

# COMMUNICATOR

## Funding Announced for New AIT Complex at UCC

President Jim Wright received a certificate for \$810,000 on December 5 from the BC Ministry of Skills, Training & Labour. The money will be used to design a new \$21.5 million Applied Industrial Technology Centre for UCC. Kamloops MLA Art Charbonneau made the presentation on behalf of Skills, Training & Labour Minister Dan Miller, noting that "the new Applied Technology Centre will provide an excellent environment for training and education."

Board of Governors Chair Paula McRae expressed her appreciation to MLAs Art Charbonneau and Fred Jackson for bringing an exciting potential to reality in the UCC region, and commended UCC's Applied Industrial Technology (AIT) faculty, division managers, planning committee and program advisory committee for their successful articulation of a new vision of technical training.

Wright agreed, stating that "the new facility will allow us



L - R: Art Charbonneau, Paula McRae, Fred Jackson, and Jim Wright

to upgrade and enhance current programs, and to add seven new programs. The new centre will also support technology-transfer, enhance UCC's ability to work with industry, and offer potential for a ladder approach to training, which will see the development of applied degree programs."

AIT Dean Earl Bloor noted the impact that advancing technology, especially the computer, has had upon AIT

programs, and remarked that "It makes great sense, as we prepare for the 21st century, to move these 21st-century programs into a 21st-century building: a building that will bring to life those three key words—flexibility, partnerships, and innovation. With a new Applied Technology Centre located adjacent to an industrial park, the message will be clear to local and regional industry that UCC is open for business—to partner

with industry to apply modern technology solutions to their business problems."

UCC intends to build a prototypical post-secondary applied technology centre, and to provide the technology-transfer leadership needed by commerce in the B.C. Interior. AIT's present home in C Block will be converted to offices and Fine Arts studios; landscaping will transform the equipment yard into a grassy commons.

## Awards Ceremony Better Than Ever

On Tuesday, November 29th, 106 donors and 280 students filled the Grand Hall for the 1994 Annual Awards Ceremony, when a total of \$213,000 was given to help out exceptional or needy students with cash scholarships.

A joint effort of the UCC Foundation and the UCC Financial Aid & Awards Office, the massive gala was flawlessly organized, yet uniquely personal. The event allows students and benefactors to meet each other face to face, so that students have the opportunity to thank donors in person, and donors, in turn, can see the people that they so generously help.

The UCC Foundation, dedicated to fundraising on behalf of students is now in the midst of its Annual Campaign, which has raised \$408,183 to date towards this year's goal of \$550,000. Recent contributions include a \$1000 donation by the

Kamloops Restaurant Association to go towards an endowment for Tourism students, a \$2500 addition to the F. Luciani family and Inland Glass & Aluminum Ltd endowment, and a \$2000 addition by Whiteway to their endowment which supports students in trades programs.

Says UCC Foundation Executive Director Kathleen Biagioni Topolewski, "We're very pleased with the increased number of donor awards available at this year's ceremony. The number of students applying for awards this year was up 35% from last year, and we expect student needs to continue to rise annually. The tremendous support of our annual donors and interest from our endowment funds makes a great difference in affordable education at UCC for hundreds of students."

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## Foundation News

Gifts-In-Kind help the University College of the Cariboo fill a great need for capital items and expenses which are not covered by capital budgets. The UCC Foundation Office would like to thank the following Gift-In-Kind Donors for their generosity:

Carol Ponchet recently donated a Mazda to the Automotive Department for the use of the students.

Devro Canada Inc. generously donated a Sausage Linker to the Retail Meat Processing Program.

PMI Food Equipment Group kindly donated Scale Master, a software program, to the Retail Meat Processing Program.

Those wishing to make gifts-in-kind to the University College of the Cariboo may contact Kathleen Biagioni Topolewski at 5264.

The Foundation's Annual Appeal is now in progress. Watch for Foundation bill-

boards around town, which will show the rising totals of donated dollars with whimsical symbols like pens, hammers and stethoscopes, depicting the wide range of courses offered at UCC.

Faculty and staff who want to help out can donate through a one-time donation, or through payroll deduction.

Another fun way to help out is to join the **Club Ed Lottery**. Contributors have a chance to win \$300 every second Friday in the Foundation office. Proceeds from the Lottery go towards scholarships and bursaries for UCC students.

Congratulations to the following lucky winners:

Oct. 14	Donna Mason
Oct. 28	Bernard Igwe
Nov. 10	Jean Crowe
Nov. 25	Rose Mantello
Dec. 9	Grace Simpson

For more information on the Foundation, or how to contribute, please call the Foundation office at 5264.

## Gender equity?

The UCC Status of Women Committee sent out the following proposal before the December 2nd Faculty Association meeting:

"The Status of Women Committee strongly endorses equitable gender representation on the new Education Council. We are willing to enter into a dialogue to initiate a process that will ensure equity issues are addressed."

At the meeting, this motion was proposed. It did not pass, but three seats are guaranteed for women, and, depending on the selection (election) process, more may have seats on the Education Council.

For more information, please contact Jane Teed, at 371-5524.

## Daylight Losing Time

So, we're off Daylight Saving Time, hurtling into the depths of winter. Sometimes, so the medical profession tells us, this lack of sunlight makes people, well, cranky. This phenomenon was so well-known in historical times that people convicted of heinous (trans. "outrageously evil or wicked") deeds during periods of little or no sunshine were often acquitted. The excuse "the dark made me do it" apparently held water, at least in former times. Nowadays, we can't murder someone because we're deprived of

sunlight, and, besides, murder at any time of the year is in extremely bad taste, so some alternative remedies are in order for when the dark gets you down:

Think about sunny beaches

Think about **not** having to water or cut the lawn

Dream about the winter holiday season (December festivals were invented and continued partly because they gave people something to look forward to as the days got shorter)

Take vitamin D

When the sun **does** shine,

get out in it, even for a few minutes

Remember that a smile will do for someone else what sunshine can do for you—smile and brighten someone else's day—it'll make you feel better, too.

Put a sunny-coloured poster up in your workspace—some sun is better than none.

Be thankful you live in the sunny Interior—in the immortal words of the Son of Frankenstein's faithful assistant, Igor aka Marty Feldman, "It could be worse—it could be raining!"

## Not For Women Only

The Candlelight Ceremony for the Montreal Massacre Memorial was extremely well-attended. Thankfully, people have not forgotten the tragedy, or its implications, and were moved to attend the tribute to the young

women who died. When campus safety is as great an issue as it is, it is important for us to remain aware of violence in our lives, and, especially, violence towards women.

## Christmas Giving

Please don't forget those less fortunate children in our community. New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at the Campus Activity Centre, or brought to the UCC Children's Christmas Party on December 18th. Gifts for teenaged boys would be especially appreciated.

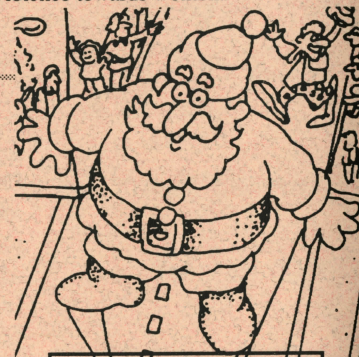
The Cariboo Student Society (CSS) has decided to support the community this holiday season by donating a food hamper to Christmas Amalgamated. This year, Christmas Amalgamated is woefully short on hampers. This will greatly impact their ability to ensure that the less fortunate people of Kamloops will enjoy this Christmas season.

The CSS is issuing a challenge to the UCC community to meet or beat their donation. They urge each department to take up this challenge and work to assemble the best donation possible.

Preferable hamper items include:

A turkey gift certificate (\$25.00 value)  
3-5 lb. of potatoes  
Stuffing  
Two tins of vegetables  
Two tins of soup  
One large tin of juice  
Two packages of jello or pudding  
One half-dozen oranges  
One half-dozen apples  
Christmas cake  
Christmas nuts  
Christmas candy  
Tea or Coffee

For pick-up, please call JC55 at 372-3322, or contact Christmas Amalgamated at 376-0777 to arrange a drop-off time.



### The COMMUNICATOR

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## UCC Bookstore—Christmas Gifts Galore

The UCC Bookstore has a plethora of great gifts, from eclectic knick-knacks and other cool stuff, to fashions, including clothing that sports the exclusive UCC label! Also available from the Bookstore in time for holiday giving are 1995 wall and desk calendars, and a brand-new, special shipment of half-price or less gift books. Check it out!

## P.S.: Season's Greetings

UCC will be closed from December 24 to January 2 inclusive and reopen for the start of the winter semester on Tuesday, January 3, 1995.

Monday, January 2 will be designated as an "in-lieu" day for New Year's Day, which falls on a Sunday.



# UCC People

## Kudos

UCC History instructor **John Belshaw** is one of two Canadian contributors to the Cambridge Encyclopaedia 2nd Ed., one of the most comprehensive desk encyclopaedias of its kind.

John contributed some three dozen entries on Canadian topics, and is to be congratulated for the first-ever Cambridge Encyclopaedia reference to Kamloops and UCC!

Way to go, John!

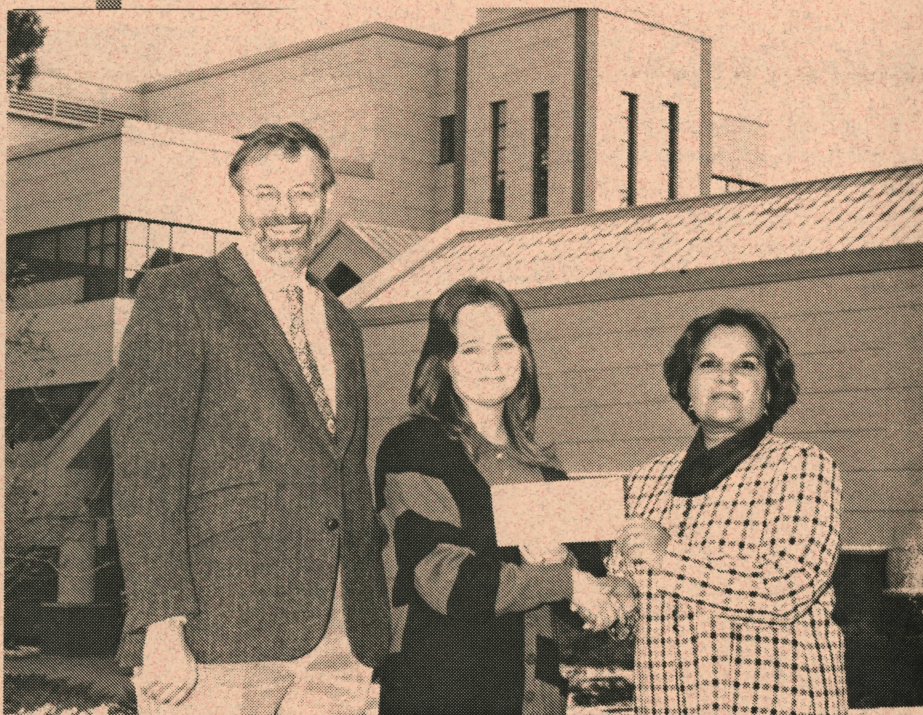
A Mexico Grant Program award has gone to UCC student **Dana-Lee Coates**, a fourth-year BA student majoring in Geography with a minor in languages. Dana-Lee will be studying in Cuernavaca, Mexico.

The Mexico Grant Program, a BC Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour and BC Centre for International Education initiative, offers financial awards to public community college or provincial institute students and professional staff. These awards are reserved for people who are committed to cross-cultural understanding; recipients represent Canada abroad, and then use the experience to promote understanding at home.

Applications are still being accepted for this grant opportunity. For more information, please contact Helen Chin at 5164.

UCC Tourism instructor **Doug Ellis** has received an award from the Kamloops chapter of the Restaurant Association of B.C. Awarded to a supporter of the restaurant industry who "goes that extra mile," the "Associate of the Year Award" was bestowed on Doug after a peer-election process. Wayne Hall, president of the Kamloops chapter, calls the award "quite an honour," and says that Doug's extra work in fundraising and teaching foodsafe courses put him ahead of the pack. Doug's name will be forwarded to the provincial finals. Good luck, and good management, Doug!

For the first time since its establishment, a Human Resources Management Association (HRMA) Scholarship has been awarded to a student outside the Lower Mainland. The scholarship, awarded annually to three top students in their final year of Human Resources Management studies, is based on scholas-



L - R: John Bratton, Lori Rilkoff and Ambo Dhaliwal

tic achievement and participation in university and community activities.

**Lori Rilkoff**, a student at the University College of the Cariboo (UCC), received the award from Ambo Dhaliwal of the Kamloops chapter of HRMA, who stated, "I am pleased that Lori received the award, not only because this marks the first time that a student outside the Lower Mainland has received such recognition, but also because Lori is a student representative on the board of the local chapter of the HRMA."

UCC Human Resources Management instructor John Bratton, on hand to see Rilkoff receive the scholarship, said "I'm delighted that HRMA recognizes students outside the Lower Mainland, and I hope that this scholarship will still be available when we [UCC] go independent."

## Children's Christmas Party

The Christmas Party for the children and grandchildren of UCC employees will be held Sunday, December 18th from 12:00 noon until about 2:30 pm in the Grand Hall of the Campus Activity Centre. The party will feature facepainting, a band (Norah Ashmore and Friends), and the two five-letter words kids love so much: PIZZA and SANTA.

Clean-up and Set-up volunteers are needed for the party. Please call Sally Maio if you can help out. For more information please contact Sally Maio at 5723.

## In Memoriam

Sadly, on November 27, 1994, a UCC Home Support/Resident Care Attendant student, **Beverly Lynn Huska**, and her daughter, **Kimberley Dawn Huska**, died

in a tragic highway accident 12 km east of Cache Creek. Police blame slushy roads for the accident; mercifully, **Beverly** and her daughter were killed instantly.

The UCC community is deeply saddened by these two deaths, and our thoughts and concern goes out to the friends and family of these two women.

## Putting on the Ritz

Celebrate New Year's Eve with the UCC Campus Activity Centre and The River radio station.

Dine and dance with The River's radio personalities! A professional photographer will be on hand to take photos of you "putting on the Ritz." Festivities include a sumptuous feast, complimentary champagne at midnight, party favours, door prize, and a spectacular "Midnight Surprise"!

Tickets are available for \$50.00/person or \$97.50/couple at the CAC Office or R & L Jewellers, 250 Victoria Street. For further information, or to book tickets, 371-5723 or 828-6277.



## Farewell

**Bruce Keeling**, UCC's Accounting manager, is leaving us. We wish Bruce well in his future endeavours.

## Someone New

Welcome to **Mike Burke**, Building Services Technician in the Facility Services Division. Mike comes to us from Vancouver—we know he'll like our weather better (as soon as it warms up a bit, anyway).



# BULLETIN BOARD

## Office Party

This holy night in open forum  
Miss McIntosh, who handles Files  
Has lost one shoe and her decorum.  
Stately, the frozen chairman smiles  
On Media, desperately vocal.  
Credit, though they have lost their hopes  
Of edging toward an early Local,  
Finger their bonus envelopes.  
The glassy boys, the bursting girls  
Of Copy, start a Conga clatter  
To a swung carol. Limply curls  
The final sandwich on the platter  
Till hark! a herald Messenger  
(Room 414) lifts loudly up  
His quavering tenor. Salesmen stir  
Libation for his Lily cup.  
"Noel," he pipes, "Noel, Noel."  
Some wag beats tempo with a ruler.  
And the plump blonde from Personnel  
Is sick behind the water cooler.

by Phyllis McGinley from: *Times Three*  
New York: Viking Penguin, 1941.

## No Ups and Downs Today

The A Block and Science building elevators will be closed from December 19-23 for handicap upgrading. For more information, please contact Phil Hanmer at 5395.

## Dialogue About Spirituality

All UCC faculty and staff are invited to participate in an ongoing group-led exploration of spirituality, to be held at noon on Wednesdays in Room A123D. Guiding principles for the dialogue are acceptance, tolerance and confidentiality. For more information, please call UCC chaplain Laurie McKay-Deacon at 371-0018.

## Speedy's Sports Smorg

The New Year will see a smorgasbord of sports events featured in the gymnasium—all are welcome to participate. Indeed, not only welcome, but encouraged: Jeff Speedy, UCC Activities Coordinator, is disappointed with the microscopic turnout of staff using gym facilities and participating in intramural activities, and wants people to get active! Events slated for January (just in time to burn off some of those holiday rolls) include:

Welcome back/start of new

semester volleyball night beginning in early January. Check intramural board for dates and details.

Mixed 5-on-5 basketball beginning January 17th. Two divisions: Recreational/Competitive. Participants must register by 5 pm January 16th.

Indoor soccer (futsal) starts January 24th. Two divisions: Recreational/Competitive. Participants must register by January 23rd.

Call Jeff Speedy at 5271 or check the intramural board for details.

## Women's Spirituality Group

All women staff, faculty and students are welcome to participate in a group-led discussion of women's spirituality on Mondays at noon in the Library, Room 209. Principles of the group are confidentiality, mutual respect, acceptance and tolerance. For more information, please call UCC chaplain Laurie McKay-Deacon at 371-0018.



Untitled work by Elizabeth Scott, second year BA program.

## Closed for Breakfast

On Monday, December 19th from 7:15 am to 10:30 am, a breakfast meeting for all employees in the Administration and Finance division will be held in the Grand Hall.

While the breakfasters discuss such issues as "dumb rules," the following areas/offices will be closed:

Bookstore; Finance; Purchasing; CAC; Health & Safety; Facilities; Computer Services.

And what is a "dumb rules" discussion? A rule can be defined as either written or verbal procedures or "understood" ways of doing business or conducting oneself at UCC. Participants will be asked to identify dumb rules, indicate why these rules are considered dumb, and, if possible, indicate how the rule should be modified, communicated or eliminated.

Other institutions which have engaged in this type of

discussion have found that approximately one-third of the rules that were identified as dumb were eliminated, another one-third of the rules were identified as dumb due to a lack of understanding and proper communication, and the final one-third of the rules needed to be changed or modified.

Hopefully, "dumb rules" discussion participants will share some gems with Communicator readers after the breakfast meeting.

## Funny Papers

*These are excerpts from actual history and science papers—not UCC!*

*It was the age of great inventions and discoveries, Gutenberg invented the Bible.*

*Another important invention was the circulation of blood.*

*Sir Walter Rayleigh is a historical figure because he invented cigarettes and started smoking.*

*Sir Francis Drake circumcised the world with a 100-foot clipper.*

*Three kinds of blood vessels are arteries, vanes and caterpillars.*

*Benjamin Franklin produced electricity by rubbing cats backward.*

*To remove air from a flask, fill it with water, tip the water out, and put the cork in quick before the air can get back in.*

*The process of turning steam back to water again is called conversation.*

*To prevent conception when having intercourse, the male wears a condominium.*

*English sparrows and starlings eat the farmers grain and soil his corpse.*

*The hookworm larvae enters the human body through the soul.*

*Bar magnets have north and south poles, horseshoe magnets have east and west poles.*

*Before giving a blood transfusion, find out if the blood is affirmative or negative.*