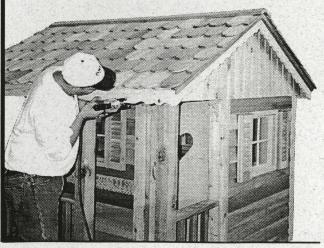


Wood Working for Charity

A friendly competition between carpentry apprentices at UCC and OUC produced two ornate playhouses, which raised \$1257 in a raffle to support the Lions Centre of Excellence for Eye Care at Royal Inland Hospital. UCC's playhouse, built by **Shane Hoffman, Bruce Elvins** and **Ian Dalgleish**, won the competition, which was held at the BC Woodworking Show October 17 and 18. The houses were won by Franz Steig of Kamloops and Elsie Hunter of Tappen.



Contract Out

Faculty associations representing about 8,000 instructors across BC came to an agreement October 23, averting a strike that could have affected about 80,000 students. The instructors, members of the College Institute Educators' Association (CIEA) and the BC Government Employees' Union (BCGEU), came away with a three-year agreement that includes new job security language, improved health and welfare benefits, protection against contracting out, and a process to convert sessional or part-time educators to regular status. Total compensation increases fall within the government's 0-0-2 wage guidelines.

Award For TTC

While we've been raving about its function, others are complimenting its form. UCC's Trades and Technology Centre has been awarded an "Outstanding Steel Structure Design Award" in the Architectural Category from the BC Region of the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction.

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Call the Doctor

UCC has been approved for funding of a fulltime physician through the Alternate Payments Branch of the BC government. Until recently, UCC Health Services has consisted of 1.5 health nurses providing primarily emergency First Aid to the campus population, and a doctor who visited the campus on Thursdays. The additional funding will provide for the doctor's services fulltime, plus overhead costs for supplies and staff. The project has the potential to offset some operating costs and provide expanded medical services to the UCC population.

Did You Say Puck?

Hockey fans, wordsmiths and students of human nature will want to reserve a copy of the latest issue of UCC's interdisciplinary journal, *Textual Studies in Canada*. Called "Crossing the Blueline," the vibrant issue examines hockey through rhetorical analysis, interviews with hockey heroes, personal history, psychology and art. A special poster of the cover, which features the Kamloops Blazers in the incongruous setting of the Academy, is also for sale. Contact Ron Smith (English) to subscribe to the journal or purchase a poster.

Fossils Found

Rob Higgins (WL) and his Biology 050 students uncovered some fascinating fossils on Hodgson Road recently. The fossils include metasequoia, the upper head and mid-region of a fish, and one that appears to be that of a crinoid (a type of echinoderm related to starfish). The possible crinoid and fish have been sent to UCC's Kamloops campus for positive identification.

Radio 8

The UCC Campus Radio Station is back on track, and is set to move into House 8 as soon as Co-op Ed is able to move into its new digs. Station manager Brant Zwicker hopes to begin broadcasting January 4th. In the meantime, the station needs donations, including: CDs, tapes, records, small tables/chairs, a couch, shelving, rugs, lamps, tables, office equipment, and the like. Pickup can be arranged. Please call Brant Zwicker at 5882.

Trades & Tech at Williams Lake

The UCC Williams Lake campus held a Trades and Technology Open House, which saw high school students, parents, businesspeople and the public welcomed to the new facility. UCC students answered questions and provided demonstrations at this open house, a joint initiative of UCC and Columneetza Secondary.

Ready, Century, Go

Is UCC ready for Year 2000? The answer is not yet, but UCC has assembled the Year 2000 Project Team, dubbed Y2K, to address the problem of computer hardware, software and systems with embedded computer chips which could possibly not function properly after the start of the new century. The team is comprised of a project management consultant, Lynette Hughes, who heads up a team of volunteers representing a large cross-section of the UCC community, including: JS Bourget, Barb Chmilar, Andrew Wong, Don Johnson, Andrew McKay, Rick Rice, Ernie Millard, Marlene Domoney and Doug Halliday.

An inventory of areas where Y2K problems could arise and potentially affect UCC's operations is underway. The next step is a comprehensive analysis to identify all datesensitive areas, testing the systems using simulated operating conditions, and taking corrective action where necessary. The team will also develop a contingency plan to prepare for the continuity of UCC's operations in the event of a failure of internal systems and those of suppliers and service providers.

Fortunately, there is little likelihood of any major impact on UCC's core operations, emphasizes Computer Services Director **Marlene Domoney**. The Library, as well as the student, finance and human resource functions are all handled by relatively new administrative systems which are Y2K compliant.

Individual computers may have a problem, however. UCC has about 1300 PCs, of which 60% to 80% may have a date problem. Some older models won't be able to handle the year 2000 and will need to be replaced. Specialized monitoring, testing and control equipment throughout the institution may have date-sensitive embedded chips, and may need to be replaced with more modern equipment or parts. Any applications developed on spreadsheets and databases are also potential problem areas.

The Y2K team will provide regular updates as this critical project progresses. Questions or comments for the committee may be forwarded to lhughes@wkpowerlink.com or mdomoney@cariboo.bc.ca

Honourary Degrees

Nominations are now being accepted for Honourary Degrees. UCC employees, students, alumni and members of the Board are invited to make nominations for the award. The Honourary Doctorate is the highest form of recognition offered by UCC, and is awarded for demonstrated excellence in the fields of public affairs, the sciences, arts, humanities, business and philanthropy. Nominees for Honourary Degrees must be distinguished persons of provincial, national or international stature, with achievements and contributions relevant and appropriate to UCC and the wider community. Nominations for this year must be sent to Diana Shklanka (Ed Council Chair) by December 4, 1998. Complete criteria for the award are listed in the UCC Policy Manual or may be found at website www.cariboo.bc.ca/policy/index.htm.

Geoarchaeology Minor Proposed

Catherine Carlson (Archaeology) and Ken Klein (Geology) are seeking input from the UCC community regarding a new program proposal that they have developed. The first true interdisciplinary minor at UCC, the program, which can be combined with either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree, will require 9 upper-level credits in Archaeology and 9 upper-level credits in Geology. The proposal will be taken to EPPR next month. Comments may be directed to kklein@cariboo or ccarlson@cariboo.

Art Shows

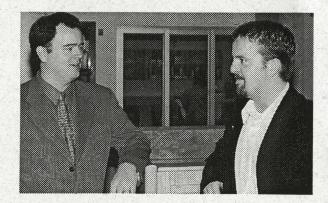
Two exhibitions are currently on display on campus:

Check out the C-Block Art Gallery for "First Works: Introducing the UCC Art Collection," a show of works purchased from UCC art students' 1998 year-end exhibition. The show also contains a work by Canadian artist Carl Beam, one of two prints that have been donated to the Collection via the UCC Foundation. Thanks to the UCC Board, Alan Brandoli and Cliff Neufeld for organizing and establishing a fund for the collection of art for UCC.

In the ARC Gallery in the CAC is a selection of silk-screened self-portraits, the work of our introductory printmaking courses.

A Tradition of Success

UCC Foundation Campaign Chair John
O'Fee and CSS President Jason White
celebrate at the Campaign's Kick-Off
Breakfast, which saw initial pledges of
\$340,000 to start off the Foundation's annual
campaign to raise funds for student awards.
Scholarships, bursaries and other awards will
be given to needy and deserving students at
the Annual Awards Ceremony November 24
in the Grand Hall.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Tourism Award

Second-year Events and Conventions Management student Trisha Miltmore was awarded the Coast Hotels Award of Excellence at a special dinner held in Vancouver earlier this month. Her entry, a short essay, beat out seven other students at the dinner to win her an all-expense-paid trip to St. John's, Newfoundland, in July to attend the annual convention of the Canadian Society of Association Executives. This marks the second time in three years that a UCC Tourism student has won this award.

Co-op Big Business

In the 1997/98 academic year alone, UCC Computer Systems Operations and Management (CSOM) students pulled in three-quarters of a million dollars in work term wages. The work placements garnered each student an average wage of \$2000 a month, at institutions, businesses and offices in the private and public sectors.

Soccer Stars

UCC's Sandra Redford was chosen by BC and Canadian coaches as one of the top eleven soccer players in our Canadian College league. This is the second year in a row that she has been named All Canadian.

Dayna Schweizer and Haley Bartram, All-Canadians in 1996/97, were named to the provincial 1st Team All-Stars, with rookie Gillian Bigsby named to the 2nd All-Star team.

Fourth-year player Lyle Dos Santos finished the year as the fourth top-scorer in the provincial league, and was named to the 1st All-Star Team, while Shaun Roberts and Adam Plummer were named to the 2nd All-Star team.

No wonder UCC's women's and men's soccer Sun Demons did so well in the Nationals!

New First Nations Student Association

Congratulations to the following newly elected members of the First Nations Student Association:

President—Cheryl Matthew

Vice-President-Vinette Manuel

First Nations Rep-Chris Bose

Recreation Coordinator-Lindsay Grant

Recreation Coordinator—Todd Coles

Treasurer—Crystal Thomas

Events Coordinator-Natasha Slack

Executive Secretary—Sharnelle Casimir

CLASSIFIEDS

Battery Bargains

And much more. Did you know that the UCC Autoparts Store not only helps to train our Partsperson students, but offers raging deals on batteries, tires, antifreeze, windshield washer fluid, scrapers, snowbrushes, oil, filters and anything else you may need for your trusty auto this winter? They deliver. Call 5123 or e-mail: thanghofer@cariboo.

STHLE Conference

The Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE), Canada's premier teaching and learning group, will hold their '99 conference at the University of Calgary June 16-19, 1999. This year the conference, which attracts about 400 people from across the country, will focus on the theme of collaborative learning. Please submit session proposals by January 22/99. For more information, visit the website at www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~stlhe99, or contact Dr. Bob Schulz by phone: 403-220-6495, by fax: 403-288-8488, or by e-mail: stlhe99@acs.ucalgary.ca.

NewTech Conference

Mount Royal's Centre for Communication Studies and the Department of English seeks presentation proposals for a conference focusing on "Technology/Pedagogy/Politics: Critical Visions of New Technologies in Education" on May 7-8, 1999. The conference offers an opportunity to develop an alternative stance around new technologies starting from the premise that politics, pedagogy and technology are inextricably linked. Organizers invite work that addresses the historical, social and political contexts of technology in education, critiques of technology, issues of assessment and evaluation, and/or best practices. Submissions from educators, students and the public sector must be received by the conference committee by December 1. Complete information, including suggested topics and mailing addresses is available on the EML bulletin board in the A&E 3rd floor staff lounge.

Instructional Skills

Instructional Skills workshops, to improve teaching and learning for new and experienced teachers, will be offered December 15, 16, and 17. Completion of this workshop is equivalent to the Provincial Instructor Diploma Program 102-A. For more information, please contact Judy Wilbee at 5186. To register, please call Maryanne Bower at 5019.

Operation Red Nose

Volunteers are needed for this worthy program coordinated by the Regional Sports Centre, which sees overimbibed partiers driven safely home in their own vehicles after the punch bowl is empty. Hours of operation are 9pm to 3am, December 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 26, and 31. To volunteer, please call Carolynn Boomer at 828-3344.

WEBSIGHTINGS

College Educators' Association of BC

-www.vcn.bc.ca/ciea/

UCC Library News
—www-library.cariboo.bc.ca

Statistical profile of Canadian communities

—www.statcan.ca

Industry Canada Strategis site —http://strategis.ic.gc.ca

Economist science and technology quiz

—www.economist.com/editorial/ freeforall/current/index_science_ and_technology.html

C O M I N G U P

Tuesday, November 17—noon—CAC 312

First Nations Lecture: Chief Art Manuel presents "Delgamuuk and Opposition to the Treaty Process."

Wednesday, November 18—Gymnasium

Basketball: Entries close for 3 on 3 tournament. For more information, please contact Jeff Speedy at 5271.

Wednesday, November 18—noon—Grand Hall

Spirituality: Author and speaker Dr. Henry Blackaby presents "Fresh Encounter '98."

Thursday, November 19—12:30 pm —Alumni Theatre

Cultural Event: Budapest Clarinet Quartet.

Thursday, November 19—8:00 pm—Heroes

Live Band: Maestro (aka Fresh Wes) raps around Kamloops' only non-smoking pub. Tickets \$10, available at the CSS or at the door.

Friday, November 20—6:00 & 8:00 pm —Gymnasium

UCC Sun Demons: Men's and Women's Basketball vs Trinity Western U

Saturday, November 21—6:00 & 8:00 pm —Gymnasium

UCC Sun Demons: Men's and Women's Basketball vs Douglas College

Monday, November 23—noon —C-Block Student Street

Music: Free concert by folk star John Horrocks.

Tuesday, November 24—noon—CAC 314

First Nations Lecture: Garry Lafferty presents "Understanding Self-Government."

Tuesday, November 24-4:30 pm-Grand Hall

Awards Ceremony: UCC students receive scholarships and bursaries and have a chance to meet and thank their benefactors at the Annual Awards Ceremony, presented by the UCC Foundation.

Wednesday, November 25—3:00 pm—A126 Education Council meeting.

Wednesday, November 25—8:00 pm—Heroes Live Band: Big Sugar rocks the CAC. Tickets \$20 in advance, available at the CSS office.

Thursday, November 26—noon—TBA

Science Seminar: A presentation by the Docents from the Kamloops Wildlife Park about the Park's developing Educational Program.

Friday, November 27—10:00 am—C Block Grand Opening of C Block retrofit.

Saturday, November 28—6:00 & 8:00 pm —Gymnasium

UCC Sun Demons: Men's and Women's Basketball vs OUC

Tuesday, December 1—8:00 pm—Heroes

Live Music: Hayden and special guests Bodega offer a "don't miss, sit and listen" show. Tickets \$8, available at the CSS or the door.

Friday, December 4 and Saturday, December 5 —8:00 pm—Alumni Theatre

Concert: The UCC Department of Visual and Performing Arts presents the UCC Chorus 5th Anniversary Concert, "The Food of Love," directed by Rob Peterson and accompanied by Daniela O'Fee, with guests The Cantabile Singers of Kamloops. Tickets \$10, available at Bookie's, with proceeds to benefit the purchase of a piano. For more information, please contact Daniela O'Fee at 372-8678.

Saturday, December 5—1:00 pm—CN Boardroom Governance: UCC Board of Governors public meeting.

Saturday, December 12—10:30 am to 1:30 pm —Grand Hall

Children's Christmas Party: Goodies, presents, Santa, entertainment and fun, fun, fun! Register by Friday, December 4. For more information, please contact Susan McKay in AE 281.

ONGOING

Mature Student Support Group—Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm at the Access to Training Storefront, 392 Tranquille Road.

Creative Writing Group—Meets every other Sunday from 2 to 4 pm in the A&E Faculty Lounge.

Ring Hockey—Fridays at noon. Participants supply nonmarking court shoes and gloves. Sticks provided. Call Jim Totten at 5227 for info

Aerobics—Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon. Drop-in fee \$3, or 10-class punch card \$25. Call 5271 for info

Interdenominational Chapel Service—Wednesdays at noon in A 204. Call 376-2462 for information.

Bible Study—Mondays at noon in B222. Call 828-5099 for information.

New Release Movie Night—Saturdays at McGill Housing

Pool Tournament Night—Mondays at McGill Housing

Gym Night—Wednesdays, sponsored by McGill Housing

Retro Movie Nights—Tuesdays at McGill Housing

APPOINTMENTS

New CUPE Appointments

UCC welcomes the following new employees:

Nolan Fox—Research Assistant I

Linda Gill—Occupational Health Nurse

Susy Russo—Accounting Analyst

Angie Douglas—Business Analyst

Strategic Planning Committee Formed

The new Strategic Planning Steering
Committee has been formed, meeting for
the first time October 31. Members are:
Roger Barnsley; John Harper; Bill
Robertson; Matthew Koivisto; Malcolm
Henry; Wayne Babinchuk; Fred
Cunningham; Carole Hebden; Roger
Collins; John Salvatore; Colin James;
Nancy Levesque; Neil Russell.

Committee meetings are open to observers from the UCC community, and comments may be addressed to any member of the Committee. Future meeting dates will be announced, and an outline of the process will be distributed.

UCC PEOPLE

Book Sale Success

The English and Modern Languages Book Sale was a success again this year. A joint effort of the department and the English students club WRECT, the sale featured a book signing by author and UCC instructor Joan Weir, and a plethora of books from fractals to friction donated by: Susan Perley, Kathy Mitchell and the College Prep department, Cathy McNeely, Bronwen Scott, Pat Johnson. Penny Haggarty and the Library, Nancy Flood, Val Collins, Bonnie Brooks, Marliss Bot, Sherry Bennett, Dian Aylwin and the Storefront Centre. Thanks also to the many EML instructors who donated books and helped out at the sale.

United Way Winners

The winners of this year's United Way Draw were:

Margaret Patten—\$25 Food Training Dining Room gift certificate;

Dave Sedgman-UCC crested golf shirt;

Yves Thoraval—United Way coffee mugs;

Cathy Hall-Patch—\$25 Food Training Dining Room gift certificate.

The UCC campaign total has now reached \$11,200. For more information, please contact Sally Maio at 5003.