The University of Victoria continued its Olympic tradition at the Beijing Olympic Games and Paralympic Games with 22 UVic students. Vikes alumni and staff took part in the competition and winning medals for Canada.

In rowing, Vikes alumni Adam Krovk and Kevin Light won gold medals in the men’s eight. Alumnus Mike Lewis took bronze in the men’s lightweight four. Alumnae Sarah Brunowsky, Darcy Marquardt, Romina Stefanic and Buffy Williams were women’s eight finalists. Alumnus Rachel delong and Anna Marie de Zwager rowed in the women’s quadruple sculls. Alumna Lindsay Jennerich competed in the women’s lightweight double. Howie Campbell and Al Morrow were in Beijing as rowing coaches and Vikes alumni Adam Parfitt was rowing manager.

In swimming, student Ryan Cochrane took the bronze medal in the men’s 1500m freestyle. Vikes alumni Rick Say was a finalist in the men’s 4x100m freestyle relay. And student Stephanie Dixon will compete in the Paralympics, Sept 6–17.

In track and field, Vikes staff member Brent Fouger served as assistant coach. And Ingrid Ruys, also of the Vikes staff, was track and field manager.

In kayaking, UVic student Ryan Cuthbert competed in the K-2 doubles 1000m. Alumna Monica Pinette competed in the women’s modern pentathlon.

And competing in mountain biking were alumni Greer Kabush and Catharine Pendrel.

Congratulations one and all.

UVic salutes its Olympians
The university has also consulted with on-campus groups, residents associations, community organizations and local municipalities.

The process included initiating ongoing surveys of the size and distribution of the feral rabbit population in specific areas of campus.

"By understanding the population densities we'll be able to explore a number of non-lethal control methods, such as vegetation modifications, to try to manage rabbit activities in key areas such as the athletic fields. These methods will be investigated in the coming months, in consultation with internal and external stakeholder groups and volunteers. The public awareness campaign is the first step.

Connelly stresses that the university is not in a position to make a significant financial contribution to this issue. "The university cannot justly divert substantial funding from its educational mission to deal with what is, in reality, a community-wide issue." For more information, visit www.uvic.ca/rabbits.

Enjoy the rabbits, but don't feed, touch or harass them.

Sure they're cute, but they're not pets. They're wildlife. This is the main message behind a public awareness campaign being launched by the University of Victoria. The goal is to change the way people view and interact with feral rabbits on campus.

"Rabbits will have a continued presence on the UVic campus, but the status quo is not an option," says Neil Connelly, UVic's director of campus planning and sustainability. "The university is developing a long-term rabbit management plan that is based on a significant shift in how we behave around them."

UVic is well known for its feral rabbits, which are pets or descend- ants of pets abandoned on campus by members of the community. Although many people on and off-campus enjoy the presence of the rabbits, their activities can have a significant impact on human health and safety (the risk of catastrophic injury to athletes from rabbit holes, for example, or disease spread by rabbit feces), and on plants and property.

The public awareness campaign is aimed at eliminating further abandon- ment of unwanted pet rabbits, reduc- ing human-provided food sources for rabbits, and preventing harassment of and cruelty to rabbits.

"Feeding the rabbits helps push their numbers toward an unmanage- able level, and the leftovers are creat- ing a ready food source for a growing population. Feeding rabbits also increases the risk of rabbit bites and the tetanus that could result. Like other wildlife, rabbits must forage for their food to survive," says Connelly.

The awareness campaign also cautions people to not handle or pet the rabbits, and reminds dog owners that their pets are to be kept on leach and under control at all times when on campus. As wildlife, feral rabbits are protected by federal and provincial legislation from acts of harassment and cruelty.

Since late 2007 the university has been gathering information on rabbit-related damage and safety concerns, on the significance of rabbits to UVic's sense of community and external image, and on feral animal manage- ment issues in other jurisdictions. The student support

By Melanie Tromp

Up to 400 first-year residence dwellers are determined to reach new heights this autumn, having signed on to partic- ipate in the University of Victoria's first-ever Peak UVic life and study skills program.

"Lots of universities do something like a 'Residency 101' and the idea behind Peak UVic is similar, but we're hoping that ours covers a bit more ground content-wise," explains Michelle Maynard, coordinator of residence programs at UVic's ResLife office.

"It should help make that transition easier from high school to university, and it covers topics that will help first-year students be more successful in both their classes and life choices." This year's program, co-partnered with Counselling Services, will explore a number of topics that range from exam prep and campus community-building to sexuality and personal wellness.

"The course will be comprised of 10 professional workshops, each nine hours long, and an equal number of small workshop-style group projects to complement the learning objectives of each week's topic."

"The smaller study groups will be organized according to the particular classes a student is taking academi- cally—we're hoping to really connect with the academics so that they have a deeper understanding of Peak UVic residence," explains Maynard.

Dr. Jennifer White, a faculty member in the School of Child and Youth Care, is one of several academics taking the plunge with Peak UVic this fall, part- nering with UVic counselor Rita Knodel and graduate student Jenny Morris to deliver a lecture aimed at creating an open campus community.

"It's a one-hour workshop, but we're looking for more of an active conversation, with students sharing their experiences of being part of a community," explains White, adding that her research has shown that feel- ings of connectedness and belonging reduce student stress.

Maynard cites the results of a smaller program organized by UVic counselor Joe Parsons called "Doing Well, Being Well" as the inspiration to finally create an expanded version for first-year resident students.

"Students who completed Parsons' program stay at UVic, a higher per- centage completed their degree and achieved higher grades," says Maynard. "This program will help parents help their students out in the long run."

Peak UVic will begin during the first full week of classes in September at a nominal cost of $60 per student to cover the cost of course materials and photocopying.

More at: http://web.uvic.ca/Peak uvic/

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The latest flicker is the food crisis. Experts attribute its presence to the growing population, climate change, soil over-use, the growing middle class, and high oil prices. Yet how do economists, politicians and nongovernmental organizations propose to address the crisis? Instead of dealing with the underlying problems, they commit billions in food aid and focus on new irrigation systems and the use of ferti- lizers in Africa. The warnings and the elephant's terrors grow stronger, yet we do nothing. The elephant represents our con- sumption habits, our daily behaviours and way of life. We maintain a per- plexing disconnect between these behav- iours and the looming catastrophic socio- economical issues. Political bodies shift focus to the food crisis, as if this problem were isolated from other crises. But the food crisis is only one symptom, and indicating the elephant fully will require consid- ering these crises collectively. For instance, the food shortage is partly due to the subsidization of biofuel, which is masking the primary source of the elephant: poverty, the root cause of environmental degradation. In the past, we've relied on tech- nology to avoid radically changing our population swelling, symptoms are becoming multi-dimensional and one band-aid solution contradicts another. The room is getting smaller and the elephant is getting bigger, yet we still do not want to acknowledge the latter exists. We fear the discomfort of looking the beast in the eye, the discomfort that's involved in changing our habits and way of life. The longer we wait, the more painful the beast's stampede and the more irreversible its growth. It is time to face the elephant and look ourselves in the eye by taking responsibility for our contribution to these crises.

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The board of governors is one of two primary governing bodies of the university. It is responsible for the maintenance and construction of buildings, the employment of personnel and, on the recommendation of senate, the establishment of faculties, departments and programs. The board also administers university assets and approves the university budget framework.

**RAY PROTTI, CHAIR — ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
A University of Alberta graduate with a BA and MA in economics, Protti was previously president and CEO of the Canadian Bankers Association. Before that, his positions in the federal public service included director of the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service, deputy minister of Agriculture and Agri-food and of Labour Canada. Protti chaired the board of the Institute of Corporate Directors’ Corporate Governance College and co-founded the International Banking Federation. He has served on the boards of many non-for-profit and arts organizations, including Ryerson University, St. Joseph’s Health Care Foundation, Toronto Community Foundation, Opera Lyra Ottawa and Theatrefront.

**SUSAN MEHINAGIC, VICE-CHAIR — ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Mehinagic holds a BSc (hons) from Queen’s University and an LLB from the University of Victoria. A chartered accountant and a registered trust and estate practitioner, she is the managing partner of the Victoria office of Grant Thornton Chartered Accountants. She practices in the field of personal and corporate taxation with a focus on estate and succession planning and the not-for-profit sector, including structuring of not-for-profit for donation matters. Mehinagic is a director of the Queen’s Foundation and was a member of the Greater Victoria Hospitals Foundation from 1998 to 2004, retiring as chair. She is currently chair of the University of Victoria Foundation and the Foundation for the University of Victoria.

**DAVID TUPKIN, PRESIDENT**
Tupkin is the University of Victoria’s sixth president and vice-chancellor. Under his leadership, UVic has adopted a strategic plan as well as a campus plan, UVic has grown in size and in stature, student financial assistance has more than doubled, sponsored research funding reached more than $100 million in the last academic year, and the university leads NEXFUSE Canada and the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions. Tupkin is a well-recognized scholar in plant biochemistry and physiology. The president is an ex-officio member of the Board of Governors.

**RONALD LOU-POY, CHANCELLOR**
Lou-Poy is a graduate of Victoria College, holds a commerce degree and a law degree from UVic, and is currently senior partner with Grossman Raman & Co. of Victoria. He has been UVic’s chancellor since January 2000 and has served two terms on the board of governors. Lou-Poy’s many community involvements include the Kiwanis Club and the United Way. He is a member of the Order of Canada, a freeman of the University of Victoria, member of the Order of British Columbia and has received numerous honours and awards.

**JANE BUTLER MCGREGOR — ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Butler McGregor currently serves as executive director of the Victoria Conservatory of Music. Prior to this she served on the board of directors of Pacific Opera Victoria before stepping into an interim executive director during a transitional period. Previously she lived in the United States for 13 years where she helped found two new non-profit organizations and served on the boards of several others. Before moving to the US she served as corporate director of human resources for the Jim Pattison Group in Vancouver after managing related staff and VIP services for Expo 86. She has a BA in psychology from the University of British Columbia.

**PETE CICERI—ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Ciceri is president of Custom House Global Foreign Exchange. An experienced corporate director and senior executive, he was lead director and chairman of Sierra Wireless from 1991 to 2006. In addition, Ciceri served previously as president and managing director of Compaq Canada Inc. and held senior posts with Hewlett Packard Asia Pacific Ltd. and Japan Unisys. In 1999, he was named one of Canada’s top 10 “IT influencers” by the National Post and one of the country’s top 100 business executives. Ciceri serves on the Premier’s Technology Council of BC, and holds a BA in economics from the University of Victoria and an MA in counseling psychology from the University of British Columbia. He is an alumni representational on the board.

**JOHN DE EVANS—ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Evans is an experienced real estate developer and the principal of Trilogy Properties Corp., headquartered in Vancouver. He has guided many major real estate projects in Canada and the US over the past two decades. Trilogy, which Evans founded in 1991, is active in real estate development, acquisition and asset management in Vancouver and Victoria and the Fraser Valley. During its initial 16 years, Trilogy developments were valued at more than $250 million, including the Westin Grand Hotel and OPUS hotels in downtown Vancouver and Whistler’s Marketplace. Evans holds a commerce degree from the University of British Columbia.

**TONY GAGE—ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Gage holds a BA in economics from the University of Victoria and an MBA (Finance) from the University of British Columbia. A chartered financial analyst (CFA), Gage is a director of PIP Investments and Sky Investment Council and head of the management committee of JA Pension System Solutions. He is a past chair of the board of the Phillips, Hage and North Investment Management. His career at Phillips, Hage and North spanned more than 20 years including five years as president and chief executive officer. He is a member of the Association of Investment Management and Research (AIMR) and an accredited charteried director (MCIF).

**ROBERT GROUX—ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Groux is chair of the Canadian Council for Learning and a prominent advocate for higher education in Canada. From 1995 to 2004, he served as president and CEO of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada in Ottawa. He was also a force behind the creation of the Canada Foundation of Innovation and the Canada Research Chairs program. Prior to joining the AUCIC, Groux held senior posts in the federal public service including secretary of the Treasury Board and president of the Public Service Commission. Groux holds a BSc and an MSc from the University of Ottawa. He has received honorary degrees from seven universities, including UVic.

**LYDIA HWITSON—ORDER-IN-COUNCIL APPOINTEE**
Hwitosum is serving a third term as the elected chief of Cowichan Tribes. She was a member of the First Nations Summit Political Executive from 2002 to 2004. Since 2000, Hwitosum has worked for Indigenous and women’s rights at the United Nations. She attended the Beijing Plus Five conference and the first sitting of the permanent forum for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and served on the board of the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development. Herit- sum holds an LLB, a Certificate in Administration of Aboriginal Government and a Diploma in Public Sector Management from UVic. She also studied Native law and conflict resolution.

**CAITLIN MEGGS—ELECTED STUDENT MEMBER**
Meggs is a chair of the University of Victoria Student’s Society, having previously served as an academic director. She has been an active volunteer for Common Energy, a climate change organization, working on a Local Food dinner and bringing the campus beyond climate neutral. She is a member of the Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group coordinating committee and was a volunteer coordinator for the Canadian Blood services on campus. She has served on the provincial executive of the BC Canadian Federation of Students and on many UVic committees. She is a fourth-year student in political science and environmental studies who transferred from McGill University.

**RICHARD PARK—ELECTED STUDENT MEMBER**
Park is an undergraduate biology student at UVic. During his time at UVic, he has contributed to university life in many ways, including as a student senator (2006/07), as a member of the UVES Board of Directors, and as a member of UVic’s Planning and Priorities Committee and numerous other committees. In addition, he has participated in numerous sports and recreational activities and volunteered with campaigns and events including the Canadian Federation of Student’s Day of Action, the BC UVic Wii Role Play campus and other University of Victoria Students’ Society events.

**CHRIS PETER—ELECTED STAFF MEMBER**
Peters has held a variety of positions as a professional librarian and archivist at UVic since 1975. For the majority of his UVic career he has worked in the Libraries’ Special Collections and Archives and most recently with digital projects. A UVic alumna (1976), he served on the Alumnae Association executive and as alumnus representative to senate (1989/1992). Most recently, Peters has served as president of the Confederation of University Faculty Associations of BC, where he led the campaign for the removal of mandatory retirement, and lobbied for implementation of the Campus 2020 report and to increase core funding for BC universities.

**ERIC SAGER—ELECTED FACULTY MEMBER**
A member of the UVic’s Department of History since 1981, Sager is a historian of Canada and author of nine books and over 40 articles. He was director of the Canadian Families Project, a SSHFR major collaborative research initiative, and is a co-investigator with the CIF-funded Canadian Century Research Infrastructure Project. Chair of the history department from 2000 to 2005, he has also served on the Faculty Association executive, the University Review Committee, the Campus Development Committee, and the Humanities Faculty Advisory Committee. Since 1996 he has written 18 articles in post-secondary education for the Victoria Colonist. Sager has a PhD from the University of British Columbia.

**BARRABA WHITTINGTON—ELECTED FACULTY MEMBER**
Whittington is an associate professor who has served as director of the Social Work Social, faculty coordinator of the UVic’s Faculty Centre, university ombud, and was the university’s first human rights (harassment) director. He helped founded the Canadian Association for the Prevention of Discrimination and Harassment in Higher Education and was appointed to the Judicial Appointments Advisory Committee for the selection of Supreme Court Justices on BC. Whittington’s research and community interests centre on issues of grandparents raising grandchildren, social justice and school restorative justice practices. She received the Alumni Award for Teaching Excellence and most recently the UVic Women’s Recognition Award.
This past June, we were privileged to represent Canada at the first annual Kyoto Environmental Summit in Kyoto, Japan. The summit involved over 50 students from 11 different countries who share a common passion for the environment, and it provided a platform for us to engage in valuable dialogue and debate. We were selected as two of six students from Canada through an online application process where we were required to demonstrate our involvement with green projects both on campus and within the community. Since we both possess a keen interest in environmental sustainability, we jumped at the opportunity to participate in a global event to learn more about current environmental issues and develop action plans to combat global climate change.

The three-and-a-half day conference was tightly scheduled and we found ourselves getting less than five hours of sleep each night. It began with a welcome reception where we were all dressed in traditional Japanese clothing. This was a unique experience for us and truly reflected the Japanese respect and admiration for their traditional culture. The next two days involved heated discussion sessions focused on solutions for greening campuses, and we were fascinated to learn what other universities are doing to achieve sustainable campus communities.

A tour of the Kyocera plant offered an opportunity to see first-hand the energy saving technology that is helping to conserve our natural resources. Together with the rest of the Canadian team, we created and presented a section of the conference proposal, and publicly represented our subcommittee through various forms of media. We were thrilled to be part of this unique experience for us and truly reflected the respect and admiration for our traditional culture.

Students contribute to Kyoto environmental summit

The noon-hour feast at the Esquimalt Adult Orientation Programs which are involved making large-scale presentations on the subcommittee's behalf, revising and editing the student proposal, and publicly representing our subcommittee through various forms of media.

The major outcome of the summit was a student proposal which was presented to the Oil Leaders Hokkaido Summit in Toyako in July. We helped divide the proposal into three major sections based on the 3-C Principles of Conserve, Create and Collaborate. We made major contributions to the Conserve and Collaborate sections and provided specific examples of green initiatives and projects that UVic has successfully implemented, including several projects that the Business Sustainability Club organized last year.

At the summit we youth delegates all came together to establish the International Student Environmental Network (ISEN), a platform for students to share ideas and knowledge about sustainability actions to help us work together to combat climate change. Overall, this was an amazing opportunity and experience that we will both remember for a very long time. It was our first international conference and provided us with deep insight into other countries’ cultures and sustainability initiatives.

The conference has inspired us to continue interacting with students from around the world and strive to create a sustainable world together. The demanding nature of our leadership role before and during the summit has provided us with a valuable skill set that will greatly contribute to our academic and career goals. We both hope to pursue master's degrees in sustainable business and continue our environmental work.

The bank's gift will strengthen our relationship with over 600 Aboriginal students at the UVic's Co-operative Education (CAfCE). The award seeks to increase our understanding of the 3-C Principles of Conserve, Create and Collaborate. It was selected from among new insights and observations of interest and that represents a significant contribution to the field.

The 2007/08 Dr. Graham Branton Research Award from the Canadian Association for Co-operative Education (CAfCE) recognizes significant contributions to scholarly research in co-operative education from CAfCE members and is named in honour of Dr. Graham Branton, the program's longest-serving director, who dedicated 17 years to the development of the UVic's Co-operative Education Program. Van Gyn has written a chapter on co-operative education research and internships and has been contributing to co-operative education research worldwide for more than 20 years.

Dr. Geraldine Van Gy's exercise science, physical and health education has received the 2007/08 Dr. Graham Branton Research Award from the Canadian Association for Co-operative Education (CAfCE). The award recognizes significant contributions to scholarly research in co-operative education from CAfCE members and is named in honour of Dr. Graham Branton, the program's longest-serving director, who dedicated 17 years to the development of the UVic's Co-operative Education Program. Van Gy has written a chapter on co-operative education research and internships and has been contributing to co-operative education research worldwide for more than 20 years.
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GOING WITH THE WIND

BY TARA SHARPE

Curran Crawford is not afraid of a little wind. Air in all its gusty glory is as necessary to his research as it is to the wings of an airplane.

Crawford, a faculty member in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, designs rotor blades for wind generators. “Back in the days when ships moved by sail alone, seafarers relied on the wind to bring them home,” says Crawford. “I think wind is going to show us the way once more, at least as one reliable option for renewable and sustainable energy.”

Not that long ago, Crawford was a graduate student studying aerodynamic wing design for aircraft, but soon altered course to a cleaner use of energy.

While a PhD student at Cambridge University, he developed the sophisticated computer modeling system which is now at the core of his current research at UVic.

Crawford has a one-metre blade sitting on his office desk built from coordinates supplied to a UK company that manufactures small wind turbines for individual homes and farms. He’s currently working on several other proposals, including a possible project with a Québec company that manufactures one- to two-megawatt machines, each with the capacity to supply 1,000 homes with power.

An upcoming addition to his lab will be a nifty gizmo with a complicated name—a “rapid prototyping machine.” Its action is similar to piping decorations onto a cake: Crawford enters a particular set of coordinates and the machine spits out a small plastic test blade.

The real deal is much larger, generally measuring between 25 and 50 metres in length, and made out of wood, fibreglass or carbon composites. These massive blades are usually mounted in pairs or as a trio on towers that can reach up to 150 metres high. The blades turn a shaft that powers a generator, which produces the electricity.

The world’s biggest wind-energy producers are Germany, the US, Spain, Britain and Denmark. In Canada, Québec and Alberta are the leaders, but BC has lagged behind. That may soon change, predicts Crawford.

“Our province has a deeply entrenched hydro power legacy from the 1970s,” he says, “but with a growing population and a concurrent rise in energy demand, wind is ready for the taking.”

There are criticisms related to wind farms, including concerns about noise, bird migratory paths, Aboriginal traditional lands, private-interest investment and taxpayer subsidy. These issues can be addressed with responsible development and siting, says Crawford.

The variable power from wind generation is not necessarily difficult to address either. “Consumers usually require the most energy in the coldest months, when the wind is fiercest,” says Crawford. “And we can store three years’ worth of hydro-electric energy to fill in the ‘gaps’ during less windy times of the day or year,” Crawford explains.

Location is crucial. According to Crawford, prime sites are on hilltops in remote areas or out at sea, both of which are far from the transmission grid and hard to access.

Emerging initiatives include a wind project near Chetwynd in the Peace River district, a wind park near Dawson Creek, a wind farm near Prince Rupert and a potential island project in Hecate Strait.

“We seem to be taking a leadership role in BC on a number of fronts with respect to global change and sustainability,” says Crawford. “Let’s not wait to power a societal transition to a sustainable future.”

Come turn your ideas into action.

THE PATH TO SUSTAINABILITY:
Campus Consultation Sessions

UVic’s Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability wants your ideas to help make our campus a sustainable one. We are in the middle of a year-long process to create the university’s first Sustainability Policy and Action Plan.

Please join us for a consultation session to discuss your ideas, find out what is already happening, and help us plan for the future. Your feedback will be incorporated into the sustainability policy and action plan. Now is a good time to make a difference.

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Using wind as a viable source of energy is more than just a lot of hot air

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

Music 12:30 p.m. Linder at Lunch. An exploration of the German Lieder repertoire with Sharon and Harold Kins. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. 250-721-7904

FRIDAY, SEPT. 12

Music 12:30 p.m. Friday Musichday. School of Music students in a program for various instruments. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. Admission by donation. 250-721-7904

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

Landowne Lecture 4:30 p.m. The Influence of Bartok’s String Quartets on My Own Compositions. Zolt Jeney (Liszt Academy, Budapest). Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. 250-721-7904

Music 6 p.m. Legacy of Bartok Conference. Bartok’s String Quartets: Tradition and Legacy. Lafayette String Quartet. Works by Bartok, Beethoven, Bartok and Jeney. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. 519, 250-721-7904

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17

Other 10 a.m. Business Co-op and Career Fair. Find out more about co-op and career possibilities and meet representatives from companies and organizations. Student Union, Michelle Papul Room. Info: www.coopsuvic.ca, 250-721-6400


FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

Symposium 9 a.m. Bartok’s String Quartets. Tradition and Legacy. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sunday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. Info: http://rhetoric.uvic.ca/music/rebut-al/bartak/index.html. 250-721-7904

Other 10 a.m. Path to Sustainability Campus Consultation Session. Help create UVic’s first Sustainability Policy and Action Plan. Strong Building Cool. Info: nromine@uvic.ca

Music 12:30 p.m. Friday Musichday. School of Music students. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. Admission by donation. 250-721-7904

Music 1:30 p.m. Open Auralanalysis. Lafayette String Quartet and Landowne guest composer. Zl Jeney, Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. 250-721-7904

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Music 12:30 p.m. Piano Master Class. With Colin Tilney. Phillip T. Young Recital Hall, MacLaurin B125. Admission by donation. 250-721-7904

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Lecture/Seminar 4:30 p.m. Thinking of the World in 16th Century Western India. DerryMacLaurin, SFU Engineering/Computer Science 124. 250-721-6425

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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Sebastian Picard, third-year physics and mathematics student, is UVic’s first Killam Fellow. He is one of only 30 North American post-secondary students to win the prestigious award this year and will use his $50,000 fellowship to study for a semester at Clemson University in South Carolina. The bilingual Picard is taking a combined honours physics and mathematics program at UVic. While he’s still uncertain about a post-graduation focus, he’s interested in medical physics. This is the first year UVic has participated in the Killam Fellowship Program, administered by the Foundation for Educational Exchange between Canada and the United States of America.

Ian Madison, a second-year student in political science, is one of five inaugural recipients of the Premier’s One World Scholarships. Worth $20,000 and funded by an endowment established by the BC government, they support students wishing to pursue study abroad. Madison has volunteered or worked in India, Egypt, Israel and Norway and has travelled extensively, including a year-long bicycle trip across South America. He plans to pursue his interest in European studies by enrolling in political science and Danish at the University of Copenhagen.
University mourns slain student

Members of the university community were shocked and saddened at the death of UVic student Philbert Truong, who was shot and killed July 19 in Cadboro Bay.

The shooting took place on View Street sometime after the closing of the Red Jacket nightclub, where the 20-year-old third-year psychology student had been with friends earlier. Two other young men were also shot and later treated in hospital.

Victoria police arrested two men, aged 22 and 36, who have been charged with first-degree murder and two counts of attempted murder.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF KRISTI FALCONER might include meeting with students with a hearing loss, arranging contracts with professional sign language interpreters, or collaborating with another department to ensure events are accessible and deaf-friendly.

Falconer, who began working for UVic in September 2005, is the interpreter coordinator and a student advisor in the Resource Centre for Students with a Disability. She is the primary liaison for students who require accommodation based on their hearing loss. She works to provide such accommodations as sign language interpreters, oral interpreters or captioning services for faculty who have a student who is deaf or hard of hearing in their course.

A sign language interpreter interprets everything heard in the classroom into American Sign Language (ASL) and any comments or questions the deaf student has signed into English. An oral interpreter assists students who use hearing aids and rely on lip-reading. For captioning services, UVic is among several institutions in BC that provide TypeWell transcription services. TypeWell transcription is seamless and anonymous, with the transcriber typing into a laptop wirelessly connected to the student's laptop. The student is able to sit wherever she or he wants without worrying about trying to lip-read a faculty member who paces back and forth, has a heavy accent or a beard and mustache.

"In an ideal world, all courses would be universally designed to be accessible to every student on our campus," says Falconer.

"I am a graduate student fellow who makes an outstanding contribution to the life of the centre. Moira spent her final years at home in the care of her close and loving family, who were the great joy of her life. Memorial contributions to the Moira Hill Book Prize fund may be made care of the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society. Contributed by Leslie Kenny, Centre for Studies in Religion and Society.

In memoriam

Moira Hill died on July 10, following a courageous battle with cancer. Moira joined the team at the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society in 1998, after working for a time at the Centre on Aging. For eight years she served as CSRS' senior secretary, a role she performed with expert competence and a deep sense of purpose and caring. Moira had personal warmth in abundance. All were welcomed and made to feel important. As the centre grew during this period and gained in reputation, so many faculty members, students and scholars across Canada and internationally came to associate the CSRS with the friendly and efficient service she provided. Moira took a special interest in the graduate students who held fellowships at the centre, always ready with a smile and a kind word to ease the hardships of graduate life. In recognition of this, the Moira Hill Graduate Student Book Prize was established in 2006, to be awarded each year to a graduate student fellow who makes an outstanding contribution to the life of the centre. Moira spent her final years at home in the care of her close and loving family, who were the great joy of her life. Memorial contributions to the Moira Hill Book Prize fund may be made care of the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society.