

Shelley Rivkin recognized for her commitment to excellence

by Phil Crosby-Jones and Pat Ross

Members of the Excellence Committee have accepted the challenge to seek out and profile in this newsletter those individuals and groups who, through their work or special contribution to the JI, have demonstrated a level of commitment to excellence that deserves our appreciation and recognition. For our first such achiever we have chosen Shelley Rivkin. Pat Ross has prepared this profile.

Shelley Rivkin has recently been appointed as a Program Director within Educational Services. She is responsible for the media centre, the faculty development program, and a portion of Interdisciplinary Studies (specifically, justice, family and agency programs, and programs related to technical enforcement, management, residential care and casino training for non-profits).

Shelley has been a JI staff member for close to ten years as a Program Co-ordinator with Interdisciplinary Studies. Initially, she focused on providing pro-



Photo: Media Centre

grams for the public; then, increasingly, her skills were called upon to develop new content areas for interdisciplinary professionals. She has been responsible for developing two of the certificate programs in high demand throughout the province: Child Sexual Abuse Intervention and Working with Troubled and Troubling Adolescents. She pioneered the *Let's Talk About Touching* child sexual abuse prevention program for pre-school children, and the ongoing victim services training program. She initiated and managed many high profile conferences — most recently a

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Grant received for Native Justice Co-ordinator

by Paul Pershick

The Justice Institute will soon have a Native Education Co-ordinator whose job will include planning and developing programs for First Nations students in the areas of justice and public safety. A grant from the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology will go towards the salary, travel and administrative costs of hiring Native Education Co-ordinator. The grant covers the 91/92 fiscal year only.

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PEP Academy to train Emergency Social Services volunteers

by Sam Meckbach

The Provincial Emergency Program Academy has signed a contract with the Ministry of Social Services and Housing to provide instruction and services to the Emergency Social Services (ESS) volunteers in the province. The initial contract of \$71,400 will be

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The Justice Institute and the Ministry of Advanced Education have agreed to the following criteria: A First Nation's Advisory Committee will be struck to provide regular advice regarding programs and services for First Nations students; the Justice Institute will provide an annual report describing the activities accomplished through the grant.

In consultation with all academy program directors, the Native Education Co-ordinator will plan and develop programs and liaise with the First Nations Education Advisory Committee, Native post-secondary institutions, school districts and government personnel, bands, tribal councils, other post-secondary institutions, and community organizations. The co-ordinator will also be responsible for recruiting and training volunteers and facilitating professional development activities.

It is hoped that the Native Education Co-ordinator can start his or her duties at the Justice Institute in September. The successful candidate will report to Paul Pershick, Chairperson, Program Directors Committee and Flora MacLeod, Program Director, Educational Services and Interdisciplinary Studies.

Paul Pershick is a Program Director in Corrections Academy. He chairs the Program Directors Committee. □

**The JI News
is taking a break
for the rest of
the summer.
We'll be back in
September.**

**Deadline for the
next issue is
September 20.**

Tony Burrell retires from Corrections Academy

On June 30, 1991, Tony Burrell officially retired from his duties as an Instructor in the Corrections Academy. Tony came to the Justice Institute in September 1978 after almost 18 years with Corrections Branch. He joined the Branch in February 1960 as an auxiliary security officer and served in a variety of positions, including Housemaster at the Haney Correctional Centre, before moving to the JI.

Tony will continue to monitor the self-defence module in the Correctional Officer recruit course until December 1991. When he is not presenting workshops he plans to ride his horse and build a log house on his 165 acre property near 108 Mile House.

Tony's career spanned over 30 years. Evaluations of his work de-



Tony Burrell (centre) with Corrections Academy Director John Laverock and Program Director Karole Conway.

Photo: Tony Williams

scribed him as being capable and calm, fair and firm, high on integrity and commitment, cheerful, a natural leader, versatile and imaginative. He has been an inspiration to many students and has been a valuable, dependable and respected colleague in Corrections Academy and throughout the Justice Institute. □

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national conference on the use of videotaped evidence in child sexual abuse cases; a conference on AIDS co-sponsored with the World Health Organization; and, this past month, a conference on abuse of the elderly and a series on gang violence co-sponsored with the Police Academy.

Over the years, Shelley has tackled many of the tough social issues which affect those of us who work in the justice system including family violence, pornography, addictions, and crime prevention. She has been on the leading edge in identifying new social problems and extending the boundaries and vision of those of us who work in the justice and public safety field. Her contacts with community groups and organizations have helped build the JI's credibility as an organization which is committed to working in partnership with others. Each

year, she generates hundreds of thousands of dollars through contracts with organizations for specific training related projects and services. Recent examples include a major contract with the Ministry of Health, Mental Health Division, for 183 days of training and consultation, and a contract with Health and Welfare Canada to carry out a program evaluation of the *Let's Talk About Touching* program.

Shelley is innovative, creative, and dynamic. She represents "excellence" in her commitment to quality programs and services. We salute her...and wish her every success with her new position.

Phil Crosby-Jones, Director of the Police Academy, Chairs the Excellence Committee; Pat Ross is Dean of Educational Services and Interdisciplinary Studies. □

On Staff ...

Changes

Gerald van Stolk has completed his term as an instructor in the Corrections Academy. He will be working as a probation officer at the Surrey Probation Office.

The latest addition to the Corrections Academy faculty is **Paul De Roche**, who began his duties as an instructor, institutional programs, on June 17. He will serve a three year term in the position. Paul most recently worked at the Holly Youth Open Custody Centre in Burnaby. Prior to that he worked at the Vancouver Pre-Trial Services Centre and at the Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre. Paul has a bachelor's degree in recreation and previously worked as a recre-

ation programmer and recreation therapist in Ontario. He maintains an active interest in a variety of sports and will be a primary instructor in the area of self defence and fitness.

Because of health problems, library audiovisual booking clerk **Lydia Stewart** will not be returning to work at the JI. She has sent word that she enjoyed working with JI instructors and students and will miss her contact with them. Lydia plans to continue with her creative writing.

Recognition

This time, the recognition is not for an individual, but for the Justice Institute. **Derek White** was recently invited to the opening of the Office of the Public Trustee where he mingled with some influential guests, including

Chief Corner Vince Cain and Attorney General Russ Fraser. Derek came away feeling proud to be a member of the JI. "Many people read my name tag and stopped me to compliment the quality of programs offered by the JI," he said. "You know, most of us at some time or other consider what life would be like working elsewhere. But when you get the type of feedback I got that evening, it makes you feel good about working at the JI." Derek was invited to the opening because of his involvement in the government's Service Quality program.

Announcements

Angela Yannacopoulos, former audiovisual booking clerk in the library, is the mother of an 8 pound, 5 ounce baby boy. Anthony Paul was born on June 5. □

Conflict Resolution Certificate Program graduation

by Nancy McPhee



Left to right: Sherry Newbold, Jagat Singh Parihar, David Lecomte and Michael Fogel at the Conflict Resolution graduation ceremony.

The day (miraculously) dawned bright and sunny for the 5th Annual Conflict Resolution Certificate Program graduation ceremonies. Held at the Justice Institute on the evening of June 26, the event was attended by

graduates, their families and friends, and staff and trainers with the program.

The evening included a demonstration mediation role play by students from

the Peer Mediation Program at Frank Hirt Secondary School in Surrey. The Peer Mediation Program has been very successful at the school and the four students did an excellent demonstration. Our thanks to mediators Traci

Salinger, Angie Dyck and disputants Gennie Wiens and Frank Pederson of the Frank Hirt Program.

The 1991 graduates are: Keith Barker, Janice Bateman, Donna Bond-Christianson, Alan Bramley, Mykie Brown, Sandy Dunlop, Rick Ellis, David Eyles, Linda Fraser, Kelly Grittner, Gary Harper, John Harper, David Lecomte, Donna MacInnis, Laura Matsuda, Charles McLaughlin, Barbara McWilliams, Trudy Merritt, Eli Mina, Carol Myers, Sherry Newbold, Thomas Northcott, Jagat M. Singh Parihar, Ann Rose, Pamela Smith, Rachel Treloar and Jane Whyte.

Nancy McPhee is a Program Planner with Interdisciplinary Studies. □

Police Academy tribal police officer graduation

by Phil Crosby-Jones and Bob Hull

On June 8, Deputy Director Bob Hull, Sgt. Warne Lynd and Cpl. Steve Watt of the Police Academy sat down in a church hall on the Westbank Reserve to a meal of venison stew and bannock. They were there to mark the graduation of the first recruit class of the First Nations Tribal Justice Institute. Earlier, a hunting party consisting of graduates had 'bagged' several suitable venison for the festive pot.

Graduation ceremonies lasted for two days and included traditional drumming, dancing and singing as well as an Indian stick game. The formal presentation of badges marked the successful completion of eight months of basic recruit training, much of which was provided under contract by the Police Academy. Bob Hull was co-opted as Master of Ceremonies and guest speaker at the final banquet.

Recruits have now gone on to a ten-week field practicum with



An eagle feather ceremony at the graduation of the first recruit class of the First Nations Tribal Justice Institute.

both RCMP detachments and municipal police, and will eventually return to their own bands to take up policing duties.

Phil Crosby-Jones is Director and Bob Hull is Deputy Director of the Police Academy. □

Constable Lizette Peters (left) presents a gift to Jim Maloney, Director of the First Nations Tribal Justice Institute, on behalf of the recruit class. Police Academy Deputy Director Bob Hull is in the background (right).



Extension Programs changes its name

Over the past months, Extension Programs staff have identified a need to change the title of their unit and have been exploring alternatives. The new name selected is Interdisciplinary Studies.

As part of implementing the name change, the Divisional title will be expanded to *Educational Services and Interdisciplinary Studies*. □



Photo: John Lynn Marketing

The Honourable Bruce Strachan, Minister of Health, addressing the luncheon session of the Abuse of the Elderly conference held at the Justice Institute on June 6. The purpose of the conference was to develop an appropriate response to the abuse of the elderly. Over 120 people attended from the criminal justice, law enforcement and human services fields. Funding for the conference was provided by the Ministry of Solicitor General, Crime Prevention Programs, and Ministry of Health.

Changes in Educational Services

by Pat Ross

With Paul Dampier's resignation as Program Director, Instructional Services, we took the opportunity to examine our existing divisional structure and reorganize responsibilities at the Program Director level. Once the Program Directors' positions had been redefined, the vacant position was advertised and Shelley Rivkin, previously a co-ordinator with Extension Programs, was the successful candidate.

Under the new structure, Flora MacLeod is responsible for a portion of Extension Programs (specifically conflict resolution, academy co-sponsored courses for PEP and Fire, plus the new native education initiative funded by the Ministry of Advanced Education). As well, she has responsibility for the registration office, library and program services. Shelley Rivkin will supervise programs related to justice, family and agency courses, technical enforcement, management, and casino volunteer training. In addition, she has responsibility for the media centre and the Institute's faculty development program.

Pat Ross is Dean of Educational Services and Interdisciplinary Studies. □

Law enforcement torch run raises \$110,000

by Phil Crosby-Jones

Co-ordinated through the Justice Institute, this year's Law Enforcement Torch Run for BC Special Olympics spanned the entire province — from Kimberly to Prince Rupert, and from Campbell River to Sicamous. The run came to a triumphal conclusion on July 4 at BC Place Stadium when a group of runners, consisting primarily of recruits from the Police Academy, carried the torch onto centre field and passed it to a Special Olympics athlete.

The final ceremony took place before a crowd of several thousand spectators on hand for the

BC Lions' first home game of the season. Torch Run co-chairs Assistant Commissioner Frank Palmer, RCMP, and Deputy Chief Hank Starek, Vancouver Police Department, presented a \$110,000 cheque to JI Board Chair Bob Stewart, who was wearing his hat as BC Special Olympics board member. The cheque for \$110,000 represents an estimate of donations to date.

JI staff are invited to contribute to this worthy organization by purchasing lapel pins and T-shirts from Robyn Towle at the Police Academy. □

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justice and public
safety by developing
and delivering training
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educational services
to professionals
and the public.**

Getting your cake ... and eating it too!



Photo: Sam Meckbach

by Sam Meckbach

Bernie Astles provides white glove service to Sally McMurray, co-chair of the 1992 United Way committee for the JI. During last year's United Way auction Bernie provided white linen continental breakfasts as his contribution to the auction fundraiser. The highest bidder for this service was Sam Meckbach, co-chair for this year's campaign. Sam organized Bernie's service to open this year's activities and to welcome the 1992 team.

In addition to the co-chairs, the 1992 representatives are: Paula Connolly, Debbie Watts, Tim Lancaster, Barbara Hunter, Pat Abercrombie and Christine Babec. They ask you to mark your calendars for Thursday, October 17, for a Pub Night (co-hosted by the Social Committee) and the United Way auction which will be open to all students, staff and guests. This is where we can all put fun into fundraising. □

JI barbecue heats up June cold wave



Photos: Chris Poole

by Kathryn Reid

Despite the less than optimum weather, optimistic and exuberant JI Social Committee members hosted a barbecue June 14. The event was hot enough to light up the cloudiest of days. Part of the fuel for the festive fire was supplied by Will Mah's suicide chicken wings. Will's skill with a bottle of tabasco and a pair of tongs made those wings take flight to become the most popular item at the event. (Next to the "refreshments" of course.)

Up to 70 patrons at the barbecue enjoyed a safe evening thanks to the "enforcer" security team of Kathryn Reid and Robin Towle. They were obtrusive and effective.

Madame Olga (a.k.a. Pat Abercrombie), world renowned for her amazing psychic prowess, kept spirits alive (in more ways than one) with her private readings under the sacred cloth of the sky. At times, the entrance to the cloth was lined five deep — which lends truth to the saying "there is money in the future." (Madame Olga's future we presume.)

Bob Walker, the man with the

biggest boom box this side of Harlem, supplied the music for our listening, carousing, dancing and lipsyncing pleasure; Klutzy the Clown made a big impression on the children with his balloon animals and even managed to oblige some adults with anatomically correct balloon persons; and Ernie Gaudet was terrific as the event paramedic, making sure no one burned themselves on those dangerously hot barbecues.

John Laverock gave an eloquent send-off to Tony Burrell, who is retiring from full-time service with the Corrections Academy (see story page 2).

Thanks to all who participated in making the summer '91 barbecue a success. Stay tuned to your social rep for information on upcoming events and remember to keep your ears open for the next chance to make a 50/50 donation. Have a great summer!

Kathryn Reid is Travel Accounts Clerk, Paramedic Academy, and an enthusiastic member of the Social Committee. □

Madame Olga (a.k.a. Pat Abercrombie) and Kathryn Reid at the JI Barbeque.



Paul Dampier, former Program Director, Extension Programs, at one of his farewell parties. Paul is now the Registrar and Director of Educational Support Services at Northern Lights College in Dawson Creek.

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Police Academy secondie returns

While it is customary to second operational personnel to the Justice Institute, it is unusual for the reverse process to occur. Two years ago, however, Program Developer Ingrid Pipke was sec-

onded from the Police Academy to work for the federal government in Ottawa. She spent the first year with the federal Solicitor General's ministry helping to design and develop a series of training programs for federal law enforcement personnel; she spent the second year with the Public

Service Commission.

Ingrid will return to the JI on August 7, where her considerable talents will be put to good use. For those who have not met Ingrid, she is a marathon runner and also has the distinction of being the person who sewed together the first JI flag. □

The JI News is produced nine times a year to keep staff up-to-date with what's going on at the JI.

If you have suggestions or comments, please contact Patricia McNeill in Extension Programs (222-7229).

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The Honourable Kim Campbell, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, presents a cheque for \$85,000 to JI President Larry Goble and Program Director Shelley Rivkin. Shelley submitted a successful proposal to Health and Welfare Canada for funding to carry out an evaluation of the Let's Talk About Touching sexual abuse prevention program.

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used to hire an ESS instructor, administer the function, and deliver courses for Emergency Social Services directors and the component parts of reception centres: emergency lodging, feeding, clothing and removal services. The successful applicant for the instruction position will design courses, develop manuals and support material, and instruct at the JI as well as in communities throughout BC.

In the past, the training has been provided by several individual contracts. With this new contract, the PEP Academy can provide continuity and standards in training for registered volunteers. Approximately 2500 ESS volunteers are registered within PEP's 8000 volunteers. Most vol-

unteers are registered within their own communities and are the unsung heroes who work in the background to ensure that social services are provided during an emergency. Most recently, the volunteers responded to the mudslides at Squamish and during the recent floods in Sayward on Vancouver Island.

As part of the contract, the PEP Academy will also assist in the administration of federal vacancies for Emergency Social Services and Health and Welfare courses conducted in Arnprior, Ontario at the Canadian Emergency preparedness College.

Sam Meckbach is Director of PEP Academy. □

