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A REPORT ON UBC'S COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

UBC's community connections are more numerous than most people realize. This issue of *UBC Reports* examines some of these connections.

Making Community Service Learning an integral component of UBC research and education is at the heart of Sid Katz's vision for UBC's various community initiatives.

Used extensively in the U.S., Community Service Learning incorporates real-life experience in the community with academic course work and critical reflection. Now UBC is at the forefront of adopting this model to Canada's learning environment.

"The concept of Community Service Learning fits right in with *Trek 2000's* vision for Community," explains Katz, executive director of Community Affairs. "It talks about service, and the involvement of the university in the community."

Katz is currently developing an overall strategy to forge a much stronger relationship between UBC and the rest of British Columbia.

"Over the years, universities have isolated themselves in many ways," says Katz. "What we're suggesting is more of a coming together between the community and the university, while keeping in mind what UBC stands for, and that's the pursuit of knowledge and problem-solving."

Existing initiatives such as the Learning Exchange outreach program and the new UBC at Robson Square campus have created an undeniable presence of UBC in the downtown core. Katz says the overall community strategy includes UBC's bond with the community through the development of the Finning campus on Great Northern Way with BCIT, Emily Carr and SFU, the creation of a University Town at UBC, renewed commitment to working with First Nations and a university-wide Open House in 2005.

Margo Fryer, director of the UBC Learning Exchange in the Downtown Eastside, says community initiatives are completely concurrent with research and learning. "For students, these initiatives allow them to test out their ability and explore who they are in different settings," Fryer says. "The community, in turn, benefits from the students' sense of passion and idealism."

"The overarching idea is that both the people within the university and the people in the community have incredible resources and knowledge," Fryer adds. "For too long they have been seen as separate worlds. The initiative is based on the idea that we can all be enriched by bringing together these two worlds. The *Trek 2000* Community initiatives are intended to be a bridge in this endeavour." □

— BRIAN LIN



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Planning Underway at Great Northern Way

Campus Consortium will release a vision for Finning land in November. BY ROSALIND DUANE



Barry McBride, VP Academic and chair of the planning committee for the Great Northern Way campus surveys the site donated by Finning International Inc.

The 7.6 hectare land package donated by Finning International Inc. to UBC and three other institutions in 2001 is now in the hands of the new consortium. The property, called the Great Northern Way Campus, is divided equally among UBC, Simon Fraser University, Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design, and the B.C. Institute of Technology.

It will be developed into an integrated environment with training and education programs offered by each partner. An academic planning committee has been organized to develop the goals of the programs.

"We will release a statement of academic vision available for discussion in November," said Barry McBride, VP Academic and chair of the planning committee.

The partners have agreed on a set of guiding principles that includes a vision for the campus that is sensitive to the economic development objectives of Vancouver. The vision calls for consultation with the surrounding community in determining the long-term vision for the campus.

Although no construction has taken place yet, UBC is currently renting office, warehouse and industrial space on the property to interested groups. □

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Boomers Betting on Botox

All across North America, aging baby boomers are lining up for the privilege to have their face injected with Botox, the miracle molecule that eliminates wrinkles.

"Overall people are more concerned about how they look," UBC Clinical Asst. Prof. of dermatology David Zloty told the *Vancouver Sun*. "They want their physical self to reflect how they feel."

"Botox is a medical procedure we believe should be done in a medical situation by physicians trained in pharmacology and the clinical use of Botox, and who have a good understanding of skin and facial muscles," cautioned another clinical assistant professor of dermatology Larry Warshawski, who has been using Botox on his own furrow lines twice a year for three or four years.

Chardonnay of the Century Contest Cancelled

Organizers of the Chardonnay of the Century wine competition have been forced to cancel the event due to a lack of sponsors arising from the economic uncertainty following Sept. 11.

"It was impossible after Sept. 11 to even talk about a wine competition," Hennie van Vuuren, director of the Wine Research Centre at UBC, told the *National Post*.

"Who wanted to talk about a wine competition after the tragic event in New York?"

Even though wineries from France, Germany, Austria, Australia and Canada were prepared to enter their top chardonnays, the lack of sponsors crippled organizers' ability to attract enough entries to make for a credible competition, he added.

"The objective of this challenge was to obtain a collection of outstanding chardonnay wines, to collect a database. I could go back and study what these 100 wines have in common," said van Vuuren. "We would have made these wines available to researchers all over the world."

HRT Controversy Continues

In response to the recently published research study on hormone replacement therapy, UBC endocrinologist Dr. Jerilynn Prior told *Maclean's* magazine that women should not stop therapy if they're on it for a good reason.

"If they're on it for an unjustifiable reason, then - and this is a very important point - they should come off their estrogen therapy extremely slowly," she added. "The brain gets used to high estrogen levels and it reacts just like an addict's brain



Wine Research Director Hennie van Vuuren corks contest.

reacts when their drug of choice is withdrawn. You need to sort of de-condition the brain."

"Prevention of heart disease or Alzheimer's - or to keep women young and sexy - are not good reasons," she said.

War with Iraq Likely

Andrew Mack, director of the Centre for Human Security at UBC's Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues told the *International Herald Tribune* that the U.S. is contemplating war because diplomacy and sanctions have failed to persuade Saddam Hussein to comply with UN resolutions.

"Bush administration hawks see 'regime change' as the only way to ensure that Iraq gives up its weapons of mass destruction," Mack said. "They are very probably right."

Mack added that authoritarian regimes ultimately fail because, as societies become more developed, complex and interdependent, they also become increasingly difficult to govern by coercion.

"Abandoning the draconian

sanctions that have enriched Saddam's henchmen, wiped out the middle class and caused appalling suffering would enable the Iraqi economy, now a quarter of its size in 1990, to recover. This would facilitate re-emergence of the middle class, the most effective potential source of resistance to the regime in the long term."

Demand for Assisted Suicide Increasing

Dr. Romyne Gallagher of UBC Palliative Care told *BCTV News Hour* that she has seen a marked increase in the number of her patients asking her to assist in their suicides.

"When people say they want to die, what they're saying is they can't live like they're living right now. It doesn't mean that if someone were to meet their needs that they would still want to die," she said.

"We need the health care system and the community to join together in meeting the physical, psychological and spiritual needs of people with a life-threatening illness." □

Dear Editor,

I just wanted to comment that I was a little disappointed with your "Our Favourite Spots" article in the latest issue of *UBC Reports*.

Maybe I'm being overly sensitive but really? - four - white - men? (dare I say . . . four, white, MIDDLE AGED, men?) Come on, this hardly reflects the demographics of UBC campus. I expected more from a campus publication.

- Nancy M. Forhan, Applied Science

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Cameron Barker is making a major career change with courses at UBC at Robson Square.

Twelve jobs spanning five careers, plus returns to school for re-education and upgrades. Those are just the average expectations for a worker in today's economy. Cameron Barker is making the leap from digital animator to environmental web developer with help from UBC at Robson Square.

A response to the *Trek 2000* vision of "a strong downtown presence with store-front accessibility and visibility," UBC at Robson Square provides an urban gateway to the university's resources, and at the same time provides the university with a link to the community in the heart of the city.

"I chose to take my courses at Robson Square because I live

downtown," Barker explains. "The (Point Grey) campus isn't as accessible to me. I'm also more into short-term education than long-term at this point in my life."

Barker is enrolled in the Multimedia Summer Intensive Program, acquiring expertise in everything from Photoshop to Illustrator to FinalNetPro in order to be able to marry his interest in computer technology with his passion for the environment. Part of his course is a practicum with Envision

Learn Where You Live

Robson Square is an open door to UBC. BY DIANE HAYNES



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Sustainability Tools. The company develops software to measure climate change, and creates sustainability solutions for regions and corporations around the world.

"It's unpaid," Barker laughs, "but it's invaluable experience."

He can walk from school to work, and then home again. Another invaluable experience.

Barker noticed that UBC at Robson Square is a lot more than classrooms.

"I'd be down there for class and

walk by tutorials or conferences or non-profit day and a whole bunch of different workshops," he describes. "It's really active."

UBC at Robson Square is home to the Women's Resources Centre, a branch of the UBC Alumni Association and extensions of UBC Library and the UBC Bookstore. Through UBC Commerce, Continuing Studies and ongoing forums and public lectures, the downtown campus offers programming for learners at all stages of their education and careers.

"If you're looking for a higher standard of education, and an accessible location in a more intimate atmosphere," Barker says, "it's definitely the place." □

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Robson Square Fast Facts

Our city campus at a glance

The Robson Square facility is 66,000 sq. ft. on two floors.

- Approximately 1,600 students are enrolled in the Commerce courses to date.
- Each year 2,500 people make use of the Women's Resources Centre.
- To date 6,400 people have come to the information registration desk. One half to one third of those are estimated to be students.
- Deborah Nelson is the new Executive Director of Robson Square. Exiting Director Stanley W. Hamilton will chair a small committee to investigate the possibility for expansion at the Robson Square location.
- The Robson Square Transition Team is being phased out and replaced by a new Board. Vice-president Barry McBride will chair the new Board.
- Key events from 2002 include: explorAsian 2002, New Music West 2002, and the UBC School of Journalism and Global TV War Stories Broadcast.
- Upcoming events include: the United Way Kick Off BBQ, the Vancouver Sun and Province Career Fair, and the Museum of Anthropology's West Coast Architecture Exhibit. □

— ROSALIND DUANE



The Women's Resource Centre supports education, career and personal life changes.

Student Medical Clinic Calls for Volunteers

New location has room to grow. BY DIANE HAYNES

The acronym should probably be CHIAUS – Community Health Initiative by Awe-inspiring University Students.

What began as two students' class project is now a student-run, evenings-and-weekends medical clinic in the Downtown eastside.

Last featured in UBC Reports in January of 2001, CHIUUS has since grown from 200 to 500 student volunteers representing eight disciplines, and has moved into a new facility at 569 Powell Street that offers more space, better resources and room to grow. With the call out for more volunteers, that growing room is going to be needed.

David Hui is a third-year medical student and the co-chair of CHIUUS.

"What got me interested was the interprofessional aspect," he recalls of his three-year involvement.

Although he says the study of medicine now promotes the theory of an interdisciplinary approach to health care, at CHIUUS that approach is put into practice every day. Medical students work with nursing, social work, dietetics and pharmacy students, and each learns what the others do.

There are five ways student vol-

unteers can get involved with CHIUUS: discipline-specific treatment activities (under professional supervision); interprofessional work; educational programming; administration; and the clinic's social aspect.

This latter is a hallmark of CHIUUS. Hui describes the clinic's waiting room, where coffee and snacks are provided and student volunteers are there specifically to listen when area residents drop by. "It's not just what patients tell you in the five minutes in the interviewing room," Hui explains. "It's really what's going on in the rest of their lives."

Health Sciences students who are interested in volunteering may contact one of the faculty representatives listed on the web site (www.chiuus.ubc.ca) or e-mail Hui at science@interchange.ubc.ca.

CHIUUS is funded by the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, the Hamber Foundation and the Teaching-Learning Enhancement Fund, and depends upon the support of Dr. Peter Granger and the Downtown Community Health Clinic. □

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Medical student David Hui donates time to the clinic.

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Helping Those Who Help Wildlife

Ag Sci student survey set for fall release. BY MICHELLE COOK

The attempt to re-unite an orphaned killer whale with its family pod off Vancouver Island earlier this summer caused a big splash in the media, but the baby Orca is only one of an estimated 20,000 injured or orphaned animals that will be rescued in British Columbia this year. Most are taken in by wildlife rehabilitators who treat them and then release them, often with little fanfare and a lot less funding than the US\$500,000 it cost for the Orca family reunion.

Sara Dubois wants to change that.

The Agricultural Sciences graduate student hopes to draw attention to the valuable but largely overlooked services provided by B.C.'s wildlife rehabilitators by conducting the first-ever academic survey of their work.

"Generally, these are very capable, skilled people and they play a valuable role in wildlife management in non-traditional ways," Dubois says. "But their work is very isolated. They have few resources and few opportunities to share information with each other, and they need more support in order to do their jobs better."

Dubois' goal is to produce a province-wide picture of current practices for rehabilitators to use to standardize their work and create more awareness about what they do. With the government increasingly taking a hands-off approach to wildlife distress calls, Dubois says her survey is a timely one.

There are 30-40 individuals and non-profit centres rehabilitating wildlife in the province. Although these caregivers are licensed annually by the provincial government, and by the federal government if they treat migratory birds, they don't receive any government funding, operating largely on grants, donations or voluntarily.

They spend their days examin-



PHOTO: R. WAYNE CAMPBELL

Sara Dubois has a bird in hand and a plan to help those that may be injured in the bush.

ing, feeding, cleaning and medicating their patients, consulting with veterinarians and wildlife control officers, answering public inquiries and filling out reports on every animal they treat.

Now in her second year of Animal Welfare studies, Dubois, 25, saw a need for more academic study on the management and coordination of rehabilitation efforts after attending a meeting of the Wildlife Rehabilitators Network of B.C. in 1999.

For her survey, Dubois collected 30,000 rehab records and conducted 40 interviews, mostly with rehabilitators, to identify their major concerns. Many told her that they want to be considered professionals, but because there is little formal training or certification for the job, they often aren't.

Dubois' other major finding is that, although rehabilitators submit records for each animal treated, data collection techniques aren't formalized and the information isn't pooled to provide province-wide data on the number of animals brought in and the causes of injury, poisoning or disease that can yield valuable clues to problems in the wild.

Dubois plans to present her research to rehabilitators this fall, and the community is eagerly awaiting her findings, says Elizabeth Thunstrom, president of the Wildlife Rehabilitators Network of B.C.

"This is a fairly new profession that's only come into its own in the last 20 years, but there still is a public perception that we are bunny huggers, and many don't see what we do as valid," Thunstrom says. "Sara's study will give us a boost by showing us how we can measure this as a profession and standardize it, formulate policies and set up public education programs. She's helping to give us credibility academically and publicly." □

PHOTOS: DOLORES BASWICK



The first time Barry Monaghan visited the Learning Exchange, he never expected it would one day lead to a new job. He came because UBC's storefront office in the Downtown Eastside offered computer access to people in the community.

Monaghan heard about the Learning Exchange two years ago when he was a student in Humanities 101, a UBC course designed for Downtown Eastside residents. Today, Monaghan, 39, can be found behind the centre's front desk helping others who drop in to use the facility's resources, including seven computer workstations.

"I never thought when I took that course, that I'd be working here," Monaghan says. "But I found it a nice, pleasant place and I just kept coming."

Monaghan went on to take Science 101. Both programs gave him a chance to sample different topics and see what his strong points were. They also inspired him to continue studying. He has since earned his high school equivalency, and completed UBC's Office Information Technology program. He says that being able to use the Learning Exchange's computers to practice his new skills was essential to mastering them.

Monaghan is one of hundreds of downtown residents who have passed through the doors of the Learning Exchange since it opened at 121 Main St. in October 2000.

As a cornerstone of UBC's commitment to community outreach, the initiative fosters connections between people at UBC and residents of the area by offering university resources and expertise, providing educational opportunities to people working and living there, and giving UBC students volunteer experience in community organizations.

While the storefront office provides a focal point for students, faculty, staff and residents, the Learning Exchange's reach extends much farther. It has forged partnerships with 20 non-profit community organizations. Its Trek volunteer program has more than doubled with 100 UBC students now participating in activities ranging from literacy tutoring and fine arts projects to supporting hot lunch, recreation and hospice programs.

Starting this fall, six to 10 students will be forming a Leadership Network to provide peer support

for volunteers and build even stronger links with community groups and partner organizations as part of the Trek Program. The Learning Exchange will also launch inner-city partnerships linking groups of students with schools to run recreational, gardening, literacy, nutrition and other programs.

Last fall, Music 101, a music appreciation course for community members, was launched. This year, the Learning Exchange will offer two additional programs. Entrepreneurship 101 will provide a theoretical understanding of economics as well as the practical skills needed to be a successful entrepreneur. Advocacy 101 will provide a similar mix of theoretical and practical knowledge for people who want to learn about government systems and how to interact successfully with them.

In October 2002, the Learning Exchange is organizing a concert featuring performers from the community and UBC's School of Music. □

Downtown residents and UBC students both benefit from the resources and opportunities offered by the Learning Exchange.



Learning Exchange Popular with Downtown Residents and UBC students

Forging new partnerships, launching new programs. BY MICHELLE COOK



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Festival Program Director George Laverock and Administrative Director Morna Edmundson are two of 11 UBC School of Music alumni involved in staging this year's event. Nine UBC faculty members are also participating in some of the Festival's 50 concerts, including Prof. Jane Coop, a pianist and double Juno award nominee who performs Aug. 7.

UBC's First Nations Longhouse is also the setting for four days of themed Festival concerts. These include a World Music day; Early Music day featuring 17th and 18th century French and Italian music performed in period costumes; Brahms day; and Americas day celebrating the rich musical traditions of Latin and South America. The First Nations Longhouse series runs Aug. 3, 4 and Aug. 10, 11.

For more information on Festival Vancouver, visit www.festivalvancouver.bc.ca or call 604-688-1152. □

The UBC contingent (clockwise from top left): Jane Coop, Colin Balzer, Robert Silverman, and Tyler Duncan.

Festival Vancouver Features UBC Alumni

Faculty and students involved. BY MICHELLE COOK



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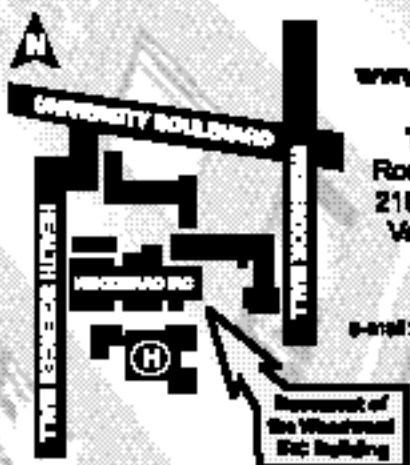
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UBC Law Students Last Chance for Those in Need

Funding cuts threaten program. BY HELEN LEWIS

When Andrea Van Deijck's doctor gave her grave news, she turned to a group of UBC Law students for help, but cuts in provincial funding could leave others like her with no safe haven.

Van Deijck has Crohn's disease, a serious chronic inflammatory disease of the gastrointestinal tract, as well as arthritis and anemia. Her condition took a sudden turn for the worse during her PhD exams early this year.

"My doctor said, 'You should have a power of attorney and a will in place because if you don't start bouncing back fast, we'll have to hospitalize you,'" she recalls. Bedridden and unable to work, she couldn't manage the trips or the fees to see a lawyer.

So she turned to the UBC Law Students' Legal Aid Program (LSLAP), an organization run by law student volunteers giving free legal advice and assistance to low income people and members of disadvantaged communities.

Under the supervision of a volunteer private practice lawyer, LSLAP volunteers offer legal advice and potential representation at 23 weekly clinics in the Lower Mainland.

They cover matters including small claims mediation and trials, BC Benefits, Employment Insurance and Workers' Compensation Board appeals, landlord/tenant disputes, employer/employee disputes, wills and estates, debtor/creditor issues and criminal summary conviction charges (where there is no previous conviction and little possibility of incarceration).

LSLAP executive president and third-year UBC law student Jamie Maclaren says students, single parents, and new immigrants form the bulk of their client base.

However, with recent provincial government cuts to LSS funding, \$37,000 of LSLAP's funding is under threat. LSLAP already lost its popular family law program to legal aid cuts in 1997, and is overburdened by current demand. Cuts to other clinics and legal aid programs will further increase traffic to the already-stretched LSLAP.

"We have constant demand and our operator gets a call every minute. We take a huge load off the system in terms of accessing legal rights - people are exasperated by the system," Maclaren says. "We're not competing for our

client base with anyone, and there's nothing to replace us. Without that funding, it looks pretty bleak.

"In terms of scale and comprehensive service, we're unique in what we do in the Lower Mainland," he says. "We're picking up people who fall between the cracks - who can't afford to pay for lawyers and aren't eligible for legal aid."

About 80-120 UBC law students are actively involved in LSLAP each year. In 2000-2001, they did 5,200 client interviews, opened 4,600 new files and saw 600 returning clients. They handle an average of 300 criminal trials a year.

While helping law students apply their skills under the supervision of experienced lawyers, LSLAP makes a difference in the lives of people like Andrea Van Deijck.

"I was in a crunch and LSLAP came through," Van Deijck says. "My situation was scary, and the expense was a major obstacle. When you're living on a shoestring, \$300 is an awful lot of money. [LSLAP's] Carolyn Anderson went out of her way to meet me on campus or call me outside office hours. She was efficient and reassuring, and it was an incredible relief." □

Chinook Program Helps Pick Winners

First Nations businesses partner with UBC. BY KATHY TAIT

The Soowahlie band near Cultus Lake had lots of good ideas for new businesses to enhance the band's revenues and employment. The problem was how to pick those most likely to succeed.

"A significant number of new businesses fail in their first three years," Soowahlie Chief Doug Kelly told *UBC Reports*. "We can't afford failures."

Kelly and two other members of the Fraser Valley band found an answer to their dilemma at a two-day workshop at UBC in June.

"It was a good mix of lectures, question and answer, debate and discussion," Kelly recalls.

The workshop, part of the Chinook program of the First Nations House of Learning and the

Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, offered participants new tools to assess the viability of business opportunities and an understanding of how businesses achieve success. The June workshop included Band participants from Powell River, Cultus Lake, Hope and Litton.

"We identified two priority projects from the 11 ideas we had," says Kelly. "Right now we're keeping these under our hat, in part because there's competition and also we don't want anyone scooping our investors."

The June workshop was one of several projects of UBC's Chinook program, which aims to create business education relevant and useful to First Nations partici-

pants. (The name, Chinook, is used as a reminder of the common language of trade used by First Nations Peoples in earlier times.)

First Nations House of Learning Director Richard Vedan and Commerce prof. John Claxton are part of a team working with several B.C. community colleges to create a two-year diploma program in business for aboriginal students. Top students from this Chinook Diploma Program will be encouraged to enroll in the UBC BCom Program, which they will be able to complete in an additional two years.

Claxton notes that a major grant from B.C. Gas has been vital in keeping the program on track. □

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Singing Bear Helps Visually Impaired Children Read

Plush toy becomes valuable tool. BY ROSALIND DUANE

A singing bear named Spinoza serenaded guests at the launch of the Literacy Alliance for Children with Visual Impairments held at UBC's Faculty of Education on July 4. In the first-ever alliance of its kind, the faculty has partnered with several local, national, and international organizations including the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB), Literacy BC, the Hadley School for the Blind in Illinois and the Spinoza for Kids Program to combine resources to help children with visual impairments learn to read.

Spinoza the Talking Bear, a three-pound plush teddy bear that talks and sings with the aid of cassette tapes hidden in its body, was introduced as the centrepiece of a new literacy gift pack to help preschool-aged children with visual impairments learn to read using braille or other literacy tools. The pack also contains parent guides, teaching videos for educators, reading program information, tactile stickers and markers, and Slate and Stylus for writing braille.

Assoc. Prof. Cay Holbrook, director of UBC's training program for teachers of visually impaired children, developed the list of contents for the packages with the help of CNIB and international partners.

Holbrook said she believes the new literacy pack is a perfect combination of ideas.

"Listening to a book being read is not the same as reading it yourself," said Holbrook. "But listening is part of a literacy tool box. Spinoza starts that tool box in a very fun and comforting way."

Alliance partners plan to distribute 100 literacy gift packs to families and educators throughout B.C. over the next two years, aiming to link educators and parents of visually impaired children to the support and information that they will need to prepare their child for school.

"Nothing like this happened in my young day," said Winifred Craig, who made a legacy gift to the graduate program in visual



PHOTO: ROSALIND DUANE

Winifred Craig shares a laugh with Spinoza the Talking Bear.

impairment at UBC. She donated the money in honour of her and her husband in recognition of challenges they have faced as visually impaired people. "This will help young people do what they want to do in life," she said.

Holbrook said the group plans to expand the program.

"The strength of the program lies in the community relationships that develop," she said. "We hope to replicate that in other places."

Other members of the alliance include Vancouver Sun Raise-a-Reader program, the American Foundation for the Blind, the American Printing House for the Blind, Panago Pizza, TB Vets Charitable Foundation, the Provincial Resource Centre for the Visually Impaired, and QLT Inc. which has committed \$30,000 to the program over the next two years. □

UBC Helps Crime Victims

The UBC community rallied to support 12 young Mexican girls and their chaperones, who were robbed of more than \$10,000 when their rented van was broken into late last month.

The girls were flooded with donations including sweatshirts, t-shirts, backpacks, boxed lunches and breakfasts from UBC and Alma Mater Society groups.

Associate VP Land & Building Services Geoff Atkins hosted a barbecue at UBC's International House for the theft victims, who were staying in a UBC dormitory during their trip.

Donations came from UBC Bookstore, UBC Food Services, Parking, AMS Food Services and AMS Outpost, in an effort coordinated by Personal Security Coordinator Paul Wong and Disaster Planning Coordinator Judi Van Swieten. □

TIME PIECE 1957



It's August 1957 and veteran pinsetter Gerry Foren, 14, shows Jan Messenger from the Athletic office, what it's like to be on the receiving end of a "strike". This photo help to publicize the opening of six new bowling alleys, open to the public from 3 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 7 to 11 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays in the basement of the Memorial Gym. So what ever happened to Gerry, Jan and the bowling alley? If you have the info, and feel you can spare it, let us know. □

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The Iona Building at Vancouver School of Theology on the UBC campus. Photo: Perry Danforth

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Website award

A Faculty of Education pilot project to explore how teachers and students can imaginatively integrate technology into teaching and learning has helped a North Vancouver Elementary School win a Web design contest.

As part of the pilot, Faculty of Education student **Chantelle Boulanger** and her sponsor teacher **Channin Leoni** helped their Grade 5 class at Braemar Elementary School design a Web site to address the causes and effects of air pollution and what people can do to help.

The class entered the BC Lung Association's Clear the Air Web design contest and won a \$1,000 technology grant (the school may buy a video camera with it).

Boulanger is a member of the faculty's Fine Arts and Media Education group which launched the pilot project.

See the Web site at www.bc.lung.ca

Order of Canada

Vice president, Research **Indira Samarasekera** was among five members of the UBC Community to receive Order of Canada honours last month.

Samarasekera and Prof. Emeritus **H. Peter Oberlander** were named officers of the Order of Canada. Zoology Dept. head Dr. **Geoffrey Scudder**, Dept. of History of Medicine founder Dr. **William Gibson**, and former UBC Board of Governors' member Dr. **Roslyn Kunin** were named Order of Canada members.

Royal Society of Canada

Ten UBC faculty members were elected to the Royal Society of Canada in July. They are ocean scientist **Thomas Pedersen**; **Arthur J. Ray**, a historian and historical geographer; **Patrick and Edith McGeer**, a husband-and-wife Alzheimer's research team; **Jean Barman**, a feminist scholar and historian; **Jim Enns**, a visual attention researcher; **Sneja Gunew**, a postcolonial and multicultural feminist cultural studies scholar; **George A. Sawatzky**, a physicist and condensed matter expert; **John Scheffer**, a solid-state organic chemistry specialist; and **Stephen Withers**, a leading authority on enzymes.

Established in 1882, the Royal Society of Canada is the country's most prominent academy of scholars and scientists. More than 160 UBC faculty are members of the Society.

Commuter Kudos

This past June the UBC TREK Program Centre organized UBC's entry into the National Commuter Challenge. More than 1,200 faculty members participated representing 52 departments. UBC was the largest single contributor to the overall Lower Mainland results. UBC was awarded a trophy for "Highest total number of Participants". It is currently on display in the CP&D lobby. □

Two-wheeled Trekking

CanCart really brings home the bacon. BY BRIAN LIN

Grocery-carrying cyclists and pedestrians in Vancouver now have a new way to lug their weekly supplies while doing the environment – and themselves – a big favour.

Developed by BikeCartAge, a non-profit organization promoting carbohydrate-powered transportation, CanCarts (as in "I can cart") have been popular among UBC students, faculty and staff who carry anything from books to garden tools.

In the past year, Transport Canada and the B.C. government have been funding the bike cart project at UBC, which saw the establishment of six loaner depots around campus and 85 carts made available free of charge.

Now the UBC TREK Program Centre is reaching out into the surrounding neighbourhoods with their pilot Community CanCart Loaner Project. The vision is to establish and popularize the user-friendly and virtually indestructible carts through 10 depots in neighbourhood stores, libraries and community centres. CanCarts are now available at City Hall, the Safeway store on 10th at Sasamat and Aby's Variety Store at 4th and Alma.

"All you have to do is fill out a form, show your ID – very much like when you rent a videotape – and it's yours for a few days," says Steve Balyi, marketing and communication manager of the UBC Trek Program Centre. Long-term loans are also available.

For cyclists, the carts attach easily to any bike tool-free and even help stabilize the bikes. For pedestrians, the carts are designed to fit through supermarket check-out aisles and on transit buses.

"We know cyclists love them, now we want to make sure pedestrians fall in love with them, too," says Balyi, who co-founded BikeCartAge in 1997 and came to UBC after consulting with the UBC Trek program on the use of bike carts for several years.



PHOTO: MARTIN DEE

Steve Balyi shows off the environmentally-friendly CanCart.

In addition to the convenience factor, Balyi wants to appeal to users' commitment to the environment and their own health.

"Eighty per cent of the green house (GHG) emission is caused by transportation in the urban area," says Balyi. The average household generates 13 trips a day, and the average non-commuting trip is under six kilometres. These trips

produce more than three tons of GHG emissions per year.

CanCarts can help you stay fit, too.

"We're a society that's big on convenience and labour saving devices," says Balyi. "The carts make it easier for people to run those short daily errands on foot or by bike. It's a great way to get chores done and stay fit at the same time."

For more information and to borrow a cart, call 604-822-CART. □

United Way Seeks Volunteers

UBC United Way organizers are gearing up for the annual fundraising drive that aims to raise \$400,000 during a campaign that kicks off in the third week of September.

UBC's campaign, one of the largest in the Lower Mainland, is still looking for volunteers.

"We look for people who are energetic, committed to achieving the goals of the campaign, and are willing to put in about 35 hours of their time throughout the eight-week campaign," says UBC Campaign Chair Deborah Austin.

Volunteers receive exposure to a wide variety of UBC students, faculty and staff and gain valuable skills in public speaking, organization, and project planning.

The United Way is a charitable organization that addresses social issues in the Lower Mainland through its more than 100 member agencies and affiliates.

For more information contact the Campaign Office at information@unitedway@ubc.ca or 604-822-8929. □

UBC Hockey Rink in Olympic Bid

The UBC Board of Governors has confirmed approval "in principle" to support the concept of a proposed multi-purpose ice hockey

arena at UBC for the 2010 Olympic bid.

"The next step will be for the university administration to negotiate a detailed understanding of the proposal with the bid corporation for consideration by the board at a fall meeting," said Brian Sullivan, vice-president, Students.

In 1998 the Canadian Olympic Committee selected Vancouver and Whistler to submit a bid for the 2010 Winter Games and the Winter Paralympic Games. The Vancouver 2010 Bid Corporation wants to build an ice hockey arena that would replace the Thunderbird Winter Sports Centre.

The proposed development includes a double rink, seating for approximately 5,500 people, as well as additional space to be used by UBC for a fitness centre, classrooms and labs.

"It would be completed well in advance of the games," said Sullivan. "And it would be available for students and the community to use." He said the current estimated cost of the project is \$40.5 million.

A community open house was held on June 27th to discuss the arena, and the Bid Corporation made a presentation in May to the AMS for feedback.

The deadline for submission of full bids to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) is January 2003. The IOC will short-list candidates this month. Sullivan said that consultation with the UBC community will continue during the upcoming preparations. □

Piper and Axworthy to Host Citizenship Conference

As the first anniversary of Sept. 11 approaches, UBC President Martha Piper will host a public conference on Global Citizenship on Sept. 4-5 to address how UBC and other universities should respond to the world events that occurred on and after that day.

Lloyd Axworthy, director and CEO of UBC's Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues, will co-host the event. Janice Gross Stein, who is the director of the Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto, Harrowston Professor of Conflict Management and a leading authority on international security issues, will give the keynote address on the evening of Wed. Sept. 4 starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Chan Centre.

President Piper, a strong advocate of global awareness in higher education, initiated the conference following the events of last September, which she felt made it more important than ever to address the international learning objectives contained in Trek 2000, the University's vision statement.

Issues to be explored include world sustainability, the effects of cultural and media lenses in the creation of meaning, global inequalities, and the meaning of democracy to people of different cultures.

Conference registration fees are

\$10 for students and \$15 for non-students. For more information contact 604-683-7718 or visit www.vpacademic.ubc.ca/globalcitizenconf. □

Vancouver Institute Program

UBC's popular Vancouver Institute Program gets underway again this fall with a presentation from the **Hon. Thomas Berger** on September 28. Berger served on the Supreme Court of BC for 12 years and is a former MP and MLA for the riding of Vancouver-Burrard.

Other speakers include **Prof. James Guillet** of the Department of Chemistry at the University of Toronto who will speak on Plastics, Energy and the Ecology on October 26 and **Prof. Peter Burns** from UBC's Faculty of Law who chairs the UN Organization Committee Against Torture and will speak on The UN Committee Against Torture: From Pinochet to a Borderless World.

Later in the fall, **Prof. Shelley Waschmann** of the Department of Biblical Archaeology at Texas A&M University will lecture on November 9. **Daniel Snowman**, a writer, lecturer and broadcaster from London, England will speak on Hitler's Émigrés: The Cultural Impact on Britain of Refugees from Nazism on November 16.

For more information and a full schedule please call 604-822-5675. □



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King George VI complete with sword.

Editor's Note

In our last issue of *UBC Reports* we told you of the mysterious case of the missing sword from the statue of King George VI (who we mistakenly identified as King George V). As this year is the 50th anniversary of the death of King George VI and the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty, The Queen, there will be a small ceremony to rededicate the statue, Aug. 14 at 2:30 pm. The statue is located on the north side of Woodward IRC opposite Med Block C. The sword has been replaced thanks to the anonymous prankster who stole it years ago. □