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A Newsletter for the Malaspina University-College Community

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Graduates give Malaspina high marks

Every year, thousands of highly qualified students choose Malaspina University-College as the launching pad for their future. Their reasons for choosing Malaspina are as many and diverse as the student population itself. But a survey of former students shows that the majority of students who passed through Malaspina during the last five years are extremely pleased with the quality of teaching and programs.

Every year, all former students who have left or completed programs at B.C.'s 21 public colleges and university colleges are surveyed for the B.C. College and Institute Student Outcomes Survey Project. The survey is designed to collect and disseminate information about former students' post-secondary experience and their subsequent experience in the labour market and/or further higher education.

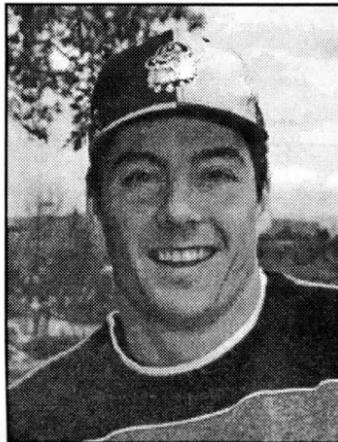
"The survey is like a barometer to show how we did this year, compared to last," explains President Rich Johnston. "Key Outcome Indicators show that for the past five years Malaspina ranked first among B.C.'s five university colleges for quality of teaching, overall student satisfaction with their studies, and usefulness of their education for work or further study. As well, former students reported that Malaspina did a good job of meeting their reasons for enrolling in educational programs."

The survey also showed an improvement in employment rates for Malaspina graduates. Among the five university colleges Malaspina graduates went from having the highest unemployment rate in 1999, to having the lowest unemployment rate in 2001.

"We attribute the good employment rate to the fine job our Campus Career Centre is doing in helping graduates find employment, and connecting employers with educated and ready-to-work graduates. We established the Campus Career Centre three years ago in response to data from the student survey," said Johnston.

Recent Malaspina graduates agree with the findings of the provincial Student Outcomes Survey.

Steven Littleley came to Malaspina to complete his high school diploma and then went on to continue university studies. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, double major in Psychology and Anthropology in 2001. Last September he started law school at the University of British Columbia and is also completing a Master's degree in Anthropology at Simon Fraser University at the same time.



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Culinary Arts (Cowichan campus) graduate Melissa Craig, now serving an apprenticeship at the prestigious Sooke Harbour House restaurant, said "My instructors taught me well in the classical culinary techniques and prepared me very well for the industry."

Bachelor of Science (Biology) graduate Aaron Jex was recently awarded the \$20,000 Queen Elizabeth II Centennial Scholarship to complete a Master's degree at the University of Queensland, Australia.

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"One of the most instrumental attributes that Malaspina's Biology grads have at their disposal is the many hours of cutting edge research and hands-on lab experience that they receive as part of their degree. This sets us apart from the graduates of many other schools and is one of the major reasons why I, and others like me, have been able to go on from Malaspina and be successful," Jex said.

Malaspina University-College graduates are also making their mark at Nanaimo's Pacific Biological Station. Scientist Ruth Whistler, head of molecular genetics, said a Malaspina graduate was recently hired to fill a high-level technician position for laboratory work.

"Typically we look for people from Simon Fraser University and the University of Victoria's co-op programs in microbiology or biochemistry, but recently we hired a graduate from Malaspina," said Whistler. "We were looking for someone who could step into our lab and start working. The student we hired from Malaspina is doing very well."

Biologist Graham Gillespie, who works in the stock assessment division at PBS, is also working with Malaspina graduates. They are currently working as biologists in fisheries, conducting surveys on clams and shrimp, and working with data and writing reports.

"They're very well trained and display enthusiasm and a positive attitude towards their work. We need well-trained people to do these kind of projects. They're ideal candidates because they have background and training, and they live locally," Gillespie said.

Results of the Student Outcomes Survey are available at: www.openingdoorsbc.com/outcomes/index.asp.

Malaspina receives \$1.4 million CFI grant for Centre for Shellfish Research

A \$1.475-million research grant from the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) for Malaspina University-College will strengthen and enhance the research capacity of the newly established Centre for Shellfish Research at the Nanaimo campus.

The announcement was made in Vancouver, recently, by Dr. David W. Strangway, CFI President and CEO. Strangway is the former president of the University of British Columbia.

"This is extremely exciting and positive news for all of us, especially for our fisheries and aquaculture faculty and students," said Malaspina President Rich Johnston.

"Malaspina's fisheries and aquaculture program has 20 years' experience in shellfish aquaculture education and research, and this funding will allow us to further their capacity," he said.

The Centre for Shellfish Research is a partnership between the B.C. Shellfish Growers' Association and Malaspina University-College.

Dr. Bill Pennell, responsible for leading the development of the research centre concept, said that B.C.'s shellfish wholesale production is estimated at \$20-million and is expected to achieve a goal of \$100-million annually by the year 2010 and to create more than 1,000 jobs in economically hard hit coastal communities.

"The Centre will allow us to attract scientific personnel to enable work on both large and small projects throughout the B.C. coast. We'll conduct technical and scientific research to increase productivity of traditional species such as clams, oysters and mussels, and investigate the commercial viability of new species such as scallops, sea urchins, cockles, and geoduck," he said.

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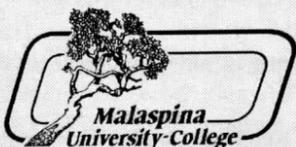
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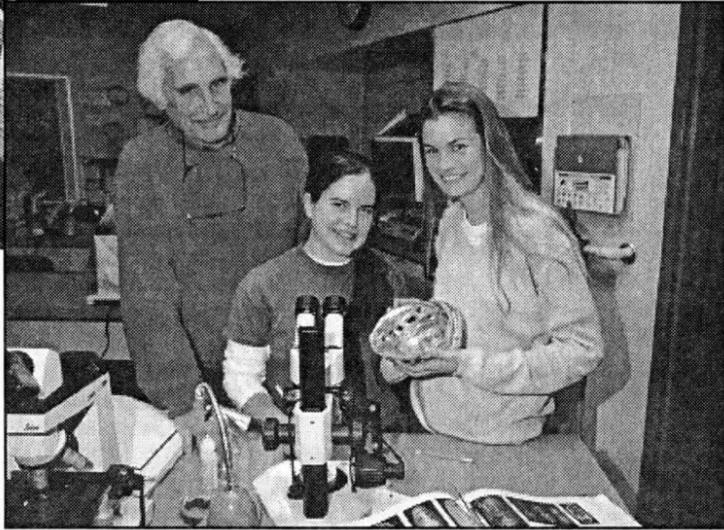
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Don Tillapaugh

Pennell added that the Centre, under newly appointed Director Don Tillapaugh, will also undertake research projects on the social aspects of a developing coastal industry, environmental interactions, and the development of a skilled aquaculture work force.

Malaspina's Vice-President of Instruction and Research Dr. David Thomas said that the Research Centre, which will form an integral part of Malaspina's Institute for Coastal Studies, builds on a long history of cooperation in research and development, technology transfer and training in support of the shellfish industry.



(Left to right) Dr. Bill Pennell, Fisheries & Aquaculture instructor, Alicia Hooper and Anne Bonvegna, second year students in the Fisheries and Aquaculture Technology program.

"The Centre for Shellfish Research will put us on the map as a centre that will serve the entire B.C. coast to support and respond to the technical and scientific research needs of a growing and diversifying shellfish aquaculture industry. Our students will also greatly benefit from the opportunity to work alongside national and international shellfish aquaculture research specialists," said Thomas.

Strangway said that the CFI awards recognize the outstanding contribution of researchers whose work will be of direct benefit to Canadians in a wide range of fields.

"These projects were selected following a highly competitive process and will help ensure that researchers and students at Malaspina University-College have access to a world-class research and training environment," said Strangway.

The CFI grant makes Malaspina eligible for further research grants from private and public sources.

MU-C students help students with \$10,000 donation

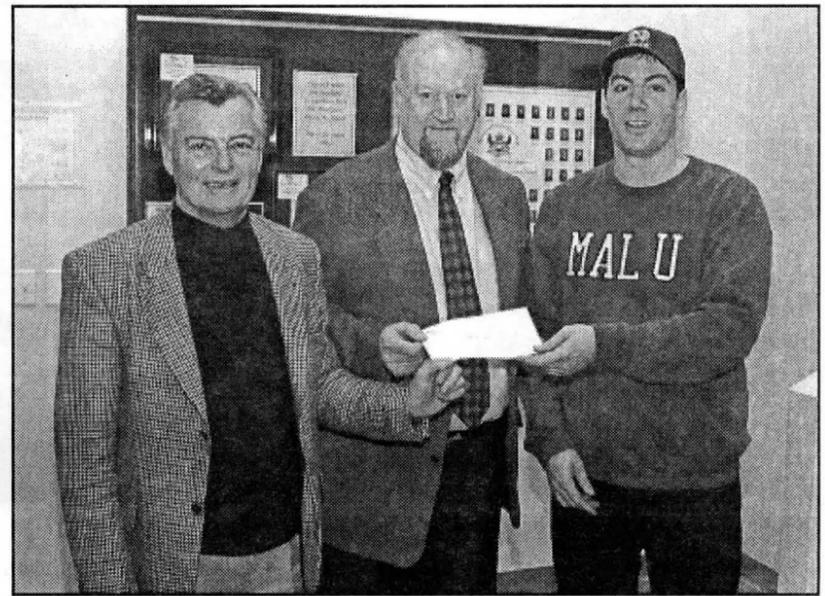
The Malaspina Students' Union (MSU) has donated a \$10,000 endowment to the Malaspina University-College Foundation that will generate funds for two bursaries to assist low-income students.

The endowment beat the February 28 deadline when the provincial government ended its fund-matching program. The interest from the \$20,000 total endowment will create bursaries for needy students.

MSU President Stephen Littley said, "This is students helping students because the government has let students down."

Ross Fraser, Malaspina Foundation Director of Community and Corporate Development, said, "This contribution will endow two permanent financial awards. It's a positive initiative that says students can help students in financial need."

Fraser will work with the Students' Union to determine the amounts of the bursaries and the criteria for students to receive the awards.



Foundation's Ross Fraser and Rich Johnston receive \$10,000 cheque from MSU President Stephen Littley.

features

Brenda Dutton retires

By Maureen de Roos

We had a wonderful retirement party for Brenda Dutton on Friday, February 1. The attached email from Catherine Whiteley (Library – retired) says just about everything I wanted to say. Brenda started working at the Manchester Central Library in England when she was 15 years old. She worked here at the Malaspina Library for 24 years and 7 months.

"It seems impossible to think about Malaspina Library without envisioning Brenda at the helm, smoothly and serenely negotiating the daily affairs of the Service Desk. She cared deeply about the Library, the service it offered, and the people who worked there. On the other hand, no one deserves an unfettered time for herself and her family more than Brenda does. She has devoted many years to the welfare of the Library and those working there, and deserves some quality time just for herself and her family. With health issues already having knocked at their doors, I wish Brenda and Alan many years of health and pleasure without having other considerations taking first place."

Best wishes to Brenda,
Catherine Whiteley



Career Technical Centre hosts first grad

Linda Love, dean of Applied Programs, addresses the first Career Technical Centre graduation held on January 31, 2002. Graduates from NDSS in automotive and computer skills were present at the ceremony that took place in the Student Activities Building.

New Directions for Continuing Education

A new direction has been set for Learning Connections, formerly known as Community Education and Training & Development. The key features include the following.

1. The Development of a Centre for Continuing Studies.
 - To take an institutional lead on multi-faculty/campus projects.
 - To provide assistance in developing feasible opportunities at the faculty and campus level in both credit and non-credit cost recovery programs.
 - To become responsible for development of an institutional approach to Summer Session in both the credit and non-credit fields.
2. Renaming of the position "Director of Learning Connections" to "Dean of Continuing Education."

This cost neutral change symbolizes the institution's commitment to developing and supporting a new model for delivery of continuing education and contract training.

3. Assigning to the Dean the responsibility of working with the University-College community to develop the infrastructure, procedures, and practices necessary to support enhanced activities with the institution.

This is intended to position Malaspina as a centralized / decentralized organization with sufficient commonality and consistency of policy and practice to ensure a competitive edge at the institutional, faculty, and campus levels.

4. Managing a fiscal restructuring brought on by this initiative itself, and the potential affects of funding changes.

The Dean will work with the Executive and Regional Campus Principals as part of the budget process to develop a new fiscal resource model.

These changes signify the importance that Malaspina University-College places on Continuing Education and contract delivery in assisting the institution to address immediate and future fiscal challenges, to contribute to its mandate in regional economic development, and to capitalize on new opportunities emerging in the next decade.

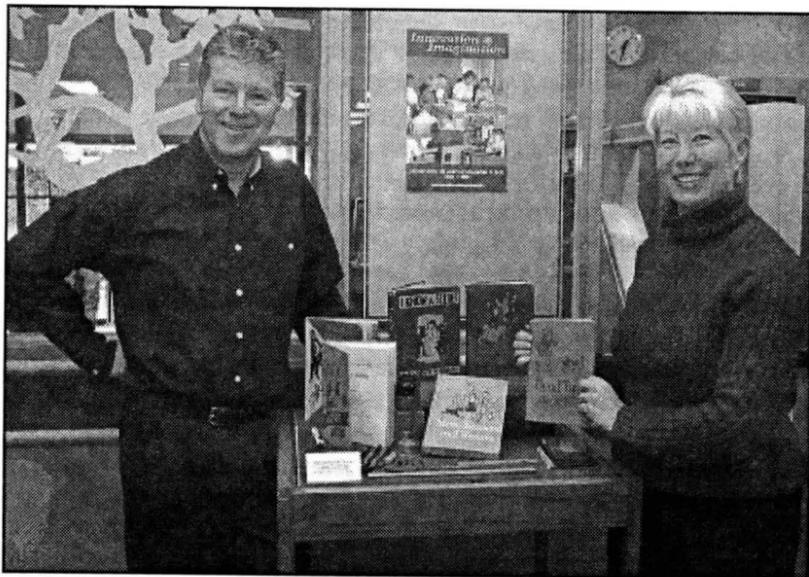
For full details on the change process, please contact Dennis Silvestrone, Dean of Continuing Education, 740-6161.

BCs public school system turns 150

By Patrick Dunae

March 4-10 was proclaimed Education Week 2002 across British Columbia. The theme this year is "Innovation and Imagination." The theme is a reminder that this year marks the 150th anniversary of the public school system (1852-2002).

The 2001-02 academic year also marks the 100 years of formal teacher training and 65 years of vocational educational programs. It's also the 40th anniversary of the start of provincial community college system.



Patrick Dunae and Maureen de Roos.

Maureen de Roos and Zella Smith (Library) helped prepare an Education Week exhibit of old textbooks and classroom memorabilia near the Circulation Desk in the Library. My involvement was to work with government and other stakeholders on developing activities to celebrate the anniversaries.

Malaspina has played a big part in the anniversaries' project, as this exhibit shows. Zella provided many of the exhibit artifacts. Historical textbooks are from the library's research collection. The anniversary posters, to be distributed province-wide, feature archival pictures of Malaspina programs, circa 1950s and contemporary photographs by John Lund, Writer/Photographer for the Media Relations & Publications department.

Information about Education Week, and about made-in-Malaspina components, is posted on the Ministry of Education website: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/edweek/.

CYC partners on new PLA project

By Bruce Cooke-Dallin

Malaspina's Child and Youth Care (CYC) department has partnered with the Institute for Child Rights and Development (ICRD) at the University of Victoria on a new Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) partnership project funded through the PLA office of Student Services.

Both partners have a history of effectiveness in the development and delivery of programs tailored to the needs of First Nations students and communities.

The ICRD is part of UVic's Centre for Global Studies and is affiliated with the Aboriginal Office and the Office of the British Columbia Ombudsman. It promotes innovative research and education for implementing and promoting the *Convention on the Rights of The Child (CRC)*, focussing on children and youth in several countries: Brazil, Canada, China, Cuba, Malawi, Moldova, Mexico, South Africa and Venezuela.

Since 1993, Malaspina's CYC department has offered a First Nations diploma at Cowichan campus and has built a reputation that attracts applicants from across western Canada and even Europe. During 1999-2000, the department was contracted to deliver the program in Port Hardy.

The PLA partnership integrates the aims of the CYC diploma and ICRD's Guiding Spirit program, an outdoor Youth Leadership course grounded in human rights and sustainable development.

During this semester a joint team will decide how to incorporate the skills and knowledge currently contained in some CYC courses into the Guiding Spirit curriculum. At the same time a template will be developed that specifies the recognition of PLA credit for the first year of courses in the CYC First Nations program to be granted to future Guiding Spirit graduates. Subsequently, Guiding Spirit graduates will be able to apply for entrance into the CYC First Nations diploma at second year.

The schedule will feature a pre-orientation for prospective participants in the revised Guiding Spirit to take place July 2002. The complete 16-month version will begin in May of 2003 and August 2004, at which time students will be able to make the transition into the second year of CYC First Nations.

Heading the PLA partnership team is Dr. Philip Cook, director of ICRD and Bruce Cooke-Dallin, coordinator of the CYCFN program.

International Scholarship winners

International Education established a number of new scholarships to recognize the academic and personal achievements of international students at Malaspina, and Bronwyn Jenkins, Dean of International Education, recently presented the scholarship winners with their awards at a special lunch.

The \$500 International Academic Scholarships went to Tomoko Ibaraki of Japan, a first year Theatre student, and Wei Zhao of China, enrolled in the Bachelor of Science, Computing Science program.

Winners of the \$500 English as a Second Language Scholarships were Peng Yuan Jiang of China and Mariko Sekiya of Japan, who are continuing in their ESL program; and Anna Biryuk from Russia who was in the top level of ESL last semester and has now started her academic program.



Mariko Schiga, Anna Biryak, Peng Yuan Jiang & Wei Zhao.

All the above students received very high grades in their studies and also supported other international students on campus through such programs as Peer Helpers.

International Education received many outstanding scholarship applications and awarded Malaspina Bookstore gift certificates to give credit to these exceptional students for their academic achievements in ESL and their contributions to other students.

Recipients of \$100 gift certificates were Jin Jin Fu, Wei Li, and Yu Liang, both of China; Alfred Montes, of Mexico; and Asuka Mori, of Japan.

Introducing Jean Paul Paterlini – Food Services Manager

Meet Jean Paul Paterlini, Malaspina University-College's new food services manager who started work at Malaspina in January.

Jean Paul comes to Malaspina from the University College of the Fraser Valley where he served two years as Food and Beverage Director. Before that he held various positions in hotels and restaurants at the general management level, in Kelowna, Kamloops and Whistler.

His introduction to the hospitality industry began at an early age at a relative's resort located in the French Alps. From there he took formal training at a hotel school in Grenoble, France.

Jean Paul graduated after three years in Food & Beverage, Reception and Administration. From there, the urge to travel and expand his knowledge took him to various countries, and eventually he immigrated to Canada from Bermuda, in 1969. He became attached to Vancouver and decided to make BC his home.

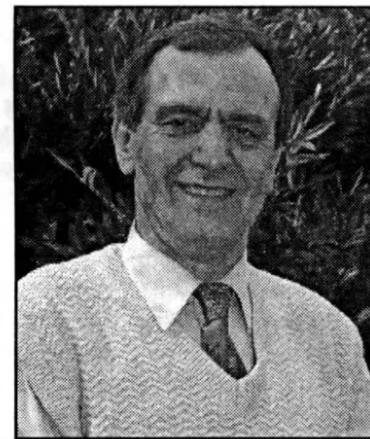
Upon arrival in Vancouver, he accepted a position as head waiter at first-class French restaurant Le Napoleon which he held until October 1971. Then he opened the first of two restaurants L'escargot, and two years later Toulouse-Lautrec — both became successful restaurants which he sold in 1981 to pursue other interests.

Jean Paul explains that he was born in Grenoble to Italian-born grandparents who have been living in BC since 1969. "My spouse Laurie, who is a CGA, and I have wanted to locate to beautiful Vancouver Island for sometime. I was really excited to learn of this position, posted back in October 2001. I knew immediately the position described me.

"I'm very impressed with the facilities here at Malaspina University-College food services, the Culinary and Hospitality programs. The strength is in its very talented people. Even before coming onboard, everyone made me feel very welcome and the collaboration and support received has been tremendous."

Jean-Paul wants to concentrate on giving good service to the Malaspina University-College community, as he believes that good service comes second only to quality.

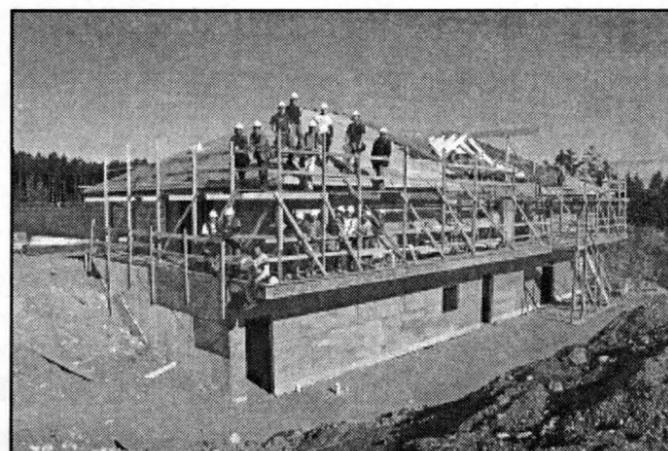
His favourite meals include cassoulet, andouille, and pissaladiere with a good bottle of wine.



Jean Paul Paterlini

Carpentry students build Beban Field House...

The students of the ten-month Carpentry & Residential Construction program have been working since January 2002 on the 6,000 square-foot Beban Field House at Beban Park. The field house is being built for the City of Nanaimo to house athletic teams, showers, change rooms, offices, and storage at the public playing fields. The expected completion date is June 2002. Carpentry instructor Ross Ballard said, "The students are doing a great job and are gaining excellent first-hand experience by working on a building of this size and quality."



Ron Smith (English and Creative Writing - retired) had some good news this past November. He received a letter from Dr. Martha Piper, President of The University of British Columbia, informing him that the University Senate had recommended him for an honorary doctorate (D. Lit.) at the Spring Congregation in May. Dr. Piper wrote: "Each year, The University of British Columbia selects a small number of distinguished individuals who are deemed worthy of recognition for their outstanding contributions to society.... We wish to pay tribute to your achievements, and to provide our new graduates with a model of success that will give them inspiration as they leave the University to begin their own careers." Ron taught English and Creative Writing at Malaspina for 27 years, founded the Lantzville publishing company Oolichan Books, in 1974, which he still runs, and is the author of three books of poetry and a collection of short fiction. Currently one of his books of poetry is being translated for publication in Italy, and he is working on a novel.

Deanna Georgeson (Bookstore) had a showing of her work at the People's Gallery of the Oceanside Community Arts Council in Parksville in January. It is Deanna's first B.C. solo show since she graduated from the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. The exhibition is called "In the Vernacular." The images are large-scale oil on canvas paintings of fruit in bowls and reflect the search for the sacred in daily life. All 12 paintings in the series were done last year. The show ended January 30 and another exhibition of three of Deanna's etchings called "The Sensuous Body" opened February 1 at the Oceanside Gallery.

Dr. Bernie Krynowsky (Education) presented a poster workshop at WEST-CAST 2002, hosted by the University of Simon Fraser. Called "The Promise of Responsive/Responsible/Teacher Education," this is the main conference for education faculties in Western Canada. The title of the session was "Effective planning for practicum experiences." According to Bernie, Malaspina's Education faculty prides itself in having well prepared student teachers in their practical experiences in the schools, and this workshop shared the preparation model our faculty has developed over the past seven years.

Dr. John Black (Liberal Studies) has a new book awaiting publication. "A Translation of Arthur Ahlvers: Zahl und Klang bei Platon / Number and Sound in Plato," will be published in 2002 by Edwin Mellen Press, a publisher of scholarly research, located in Lewiston, Illinois. Arthur Ahlvers was a 20th Century Swiss historian of ancient Greek philosophy, music, science and mathematics. The book John has translated deals with difficult interpretative issues in Plato's works on mathematics, music and cosmology. It is a standard in the academic literature in this area and offers many fascinating insights into classical Greek thought, but has not, until now, been available to an English-speaking audience.

Dr. Ray Siemens (English) was invited to give two talks in London, UK, about work led by Malaspina University-College toward the Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada (HSSFC)-funded study into the credibility of electronic scholarly publication. The first talk was in the Humanities Computing Seminar series at Kings College London, and the second at the School of Library, Archival, and Information Studies at University College London.

Allan Brown (English, Powell River) has edited a third chapbook-length anthology of writings from and about the Sunshine Coast and mid-Vancouver Island area for Far Field Press. This volume, *The Wayward Coast: Anthology 2002*, contains work by 12 authors including two students from Malaspina University-College, **Natalie Elebracht** (Powell River campus) and **Raymond Geisler** (Nanaimo campus), as well as pieces by **Dr. Richard Arnold** (English), **Kate Braid** (Creative Writing), and **Liz Webster** (Anthropology).

Dr. Keith Harrison (Creative Writing) read his short story "The Malcolm Lowry Professional Development Grant" at the 20th Century Literature Conference at Louisville, Kentucky, recently.

Frank Moher's (Creative Writing) new play, "Big Baby," will receive a staged reading as part of the Playwrights' Theatre Centre New Play Festival in Vancouver in May. As well, *Saturday Night Magazine* is being revived, and Frank is preparing a feature for the new version. One of his recent *Saturday Night* features, "Henry and the Woolf," about the friendship between Canadian actor Henry Woolf and the playwright Harold Pinter, was nominated for a National Magazine Award. Frank mentions that one of his students, **Ian Gibson**, staged his play "Odin Wandering" as part of the recent Share the Spotlight series in the Theatre department. This is the second time in 12 months a play by a student in the Creative Writing and Journalism program has been seen at Malaspina, the last being **James Mountain's** play "Shrine of the Sea Monkeys."

On his way to the Hemingway Conference in Italy in July, **Steve Lane** (English) is stopping in Messolonghi, Greece, for a conference on British poet Lord Byron, May 11 to 18. Messolonghi is where Byron died of fever in 1824 while raising an army for the Greek War of Independence against the Turks. In fact, the poet's heart is buried in the town on the west coast of the Greek mainland (the rest of him went to Nottingham Steve days). The conference focus is Byron and Greece, and the keynote speaker is Jerome McGann, the world expert on Byron who is also known for his writing on the Romantics and textual editing. Steve teaches Byron in the English department's Studies in Romanticism course.

Deborah Torkko (English) attended the 15th annual Two Days of Canada Conference at Brock University. The conference theme was Crossing Borders/Border Crossings. Deborah presented a paper entitled "Belonging and Not Belonging in Janice Kulyk Keefer's novel *Constellations*."

Mainly received a note from **Ross Fraser**, Director of Community & Corporate Development for the Malaspina University-College Foundation. Ross was opening his mail last week when he came upon a slightly discoloured and sealed Canada Post envelope addressed to him. Inside was an even more discoloured notification of pay deposit to a Royal Bank account in his name for the pay period ending May 29, 1987. With it was a reminder that June 14-20, 1987 was Canadian Occupational Health and Safety Week plus an invitation to renew his membership in the Madrona Exposition Centre for 1987. No one in Payroll has any idea where this might have come from...curious and curiouser!

Margaret Cadwaladr's (Student Support Services) book *In Veronica's Garden* will appear in print this spring. The book tells the story of the development of Milner Gardens and the woman who created them, Lady Veronica Milner. Madrona Books & Publishing of Qualicum Beach is publishing the book that is part history, biography and photographic record of the gardens and their creator and explains how and why Malaspina University-College became the protector of Milner Gardens and Woodland.

Martha Higgins (Secretary Registrar & Convocation) informs *Mainly* that at the close of the nomination period for student positions to the University-College Board, the Office of the Registrar received one nomination form for the partial student term, ending Fall 2002. The successful student candidate by acclamation is **Carol Hodgins** who is also Managing Editor of the student newspaper, *The Navigator*. The results from the Nomination Period for the student positions to the Education Council included three forms for the possible four student terms, ending Spring 2003. The three successful student candidates by acclamation are **Patricia Little**, **Parveshinder "PS" Sidhu**, **Melanie Vogels**. The fourth student position will remain vacant until the next scheduled student elections in the Fall 2002. The Office of the Registrar did not receive any nominations for students to the student positions on the Education Council Standing Committees.

Rob Wager (Biology) is having some success in getting the facts about genetically modified foods or food biotechnology to the world. Rob's article called "Biotech's battle against famine" was published on the Globe and Mail website, globetechnology.com on Friday, January 25. The article explained how biotechnology holds more promise than organic farming methods to meet the world's increasing demand for food.

Bill Juby (English) thanks all those who donated books, time, and effort to raise a record breaking \$1,800 for scholarships at the recent English Department Book Sale. He also thanks all buyers for their support and wishes to remind them of the book sale, next year, when the English Department shoots for another fund raising record.

Ray Penner (Physics) has been going long and straight with his golf publications of late. In the October 2001 edition of the *American Journal of Physics*, Ray published "The physics of golf: The convex face of a driver." Then the weekly science magazine, the *Science News*, did a short story on the first article. Now if Ray could figure out how to get 20 more yards out of *Mainly* Editor's driver, we will publish his paper here verbatim....

Golfers in the Malaspina community would have been very interested to read an article about **Ray Penner** (Physics) and his study on putting on a sloped green published in the March 1, 2002 edition of the *National Post*. The story titled, "Physicist develops tips on putting, to little avail..." by writer, Tom Blackwell, states that Ray produced a dozen pages of equations, graphs and calculations to produce some intriguing advice in a paper published earlier in the *Canadian Journal of Physics*. In the paper Ray concludes that there is much more chance of sinking a downhill putt than an uphill one, that aiming high across a slope is most effective and that the ideal launch speed for a level, 10-foot putt is between 2.5 and 3 metres per second... His mathematical calculations reveal that a ball hit up a sloping green and off target tends to curve away from the hole. A ball tapped downhill and off line has the opposite tendency, curving toward the hole. The result is that the probability of sinking a downhill putt is 'significantly greater' than making an uphill one — almost three times greater in the case of a 10-foot putt... [Apparently all the calculations haven't helped Ray's golf score much, as you still have to hit the ball at the right speed and the right angle. Thanks Ray, I'm sure we will all feel better as we stand over our next 10-foot downhill putt on the 16th green at Nanaimo Golf Club.]

The Malaspina (no relation) Writers' Association of Powell River has published the book *River City Runes*. It is a collection of writings by nine local writers. The book includes a short story "Bridges" written by **Dr. Robert Butkus**, part-time Philosophy instructor and retired Campus Principal at Malaspina's Powell River campus. The story "Brook" was written by **Mark Cooper**, a former Powell River student and former student **Rick Sazon** contributed the artwork and a set of poems. Artistic director of the Malaspina Writers' Association is **Allan G. Brown**, (English). **Robert Dufour**, former Powell River student and C.E. instructor did the desktop

In Memoriam – Doug Morgan

Dr. Doug Morgan passed away suddenly Friday, March 8, 2002 at home.

Doug began his 14-year teaching career at Malaspina University-College when he joined the psychology department in the spring of 1988 and became a regular faculty member in August of 1990.

Doug exhibited enthusiasm and warmth to friends, colleagues and students. He held and expressed strong opinions about academic issues that mattered to him. He was strongly committed to teaching and to his students. Many of Doug's students regarded him as their mentor in both academics and life.

Doug is survived by his wife Carol and daughter Heather.

Doug was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed rock climbing, kayaking, windsurfing and in the last few years, free diving. Doug was also active with First Nations communities through such organizations as the Tillicum Haus Native Friendship Centre.

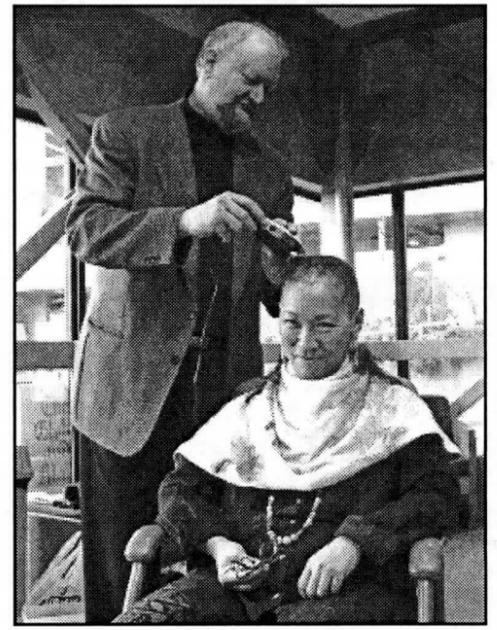
A service was held for Doug on Friday, March 22nd at 10 am in building 355, room 211.

publishing. The book was edited by Jody Jankola and is on sale at the Malaspina Bookstore and other bookstores in Powell River. For more information call Bob Butkus at (604) 485-0356 or butkus@prcn.org.

Many Malaspina folk are getting involved with the upcoming BC Summer Games to be hosted in Nanaimo, this year. **Jack Doan** (Dean, Applied Programs + retired) is the Sport Directorate Chair. **Rick Bevis** (Student Services) is on the Board, **Eiko Eby** (Student Services) is Sport Chair – Field Hockey. **Mike Mann** (Management) is involved in the running event. **John Loewen** (ITAS) is working on the Triathlon event. **Les Malbon** (Student Services) is involved in the Games through PacificSport. Malaspina's gym will be the site of the Men's Basketball event. **Diane Deyotte** (Administration – retired) and **Sandra Galloway** (International Education) are organizing some Special Events. If you would like to volunteer to assist in the BC Summer Games, drop a note to Jack Doan at: JackDoan@shaw.ca.

Mike Matthews (English) informs *Mainly* that the book *P.K. Page—Essays on Her Works*, edited by Linda Rogers and Barbara Colebrook Peace, published by Guernica Editions, Inc., Toronto, 2001 features essays on the Victoria poet by Malaspina instructors **Marilyn Bowering** (Creative Writing), **Jay Ruzesky** (English), Honorary Research Associate **Carol Matthews**, and former poet-in-residence **Patricia Young**. They're in good company with such notables as Susan Musgrave and Margaret Atwood.

Dr. Imogene Lim (Anthropology) has been actively involved in a community heritage issue since last fall. Recently, CBC Radio One contacted her to discuss Chinese Canadian history on her investigation of Cumberland's Chinatown site. **Shelagh Rogers** interviewed Imogene for the "This Morning" show February 5. In addition to her off campus activities, Imogene is actively supporting anthropology students. With decreasing funds available to students, Dr. Lim has offered her head for a good cause. The Malaspina Anthropology Club (MAC) is fundraising to establish an endowment to support an annual anthropology scholarship. With a goal of \$3,000 by February 20, Imogene allowed her head to be shaved by the highest donor, President Rich Johnston.



Update from Recreation and Tourism Management

Nicole Vaugeois has a book review of "Diversity and the Recreation Profession: Organizational Perspectives" published in the *World Leisure Association Journal*. Nicole, in partnership with the Tourism Association of Vancouver Island, has recently started working on Phase I of a Tourism Labour Market Research project funded by HRDC. The research will provide important labour and market research to the partners, enabling better management decisions. Nicole is also completing a Cultural Tourism Inventory for Vancouver Island that will be used in marketing efforts by Tourism B.C. Finally, Nicole will be doing a conversion study for Tourism Vancouver Island in the next few months, measuring the effectiveness of the response card in the Islands Guide during the summer of 2001.

Nicole Vaugeois and **Dr. Rick Rollins** travelled to Mount Royal College, Western State College of Colorado, Scottsdale Community College, Universidad de Quintana Roo and Universidad de Guadalajara from February 19 to March 3 as part of a North American Ecotourism Consortium project funded by HRDC. The mobility grant will enable three or four students from each institution to spend one semester at another institution focusing on ecotourism management. Nicole is also planning to take 12 fourth year students from the Bachelor of Tourism Management program on a cultural tourism field school to Malaysia from April 28 to May 20. **Lauren Garteig** (Health) will be involved in the field school as a chaperone.

Dr. Tom Delamere has published articles titled "Development of a Scale to Measure Resident Attitudes Toward the Social Impacts of Community Festivals, Part I: Item Generation and Purification of the Measure" (co-authored with Len Wankel and Tom Hinch of the University of Alberta) and "Development of a Scale to Measure Resident Attitudes Toward the Social Impacts of Community Festivals, Part II: Verification of the Scale" in *Event Management*. Tom is also currently co-supervising a Master's degree student in his capacity as Research Associate with the School of Recreation Management and Kinesiology at Acadia University.

Dr. Ken Hammer is currently on a six-month leave developing his business as a licensee with Leadership Management Canada. Ken recently published a book review of "Consumer Behaviour in Travel and Tourism" in the *Annals of Tourism Research*.

Dr. Rick Rollins has published an article titled "Public Attitudes Regarding User Fees in Provincial Forest Lands" (co-authored with Ward Trotter of B.C. Forestry) in *Leisure/Loisir*; and a book chapter titled "Tourism" in the Canadian Western Geographical Series #36; and the second edition of his textbook titled "Parks and Protected Areas in Canada: planning and management" (with Philip Dearden of the University of Victoria), published by Oxford University Press. Rick is also supervising three Master's degree

students and one Doctoral student in his capacity as Adjunct Professor with the Department of Geography at the University of Victoria.

Drs. Wayne Pealo and **Gerry Redmond** are co-authoring a textbook titled "Sport Tourism," to be published mid-2002. Wayne is also supervising a Master's student at Royal Roads University.

Drs. David Robinson and **Rick Rollins** have co-authored a chapter titled "Social Science, Conservation, and Protected Areas," in Rollins' and Dearden's book *Parks and Protected Areas in Canada*, and a chapter with Mark Robson (University of Toronto) titled "Towards Participatory Democracy in Canadian Forest Management" in the book *Sustainable Forest Ecosystems in North America*, edited by B. Shindler, B. Steel, and T. Beckley. Additionally, Dave has recently published the following articles "Identifying and Measuring Local, Provincial, and National Forest Values for Socially Acceptable Forest Management" (with Mark Robson and Alex Hawley of the University of Northern British Columbia) in the *Forestry Chronicle*; "Forest Values and Forest Realities: Towards Participatory Democracy in Canadian Forest Management" (with Mark Robson and **Rick Rollins**) in *Environments*; and "Examining the Desirability for Recreating in Logged Settings" with Len Hunt (Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources), David Twynam (University College of the Cariboo), and Wolfgang Haider (Simon Fraser University) in *Society and Natural Resources*.

John Plantinga attended the Tourism Industry Association of Canada's National Conference on Tourism in Vancouver. Of particular importance to John was an interactive session facilitated by noted pollster and political analyst Allan Gregg on the tourism industry's impacts and response to the events of September 11, 2001. John will also be attending the North American Society of Sport Management Conference in May 2002 in Canmore, Alberta. Additionally, John compiled a study with **Dr. Rick Rollins** and **Merv Jefferies** (current fourth year student) titled: "Public Use of Nanaimo Parks and Recreation Facilities, 2001-2002."

Mike Mann is currently enjoying the last half of his leave, and has co-authored a paper with **Dr. Rick Rollins** and Richard Harding (Nanaimo Recreation, Parks, and Culture) titled "Managing Conflict in an Urban Park Setting: An Application of Attitude Theory," that has been accepted for publication in *Leisure/Loisir*.

Malaspina Recreation and Tourism Management students have been publishing as well. **Karen Lai**, a third year student, published an article titled "Youth With Disabilities Have the Experience of a Lifetime" in *Recreation & Parks B.C.*, and **Michael Fox** published an article titled "Leisure Service Expenditures by Municipalities in B.C.," also in *Recreation & Parks B.C.*

Heather Cooling retires

After 25 years with Malaspina University-College, Heather Cooling is retiring.

She moved to Nanaimo in 1969 with her husband Jim when he joined the History department at Malaspina in its first year. Heather started working in the Library at Malaspina on March 14, 1977.

A few years later she joined Community Education as a Program Coordinator and became known for her creative work in developing innovative and successful programs and courses. Last month, over 60 colleagues, friends and neighbours gathered at the Nanaimo Yacht Club to celebrate Heather's retirement.

And what a celebration it was! Lynette Harper started things rolling, quite literally, with an exotic dance to honour Heather's grace and humour through the years. Deirdre Godwin followed up with a rollicking song celebrating Heather's unique personality.

Roasts and toasts were tossed off by friends and colleagues including Thora Howell, Liz Hammond-Kaarremaa, Sharon Styve, Carol Matthews, Sheila Cooper and long-time friend and colleague Colleen Doylend who flew in from Alberta just for the occasion. Dennis Silvestrone, Dean of Continuing Education, presented Heather with an honorary diploma as Community Education Emeritus, and \$340 was raised to be donated to the Bob Wood

Endowment Fund on Heather's behalf. After the formal program, the partying and dancing began and continued until midnight.

Heather and Jim are holidaying in Mexico on a well-earned vacation. But back home in Nanaimo, Heather is being greatly missed by her co-workers.

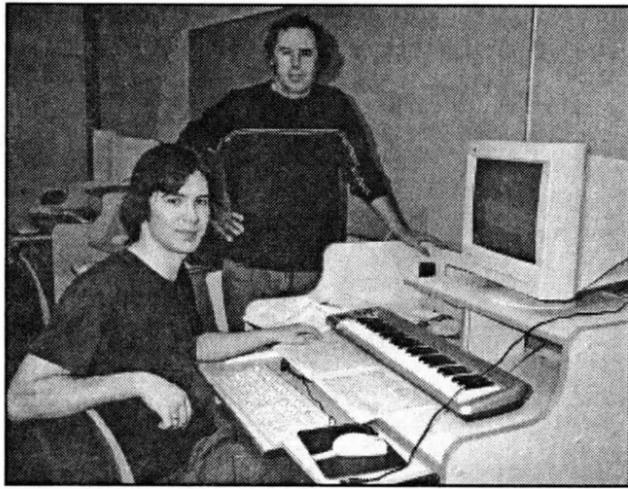
As Pam Botterill, Office Manager at Learning Connections, says, "Heather is a great person to work with. We already miss her energy and certainly hope that as a Community Education Emeritus, she'll find ways of staying involved with our area."



Heather Cooling, Colleen Doylend and Lynette Harper.

New Music Lab goes online...

Music student Kent McAlister and music instructor Collin MacQuarrie show off Malaspina's latest advancement in music composing technology in the new computer music lab in building 320. Each of eight stations in the lab allows students to create, compose, edit their own musical



pieces in their entirety and save them to CD-Rom. Students can bring their own pre-recorded music and build an orchestra around it, or compose the music and add individual instrumentation as they wish.

A Pentium III, 1 gigahertz PC with 256megs of RAM with two hard-drives each, powers each station. One drive has 20 gigs and the other 40 gigs of memory as composing audio files require tremendous amounts of computing power and memory.

Each station comes equipped with a Roland ED PC-70 Midi-

Keyboard and a long list of composing and editing software like Power Tracks Pro, Sibelius, Logic Audio Gold, Band in a Box, and Earmaster.

The new lab was officially opened when Collin presented it to the Malaspina University-College Board at the January meeting.

Malaspina's Rec & Tourism program studies Island labour market

The Tourism Association of Vancouver Island (TAVI) and Malaspina University-College will launch the first phase of a long-term study of tourism and the labour market on Vancouver Island.

The goal of the research is to determine the economic impact of tourism on Island communities and the education and training options necessary to ensure there are enough skilled tourism workers to take advantage of future growth opportunities.

The first phase of the study will be funded through a \$42,000 Local Labour Market Planning agreement with Human Resources Development Canada.

"The benefits of this research will be very broad, especially as tourism continues to grow relative to other sectors of our economy," said Dave Petryk, TAVI executive director. "While the future is always uncertain, it's easier to make plans that will keep the industry healthy and growing when you have a strong knowledge of current trends and what they imply for the future."

The *Tourism Labour Market Research on Vancouver Island* study will look at how tourism contributes to rural communities, who is employed in the industry, what kind of work they are doing, and how access to education and training might be improved. As knowledge increases, the researchers will track changes in tourism employment patterns, make recommendations that will improve the quantity and quality of tourism careers for Island residents and support the development of new and existing tourism ventures.

"The results will be particularly useful for students planning careers in tourism, educators deciding what courses to offer and tourism businesses anticipating their future staffing needs," said Nicole Vaugeois, chair of Malaspina's department of recreation and tourism management. "This project is a great example of what can be accomplished when government, educational institutions and tourism organizations work together."

Phase I, scheduled to be complete by the end of April, will include the assembly of a research team, refinement of the questions to investigate, development of research methods and creation of a profile of the current Vancouver Island tourism industry. In Phase II, which will take another eight months, the team will put its research plans into action. The third phase will be a long-term continuation of the research, sustained through fees charged for research results.

P•Q campus becomes Microsoft Authorized Testing Centre

Malaspina's Parksville•Qualicum campus recently became a Microsoft Authorized Testing Centre.

The Microsoft Office User Specialist Certification (MOUS) is a testing service that validates a user's skills in various Microsoft Office applications. It's a software industry certification that is internationally recognized.

If you would like to become certified in Microsoft Office, please call Anita James (250) 248-2096 for details. A testing fee will be applied at the time of testing.

More information on MOUS testing is available on the website: web.mala.bc.ca/parksville/index.htm.

Canwest Global Gift Supports Media Studies at Malaspina

A \$150,000 donation by the CanWest Global Foundation will fund ongoing research and scholarships in Media Studies at Malaspina University-College.

The gift was announced by Ron Eberle, General Manager of Global's CH Vancouver Island on January 25. It will create two endowments providing scholarships and funds for research and program development in Media Studies.

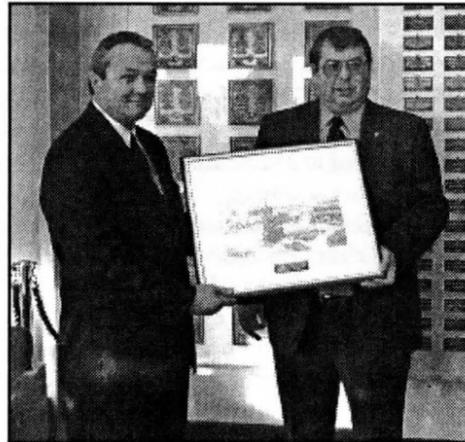
"New communications technologies, media convergences and media-related business opportunities seem to dominate our news and conversations, but there are relatively few opportunities in British Columbia and Canada to investigate these phenomena in disciplined and practical ways," said Dr. Marshall Soules, Coordinator of Media Studies at Malaspina.

"It is a credit to CanWest Global that they would answer this need with a significant endowment that will have ongoing benefits to students in this important field of public interest."

Approximately 135 students take courses in Media Studies at Malaspina each year. They are encouraged to improve their currency with communications media, including emerging on-line technologies and related software. Theory and discussion are combined with a strong emphasis on applied new media skills learned in computer labs and through distance learning.

"CanWest Global is committed to supporting the communities in which our employees live and do business," said Ron Eberle. "With this gift we can help students who intend to make careers in media and communications, and ultimately contribute to the development of the industry. We have a long term view for CanWest Global on Vancouver Island, and we are pleased that,

with Malaspina's support, we can create this endowment that will continue into the future."



(Left to right) Ron Eberle, CanWest Global Communications Corp., receives an art print of Malaspina University-College Nanaimo Campus from Fred Kolodrubsky, Chair of Malaspina University-College Foundation, as a token of appreciation for CanWest's \$150,000 donation to Malaspina's Media Studies program.

Hairdressing students and instructor win seven medals

Malaspina Hairdressing students and their instructor swept the Upper Island Regional Show, taking home seven medals in all from the competition held in Qualicum Beach, Sunday, February 24.

Over 400 island and mainland fully qualified hairstylists and students competed and observed at the competition. The Malaspina team lead the field by winning the most hairdressing medals at the show.

Long Hair Evening Design - Fully Qualified

1st. place - Lynda Phelan, Malaspina Hairdressing instructor

Long Hair Evening Design - Student

2nd. place - Su-Mei Macdonell
3rd. place - Bridgette Trombley

Women's Fashion Cut and Blow-dry - Student

2nd. place - Tara Fox
3rd. place - Steve Pettie

Men's Fashion Cut and Blow-dry - Student

1st. place - Steve Pettie
2nd. place - Tara Fox



(Back row, left to right) Hairdressing instructor Lynda Phelan, students Steve Pettie, Su-Mei McDonell, (front row) Tara Fox, and Bridgette Trombley, all brought home medals from the Upper Island Regional Show held in Qualicum, February 24.

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Industry supports Heavy Duty with equipment donations

By Dan Lines

The Heavy Duty Commercial Transport Mechanics (HD/CT) program has had some good fortune lately in the amount of equipment donated and supplied to the program. The program, the faculty, and particularly the students will benefit from these generous donations.

The centerpiece of the photo is an EX 120 Hitachi excavator (early 1990s), purchased with the capital money provided to the HD/CT Mechanics program. This machine has state of the art electronic controls, using computers to control both engine and hydraulic functions. This new machine improves Malaspina's ability to deliver hydraulic training to our students.

To the right is an engine/transmission module donated by George Delure of Independent Diesel Sales, a Nanaimo based company. George is the chair of the HD/CT program Advisory Committee and a graduate of Malaspina. This unit consists of a 60 Series Detroit Diesel engine, fully electronic/computer controlled fuel system and an Allison "World Transmission" again fully electronic/computer controlled and interfaced with the engine electronics. The appraised value of this low-hours unit is \$24,000 (close to \$80,000 new). This unit will give more, real life training opportunities on electronic controls to all levels of students from entry level to fourth year apprentices.

On the left is a new "K Model" Cummins engine with electronic fuel system, again computer controlled. This engine is worth \$65,000 and was donated by Cummins BC through Ross Somerville, Sales Manger. This unit does not run at this time; it requires some additional controls and wiring, but it will be a project that students will assemble over the next few years as funds or donations allow.

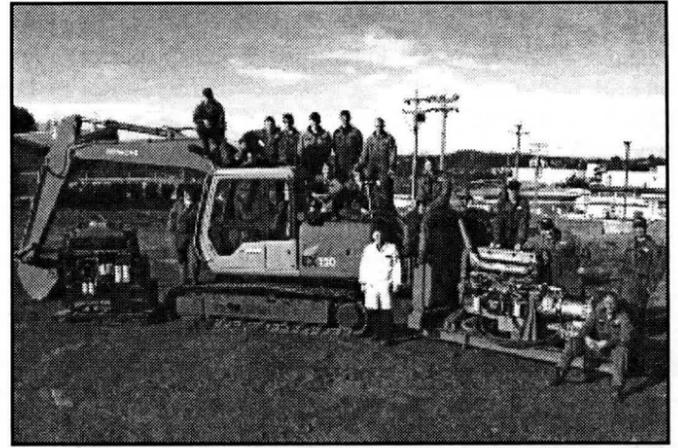
One item not in the picture is a 1992 Caterpillar forklift purchased with the help of Finning and Caterpillar. Caterpillar donated \$10,000USD and Finning donated \$7,500 Cdn to be used towards the purchase of equipment and a

student award for the HD/CT program. Finning also would like to interview the recipient of the award as a potential future employee. They are experiencing a shortage of heavy-duty mechanics and are hoping the donations will encourage more entrants into the trade. \$5,000 was used as partial payment to purchase the forklift and the remainder has been put into an award.

Caterpillar and Finning, through David Parsons, Sales Representative, also donated and installed \$77,000 worth of software in the HD/CT shop and lab computers over the past year. This software includes all service and parts manuals for any Caterpillar equipment built as well as service software allowing students to use PCs to interface with Caterpillar electronic engines. It is the same software used by parts and service people in the field and provides our students with valuable training using industry software.

The HD/CT faculty and students are overwhelmed by the generosity of the individuals and companies who have made these amazing donations. High quality training equipment is an important part of trades training at Malaspina, and these donations go a long way in keeping us in the forefront of BC trades training institutions.

I would like to express a great big thank-you from all of us in HD/CT.



HD/CT students show off recent equipment donations.

Malaspina's Campus Career Centre partners with Campus WorkLink

Local employers looking for outstanding employees now have instant access to highly qualified Malaspina applicants, thanks to a recent partnership between Malaspina's Campus Career Centre and Campus Worklink, Canada's largest job site for students and graduates.

The Campus Career Centre is using the online job posting service in order to best serve the needs of Nanaimo businesses and the more than 10,000 Malaspina students.

"Malaspina offers a wide range of academic, technical and applied programs, and our graduates are highly skilled in their chosen fields," said Lynda Robinson, manager of student employment programs at Malaspina University-College. "We want employers to think of Malaspina students and graduates first when looking to fill positions at their organizations."

Campusworklink.com offers employers the ability to advertise employment opportunities to Malaspina students through the targeted job-posting feature. Employers searching for the best possible candidate can also access Canada's largest searchable database of students and graduates resumes from post secondary institutions.

Employers can electronically search, sort, rank, and file candidates resumes. Campus WorkLink also offers employers the ability to promote their company through the 'employer profile section' and lets job seekers explore the opportunities within the company.

Campus WorkLink provides employment services to over 300 post-secondary institutions nation-wide. There are over 97,000 active resumes on the site and more than 40,000 employers using the system for recruitment purposes.

"For a small fee employers can access thousands of candidates from Malaspina University-College, or expand their search nationwide," said Robinson.

Employers in Canada have given Campus WorkLink excellent marks. Lee Watt, human resources coordinator for Hallmark Canada says, "If you are looking to hire students, Campus WorkLink is a great website to use! We have used them several times in our recruitment requirements and were amazed at how many quality responses we received as quickly as the next day."

For further information on Malaspina's Campus Career Centre and Worklink, please call Robinson at 740-6428.

Malaspina's Forestry department goes global

Malaspina University-College's Forestry department is developing a global reputation for excellence through the international activities of its faculty.

Forestry faculty members Michel Vallee, Barry Ostrand, Doug Corrin, Tom Hedekar, Paul Lucas, and David Smith have recognized the benefits of international study for their students and programs, and are actively pursuing and building new international relationships and opportunities.

Faculty activities include participation in development projects, field trips, student exchanges, research, and course development. In future, the Forestry faculty intend to develop an international forestry degree that will draw on the strengths of their partners in Belize, New Zealand, United Kingdom, France, and Finland.

Dr. David Drakeford, Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology, views the faculty's activities as a means of keeping the program current and vital, with the potential of creating new sources of revenue for the institution in an industry that is becoming increasingly global in nature.

"Understanding the impacts of other countries' forestry practices on our own industry and opportunities to showcase B.C.'s best practices internationally are areas where Malaspina can increasingly show training leadership," said Drakeford.

Cowichan Campus hosts First Nations Open House

by Ruth Kroek

Cowichan Campus hosted 670 participants at the First Nations College For A Day held March 14.

The weather was perfect and the organizing committee co-chaired by Pam Lewis and myself along with committee members Fran Tait, Yvonne Connelly, Leslie Welin, Jackie Agostinis and student representative, Annette de Roux, were thrilled at the number of First Nations people who attended.

Prospective students came from middle schools, high schools, adult centres, friendship centres and various communities from all over Vancouver Island with some coming from as far away as Nicola Valley.

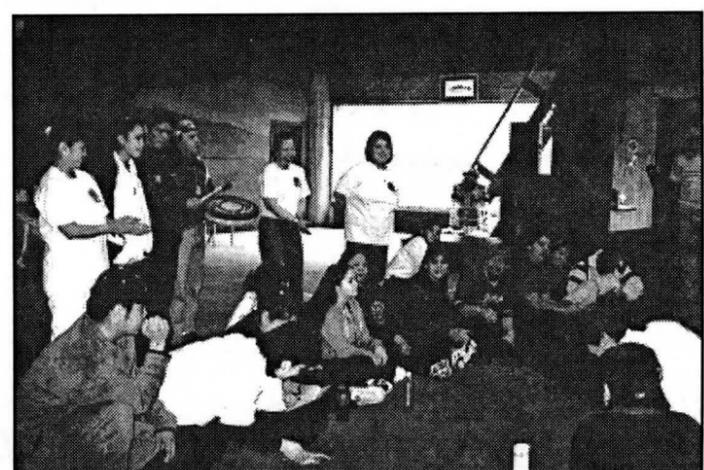
Our Elders-in-Residence Ellen White, Louise Underwood and Ray Peter welcomed our guests, many of whom commented on how lucky we are to have Elders on campus. We agree.

The day's activities included presentations from the Arts One-First Nations scrapbook, ongoing displays, mini-lectures and poster sessions given by BA First Nations Studies third year students.

Malaspina held general information sessions plus others from Biology, Culinary Arts, Education, Child & Youth Care First Nations, Women's Studies, Recreation & Tourism, and Criminology.

Feeding over 700 people in our planned 30 minute lunch break was a bit of a challenge, but we did it and now we are looking forward to hosting another First Nations University-College for a Day next year.

Child & Youth Care First Nations students lead students in fun and games at Cowichan First Nations open house March 14.



Malaspina wins award for Milner Gardens & Woodlands

Malaspina University-College was recently awarded the British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects 'Community Service Award' for the Milner Gardens and Woodland preservation. Director Jim Cadwaladr attended the Society's dinner in Vancouver to accept the award that recognizes "an agency that has made major advances in the design, planning and management of place, has demonstrated innovation in that work, and has shown respect for and consideration of the landscape Architecture Profession."

"This is a significant award of formal recognition for what Malaspina University-College, the Milner Gardens and Woodland Society, staff, students and volunteers have achieved through hard work, cooperative spirit and passion for this project," said Malaspina President Rich Johnston.

The Discovery Room hosts Robbie Burns Night

By Gord Johnson

On Friday, February 1, the Discovery Room hosted a Robbie Burns dinner. The initial idea came from Dr. Ray Siemens (English), whose University of Alberta English professor Raymond Grant is a published expert on all things relating to bard Robbie Burns.

Ray and his wife flew out for the event, which was co-produced by Malaspina's Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management programs. Malaspina's resident Scot, Alec Rennie of Ayr, was indispensable in advising both myself, and Chef Daniel Rigollet, as neither of us had ever participated in such an event.



(We have now changed Daniel's last name to "MacRigollet".)

Single malt flowed along with Burns' poetry. The haggis, which was air-freighted all the way from Brentwood Bay, was presented "à la nouvelle cuisine." By doing so, only one stubborn Scotsman was offended. Most importantly of all, our students gained valuable experience by participating in such a unique cultural event.

Piper Zac Spry pipes in the haggis, carried by chef Daniel Rigollet, in the Discovery Room hosting of Robbie Burns Night Friday, February 1.

Mariners Athletics sports another great year

By Bruce Hunter

The Women's Volleyball team won the gold medal at the BCCAA Provincial Championships and almost won the first place gold medal at the National Championships held March 14 to 17 in Grande Prairie, Alberta. The women lost to the FX Garneau Elans of Quebec City in a tremendous down-to-the-wire battle, losing 21-19 in the fifth game of the finals. Knowledgeable Grand Prairie spectators said this match was the most exciting finish they had ever seen. Head coaches Shane Hyde and Craig Letourneau did a great job in taking the team to this high level of competition.

Nadine Bouvette and Nolana Nichols teamed up to win the silver medal in Women's doubles at the CCAA National Badminton Championships. This is an excellent result for Nadine and Nolana.

The Women's Basketball team won the bronze medal at the BCCAA Provincial Championships which caps an outstanding tournament with a win over arch rivals, University College of the Cariboo. Head Coach Vivian Kingdon was very happy with the team's play during the championships.

The Men's Volleyball team finished first in league play and won the bronze medal at the Provincial Championships defeating the College of the Rockies in the medal game. First year Head Coach Tony Sodaro had an excellent first year with the team and is looking forward to an even better one next year.

If you would like more information about the Mariners feel free to give me a call or visit our website at: www.mala.bc.ca/www/mariners/.

The coveted Snap-On jacket goes to...

Pat Berrevoits (centre) Chev-Olds won the coveted Snap-On Tools jacket as the MVTP (most valuable team player) amongst his fourth year automotive apprenticeship students.

What makes the award particularly gratifying for Pat is the fact that his fellow classmates selected him for the award.

Dave Wiens (right) of Budget Brake and Muffler received the runner up award of a brake systems manual.

The awards were made possible through the generosity of Chuck Clara (left) of Snap-On Tools, Nanaimo, B.C.

Glen Galloway, apprentice instructor said, "All participants in this fourth year program had a good chance of winning. I'm glad I didn't have to make the final decision. I'd just like to congratulate all the students on their successful completion of their apprenticeship."



2002, 2002, 2002...

In case you missed it, 8:02 pm on February 20 of this year was an historic moment. At that moment in time, on that specific date, something happened that hasn't occurred for 1,001 years and will never happen again.

For the minute of 8:02 pm Wednesday, February 20, time, for 60 seconds only, read in perfect symmetry backwards and forwards. It was 2002; 2002; 2002, or to be more precise - 20:02:20/02:2002 using the European standard for dates (dd/mm).

The last occasion that time read in such a symmetrical pattern was long before the days of the digital watch and the 24-hour clock - at 10.01am on January 10, 1001. And, because the clock only goes up to 23:59, it is something that will never happen again.

The 17th Annual Oyster Festival Extravaganza

When: Friday, April 19, 6pm

Where: Brooks Great Hall, Powell River

What: Oysters, Mussels, Clams, Fruit & Cheese plate and No Host Bar

For more information call Robin Murray at (604) 483-7967.

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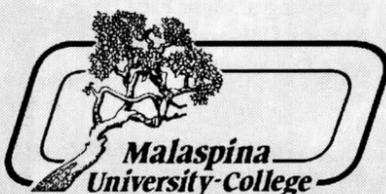
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If you would like to join McLotto or would like more information, please call Guy Dolron at local 2724.

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