

Our New President

Just five months after UCC began a thorough and inclusive search process, the UCC Board of Governors has ratified a five-year contract with Dr. Roger Barnsley. Dr. Barnsley debuted at UCC with a press conference held April 7th, and will be back May 1st for a campus-wide wine and cheese reception.

Dr. Barnsley holds a PhD in Psychology from McGill University, and has been VP Academic at St. Thomas University in Fredericton, NB, since 1992. Dr. Barnsley has extensive experience in both the K-12 and post-secondary sectors, as both an educator and administrator.

He will begin work at UCC July 1st, and both he and wife Paula look forward to Kamloops' sunny weather and great skiing. His inaugural press conference proved him a friendly, thoughtful person with an inclusive philosophy and a good grasp of post-secondary issues.





Just Published

Textual Studies in Canada, UCC's refereed journal, has entered into a collaborative publishing arrangement with the University of Alberta Press. The first collaborative publication has just been released: A Sense of Place: Re-evaluating Regionalism in Canadian and American Writing, published as both a book and TSC #9. Will Garrett-Petts, co-founding member of TSC's editorial group, will speak about this publication initiative, and about opportunities in academic publishing generally, at the Research in Small Universities Conference, held here at UCC May 7 to 9, 1998.

UCC Mace Unveiled

Just like other universities, UCC now has an official ceremonial staff, also referred to as a mace.

UCC's staff, conceptualized and carved by UCC student and Metis carver Randy Kennedy "Bow" (now deceased), and finished by Lillooet Band member Willard Charlie "Koochie," symbolizes the meeting of the cultures. It's fitting that UCC should have a staff imbued with the symbolism of First Nations culture: we have the highest population of First Nations students in BC, and our motto, *Quansem Ilep*, means "to strive ahead" in Chinook, the trade esperanto used by First Nations people throughout BC in early times.

The mace is carved from aromatic Juniper, a healing and medicine tree held in high regard by First Nations people. Icons on the staff include the Eagle at the top, symbolizing the farseeing scope of education, followed by the Bear, for strength

and integrity, the Salmon, for wealth and prosperity, Coyote, for wisdom and life experience, the Frog, to show respect for all creatures no matter how small, and the Turtle, representing the home of all North American First Nations people.

The juniper used for the staff is from a very old tree, dead for the past twenty years, that the carver estimated to be at least 500 years old. Inlays in the carved animal totems include nephrite (BC jade), "Apache tears" (meteoric obsidian), and local opal. The wings of the eagle, carved from yellow cedar, juniper and birch, display the UCC logo, and cover a hollow portion in the staff, in which various significant articles are placed. Inside the staff are: sweetgrass for good luck and safety, tobacco, representing sharing and peace, sage, traditionally used as a tea, medicine and smudge, a nail from Kamloops' original Hudson's

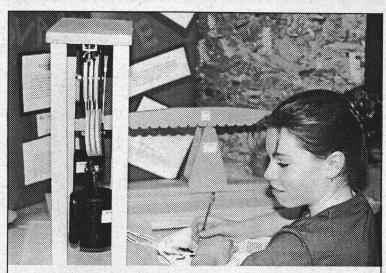
Bay trading post, three arrowheads, and Randy Kennedy's student card.

The mace will be showcased for the first time at the Staff Awards Ceremony April 17, and will be presented to the Board of Governors at their April 18 public meeting. Our mace will be officially displayed for the first time at Convocation along with the maces of our partner universities.

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Carly Stuart of Valleyview with her project at the Cariboo-Mainline Regional Science Fair, held in the UCC Gym at the end of March.

Carly also had an opportunity for a campus walkabout with her aunt, Cindi Thompson (Counselling).

Art Colossus

The year-end, juried art show featuring the work of UCC Visual Arts students kicks off with an opening reception on April 15 at 7:30 pm in the Upper Lounge of the Riverside Coliseum. The opening will also feature the music of the UCC Chorus, plus a Silent Auction organized by the Visual Arts Student Association (VASA). Food, refreshments, and a no-host bar will also be available.

The show runs for a week, until April 22, from 12:30 to 5:30 pm daily. Exhibited works include those of graduating Fine Arts Diploma program students, as well as those of first-year and BA students.

North/South

Three VIPS from the Federal University of Parana in Curitiba, Brazil, visited the UCC campus recently, as part of a process to develop a memorandum of mutual cooperation. The Federal University is especially interested in developing a working relationship with the School of Tourism. President Faria, along with two faculty members, Professor Gondim and Professor Teramoto, spent an afternoon and evening at UCC April 1st.

Sun Demons Play Like Angels

The UCC Sun Demons came second overall in the BC Colleges Athletic Association Aggregate standings. A highly successful year for UCC's teams, we end the season with the Men's Basketball team taking a National Bronze Medal and a Provincial Silver, the Men's Volleyball team taking a Provincial Silver Medal and earning 7th place in the Nationals, the Men's Soccer team walking away with a Provincial Silver Medal, the Women's Soccer team winning Provincial Bronze, and Vicki Hara was a medallist in Women's Singles Badminton. UCC's Jeff Speedy was voted BCCAA Women's Basketball Coach of the Year, and Mike Bartram won the All Canadian Women's Soccer Coach of the Year.

UCC also produced countless all-conference, all-star athletes, listed here: Sandra Redford, Jeff Gay, Mike Tarry, Rob McGuire, Erik Kok, Josh Melanson, Dave DeJong, Jason Eichenberger, Peter Cameron, Vance Verhoeven, and Steve Scott.

John Harper, Chair of the UCC Board of Governors, sent the following message to all UCC Sun Demons Teams:

On behalf of the Board of Governors we certainly wish to commend our athletes on the various Sun Demons teams, as well as the coaches and related There is no doubt this has been an exceptional year personnel. for the UCC Sun Demons. We know that these performances are common at UCC, and this year you, the teams, and all concerned have outdone It is certainly with great pride that the UCC Board yourselves again. of Governors recognizes your accomplishments! Congratulations to all and we look forward to further victories! Sincerely, Chair, Board of Governors John Harper

U C C P E O P L E

New Baby

Congratulations to Margaret Huff (Student Development) on the birth of her baby boy Rowan on March 13th.

Going, Going...

An excerpt from Peter Peters' (Econ/Fin) farewell message: "I would like to say thank you to all the people who, over the years, have supported me and my students. I have always found you cooperative, efficient, and a pleasure to work with...Again, thank you, and may the force be with you.'



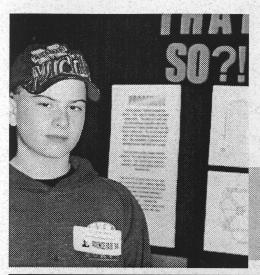
Oops!

Last month's Communicator stated that keynote speaker for the High School Model United Nations exercises was our own Cliff Neufeld. No, it's "our" other Cliff, Mayor Branchflower, shown here with UCC student and event co-organizer Lisa Krutop.

A C H I E V E M E N T S

On-line Success

Jeff McLaughlin (Philosophy) has had his successes with on-line education discussed in two new books: *Networked Learning* by Margaret Haughey and Terry Anderson, and *Classrooms With A Difference*, by Elizabeth Burge and Judith Roberts. Both books were published by Cheneliere/McGraw-Hill.



Beresford Book

George Johnson (English) has recently had his book, *J.D. Beresford*, published by Simon and Schuster of New York as part of their Twayne English Series. The book is a biographical and critical study of the little-known British writer of early psychoanalytical novels as well as scientific romances.

Stage Setter

Don Lawrence (Visual Arts) has designed the stage set for the Kamloops Symphony Orchestra's presentation of the *Pirates of Penzance* on a voluntary basis. Don was responsible for all conceptual drawings and set models. The production will be staged May 1 to 3.

J. J. Bast of 100-Mile House displays his project, which asks the question, "Is That So?" at the Cariboo-Mainline Regional Science Fair March 31.

Great Geographers

At the Western Division of the Canadian Association of Geographers Annual Conference held at Kwantlen College last month, the UCC contingent of four faculty and fifteen students came away with a number of honours.

The UCC Geography Club took the coveted scavenger hunt trophy, now on display on the first floor of the AE building. Student Kal Heer won first in the undergraduate student paper presentation, for his paper "Spatial Workings of Private Space." Instructor Robert MacKinnon was one of four invited speakers to a panel discussion on the future of geographic education, while colleague Ross Nelson presented a successful paper on the medical geography of Kamloops, and was elected Vice President of the Division.

Chief Chef

Peter Nielsen (Food Training) has won the prestigious "Restauranteur of the Year" award from the Kamloops Restaurant and Food Services Association. Peter is the first educator to win this award.

CLASSIFIEDS

Websightings

Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition Brochure—www.cariboo.bc.ca/pla/index.htm

Computer Security Information website http://ciac.llnl.gov/ciac

"Webby Awards" winners www.webbyawards.com/winners.shtml

Rotary Grants

Full-time instructors may apply for a grant to serve in a developing country at the university or college of their choice. Grants total \$10,000 US for 3 to 5 months of service, and \$20,000 US for 6 to 10 months of service. Deadline to apply is July 15. For more information, or to obtain an application form, please call Mel Galloway at 5010.

UCC Radio

Volunteers are needed for radio station set-up, renovations and equipment installation, as well as for on-air broadcasting. Students, faculty, staff and admin are invited to submit ideas and names for future programs. For more information, please contact Brant Zwicker at 372-5882 or e-mail: bzwicker.

Convocation '98

Volunteers are needed for the 1998 Convocation Ceremony June 13th. People are needed to checkin graduates, take their ID, help with gowning, hand out programs, usher, help in the student line-ups, and hand out certificates, diplomas and degrees. The ceremony runs from 11 am to 1:30 pm, but volunteers are needed from as early as 8:30 am to about 3 pm.

If enough people volunteer, then duties can be split, allowing each volunteer to work only half of the time, and enjoy the excitement of hundreds of successful UCC students the rest of the time.

Convocation (for those who have never attended) is a wonderful, upbeat event in which everyone involved—grads, volunteers and platform guests—comes away with the feeling that all the work was well worth it.

If you would like to help out this year, please call Mathilda at 5009 or e-mail: charbonneau

Convocation Regalia

Staff and faculty planning on being in the UCC staff convocation procession may rent regalia, or buy it from either:

Gaspard and Sons, 143 Smith St., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 1J5 or phone: (204) 949-5700 or fax: (204) 947-0024

Harcourts Limited, 26-28 Duncan St., Toronto, Ontario M5B 2B9 or phone: (416) 977-4408 or fax: (416) 977-3856

Summer Wants

The Student Summer Works project is in need of some office furniture to be used in B 232 for the months of April through August. If you have a desk, chair, or filing cabinet that you could donate, please call Kathie Bryenton at 5151.



Wednesday, April 15 to Wednesday, April 22—12:30 pm-5:30 pm

-Riverside Coliseum

Art Colossus—A year-end exhibition of work by UCC Fine Arts students. Opening Night Reception April 15 at 7:30 pm, includes entertainment by the UCC Chorus and a Silent Auction.

Friday, April 17—3 pm—CAC Rotunda

Staff Awards Ceremony—Awards will be presented to winners of the Distinguished Service, Teaching Excellence and Scholarly Merit awards, and recognition given to staff who have reached 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service. Staff may have additional time off for this event. Coffee, juice and snacks will be served.

Friday, April 17 and Saturday, April 18 —CN Boardroom

UCC Board of Governors meeting.

Wednesday, April 22—3:00 pm—A 126

Education Council meeting.

Wednesday, April 22—11:30 am—AE 162

CUPE Lunch-Hour Meeting—Members encouraged to attend, for input into issues that the Bargaining Committee should discuss.

Wednesday, April 22—noon—Grand Hall

5th Annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon—Superb menu created by CAC Chef Terry Berke, door prizes, awards. Tickets \$17 per person, available by calling 371-5723.

Sunday, April 26—8:45 am—Java Cycle

Women's Fun Run—"Boogie the Bridge for Women" walk/run/stroll to raise funds for the Women's Lending Circle and S.H.O.P. 5 km run—entertainment every kilometer. Entry fee \$10. For more information and/or registration forms, please call Nina Reimer at 371-5768 or Java Cycle at 314-5282.

Wednesday, April 29—11:30 am—A 126

CUPE Lunch-Hour Meeting—Members encouraged to attend, for input into issues that the Bargaining Committee should discuss.

Thursday, April 30—9:15 pm—Northills Theatre (Paramount if *Titanic* still running)

Kamloops Film Society presentation—Canadian film "Cosmos," a complex story held loosely together by an occasional interaction with the title character, a taxidriving Greek immigrant. Funny, beautiful and fulfilling—"a whole new cinematic universe of black and white visual beauty." Admission \$5 at the door, plus a one-time \$1 membership fee. For more information, please call 5141.

Saturday, May 2-noon

-Stuart Wood School to Riverside Park

Annual Walk for Peace and the Environment—Bring your signs, bring your family, and enjoy a walk through town and then an afternoon of music and discussion at Riverside Park. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Derek Cook at 5244.

Thursday, May 7 to Saturday, May 9—CAC

Research at Small Universities Conference—UCC community is reminded to register for this unique conference—the first ever to address the needs of faculty and administration. Program will be out shortly. For more information, or to register, please contact Maryanne Bower at 5019 or e-mail: mbower.

Sunday, May 10-1:00 pm-A 222

bill bissett's Mother's Day reading—Nationally acclaimed author of over 60 books of poetry, and perennial UCC favourite bill bissett will read from his latest book, Loving Without Being Vulnrabl. Tickets \$5, available at the door, at Bookies' or by calling Ginny Ratsoy at 5238.

Saturday, June 13—11:00 am

-Riverside Coliseum

UCC Convocation Ceremony—For more information, or to volunteer, please call Mathilda at 5009.



Invasion of the Bottle Snatchers

ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, MEET YOUR FRIENDS AND CO-WORKERS AT 10:00 AM IN FRONT OF THE FOOD TRAINING BUILDING TO PICK UP GARBAGE BAGS AND FORM TEAMS FOR A TWO-HOUR CLEANUP CAMPAIGN.

UCC Acting President, Neil Russell, has offered official support for a campus cleanup, allowing employees to participate in litter pickup during working hours with no loss of pay.

For more information, please contact Bronwen Scott at 5739.

TRASH BASH 1998!