



ALUMNI NETWORK

The University College of the Cariboo Alumni Association Newsletter

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NEW LOOK ON CAMPUS . . .

Identity

In a press release of a few short paragraphs, dated March 20, 1989, the nearly two decades of history that was Cariboo College took a sharp turn, and the frantic pace of growth hasn't stopped since.



It was on this date that the Minister of Advanced Education, The Hon. Stan Hagen, announced the launch of the Access Initiative which brought degree granting status to Cariboo.

In just two years the size of the undergraduate population in degree programs has more than doubled. Over \$15 million has been directed to the development of new facilities and across the province Cariboo is clearly becoming recognized as a four-year University College. To reflect this change, a new two colour logo and institutional identity program has been approved by the College Board.

The new shield, a form traditionally associated with post-secondary identity in this country, features a bold red and deep purple colour combination. Within it are highlighted geographic features of the region and the strong symbolic graphic of the "coming together" of College and University in the creation of a unique entity.

Following formal approval for the use of the new name (The University College of the Cariboo, or UCC for short), the new identity program will be phased in over the next several months.

New Development and Expansion Projects

There have been many changes at Cariboo over the last year, the most exciting of which are the major construction projects started last September.

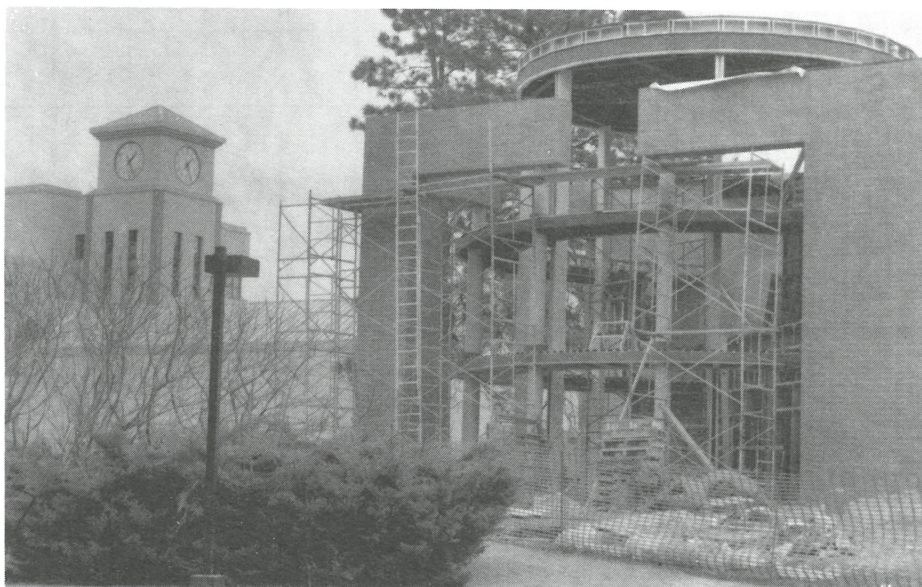
The **Library** has undergone a \$4 million expansion, doubling the size of the existing space, expanding the collection capacity and providing a significant expansion of study space available to students. The appearance of the building has been enhanced with the entrance to the library now facing the centre court of the campus. The two storey open glass entrance bears a strong element of similarity to the new **Arts & Education Building**, another of the exciting new projects underway.

This building is the first new classroom facility opened at Cariboo in the last decade and will be the new home for students taking a wide range of Arts and Education programs. The 33,000 sq. ft. building is located on the north

edge of the campus and sports a spectacular view of Kamloops. Costing \$5 million, it has been designed with future expansion in mind.

The \$6 million addition to the **Science Building** will see the addition of two new wings which double the capacity of the existing facility. The east wing will be the new home of the Respiratory Therapy program, new faculty offices, lecture theatres, and additional classroom space. The west wing will contain new laboratories, classrooms and a student lounge.

These additions and expansions, made available through the Access Fund that brought degree granting status in 1989, will complete the first stage of expansion and will total an expenditure of \$15 million. Amazingly, all of these facilities will be full to capacity when the doors open in September!



New library building expansion (foreground). Clocktower/Theatre (background)

BOARD NEWS

It is with regret that the Alumni Association wishes Stella Black, former Chairman of Cariboo College Board, a fond farewell. Stella has made a significant contribution to the growth Cariboo has experienced during her term in office.

We welcome Mrs. Mary Martin who is replacing Ms. Black as Chairman. Mary has served as a Director on the College Board for the past four years and has also been an active member and recently retired Chairman of the College Foundation Board. We wish her great success in her role as UCC Board Chairman.



Mary Martin
New College Board Chairman

The Alumni Association regretfully accepted the resignation of Alana Niederaufner ('84-'85) from the Board of Directors in April. Alana plans to be married in August and will be moving to Vancouver to pursue her career in fundraising.

Chairman of the Alumni Board, Karl deBruijn ('73-'74) has recently received his Masters degree in Education from Gonzaga University, with his thesis being on The Effects of Field Studies on Academic Achievement. This choice of study is most appropriate for Karl in his role as principal of McQueen Lake Environmental Centre for School District #24.

The Board of Directors, after several lengthy planning sessions, have drafted the Constitution and Bylaws for the Alumni Association.

Long range plans, goals & objectives are now in place for coming years.

NEW LOOK ON CAMPUS (con't)

Campus Activity Centre

The recent announcement from the Ministry of Advanced Education, clearing the way for the building of a new Campus Activity Centre at Cariboo, is history in the making and will add a new dimension to student life on campus.

First, the history. Universities have the means to borrow money privately but College and Institutes do not...or rather, did not, until last year. As a result of an initiative by the student society and the College, government was asked to change the legislation so that an activity centre could be built at the College by borrowing money.

That change came last year. A business plan and proposal, based on the entire facility being cost-recovery, was presented by a joint student/college committee. Approximately 6.5 million will be borrowed, and revenues from operations in the centre, plus a student building levy now in place, will retire the debt within 15 years. This approval, along with a \$2 million capital facilities grant previously given to expand food services, will allow construction to begin this fall and the facility will be ready by September 1992.

Approximately 53,000 square feet in size, the building will include lounging areas and games room, bookstore and retail outlets, fast food and full cafeteria services. It will become the social and recreational centre of life on campus and will have a tremendous impact on student life.

The Centre will be a gathering place for many groups and events during the "off-hours" of the academic year. Meeting rooms, food facilities and on-campus housing will make May to August a prime time for the hosting of conferences, conventions and meetings for all occasions. In 1993 it will be the centre of activity for athletes and coaches from across Canada at the Canada Summer Games, providing enough capacity to seat almost 1,000 people. The opening of the activity centre next year will not only enhance the social aspect of student life, but will also create a multi-purpose facility for the entire community.



PROFILE... *Benita Cassar-Torreggiani:*

Cassar-Torreggiani: A Multi-Dimensional Artist

The next time you thumb through a *Vogue*, *Mademoiselle* or any other fashion magazine, you might have Benita Cassar Torreggiani ('71) to thank for the whimsical and magnetizing clothing advertisements filling the pages.

It was twenty years ago when Torreggiani, not long out of Kam High, attended Cariboo College primarily in search of a career path. Here, she was inspired by her Art instructor who encouraged her to think about the possibilities of making a living as an artist. "He told me I had the ability. He was interested enough to give me that extra push over the edge, to build my confidence and give me the courage to go into the arts."

Several years of study at the New York Arts Student League, then at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York turned raw talent into a portfolio fitting of the competitive fashion industry market in the United States, and the hard work paid off.

Moving to Chicago, Torreggiani's first assignment was to do a cover ad for the *Chicago Tribune*. "I was so nervous about the assignment that I played a Bob Dylan record about 500 times over for inspiration."

Though her reputation as Art Director grew after working for Marshall Field department store in Chicago and freelancing in upstate New York, it was Torreggiani's move to the Big Apple that really launched her career. A photographer friend, whom she had worked with at Bloomingdales's, recommended her to internationally acclaimed fashion designer Ralph Lauren.

After working for Lauren and two department stores as Art Director for several years, Torreggiani took a quantum leap and went into business for herself. She recalls 'being ready for a change after working long hours and sometimes compromising creativity in the process.'

Nonetheless, Torreggiani had ambivalent feelings about launching her own business. "I needed new challenges, but I was also burnt out. I wasn't ready to take on the long hours needed to get things off the ground." After a month in Europe, she returned re-energized and found new and old clients knocking at her door.

Despite her eclectic clientele, busy days and non-stop travelling, Torreggiani is still looking for something different. "I did some graphic design work in Canada for free. I designed a logo for the World Diving Cup Association in Winnipeg and for the Canada Games in Kamloops. I'm hoping those two logos will open doors for more work, but work that pays!"

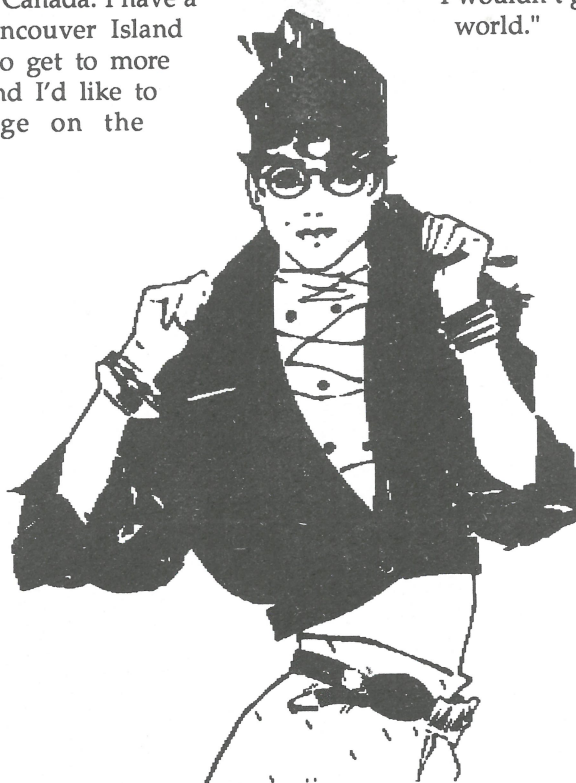
Torreggiani admits most of the resources for her line of work are in the United States, but she hopes to come back to Canada on a more regular basis. "I really miss Canada. I have a house on Vancouver Island that I want to get to more frequently, and I'd like to get a cottage on the Shuswap."

Torreggiani is also going back to her roots as far as her art goes. "I'm taking a painting class which is for my own enjoyment. I have ideas that are not of commercial value, but that doesn't matter. I feel completely at peace when I'm painting."

Is selling her paintings part of her plans for the future? "My teacher says living off painting becomes a job. I don't want to put any pressure behind it. I would like to give up my present job to paint, but I can't see it happening at this time."

Despite these claims, Torreggiani still values what she is doing in the fashion industry. "Some days when I'm trying to make sense of everything, trying not to go over budget, getting everything and everyone organized and trying to come up with creative ideas I wonder, why me? But

I wouldn't give it up for the world."



Editor's note

The instructor who inspired Benita was in fact, Bob Campbell. (Honourary Board member and renown local artist.)

UBC-Cariboo College Alumni Reception

College students in Kamloops are now able to earn a UBC degree in three disciplines, Arts, Science and Education while studying at Cariboo. To celebrate this new partnership, the Alumni Associations of UBC and Cariboo College hosted a reception for their respective alumni at the College in March. President Jim Wright (CC) and President David Strangway (UBC) discussed this new partnership and how it will benefit post-secondary education in British Columbia. Many faculty and alumni from both institutions were in attendance to celebrate this progressive agreement.



*Former College Board Chairman, Stella Black, and
UBC President, David Strangway*

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Several Alumni Board members were on hand over the Christmas season to assist in the operation of Great C that operates with the assistance of non-profit organizations.

The Alumni Association was in for a handsome profit to be added to the Association. The donation of time was greatly appreciated.

Winterfest

In February, students, faculty, staff and alumni of the College enjoyed a fun-filled day of skiing and downhill racing hosted by the Alumni Association in partnership with Tod Mountain and the Winterfest Committee of Celebration '90.

The purchase of a lift ticket enabled skiers to participate in all activities (including a dance in the evening) as well as making them eligible for promotional prizes and gifts. A portion of the lift ticket fee was donated to the Alumni Association. This will be an annual event and we hope to see you on the slopes next winter.



*Patti Stewart, Gail Lyons and Lynda McGarvie - winners of the downhill races
held at Tod Mountain*

Mission Statement: The role of the Alumni Association is to promote, develop and maintain a network for

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Nursing Graduation

Cariboo once again makes a valuable contribution to health care in British Columbia by graduating 59 students from the R.N. Diploma Program and the R.P.N./R.N. Access Program.

The Graduation ceremonies were held in April and on hand to celebrate the occasion was Alumni Board Member Lynda McGarvie (Nursing '86) who extended congratulations to the grads on behalf of the Alumni Association.



Alumni Board representative, Lynda McGarvie, partakes in Nursing Grad '91 ceremonies



"The race is on!"

Earl's Wing Ding Shake Shake

"Hurry those hot wings down the hatch!" That was the order of the night for 13 teams and several individuals who entered the Earl's Wing Ding Shake Shake Contest in March. The Student Society and Earl's, in a fundraising effort on behalf of the Alumni Association, sponsored the hot wings eating contest with each team or individual securing pledges for the number of wings they could consume in an allotted time.

President Jim Wright and faculty members donned rubber gloves and counted wings for the official tally. Steve Faraday, owner of Earl's, says that this will be an annual event, so be on the lookout for courageous team members and join us next year for this HOT night of fundraising!

AFFINITY CARD PROGRAM

With the rising costs of post-secondary education, the College Foundation finds its work of supplying financial assistance to students increasingly important. In order to raise funds for this worthy cause, the College has instituted the UCC VISA card program. This card is similar to the classic VISA credit card, but every time it is used, the Foundation receives a portion of the transaction fee. All of this is at NO EXTRA COST to the user.

Throughout the summer, four students from the College will be canvassing businesses, community groups, and the alumni of the College in the hope of promoting the UCC VISA card.

We would like you, as a former student of this institution, to consider switching to this card or adding it to the cards that you now hold.

The UCC VISA is a simple method of showing your support--and of actually making a contribution to the students of tomorrow.



Bill Jaswal
Chairman of the UCC



The student VISA card marketing representatives you will see in the community this summer - Jacqueline London, Bill Jaswal, Cliff Robinson and Glen Poelzer

Please telephone 828-5079 for more information

June Registration

For students of University degree programs, the registration process will begin at Cariboo in June instead of the traditional last two weeks of August. This earlier registration will allow students to make earlier and better decisions. The deadline for application to academic programs was April 15 and almost 3,000 applications were submitted by that date.

Based on the date of application and the number of credits completed to date, notices for registration went out in May

with the complete credit course listing for both Fall and Winter semesters. Students will begin registration in person or by telephone early in June. The large group of first year applicants is expected to begin registration in early July.

With registration occurring over a two month period, less than 100 registrations per day are expected to be handled. This will allow for better service and the elimination of the long lineups. Clearly the days of last minute applications are gone!



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Bachelor of Social Work Arrives

Formally, the Bachelor of Social Work Degree program is arriving at Cariboo this fall, but in reality it has been in operation for a year. Full funding for the degree program wasn't granted until this year, but with the majority of the development work completed prior to last summer, the first classes were launched in September.

The B.S.W. degree is being offering in association with the University of Victoria, the second degree program with UVic now available at Cariboo. With full funding now secured, the program will be hiring a fulltime complement of faculty and has just announced the appointment of Grant Larson as the new Associate Dean. He comes to Cariboo from his previous position as coordinator of the two-year program at Red Deer College in Alberta.

In the "laddered" approach that is being developed as the unique element in the University College model at Cariboo, graduates of some Human Service certificate programs can now qualify for admission to the degree program by completing only a few additional courses rather than one year of academic study that is generally required.

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CARIBOO COLLEGE FOUNDATION ANNUAL CAMPAIGN


Preparation for the 1991 Annual Campaign will be the thrust of the Foundation's activities over the next few months. The 3rd Annual Campaign will "kick-off" on October 28th and will appeal for support from the community and region. The 1990 Annual Campaign raised over half a million dollars for the students of Cariboo College. The money raised comes in the form of endowments, specific purpose gifts and unrestricted cash. The donations are used to gift students in the form of scholarships, bursaries or areas of education that require support and development.

For the past two years, the Annual Campaign has been chaired by Dr. Glenn Martin. Glenn's tremendous

support and enthusiasm has helped raise close to \$900,000 for student aid. Our thanks to Dr. Martin for sharing his knowledge and support and guiding the Foundation towards further growth. The Foundation Board of Directors are pleased to announce that Stella Black will be the chief volunteer behind the 1991 appeal. Miss Black, retiring Chairman of the College Board, brings to the campaign her experience and intimate knowledge of the needs and goals of the College and its students.

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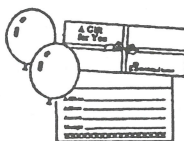


HOMECOMING 1991
July 5-8, 1991

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Alumni starts Birthday Cake & Gift Package Program for Students

The Alumni Association will launch two new programs in the fall for students living in the residences on campus. The programs will provide for the delivery of birthday cakes and "study break" care packages, which will be delivered on behalf of a student's parents, relative or friend.



Convocation Ceremonies



Graduation ceremonies are always a special and rewarding event for graduates and faculty alike. This year at Cariboo, convocation takes on a new dimension with the inclusion of the first recipients of university degrees. Not only will Cariboo graduate over 1500 certificate and diploma students, but will also include approximately 35 students receiving the "first-ever" degrees from the University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria.

The convocation ceremonies will be hosted on the College campus with dignitaries from all institutions, as well as the graduates and their guests, in attendance. The Alumni of UCC offer their congratulations and best wishes to all of this year's grads!

Grad Bonus

A local Kamloops merchant has advised he's prepared to recognize the growing number of Cariboo graduates with a special offer. Derek Johnston, President of McAuliffe Dodge Chrysler, has advised the Association that he will offer a special bonus to any 1991 graduate.

The offer, in effect until the end of the year, includes a cash rebate of \$750 plus a bonus of no payment for three months when purchasing any 1990-92 Chrysler, Plymouth or Dodge product at McAuliffe.

The willingness of the local business community to provide special offers to graduates is one more sign that the link between Cariboo and the community is creating many new economic benefits for all.

We Need Volunteers

Do you see stories in the newspaper or other publications about your fellow alumni? By submitting this information to the Alumni Office, you will be assisting us in locating alumni and providing them with information of interest in our regular publications.

Volunteers are always needed in the Alumni Office to process mail, do research and update the alumni data base. Any assistance you could provide would be welcomed!

The Great Alumni Search

Due to the great response we received from our last search, we have decided to sponsor the contest another time. For each five names and current addresses of UCC Alumni that you submit for addition to the alumni data base, you will automatically be entered in a draw for a \$50.00 gift certificate for the "now famous" College dining room.

Please take a moment to fill out this form and send it to the alumni office.

Alumni Search Winner

The Great Alumni Search contest sponsored in the last issue of the Alumni News was a resounding success. Many alumni took the time to forward names of fellow alumni for addition to our growing data base.

The lucky winner of the \$50.00 gift certificate to the College Dining Room was Kathie Bryenton (nee Paskewitz) who is in fact the Coordinator of the Co-Operative Education Centre at Cariboo. We encourage you to participate and assist in our endeavour to build a complete and accurate data base of your fellow alumni.



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