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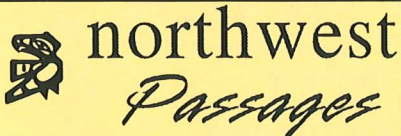
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Staff News

Fred Adair is busy for the next six months coordinating/instructing in the *Forest Worker* program in our Eastern region.

Christopher Brown hired in the *ABE* department, Prince Rupert.

Christine Higginson has been hired part-time to work in the *Payroll* and *Personnel* departments of College Services.

Donald Hill fills the position of *Science Lab Technician Aide*. Donald will be working with Bonnie Weinand in the Science Lab, Terrace.

Elizabeth Ness has been hired to fill the position in the *Accounting Department* as *Thorine Steinkampf* recently resigned. Thorine is now devoting all her time to her latest "full-time" position....attending to baby, Jonathan.

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Welcome to this edition....

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Staff News continued....

Ross Nicholson will teach Biology/Geography in the *Natural Resources* program in Terrace.

David Weaver fills the position of Coordinator/Instructor in the *Forest Technology* program in Hazelton.

Addressing Child Care in the Northwest

What is THE CHILD CARE ACCESS PROJECT at NWCC all about, and, what are Karen Chrysler's top priorities as Regional Coordinator?

FACT:

A study by Human Resource Development Canada showed that 42% of their sponsored students who drop out say it is because of a breakdown in childcare arrangements!

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#1

Increasing access to Childcare for student parents by:

- operating a child care access service in Terrace and Prince Rupert during Fall/Winter registration.
- developing child care binders (which contain information on subsidy, choosing quality care, types of child care etc.) to go to all training institutions in the region and those concerned with training (education co-ordinators, high school counsellors, Canada Employment Centres, College Educational Advisors, etc).
- developing a brochure on student parents looking for childcare.
- developing posters on how to choose quality child care.
- creating a series of "fast fact sheets on child care" for regional distribution.
- writing employers in the region regarding ways they can become more "family friendly".
- making presentations to the Terrace and District Labour Council regarding facts on childcare so they can raise it with employers at the bargaining table.
- writing articles for newspapers throughout the region on the types of child care available and how to choose quality care.
- writing a brief to the child care policy team regarding licensing and issues within our northern communities.
- support to student parents by hosting a student parent pizza night on Terrace campus.
- collecting data on the needs of student parents.

FACT:

In our Skeena Health Unit region, there are 20,204 children under the age of 12. There are only 621 licensed childcare spaces available. Where are the other 19,583 children?

#2

Strengthening the Child Care Network by:

- creating regional linkages by bringing together those people interested and involved in training and childcare.
- writing proposals to various funders regarding early childhood education training needs.
- writing a report on the regional childcare needs and strategies to increase access and increase the number of licensed child care spaces.
- making community visits to assist in child care meetings and outreach with family daycare courses.

For more information on Child Care Access contact Karen Chrysler, Regional Childcare Access Co-ordinator, Northwest Community College, Terrace, 635-6511, Local 5290.

Happy Halloween!



YOUR NEWS IS IMPORTANT!

Submission deadline to **NORTHWEST PASSAGES** is the 1st Friday in the month. Don't miss getting your news included.....mark these publication deadlines for submissions on your calendar today.

Nov. 3rd -- Dec. 1st -- Jan. 5th
Feb. 2nd -- March 1st -- April 4th
(April 5th is Good Friday)
May 3rd & June 7th.

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Congratulations on a Job Well Done!

Ada Sarsiat, ABE Instructor in Terrace has just completed her Masters Degree in Adult Education from St. Francis Xavier University. She finished her degree in record time while continuing to work full time. **WAY TO GO ADA!!!**

Child Care Centre Officially Opens

The *Terrace Campus Child Care Centre* is open for business! As of September, the centre is providing services to a total of 56 children. There is an Under Three's Program (18 months - 3 years) and an Over Three's Program (3-5 years). There are five full-time and one part-time staff.

An "Open House Reception" was held on Friday, September 22. Approximately 40 college employees, board members, and invited dignitaries turned out for the occasion.

Fundraising activities are a fact of life for daycare centres. Licensing regulations and the standards for quality care mean strict staff-child ratios. This means operating costs for centres are quite high and are not fully covered by parent fees.

Yes, the Terrace Childcare Centre is no different and is in need of funding and will be embarking on a series of fundraising activities over the course of the year and we are counting on you to take part.

We had a 50/50 Draw at our "Reception" and raised \$301.00. The winner, Rocque Berthiaume won \$155.50 and donated the money back to the Centre. Thank you Rocque and thanks to all of the participants who generously donated!

- Terrace Campus Childcare Committee

Bye for Now

Eleanor Dacey's last day in *Access Services* was September 29th. Eleanor added a lot of spice at the registration counter and her future goal is to become honorary saleswoman of the year.

Eleanor, we are going to miss you lots, what will we do without you? We know the students will miss you as well. You have given them lots of support over the past year.

- Ella, Lynn, Shelley, Michael and Cindy.

We know you'll be back someday!

Authors Receive Congratulations!

The Vancouver Sun's, September 23rd edition of the "Saturday Review" published a letter to the editor from Terrace's *Social Service Worker class*. Published Authors...Congratulations!

*- Doug Foster
Instructor*

Celebration Luncheon Held

NWCC in Terrace hosted an awards luncheon on September 19th to celebrate their students scholastic achievement.

Scholarships and bursaries are made available through the generous donations of businesses, community groups and individuals.

One particular scholarship offered is the *NWCC Entrance Scholarship*. This scholarship allows secondary school students from within the college region to enter Northwest Community College through tuition reduction, or, in many cases, depending on the level of marks achieved in high school, FREE. To be eligible, applicants must have graduated from a secondary school in the Northwest College region with tuition reductions based on the average of all grade 11 and 12 courses. Students who have received an "A" average receive 100% tuition reduction, "B+" average qualifies for 75% and "B" average marks receive 50% tuition reduction.

NWCC Entrance Scholarships were awarded to the following students attending in Terrace:

University Credit

Sara Aslin
Erin Davies
Lana Geier

Steven Loptson
Robert MacLeod
Katherine Milne
Kylie Oman
Cindy Praught
Harpreet Sandhu
Chris Seltenrich
Marieke VanBeelen
Jason Yamashita

Business Administration

Wendy Vandergaag
Brad Dykstra
Gungeet Gill

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The Northern Institute for Resource Studies (NIRS) Bursary was founded to promote, encourage and advance the awareness, knowledge and appreciation of economic development in BC, particularly in the north.

The Institute awards two \$500 scholarships and four \$250 bursaries for students enrolled in Business Administration, University Transfer pre-commerce and sciences, forest technology and tourism related programs. NWCC Instructors submit nominations to the Financial Awards Committee for final selections.

The following students received an *NIRS Bursary*:

	<u>Program of Study</u>
Ruth Penninga	Bus. Admin.
Richard Heppner	"
Joe Derrick	"
Mark Allen	"
Roberta Taron	"

A \$500 award is made to students from each of the high schools in the College region. The recipient of the *Northwest Community College High School Award* must enroll at NWCC to claim this award. The selection for this award is made by the high school.

The following students received the *NWCC High School Award*:

	<u>Program of Study</u>
Shannon Hartman	U/C
Gungeet Gill	"
Kerri Hamel	"
Bryan Crampton	"

Patricia Connaughton from the *Women in Trades Technology Program (WITT)* was awarded the *Trades/Technology Instructor's Award*. She will be a student in the Commercial Transport Repair program. This award is funded by NWCC Trades/Technology instructors. The award is based on merit and nominations are submitted by the instructors.

Northwest Community College would like to congratulate all the recipients of awards and wish them every success in the future.

Call 635-6511 for information about awards or drop in to NWCC, 5331 McConnell Ave. Our hours are Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

- Ella Goodlad,
Access Services



Clear walkways and keep those lights on for the little witches and goblins who come knocking for goodies on OCTOBER 31st!

Terrace Campus Childcare Centre

invites you to an



and

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 21st

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tours! Food Sale!
Bargains Galore!

The Childcare Centre is located off Floyd Ave, far end of the Trades/Technology Building at NWCC, Terrace Campus.

NOTE:

The Childcare Centre
NEEDS DONATIONS
for the GARAGE SALE.

If you would like to donate, drop your donations off at the Childcare Centre, between 8:00am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday, up to October 20.

If you need to make special arrangements for pickup of donations, contact Tony Reddy, 635-6511, Ext. 5426.

A Warm Welcome and Lots of Activity Start the Fall Semester

Students arriving at NWCC in Terrace this September were treated to two full weeks of welcoming activities, *thanks to the efforts of the entire college community.*

Events like line dancing, a coffee house, free barbeque and four-person ski race were well attended and enjoyed by staff and students alike. Here are some of the highlights:

ABE Biology, Adult Special Education, Carpentry and Millwright students were among those who dropped in to the **"Student Success Centre Open House"** for coffee and muffins on Sept. 6. (The Centre is located across the hall from the Registration Office and houses the offices of the *Educational Advisor, Student Success Coordinator and First Nations Access Coordinator.*)

University science students **attended an orientation** hosted by **campus science faculty** on Sept. 7. The event included tips on time management, information on science courses and programs, and tours of the science labs and Learning Resource Centre.

The sunny skies and warm temperatures Sept. 7 helped make for a successful **"Welcome to Campus Barbeque"**. Students and staff enjoyed free burgers and fixings prepared by *Tony Reddy, Mark Hoefling and the cafeteria staff and students.* No doubt the food fortified everyone for the **staff vs. student softball game** later that afternoon. Staff were the victors in a competitive battle. (Students avenged the loss at a rematch game Sept. 28) *Thanks to Ian Hamilton who organized the ball games and coordinated the two week orientation schedule.*

Approximately 25 students learned a new *line dance* on September 8. **Al Levesque from Cactus Flower Dance Studio** put the group through their paces. After the dancing the **"College Knowledge draw"** ended the suspense for 40 students who had completed a short quiz about the college to enter. The winner of a college jacket was **Henry Quock** of the Adult Special Education program. Congratulations Henry!

Week Two of the fall semester started off with a **"First Nations Welcome"** organized by *First Nations Coordinator, Mae Derrick.* Special guests included **Bossy and Martii Bolton** from Kitselas and **Vera Henry** from Kitsumkalum. Participants feasted on bannock, sandwiches and soup and joined ABE student **Willie Abrahams** of the Eagle clan from Masset in a traditional dance. University Credit student **Virginia Morgan** spoke about the Hands of Many Nations artwork that she designed to welcome all students and staff to a new year of education.

On the afternoon of September 11, *Safer Campuses Coordinator, Melissa Munn* hosted a **self-defense demonstration for women.**

Anyone on campus the afternoon of September 12 likely had a good chuckle watching the **four-person ski race** between three staff teams. The polished technique of the team from F Dorm earned them a victory in that event

On September 13 there was a safer campuses video, a staff vs. student soccer game and, that evening, a **"Coffee House"** hosted by the **Racquet Centre.** *Centre manager, Ken Hawkins* organized an evening of music and coffee that was well reviewed by those who attended.

The second annual **"Community Information Fair"** introduced students to **15 community agencies** such as the Skeena Health Unit, The Volunteer Bureau and the Kermod Friendship Centre.

College representatives *Laura Biagioni, Elizabeth Snyder and Dave McKeever* were present to answer questions about financial aid, services for students with disabilities and career and educational advising respectively. Ninety-five students dropped in to to the Fair to pick up a **Welcome Wagon** coupon package, and 34 students spent a little extra time filling out a quiz to enter prize draws. Prize winners were: **Sheldon Moody, Level 4 Carpentry; Deanna Namox, Business Administration; Doris Chaval, Community Resource Worker Program; Ken Fickell, ABE; Bonnie Stephens, Social Service Worker Program; Annelise Barasso and Richard Boutin, Adult Special Education; Angela Hamel, Office Technology, Kristy Kane, Social Service Worker Program and Lillian Guno, University Credit.** Prizes ranged from a college ball hat to a lift and equipment rental package from **Shames Mt. Ski Corporation.** The winner of the grand prize of a night for two at Mt. Layton Hotsprings was **Mel Bazil**, a student in the Adult Basic Education program. Mel was one of 18 students who attended at least three orientation events and had an event calendar stamped to qualify for the grand prize draw. Congratulations Mel!

Welcome to Campus Orientation wrapped up Sept. 15 with an information and snack session for anyone interested in University Credit courses or programs. Also, over the course of the first three weeks of classes, Student Success team members *Dave McKeever,*

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Dina von Hahn and Mae Derrick made an introductory visit to most college programs to talk about their services. The group distributed over 250 copies of the booklet "Making Your Mark" a collection of study tips and strategies, which was given to students as a thank you gift for choosing NWCC.

Students in the **University Credit, Business Administration, Entry Level Trades, Community Resource Worker, Social Service Worker and Early Childhood Education** programs also participated in study skills workshops provided by the Student Success team. Judging from the comments by instructors and students these workshops were well received.

Did your class or program miss out on a visit by the Student Success Team? Please call Dina von Hahn at 5364 or Mae Derrick at 5374 if you have any questions about our services, want us to meet your students, or give them a study skills workshop, or need us to give your students their copies of Making Your Mark, should they have missed us when we made our rounds.

*- Dina Von Hahn,
Student Success Coordinator*

ECE Educators Celebrate 20 Years in the Northwest

Northwest Community College in Terrace was the venue for the recent Early Childhood Educator's Regional Conference.

Jointly sponsored by the Terrace branch of Early Childhood Educators of B.C., the Skeena Childcare Support program and the Early Childhood Education department of NWCC feel this conference is becoming an annual event attracting educators from every corner of the Northwest area.

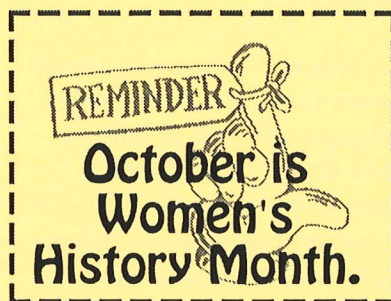
Participants attended workshops on drama, multicultural celebrations, flannel board story telling, creating outdoor play spaces for children and working with children with challenging behaviours.

Organizers of the two day event say they drew nearly 100 caregivers despite competing with a similar event held in Prince George. This is an indication of the growing number of Early Childhood Educators in the Northwest and their increasing professionalism and commitment to the field.

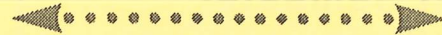
Local merchants were kept busy at a "Trades Fair" selling books, toys, games and craft materials to conference participants and they say this is a worthwhile event for them.

Robert Moore and his family shared Nisga'a stories, dancing during lunch and related one particular story about how a young boy was cared for by an Eagle, especially chosen for the occasion.

In keeping with the celebration of 20 years of Early Childhood Education the founding Coordinator, Larisa Tarwick, was honoured for her work in establishing the program in the Northwest region in 1975. She recalled the women throughout the area who supported her in her early efforts, many of whom still work in their communities providing care and support for children and their families. While much has been accomplished in the last 20 years there are still many unmet needs for children in this area and many challenges ahead for the Early Childhood field.



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Houston Centre News

Staff Hirings

Dawn Potvin has been hired for the position of **Reception/Cashier** at the Houston Centre. In addition, Dawn was recently married in early August, in Houston. Congratulations and best wishes!

The following instructors have been hired for the Fall semester: *Lucinda Clarke* is the new **Student Success/ABE Instructor**, *Rosamund Pojar* for **Biology 101**, *Harold Reedy* for **Co-op 100**, *Jay Bodie* for **Computer Science**, *Shelly Brown* for **English 151**, *Daryl Hansen* for **Surveying**, *Steven Doyle* for **Silvics & Dendrology & Intro. to Natural Resources**, *Heather McMahan* is the **Technical Assistant for Natural Resources**, *Alec Deas* will teach

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Math 161, *Tracey Strong* will instruct *Outdoor Safety*, *Rich Derooy*, *Judith McLean* and *Jeannie Johnson* for *Career Development*, *Indra Manhas* for *Career Development - Computers*, and *Twyla Hurley* will be returning to teach *Transitions*.

Welcome to all new instructors and best of luck in the year ahead!

The Learning Centre Celebrates "Grand Opening"

The Learning Centre had been abuzz with activity leading up to its "Grand Opening", which took place on September 16th. Just prior to the Grand Opening, a small ribbon cutting ceremony was conducted on Monday, September 11th. MLA Jackie Pement was present along with Morice Community Skills Centre Chairman Garry Beaudette, and Human Resource Development Representative Neil Floyd. Once the ribbon was cut and the pictures were snapped, NWCC's Houston Centre Assistant Director, Brenda Andersson led the 30 or so attendees on a tour of the facility. Questions were answered, and new equipment was tested by all. Some of the technology that was shown included a hands-on tutorial of the Jostens Invest system, a Powerpoint demonstration display using an LCD panel, and a tour through the computer network lab. The ribbon cutting was a great kick off to the festivities that lay ahead for the upcoming Grand Opening celebration.

And what a celebration it was! The weather could not have

been better, and the attendance was just as impressive!

Early morning set up by Continuing Education course instructors and staff members set the stage for the celebration. In total there were 9 informational booths of upcoming continuing education courses in "The Learning Centre" parking lot, which provided the public with a first hand look at what was coming up in the Fall semester at NWCC. It proved to be very successful, as an impressive number of registrations were taken during the day.

Now, on to the festivities! The ribbon was waiting to be cut, as the Master of Ceremonies, Al Gorley took centre stage. First on the official opening agenda was the Houston Storefront School. Saying a few words on behalf of Human Resources Development Canada was Neil Floyd, Manager of Canada Employment Centre, Smithers/Houston; followed by Ivan Thompson, Director, Eastern Region, Northwest Community College; and Dave McMillan, District Principal, Alternate Educations, School District #54. Words of encouragement, enthusiasm, and optimism were expressed by all three speakers. The overall feelings of both the speakers and the onlookers was that The Storefront School was a step in the right direction, increasing the options for our youth in achieving their educational goals.

The Learning Centre Official Opening was next on the agenda. Speaking on behalf of the various "partners" were: Sharon Smith, Counsellor, District of Houston; Michael Hill,

President, NWCC; Adrian Meeuwissen, Chair of School Trustees, School District #54; Garry Beaudette, Chair, Morice Community Skills Centre; Simon Turner, Chair, Houston Link to Learning; and Dianne Batley, student, NWCC. The word "partnership" was used frequently, and rightfully so. A strong feeling of unity and cooperation was present during the ceremony and throughout the whole afternoon. A touch of humor was added as a demonstration of "Partnership" was given by Learning Centre partners. Starring roles were played by the four musketeers - Simon Turner, Garry Beaudette, Al Pugh and Michael Hill, swords were raised, feathers were worn, and the partnership was announced to all!

Lunch and tours of the facility were given throughout the afternoon to over 600 guests. All in all, the event was deemed a great success, and kudos were given for everyone's hard work in making the day so enjoyable for everyone.

All for one and one for All!

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Bursting at the Seams

The Business Administration department in Prince Rupert is pleased to report that first year enrolments in the two year, Business Administration Diploma program has grown by 50% over last year. This popularity has created some interesting logistical difficulties.

Two students had to be removed from Mary Loy Devera's evening class just so that she could get into the room. Forty students are packed like sardines in her evening accounting class. At one point, instructors were considering suspending seats from the ceiling in order to wedge in students.

While the situation is not as cramped in other courses, a rumour that John Shepherd was going to buy pizza for all of the people in his marketing class had to be quashed before the business administration department declared bankruptcy.

Centre Honours Scholastic Achievers

Several Prince Rupert students received scholarships, bursaries and awards and were recently honoured by Prince Rupert campus.

Students receiving our *NWCC Entrance Scholarship Award* included: *Chris McLeod, Lindsay Collins, Patty Sandhu, Barrie Brown* (also received a *NWCC High School Award*), *Tracy Cornish* and *Sonia Kainth*.

Elaine Lohnes, a *Business Administration* program graduate, received the *Governor General's Collegiate Bronze Medal*, *Aniko Juhasz* the *Peter Weber Memorial Award* and *Tejinder Dhaliwal* a *NWCC High School Award*.

Congratulations to all on a job well done!

We Got'em & We're Keeping 'em

Business Administration in Prince Rupert makes great strides in student retention.

Business Administration programs at community colleges traditionally have had a high attrition rate between first and second year and the program offered at the Prince Rupert campus has epitomized this tradition. John Shepherd and George Broderick, instructors in the program, have successfully challenged this tradition and are turning learners into successful graduates in the workforce. This has been achieved by letting prospective students know what to expect in the program, ensuring that learners have the basic skills to succeed and facilitating success in the program.

The first notable change initiated is that the prospective students are required to meet with John or

George prior to entry into the program. During this meeting, learners get a realistic preview of the program and are asked about their own learning goals and expectations. If a person knows what he/she is actually getting into, success is more likely. Prospective learners are then asked to do a diagnostic test of English and Math skills. Should someone do poorly on the tests, a program of studies is developed for the student and through close ties with the ABE department, the person's basic skills are enhanced. ABE students interested in business are encouraged to take a business course prior to completion of ABE to create a smoother transition for the person. Student success workshops/sessions are actively promoted (pushed, sold, flogged) to first year students and in addition to extended availability, instructors run a variety of "help sessions".

Entry into a rigorous program can be daunting and even defeating. In order to alleviate this, most courses are now offered in a 16 week format rather than the previous eight week format with students eased into the rigor of a heavy workload. Feedback is constant, a two day turn-around for assignments is normal (the classes consist of 30-40 students) and perhaps most importantly, learners work on real work situations and assignments right from the start of the program thus increasing the apparent relevance of the course material.

The final motivator for the learners is the presence of a growing number of local graduates now progressing into responsible positions in industry following completion of the two year program.

Overall it appears that John, George and the business administration students have finally broken the attrition tradition to the benefit of the learners, industry, and the community.

*Submitted by:
Prince Rupert Centre*

Safer Campuses Newsletter

issue 1

Safer Campuses started at NWCC on August 21, 1995. Melissa Munn was hired to coordinate this initiative and is available fifteen hours per week. The mandate for this position is "to foster awareness of personal and physical safety issues for the entire College community, and provide education around those issues. Priority is to be given to programs that assist in removing barriers for women."

Short-term goals for Safer Campuses are to conduct safety audits at each campus and to review the audits that were done previously. It is hoped that these safety audits can be completed by mid-November.

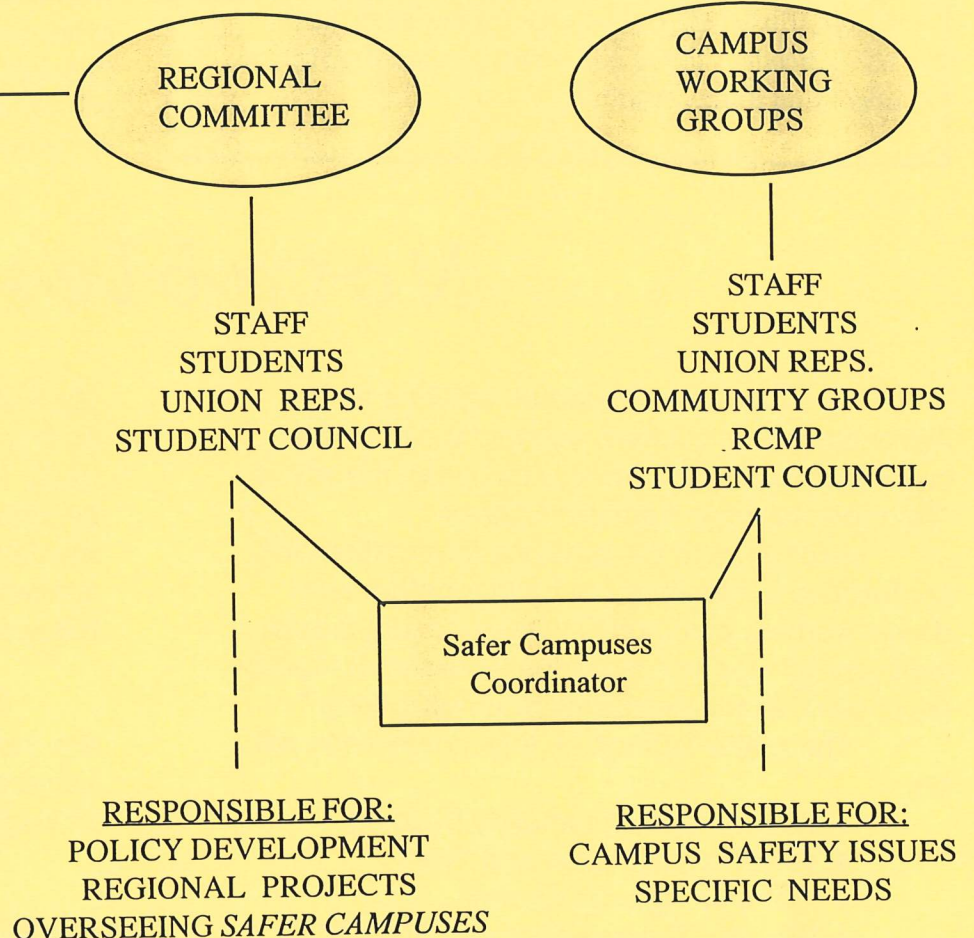
Thanks need to go out to the following people for their help organizing the orientation weeks activities: Dale Hatch, Stacie McCarron, Vena Hachkevich, Krystal Oleson, Dave Menzies and Laurie Kent. Thank you all.

How Safer Campuses Works!

The Regional Committee is currently made up of the following people:

Barb Sheridan
Debbie Stava
Elizabeth Snyder
Larisa Tarwick
Liz Ball
Marg. Brown
Sheila McDonald
Tanya Widmark

Anyone interested in participating on this committee should contact Melissa Munn at local 5229 or by e-mail at mmunn@noradm.nwcc.bc.ca



*The next meeting of the Regional Committee will be on October 11 1995.
Anyone wishing to add items to the agenda should forward them to any committee member prior to October 9th 1995.*

Safer Campuses to date

Since August, Safer Campuses has undertaken the following activities:

- √ Introduction to Self Defense for Women at
Terrace Campus
Kitimat Campus
Prince Rupert Campus
- √ Video Showing of The Chilly Climate at Terrace Campus
- √ Emergency Phone Cards made up for each campus
- √ Met with Judy Wilbee, the Provincial Safer Campuses Consultant about the provincial initiative and about our project
- √ Met with Jean Campbell, Manager, Social and Equity Programs, Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour, about Safer Campuses project and the availability of Capital Money for our identified safety needs.. These needs will be identified by the upcoming Safety Audits.

What are the facts?

Immigrant Women in Canada

- ◆ About half of all people who immigrate to Canada each year are female.
- ◆ In 1991, there were 2.2 million female immigrants living in Canada, representing just over 16% of the total female population.
- ◆ Most immigrant women living in Canada have become naturalized Canadian Citizens.
- ◆ Female immigrant children under age 18 were more than twice as likely as female Canadian-born children to live in a low-income situation in 1990: 37% versus 17%.
- ◆ Immigrant women under age 65 are slightly more likely than their Canadian-born counterparts to have a university degree. In 1991, 14% of immigrant women aged 15-64 were university graduates, versus 11% of other women in this age range.
(all information is from Women In Canada, produced by Statistics Canada, August 1995)

Notables

The Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women will hold their annual conference in Prince George this year; the title is "*Northern Visions: Northern Futures*".

According to the advance information, this conference is "designed to bring together academic women, community workers and activists, women's groups and individual researchers for the purpose of sharing research and networking."

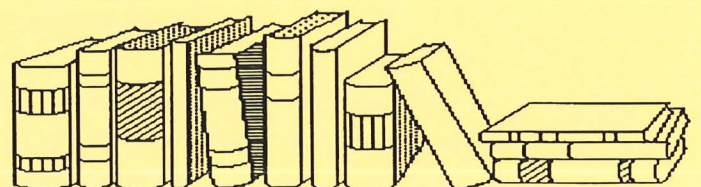
The major themes of this conference will be:

- ◆ Women and Community Building
- ◆ Women, Education and Work
- ◆ Violence Against Women
- ◆ Women, Environment and Stability

The conference is being held at UNBC, November 10 -12 1995. Call Melissa for details.

My Sister's Keeper is a novel written by Nora Kelly. The main theme of the book is discrimination in post-secondary education. Written as a mystery, this book takes a 90's look at sexism as it relates to tenure, hazing, fellowships, etc.

Set at a fictitious University in the Vancouver area, this book looks at some of the issues we will deal with through our Safer Campuses project.



Education Council News

October 1995

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This is NWCC's Education Council

The Education Council of NWCC consists of elected and delegated representatives of the College's community. Members of support staff, teaching faculties (CUPE and BCGEU), students and management form an integral part of this dynamic group.

Each Centre is represented by either faculty, staff or management and there are student representatives elected by the Student Association membership.

Education Council is made up of diverse and committed individuals.



We cannot change yesterday. We can only make the most of today and look with hope toward tomorrow!!

THE PEOPLE THAT REPRESENT YOU!!!

The following people represent the College community:

Doug Baker	Terrace	5402
Kathy Bedard (Chair)	PR	5715
Larry Bolingbroke	Terrace	5453
Cheryle Brown	Terrace	5371
Ron Correll (Vice Chair)	Kitimat	5607
Doug Foster	Terrace	5236
Ella Goodlad	Terrace	5340
Kate Greenall	Hazelton	5328
Clive Hall	Kitimat	5603
Norma Kerby	Terrace	5251
Terrie McAloney	Smithers	5808
Tirso Morales	PR	5737
Larisa Tarwick	Terrace	5317
Del Torgeson	Terrace	5284
John Wood	PR	5725

The official recording secretary is Rhoda Burke.

Standing Committees of Education Council

- * Course/Program Curriculum and Articulation (Internal and External)
Chair: Norma Kerby
- * Educational Policy and Regulation
Chair: Ron Correll
- * Student Appeals, Policies and Procedures
Chair: Tirso Morales
- * Instructional and Professional Development
Chair: John Wood
- * Student Success:
Chair: Larry Bolingbroke
- * Learning Resources and Technology -
Chair: Terri McAloney
- * Admission, Assessment, and Awards -
Chair: Ella Goodlad
- * First Nations Participation and Education
Chair: Larisa Tarwick
- * Partnerships and Continuing Education
Chair: Kathy Bedard
- * International Education
Chair: Doug Baker

***TO ALL STAFF & STUDENTS
OF NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE***

As the Chair of Education Council, I would extend an invitation to you to become involved in the educational issues of our College.

Below are listed the Standing Committees of Education Council and the meeting times. Most of these committees will endeavour to meet electronically during lunch hours or after 3 pm.

I would encourage you to inform your managers/supervisors of your intention to volunteer your time so that staffing arrangements can be considered.

If you choose to become involved, would you please contact me at local 5715 and leave a message on my voice mail regarding your name, your locale, your local and the committee of choice!

Educational Policy	1st Wednesday	3 pm
Admission/Assessment	2nd and 4th Tuesdays	noon
Student Appeals Policy	3rd Monday	noon
Course/Program Articulation	2nd and 4th Mondays	noon
First Nations Participation	1st Monday	10 - 3
Learning Resources & Technology	4th Friday	noon
Partnerships and Continuing Ed	1st Thursday	noon
Educational Planning & Review	2nd and 4th Wednesday	noon
Prof. & Instructional Dev.	3rd Wednesday	noon
Student Success	2nd Tuesday	3:15 pm

Hope to hear from you!!!!

