicate in their local language.”

A team of 100 volunteer translators works on the project.

In July 2001, Slate and Wiltshire intend to bring a boy and a girl—randomly selected from a YMP group in each country—to attend a Youth Millennium Conference at UBC.

YMP is currently raising $3 million for the conference. The President’s Office has had an immediate response from 15 universities to provide financial and other support.

YMP implements four specific rights from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child: the rights to express views, receive information, education, and preparation for a responsible life.

"In too many countries, children are subject to dreadful abuse or neglect, ranging from forced military service or physical labour to denial of education and protection from violence. Professor Ivan Head, former director of the Lien Centre. "By encouraging youth to act in concerted, constructive fashion, and by raising awareness of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, this remarkable project contributes to a better future for children and societies everywhere.”

For more information on the project, call (604) 822-9208 or e-mail ymp@interchange.ubc.ca.

Spin-off seeks quantum leap

Can computers get any faster? A UBC Physics graduate is working on it by Andy Poons staff writer

A 20-SOMETHING CHAP has just picked up his new PC and is driving home with it in the front seat of his convertible. One arm is slung lovingly over the box. He drives by a billboard that heralds the model he has as the latest, fastest thing in computing land. Big smile.

One problem—workers are just then covering up the poster with another that shows there is now a faster model available. The smile quickly disappears from our guy’s face.

That television ad depicts a scenario that people know all too well, but Geordie Rose can see a future when it will no longer happen. Maybe.

That’s because the size of transistors on computer chips will have become as small as they can get physically.

"That’s extremely bad for chip manufacturers. Computer designers will come very difficult to increase the speed of computers,” says the UBC Physics doctoral graduate. "If they stop producing a faster chip, there isn’t a reason for you to go out and buy a faster computer.

But Rose isn’t about to let that happen. His UBC spin-off company is researching how to use a new type of quantum transistor to process and store information.

As co-founder and president of D-Wave Systems Inc., he is working on developing an integrated circuit that will operate using the laws of the microscopic world in a so-called quantum computer that could crunch numbers many billion times faster than even the fastest supercomputers built using current technologies.

Instead of representing binary code—the binary 0s and 1s that computer chips use to represent data—in regular transistors, quantum computers will use specially designed transistors called quantum bits, or qubits, to do the same thing.

One major difference though—a qubit can be both 0 and 1 at the same time. That opens up a new realm of possibilities for computing with one main benefit being a dramatic increase in computing speed.

The first practical applications of quantum computers will likely be in genomics and bio-informatics—the use of information technology in identifying genes. An understanding of the building blocks of life and the mechanisms of disease could be worth billions to the biotech industry.

"I believe that quantum computing is at the state now where regular computing was about 40 years ago when Intel was born,” Rose says. "It is also the most profound and difficult technical project that mankind has ever embarked on.”

If D-Wave succeeds, it will hit computing like a tsunami. Companies such as IBM, NEC, NTT, Xerox and Hewlett-Packard are among those currently devoting resources towards quantum computing.