

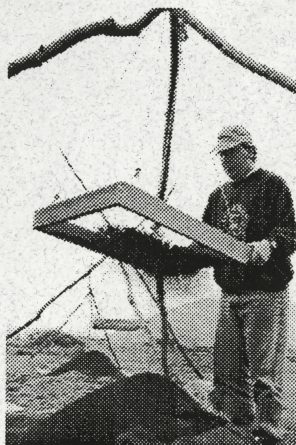


## Dig Deep!

The UCC/SFU/SES Archaeology Field School has just completed excavations at the remains of the first Hudson's Bay Company trading post in Kamloops. The Thompson's River

Post operated from 1821 to 1842 near St. Joseph's church on what is now the Kamloops Indian Reserve.

The site represents a piece of the archaeology and history related to first contact in this area, and the dig is being conducted in cooperation with the Kamloops Indian Band's Cultural Resource Department. Anyone interested in the field school or archaeology classes may contact archaeology instructor Dr. Catherine Carlson at 5376 or 828-2020.



## Forced Move

All program offerings and support services at the Williams Lake campus will be moved this year due to uncertainty about the stability of the present UCC campus site. The building, though certified safe by engineering consultants, has been damaged by ground movement. The UCC Board has approved a contingency plan to allow for the relocation of classes and offices in time for the opening of the Fall/97 semester on September 2nd. The plan will be put into effect immediately, and UCC will hire a local project manager responsible for overseeing the task of securing alternate facilities and making moving arrangements.

It is expected that most program activity can be relocated on a temporary basis to lease and rental space. "This move is seen as temporary," said President Wright. "We are relocating for the 1997-98 academic year to guarantee the Williams Lake community and local students that our courses and programs will not be interrupted. If we were to once again experience similar conditions in December, as we did a year ago, we could be forced to cancel the rest of the year, which is not acceptable to us. The results of further investigations into the problem of ground movement and the state of the campus facility over the next few months will determine where we go beyond the end of this school year."

## CIEA Opposes Tech U

The College Institute Educators' Association (CIEA) argues that "we do not need another high cost facility that will divert funds from already established and successful institutions."

That was in response to the announcement that a proposed Technical University, to be built at a cost of approximately \$100 million, will be located in the Cloverdale area, where the BC government says it will eventually serve more than 3000 FTE students, mostly from the Fraser Valley.

CIEA has proposed other solutions to needs that have been identified in the area. An analysis by the group shows that the Technical University "will do little to increase post-secondary participation rates of residents in the Fraser Valley region." The area, they say, "needs more bridging and upgrading programs to enhance access--not high-tech, high skill and high cost programs which will exclude many students."

At its May 1997 AGM, CIEA members unanimously supported a resolution expressing "CIEA's disapproval of and disagreement with the establishment of yet another free-standing post-secondary educational institution in the Fraser Valley," and recommended that "the government use existing public post-secondary institutions to deliver the programs required by the local community."

UCC Faculty Association President Wayne Babinchuk doesn't believe that CIEA's resolution will have an effect. "The government has made it very clear that, even though we've been lobbying for two years, they're going to go ahead with it." The government has set a Fall 1997 opening date for the new campus.

## UCC Student Designs UBC Lab Manual

UCC Computer Automated Systems Technician (CAST) student Curtis Kallen has just finished a tech-transfer workterm at the UBC Mechanical Engineering Lab. Working under a TPI grant, he designed circuit boards for the manufacturing automation lab, and developed a lab manual to be used for Mech 491, a fourth-year engineering course. For more details, see "Reiser Gets Grant," this issue.

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## In Memoriam

With deep sadness we acknowledge the passing of long-time UCC employee Rose Mantello, who passed away after a long and courageous battle with kidney failure. Gentle, willing, and full of fun, Rose, a beautiful woman inside and out, always had a ready smile for anyone who passed her desk. We will all miss her, and honour her memory.



## Memorial Herb Garden

On Saturday, May 10 the UCC Board of Governors passed a motion to establish a memorial herb garden in the memory of long-time UCC Food Training instructor Donald Campbell.

## Education Council

At their May 28 meeting, Education Council approved the Major in Environmental Chemistry, the Business and Regulatory Policy Concentration within the BBA, and passed a motion to recommend approval of the UCC BA degree. The Council also recommended that the Designated Seating Policy, implemented on a one-year trial basis last year, be continued, with the name of the policy changed to "Equity Admissions." The Honorary Degrees policy was also recommended to the UCC Board of Governors for policy consideration.

## BA Final Approval

The UCC Bachelor of Arts has received approval from the Education Council, and is now going forward for approval by the UCC Board of Governors.

## Reiser Gets Grant

Electronics instructor Henry Reiser was just awarded a \$7000 Technology Partnership Initiatives (TPI) grant funded by the Ministry of Economic Development.

The purpose of the TPI program is to establish links between the university college and external post-secondary institutes in applied research. UCC has been involved in industry-sponsored applied research for 11 years. This grant represents an opportunity for UCC students to work in applied research with a university partner.

The TPI grant will be used to pay the salaries of Computer Automated Systems Technician (CAST) students who participate in the program. One student will work in the electro-mechanical lab of UBC's Dr. Altintas, where he will work on the development of a hydraulic system to be used by UBC undergrads, and, in turn, learn advanced control theory.

UBC students will also participate in the exchange, working on UCC's industry-sponsored projects originating from the Advanced Technology and Innovation Centre.

## Chem Champs

The first-ever UCC Chemistry Contest for High School students was a great success, thanks to the efforts of the UCC Chemistry department, especially organizers Sharon Brewer, Doug Bickley and Norm Reed, who also raised funds for prizes through the sale of comet photos in the community and at UCC. Others deserving of special mention for their support and advice are: Paul Egan, Colin James, Barb Ruhl, Moe Granger, John McIntosh, John Parks, Josh Keller, Barb Berger, Brian Mitchell, the Chemistry/Biochemistry Club, and Eureka!

Prizes totalling \$420 consisted of combinations of cash, Bookies gift certificates and copies of "Chemistry: The Molecular Nature of Matter and Change" by Martin Silberberg (courtesy of McGraw-Hill, Inc.). Prizewinners represent high schools throughout the UCC region: Jaspreet Aulakh, Quesnel Secondary; Nicole Forster, Westsyde Secondary; Chris Hamilton, A.L. Fortune Secondary, Enderby; Ian Isackson, Lillooet

Secondary; Andrew Low, Chase Secondary; Melissa McKinney, Salmon Arm Sr. Secondary; Tod Nikischer, Logan Lake Secondary; Devon Quinton, Brocklehurst Secondary; and Jason Elliot, Ngan Huynh, Scott McLean, Riley Osborne, Steffanie Reid, and Craig Temple, Kamloops Secondary.

## New Board Member

Sheila Pfeifer, administrator and chief librarian of Lillooet Area Library Association, was appointed Friday, May 30 to fill the vacancy on the UCC Board of Governors left when board member Joanne Drake of Lillooet resigned earlier this year.

Pfeifer, currently a member of the Lillooet Friendship Centre and the UCC Advisory Council, is a graduate of the Ottawa Teacher's College and Banff School of Fine Arts, and has been a broadcaster in educational radio and television.



## Prizewinners

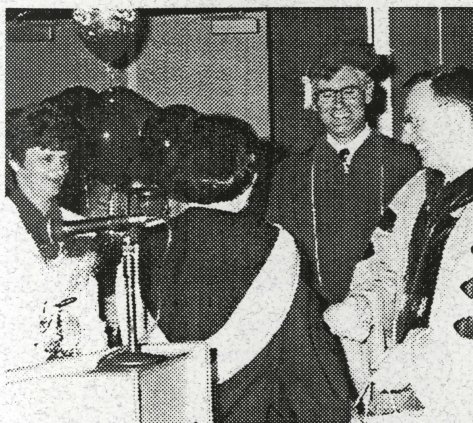
UCC students Dino Gnoata, Rhonda Sytnyk, Kurt Niquidet and Elsa Dahlie have each won a \$1,000 Credit Union-Forest Renewal BC Bursary, based upon the innovative ideas expressed in their essay submissions and the "obvious commitment [they] have demonstrated to sustainable forests," say Roger Sanyer, FRBC Board Chair and Wayne Nygren, Credit Union Central of BC CEO.

## Past & Present

Past met present at the UCC Williams Lake Convocation '97, held Saturday, May 24. The ceremony, also celebrating 25 years of UCC's service to the people of the Cariboo-Chilcotin, featured guest speakers instrumental in the development and success of UCC Williams Lake over the years.

Leo Perra, now president of Selkirk College, worked as director of adult education for the Williams Lake School District before he became Dean of Continuing Education at Williams Lake in 1971, transferring to UCC Kamloops as Vice Principal in 1974. He shared special recollections of his times at UCC, and especially in Williams Lake, until he left for the Kootenays in 1980.

Guest speaker Donna Barnett was a Board member from 1983 to 1986, a time when the existence of the college in the Cariboo-Chilcotin became a burning question. Ms. Barnett, now mayor of 100 Mile House, shared her insights with an appreciative audience.



L-R: Donna Barnett, Lynda Wilson, Jim Wright, Leo Perra

## Roses for Rose

The 1997 BSN graduating class chose two people to be honoured at their May 3rd graduation ceremony: retiring librarian Rose Delap, and nursing secretary Helen Hurley. Both were described as two key people who were very important to the success achieved by nursing students, through help in times of crisis, and problem-solving. Rose remarked that the honour bestowed upon her by the students was "the nicest thing that has ever happened to me."



Photo: L-R: Ingrid Barnes (student), Rose Delap, Helen Hurley, and Julie Foreman (student).

## Co-op Success Stories

The UCC Co-operative Education department held an appreciation breakfast in late May to honour the many employers who provide employment for UCC students as part of the practical component of their studies. Thirty-seven employers, including government ministries, transnational corporations, and local businesses, received certificates of appreciation, and a chance to meet with other employers involved in the education process.

One UCC success story highlighted at the breakfast was the PC Doctor. Owner Troy McMillan, a CSOM grad, has set up an independent mobile computer and technical support company. He hired his wife, Calinda, who is just finishing her diploma in the CTEC program, for both of her work terms, and has hired another CSOM co-op student as well.

Calinda and Troy McMillan of PC Doctor



## Endless Possibilities

"The people in the Print Shop are fantastic, and the job is something new every day. The possibilities are endless right now," says Chris Mitra, newly hired Print Services Technician.

Hired to handle the operation of the Print Shop's new Xerox Document on Demand (XDOD) system, Chris, a UCC BBA and CSOM graduate, uses both of his areas of expertise. Document manipulation (XDOD is designed to "archive" vast amounts of information that can be retrieved quickly for the production of professional, quality documents), scanning, software upgrading (XDOD even contains a program designed to generate copyright permission forms and track responses), and troubleshooting are all part of the job.

Chris's BBA comes in handy, too. Right now, the Print Shop is marketing XDOD to outside clients. "We have a niche out there. The Print Shop is the only service in the interior with XDOD," Chris says. The Print Shop has been conducting tours for faculty and other internal clients, as well as the external community. "The word's getting out--we have a lot of interested people."

## IETAC Award

Don Graham (Electrical/Electronics) has won the first award granted by the International Electronics Technician Articulation Committee for outstanding contribution and support for electronic education. Well done, Don!

## Retired

Kerry Tarnawsky, the cheerful voice at the end of the Foundation phone, has retired. UCC employees join the Foundation Board of Directors, staff and director in wishing Kerry much happiness for her new beginning.

## Relay Really Great

Two teams from UCC, the UCC Couch Potato Heads and UCC Lappers, walked, ran, volunteered, donated money and just plain helped out with the Cancer Society's 12-Hour Relay Run fundraiser. Well done!



## Video Service Changes

The UCC Library has reviewed and made some changes to its video services and procedures. This was necessitated by Rose Delap's early retirement--Rose's duties included video bookings and video interlibrary loan. These two functions have respectively been incorporated into the Library's Circulation and Interlibrary services. The document detailing Library video services is accessible via LIBCAT, the library catalogue. Users may access it by choosing "#6--UCC Library Information" from the main menu and then selecting "#6--Library Video Services" off the next submenu. For more information, please check with staff at the Library Information Desk.



## Convocation '97

Convocation Ceremonies for UCC's Kamloops campus were held on Saturday, June 14. 1,330 UCC graduates were invited to gather at the Riverside Coliseum along with dignitaries from UCC and other partner institutions for the conferring of Certificates, Diplomas and Degrees.

55 volunteers from the UCC community ensured that the ceremony ran smoothly, from the gowning of the students and VIPs beginning at 8:30 am, to the welcoming of the new graduates by the Alumni Association at the conclusion of the ceremony.

This year's ceremony marked the first awarding of UCC's own Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree. Valedictorian was degree recipient Rhonda Witte, who is also the recipient of the UBC Medal in Science.

## Websightings

--The UCC Alumni Association now has its own home page, which can be accessed through UCC's website. They welcome comments, criticism, and feedback of all kinds, as this is their first effort, and they want to make it as responsive as possible. UCC alumni can use the site to apply to the association, and keep up-to-date with new developments, projects and plans.

--An internet website bookstore for maps, hiking guides, history and First Nations books may be accessed at the BC Crown Publishers at [www.com/crownpub/](http://www.com/crownpub/)

## New Baby

Tracy Hoot (Nursing) and husband Paul had their third daughter, Leia Audrey Hoot, on May 31. Congratulations!

## Video Rentals

The Kamloops Film Society is working with the Kamloops Art Gallery to set up a video rental arrangement, starting with 100 videos otherwise unobtainable in Kamloops. The Society will give serious consideration to any suggestions people submit. For more information, please contact Brian Mitchell at 5142 or e-mail: mitchell

## Innovate or Die!

A Conference Exploring Education Innovations in Engineering, Science and Applied Fields will be held August 14-15, 1997, at the Pennsylvania State University. For more details, and up-to-date information, please visit the Web site at: <http://www.cde.psu.edu/C&I/Innovate/> To receive a brochure with registration materials, nationwide, call 1-800-778-8632.

## C O M I N G U P

Medals were awarded to the following high achievers:

George Earl Stewart--Governor-General's Academic Collegiate Bronze Medal

Bonnie Lynn Abels--Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal

Jason George Ellefson--Simon Fraser University Dean's Medal in Business Administration

Kathryn Lisa Lorimer--University College of the Cariboo Medal in Business Administration

Amber Elizabeth Horne--University of British Columbia Medal in Arts

Nikki Janine Stewart--University of British Columbia Medal in Education

Rhonda Witte--University of British Columbia Medal in Science

Cheryl Lee Teters--University of Victoria/UCC Medal for Nursing

Shelley Rae Mitchell--University of Victoria/UCC Medal for Social Work

Andrea Sabina Laliberte--UCC Medal in Natural Resource Science

### Saturday, June 21--Wells Gray Education & Research Centre:

Day course "Night Life in Wells Gray Provincial Park," conducted by Connie Veer. Registration is \$5. For more information, or to register, please call 828-6853.

### Wednesday, June 25--3 pm--A126

UCC Education Council meeting.

### Saturday, June 28--1 pm

--CN Boardroom

UCC Board of Governors meeting.

### July through August

### --Kamloops campus, WL campus, Chase Secondary School:

The Eureka! science program, a non-profit program run by students in the BSc program at UCC will run again this year. Elementary students benefit immensely from this mentorship. Camp costs \$110. For information, or to register your child, call the UCC Science Office at 5454 or call Ashley Robertson at 371-5534.