

The College Newsletter

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Mature Students on TRAC

Aileen Watson

"A second chance through TRAC," is how two mature women students described the Training Access program at the Newton Campus.

The TRAC program, funded by the B.C. government starting in 1983, grew out of preemployment courses.

According to a 1986 government study, Kwantlen's TRAC is one of the best in the province. A student survey taken at the same time showed 80 per

cent found the course useful as a good introduction to the trades.

What's TRAC consist of? The first of the three parts is Common Core, then comes the Occupational Core, then students go into a Specialty.

All students start with Common Core, where they study about a dozen topics relevant to their particular interest, and most finish this preliminary training in two months.

After Common Core, students enter Occupational Core and focus on one of the trade families: mechanics, millwright/machinist, carpentry, welding, masonry, auto parts and light warehousing. In the final phase of training, students move into their Specialty.

The great advantage of TRAC is that students work independently, begin at any time of the year, and go at a pace they feel comfortable with.

Is the program successful? The (Continued on Page 2)

Inside can't get Outside

One of the results of a major all-day computer glitch in the Envy system at Newton: our Dec. 3 issue had to be cancelled.

One of the casualties was a reminder of the Christmas socials. Hope you remembered.

Watch for our Dec. 17 issue! Lots of features: Christmas carols, seasonal activities in the College area, etc., etc.



Wendy Stewart and Patricia Johnston, TRAC students

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best people to judge the courses are students and graduates. I talked to two TRAC students on the Newton Campus to get a first-hand reaction.

Patricia Johnston, a mature student, is in Common Core and will enter Carpentry next. She'd worked in construction before coming to Kwantlen, and wants to update her skills. She was very enthusiastic about the program.

"It's just excellent," she says.
"We work with state-of-the-art
equipment." She looked lean
and fit enough to handle tough
physical work.

I asked Patricia the inevitable question about the number of men in the program. "Sure, there are 95 per cent men, and the rest are women. And we love it!" she laughed.

Wendy Stewart, a single mother with two children, four

and seven, has finished Common Core and has now moved on to Auto Parts and Light Warehousing. Wendy has only recently rejoined the work force, and UIC is paying for her training.

"I think the program will give me a good chance of a job," Wendy says. She thinks she'll be able to earn about \$14 an hour, but had no idea if that was a union rate or not.

The men in the TRAC program were not so keen to talk.

Patricia and Wendy lingered over their cigarettes and coffee, delighted to talk about their future opportunities made possible through TRAC at Kwantlen College.

This article, by a Journalism student at the Richmond Campus, was reprinted from *Kwantlen Comment*, the Journalism program's newspaper.



77 Winners as Awards Night Draws Crowd

More than 150 people showed up for Awards Night on Thursday evening. The event, held in the Student Lounge of the Technology Centre and hosted by Bob Lowe, Vice President Education, lasted precisely one hour. During that time 77 scholarships and awards were given out, ranging from the College's own Entrance Scholarships to the David Lambert Incentive Award of the B.C. Potters' Guild.

The audience, made up of administration people, staff and faculty and award winners and their families, was addressed briefly by Bob Lowe and Adrienne MacLaughlin. John Holyk, President of the College's Student Association, was frequently pressed into service accepting awards for students unable to attend.

Other College people acting as presenters included board members Andrew Milne, Lyle Johnson, Jan Waenink and newest arrival Roy Jacques; Dr. Gerry Kilcup, Vice President Education; Dr. Ken Gaglardi, Director, Business and Technology Programs; Randy Bruce, Manager, Systems and Computing; and faculty members Jim Adams and Linda Coyle.

At the conclusion of the celebration, Bob Lowe and his Kwantlen team of United Way volunteers received a tribute from Andrew Milne for the success of their efforts. (The target was \$8,000—that has now been topped.)

Cliff Falk Tops Kwantlen Kwiz

Cliff Falk, an administrative assistant at Richmond, topped the scores on the televised version of Kwantlen Kwiz, seen on Western Cable 4 in New Westminster, Surrey and Delta.

Our congratulations to the omniscient Mr. Falk. (Do you know the name of Canada's Chief Justice? Cliff did. It's Brian Dickson.)



Cliff Falk
--PHOTO: Kendra Bradley, Journalism

And a tip of the hat to the two panelists tying for second place: UT student Robert Rebselj.

Surrey, and Newton TRAC instructor Vern Young.

(A nifty result: in the top three players we get one student, one faculty member, and one staffer . . . and the student's from Surrey, the faculty member from Newton, and the staff member from Richmond! How's that for spreading it around?)

We're pursuing the possibility of having KK shown on cable systems in other areas. If that happens, we'll let you know.

Also doing well were students Dave Beyer and Maryse de la Giroday, lab supervisor Margaret McKinnon, and math instructor Jan Verster.

And, challenged to recite a limerick (a real challenge: it had to be clean), Vern Young remembered this little gem:

Scientists working at Staines Are trying, with infinite pains, To discover a sound Which will, when it's found, Travel far faster than planes

Lynda Turner named Research Scholar

Lynda Turner, who is on a one-year leave, has been honored by being named Research Scholar in Sociology at the London School of Economics. Lynda took leave without pay to study some specific subjects at LSE in London, England and to study youth unemployment in Britain.

She reports interesting cultural differences in living standards and styles, excellent live theatre, a high cost of living, strong class differences and the value of a letter of reference from Canada when dealing with banks, the electricity board, etc.

Library Christmas Hours

The Library Christmas hours will be as follows:

DECEMBER 21, 22

Surrey and Richmond, 8:30-4:30 Newton, regular hours DECEMBER 23

Surrey and Richmond, 8:30-4:30 Newton 7:30-5:00

> DECEMBER 24, 25, 28 College closed

DECEMBER 29, 30 Libraries closed

DECEMBER 31, JANUARY 2
College closed
JANUARY 4-8

Surrey and Richmond, 8:30-4:30 Newton, regular hours

Regular hours for Surrey and Richmond start JANUARY 11.

Kwantlen Journalism Grads Doing Well

Kwantlen's Journalism graduates are out there working! Here are people who have gone through our Richmond Campus course and ended up at one of the two major local dailies:

At the Vancouver Sun:

Terry Glavin Keith Baldrey Miguel Moya Harold Munroe

At The Province:

Joy Jones Walter Melnyk

New Fines To Discourage Bad Driving

Effective October 15 minimum \$100 fines have been introduced for selected serious motor vehicle offences, it was announced by Attorney General Brian Smith and Transportation and Highways Minister Cliff Michael.

Amendments to the Motor Vehicle Act, passed in July, established a new offence of "excessive speeding" defined as driving in excess of 40 km/hr over the posted speed limit and established a minimum \$100 fine for the offence.

Also covered by the minimum \$100 fine are two careless driving offences: driving without due care and attention, and driving without reasonable consideration for other persons using the highway.

"The use of penalty points and administrative driving prohibition is a sufficient deterrent for the vast majority of drivers in B.C.," Smith said. "We are getting tough with that small majority who commit the most serious offences."

In cases where a person is convicted of speeding he or she will continue to have penalty points recorded against his or her driver's record which may result in prohibition from driv-

ing. A conviction for excessive speeding, however, will attract a fine as well as three penalty points.

"A person charged with excessive speeding will be issued a ticket allowing him to pay the \$100 fine out of court if he does not wish to dispute it," said Smith. "For the careless driving charges the person must attend court where, if convicted, the minimum fine will be one hundred dollars."

"Fines," Mr. Michael said, "will result in more immediate punishment for the most blatant offenders than has been the case under the penalty point system."

"We must improve the quality of driving in the province and reduce the number of accidents. Stiffer fines will deter some of the most dangerous forms of driving behaviour," the Highways Minister added. Michael estimated that there would be a minimum of 50,000 excessive speeding and 8,000 careless driving charges per year.

Reprinted as a service to the College community from a recent news release from the Attorney General

Services to Students

The following people have joined the Services to Students Division:

November 17
Stephen Thomsen
Maintenance Technician
Instructional Resource
Centre
Surrey Campus

November 23
Susan Meshwork
Counsellor
Counselling Services
Surrey Campus

Royal Commission Hearings

The Royal Commission on Education has a general mandate to review education in British Columbia, K to Grade 12.

Public hearings in the Kwantlen catchment area include:

Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 7:00 p.m.
Queen Elizabeth School
9457 King George Hwy., Surrey
Thursday, Dec. 10 at 7:00 p.m.
Holy Cross Secondary School
16193 88th Avenue, Surrey
Thursday, Dec. 17 at 7:00 p.m.
Charles E. London School
10331 Gilbert Road, Richmond

The commissioner, Barry M. Sullivan, Q.C. will receive written briefs and verbal submissions from individuals and organizations.

More info? Call 660-4010.



No fewer than four copies—late flash: make that five— of this little article have popped up on *Inside's* desk within the past two weeks from various people on campus. Mr. Flughum's brief essay seems to have struck a responsive chord.

All I ever really needed to know I learned in Kindergarten

by Robert Flughum, Seattle

Most of what I really need to know about how to live, and what to do, and how to be, I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.



These are the things I learned: Share everything. Play fair. Don't hit people. Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess. Don't take things that aren't yours. Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody. Wash your hands before you eat. Flush. Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you. Live a balanced life. Learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon. When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands, and stick together. Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the plastic cup. The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the plastic cup - they all die. So do we.

And then remember the book about Dick and Jane and the first word you learned, the biggest word of all: LOOK. Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The golden rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and sane living.

Think of what a better world it would be if we all—the whole world—had cookies and milk about 3 o'clock every afternoon and then lay down with our blankets for a nap. Or if we had a basic policy in our nation and other nations to always put things back where we found them and cleaned up our own messes. And it is still true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.

21st Century Student Arrives

Kwantlen College welcomes its first prospective student for the year 2005: Hannah Alice Spaulding, delivered Nov. 9 and weighing in at 7 lbs. 7 oz., at home. to Counsellor Betsy Spaulding. Mother and Hannah are doing very well.

Congratulations!

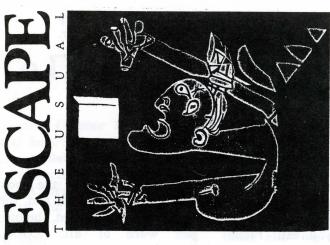


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Hmm. Perhaps this item is related to the one to the left.

The Nov. 26 issue of Simon Fraser Week lists an interesting PhD thesis defence.

M. Elliott's thesis is entitled Respiratory and behavioral responses of normally crying and excessively crying infants to two speeds of rocking.



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Winter Grad Show Displaying Works by Students and Honoured Graduates of the Graphic & Visual Design Program

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ASE Research Project

Four of the Lower Mainland collèges are working jointly on a project to evaluate the provision and delivery of educational programs and services for disabled adults in the college regions. The colleges include Kwantlen, Capilano, Douglas and Vancouver Community College. The project has been funded by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training. Derek Francis, Director, Services to Students, represents Kwantlen on the project Steering Committee.

Kathleen Galarneau has been hired as the researcher. She is familiar with the college system, having worked as an instructor and counsellor at Kwantlen and Douglas Colleges. Through this project Kathleen will be focusing on educational needs, communication systems, and coordination issues for disabled students in the four college regions.

Kathleen will be contacting many College personnel who have contact with disabled students: instructors and front-line people (e.g., Admissions, Library, Student Services). If you would like to express your ideas, discuss problems, and share successes in working with disabled students, please contact Kathleen Galarneau at Douglas College 520-5400, local 2755 or Derek Francis, local 281, Surrey Campus.

For Sale

Games Table

Hexagonal, with leaf + 4 arm chairs w/ casters, walnut finish

Spinet Piano

Excellent Condition \$1,995 obo 530-9907

Queen-sized Simmons
Mattress and Box Spring
\$100
Local 257, Surrey

Antique Victorian DOUBLE BED, high back, bow ends. Solid walnut and mahogany—Best Offer

Walnut DINING ROOM SUITE with 8 chairs, two table-extension leaves, two-piece china hutch cabinet, 12 years old, excellent condition—\$1,800

Rolltop teak DESK, 54" wide, with 12 drawers, interesting carvings on drawer fronts. Arm chair included—\$890.

Please contact Mary Boni, Richmond Campus, local 38. (p.s. from Mary: I have photographs of the furniture.)

Giant Christmas COLORING BOOKS

17" x 22" \$5.00 Proceeds to the B.C. Chapter of the Hemophilia Society. Contact Gail Mitchell, local 284, Surrey Campus.



New books in the library

Socio-Cultural Animation and Students Needs in College Guy Chabot (Surrey LA 417 S63)

Machine in the University Sample Course Syllabi for the History of Technology and Technology Studies Terry S. Reynolds (compl. ed.) (Surrey HM 221 M2 1987)

Canadian Society and Culture in Times of Economic Depression, vol. 8. Association for Canadian Studies (Richmond HC 115 C35)

Basic Dilemmas in the Social Sciences H.M. Blalock (Surrey H 61 B478)

Creative Interviewing Jack D. Douglas (Surrey H 62 D688)

Confronting Crime Roger Matthews and Jock Young (Surrey HV 6947 C58)

Accessible Canadian Library: A Planning Workbook for a Barrier Free Environment (Surrey (x) Z 679.2 C3 S36)

Are Pesticides Really Necessary? Keith C. Barrons (Surrey SB 951 B26)

Compulsive Killers: The Story of Modern Multiple Murder Elliott Leyton (Surrey HV 6529 L52)

Migration of Financial Resources to Developing Countries Dilip K. Das (Richmond HG 3891 D37)

Dickens the Novelist F.R. and Q.D. Leavis (Surrey PR 4588 L36)

Visual Languages Shi-Kuo Chang, ed. (Newton TA 1632 V56)

Police of France Philip J. Stead (Surrey HV 8203 S69)

Women Against War Richard L. Gage (transl.) (Richmond D767.7 W6)

Secrets of Sleep Alexander Sorbely (RIchmond QP 425 B6713)

Western Canadian Designers and Fashion Association Directory (Richmond REF TT 505 W4 1987)

Understanding Social Statistics Gene M. Lutz (Surrey HA 29 L96)

Social Psychology Roger Brown (Surrey HM 251 B73 1986)

Ships of British Columbia: An Illustrated History of the B.C. Ferry Corporation Gary and Patricia Bannerman (Richmond HE 785 B295)

Silent Children: A Parent's Guide to the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse Linda Tschirhart Sanford (Surrey HQ 71 S312)

Students on British Columbia Student Assistance Program (BCSAP)

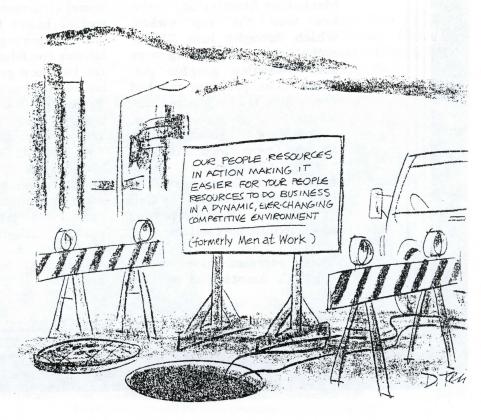
Please note that this year all students will be sent a Statement of Personal Responsibility form by the Student Services Branch. As your funding is dependent upon completion of this form, please ensure you complete the form and return it to: Student Services Branch, Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4.

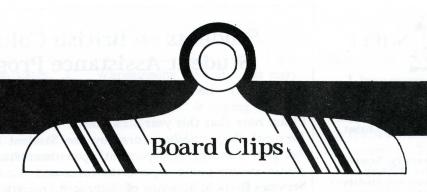
This form will ask for details of your pre-term activities:

- full-time work
- volunteer activities
- job search
- full-time study.

Your eligibility for non-repayable assistance (equalization funds, supplemental funds and/or loan remission) will depend in part on your activities during your pre-term break.

If you have not received this form, please contact Financial Aid, 588-4422 (loc 274), or the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training (1-800-742-1818)





Kwantlen College Board Meeting November 23, 1987

The Graphics Program gave a presentation to the College Board during its regular monthly meeting Nov. 23 on the history and development of the Program in the College.

There have been several successes for the program, including the winning of four SAM Awards this past summer. The awards are given by the Western Canadian Sales Advertising and Marketing Association. Dean Lee won the top award, which brought him \$1,000, and all three runners-up were also Kwantlen graphic students. The program marked two other major accomplishments: student Doreen Johnstone's design was chosen as the new logo for the Surrey Chamber of Commerce and former student Dale Cooper's designs for Calgary Winter Olympic posters have become best sellers.

Then representatives from the B.C. Association of Colleges updated the College Board on their activities. The Association reported that their proposals for improvements to the Students Loans Program were incorporated in the changes announced this past summer. Seminars for new Board members were held, as well as training sessions on fund raising and College Development.

The Board approved changes to the College's organizational structure (included as a special insert in this issue). The changes regroup responsibilities for Education. One of the two new groups will consist of Academic / University Transfer and Business / Technology, the other of Career and Vocational Programs. Two new divisions are established: Educational Support, which encompasses all services to students, and Human Resources Organizational Support including Human Resources, Institutional Research and Strategic Planning.