

Move to New Westminster confirmed



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Left to right: Betty Toporowski, Mayor of New Westminster; The Honourable Anita Hagen, Minister of Education and MLA for New Westminster; Alan Strickland, Public Relations, Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology; The Honourable Tom Perry, Minister of Advanced Education; Linda Barron, Chair of the New Westminster School Board; and Bob Stewart, Chair of the Justice Institute Board of Directors.

It was a happy occasion for all concerned, but nobody was smiling more broadly on the afternoon of February 28 than JI Board Chairman Bob Stewart.

"This is the realization of a dream that started in 1977," he told a news conference in New

Westminster City Hall, after hearing Advanced Education Minister Tom Perry announce government approval of \$8.7 million for the JI to buy a site and plan a new facility.

As one of the co-founders of the concept of the Justice Institute,

Stewart said he is delighted that the new facility has been approved so that the JI can build a facility which is designed with its unique training needs in mind.

The Honourable Anita Hagen, in her capacity as MLA for New

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Westminster, said the New Westminster site was the first choice of the JI board and will "enhance the Justice Institute's ability to provide effective training and related services in the areas of justice and public safety."

She said the total project has an estimated value of \$33.7 million and should be open in 1994.

"In addition to having a history as an administration centre and a health centre, New Westminster now becomes a major justice and public safety education centre in the province," she said.

The Honourable Tom Perry referred to the international reputation of the JI as a unique training concept. He noted that, while he will miss the JI near his home on the Jericho lands, he will "look forward to coming back in two years to help you move in."

Mayor Betty Toporowski of New Westminster, and School Board Chair Linda Barron, both responded warmly to the government's announcement of the funding. The 4.8 hectare site at 8th and McBride in New Westminster is owned two-thirds by the school board and one-third by the city.

JI President Larry Goble confirmed that the Institute has successfully concluded negotiations to purchase the site, and will begin a planning process for the new facility immediately.

Highlights:

- \$8.7 million approved for planning and land acquisition.
- The new facility will be located on a 4.8 hectare site at 8th and McBride in New Westminster (former Douglas College site).
- The new JI will be 12,150 square metres (current facilities total 10,350 square metres).
- Construction is scheduled to be completed by late 1994. □



Derek White of the JI's Paramedic Academy recently conducted a Frontline Leadership Instructors course for JI and BC Ambulance Service staff. Seen here with their diplomas are the graduates of the first class (left to right): Derek White (instructor), Laurie Harder, Ingrid Pipke, Steve Hess, Irwin DeVries, Kelly Murphy and John Low.

JI's conflict resolution training to be featured on CBC's 'Marketplace'

The Toronto-based CBC-TV show, *Marketplace*, will spotlight the Justice Institute's Centre for Conflict Resolution Training on its March 24 show. The camera crew and anchor person were at the JI in mid-February to shoot a media-tion skills course and to interview

Co-ordinator, Marje Burdine. Segments on the Surrey-White Rock Community Mediation Service, the Frank Hurt Secondary Peer Mediation Program, and the BC Centre for Commercial Disputes will also be featured on the program. □

Powell River volunteers first to receive new PEP Academy training

In the event of an emergency in the Powell River area, local volunteers will feel confident in their ability to set up and run a Reception Centre to provide social services for evacuees, survivors and rescue workers. Powell River volunteers were the first to attend the new Reception Centre Management Training program offered by the PEP Academy.

Sally Pollock, the Academy's Emergency Social Services (ESS)

Instructor, conducted the course for approximately 100 Powell River volunteers on February 20-22.

Powell River's Provincial Emergency Program's Area Co-ordinator, Wally Berge, and his deputy, Fred Moss, demonstrated their support by attending all training sessions. Mayor Don Lockstead gave the closing address at a reception hosted by the city. □

On Staff...

Changes

Irwin DeVries will assume new duties as Program Director, Courts Academy in April. Irwin is currently Deputy Director of the Fire Academy (see story, below).

Brad Pelligrin has joined the Police Academy staff on secondment from the Port Moody Police Department. He replaces **Bob Riley** as Firearms Instructor. Bob returned to operational duties with New Westminster Police.

The Corrections Academy has announced the addition of

Cecilia Quan to its support staff complement. Cecilia has been hired, effective March 2, to fill the newly-established, permanent part-time Assistant Voucher Clerk position in the Academy. Cecilia brings with her a strong accounting and computer-based background.

Conferences

Phil Crosby-Jones, Director of the Police Academy, attended a four-day Special Olympics International Law Enforcement Torch Run Conference held in Tampa, Florida. Phil is the Director of the BC Torch Run which will be

co-ordinated for the third year from the Justice Institute.

Recognition

Marje Burdine has completed her Masters degree in Counseling Psychology. Her Master Paper, *Mediation and Therapy: Closing the Gap*, focuses on divorce mediation with high conflict couples. Marje also presented a workshop on this topic at the Provincial Mediation Conference in Vancouver, February 21-22, and has been invited to present two sessions at the National Interaction '92 Conference in Winnipeg, May 6-9, 1992. □

Fire Academy hosts burn building presentations

by Paul Smith

As the Fire Academy progresses with the initial stage of expanding the JI Safety Training Centre facility at Maple Ridge, it needs access to the most current information available on burn building structures. This information will assist the Academy in planning, designing and constructing the on-site burn building to be used for training.

With this in mind, on February 18 the Fire Academy hosted an informative day of presentations on burn building structures. Four companies showed products representing the technology and material currently available for construction of burn buildings, including protective wall coverings and gas fire simulators. The sessions were attended by 20 invited guests including representatives from the JI, the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology, the Fire Commissioner and fire chiefs, Warnock Hersey and Sigma Engineering.

The four companies came from the eastern United States and England. Each made a one-hour presentation to the invited guests

on new products that reflect changes in live fire training technology that are available to provide a safer and cleaner environ-

ment for this type of training.

Paul Smith is Director of the Fire Academy. □

Irwin DeVries wins new appointment as Program Director, Courts Academy

Irwin DeVries has been selected to fill the position of Program Director, Courts Academy.

Irwin has been with the Justice Institute since 1984, most recently as Deputy Director of Fire Academy. Prior to joining the JI staff, Irwin worked as an instructional designer with the Open Learning Agency, and for the University of B.C.

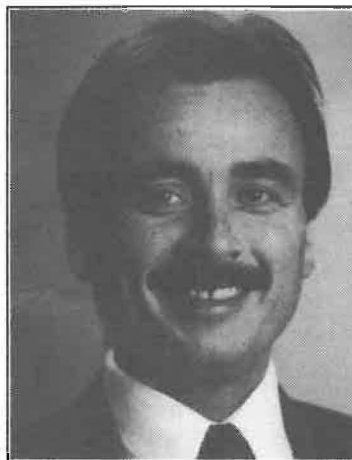


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as a curriculum editor.

His areas of specialty include competency based training, training needs analysis, video and print production, and distance education. Irwin has recently completed an M.A. in Administrative,

Adult and Higher Education from UBC.

Irwin will assume his duties at the beginning of April. □

Anatomy of an autopsy

by Ingrid Pipke

One thing about working for the Police Academy, I certainly get involved in some gut wrenching projects. One of the most recent (and most memorable) was examining the entrails of an autopsy. The Media Centre's Will Mah (Director) and Bob Walker (Bob lost the coin flip for camera man) video recorded the minute details, from initial incision to final body reconstruction ...

Watching the autopsy was a fascinating, educational, and admittedly sometimes nauseous, process. Dr. Sheila Carlyle, from the Royal Columbian Hospital, was meticulous both in dissecting the body and in explaining what she, as a pathologist, looks for when conducting an autopsy. The experience proved to be an interesting lesson in anatomy. It also gave me a more profound respect for the physical, and perhaps spiritual, vulnerabilities of this "bag of bones and layer of skin" which hold together brain, heart, lungs, kidneys, spleen, liver and other bodily organs.

Produced in conjunction with the BC Coroner's Service, the tape is intended primarily for police recruits and provincial coron-



Photo: Ingrid Pipke

Preparing to tape the autopsy are (left to right) Ted Hubert, scriptwriter for the video, and the Media Centre's Will Mah and Bob Walker.

ers. The opening scene depicts the role of the police and the coroner at a sudden death investigation. The second scenario focuses on the autopsy. The closing montage describes the coroner's responsibilities in finalizing the investigation. The tape will be distributed to provincial coroners, municipal police departments

and the RCMP, and used for recruit training at the Police Academy.

The Police Academy will host an official, JI screening when the tape is ready for release. We promise NOT to serve pizza!

Ingrid Pipke is a Program Developer with the Police Acad-

**Next
deadline
for
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to the
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April 15**

Professional Development Workshop for JI's BCGEU Staff

June 11 and 12 are the dates set for a professional development workshop in Whistler for the JI's BCGEU staff. Planned by the Administrative Services Committee, with input from all BCGEU staff at the Institute, the workshop will focus on topics such as career progress and change, personal styles, conflict resolution strategies, and future plans of the JI. Resource people will include several trainers who are familiar fig-

ures around the JI such as Joyanne Landers, Stacey Holloway and Vera Bergman.

Workshop objectives are to provide opportunities for personal and professional development; to increase staff's awareness of the mission, corporate role, strategic plan and activities of the JI; and, to provide an opportunity for Justice Institute staff to develop networks for the exchange of information and support. □

Fire Academy's Edukit program nearing completion

by Irwin DeVries

Last year, the Minister of Municipal Affairs announced a special funding package to aid in completion of the Fire Academy's Edukit program.

Firefighter Dan Murphy, who was seconded to complete the development, has produced five Edukits in the last six months. His record will amaze anyone who knows how difficult the kits are to produce. When asked to describe his last six months in one sentence Dan's response (after a lengthy pause) was: "A challenge ... educational ... frustrating ... rewarding ..." and then he disappeared back into his office to produce another Edukit before dawn.

What's this program all about? Put yourself in the shoes of a city fire department training officer who may be searching for course material to train recruits in basic fire fighting. Or perhaps you are responsible for fire safety in a large mill, and want to train a brigade in basic fire response. Then again, picture yourself as a volunteer firefighter in a remote community. You have had some orientation and training to the role of fire fighting, but there is so much more to learn. In your regular job, you work as a school teacher, a nurse or perhaps a logger. One day an alarm is called in: a major spill has occurred on the highway that runs through town. A truck carrying propane gas has overturned and is leaking. You rush to the fire hall, change into your protective gear and climb on to the fire engine. All the while, the thought is racing through your head, "How can

we respond to this safely?" In all these cases, an Edukit may be the answer.

The fire service, whether responding to seemingly simple dumpster fires or complex hazardous materials incidents, requires a great deal of training. With some 13,000 volunteer, career and industrial fire departments in the province, the need is vast and seemingly endless. In many cases, the expertise required to train in many of these areas is not present. And the funds are not available to send fire service personnel to the Fire Academy for training.

It was because of this situation that the Fire Academy began to develop Edukits. The term refers to training manuals that are used by local fire training staff to provide lessons in the many aspects

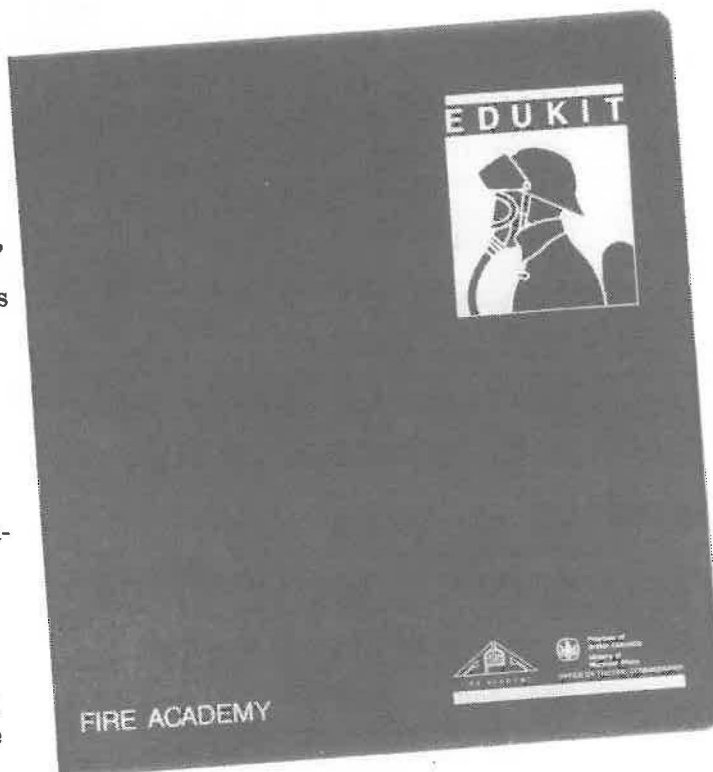
of fire and other emergency response. The Edukits are a simple, packaged, easy-to-use training guide, consisting of a videotape, model lesson plans, overheads, quizzes and practical checklists. An entire fire department or district can be trained with one Edukit. There are 19 Edukit subjects, ranging from Dangerous Goods to Ground Ladders, from Electrical Safety to Pumps and Pumping.

As students complete each subject locally using the Edukit, they receive practical evaluations and examinations delivered locally by a regional Evaluator, who has been selected and trained by the Fire Academy to conduct this type of session. The Evalua-

tors, whether members of paid, volunteer or industrial fire departments, give their time to perform the evaluations. As students succeed in each subject, they slowly work their way to full certification as a volunteer firefighter.

The program has met with great success, and has gained attention across North America and abroad as a model to be envied. The Edukits are a central component of the Fire Academy's success. Appreciation is due to all those who have worked on the project over the past years. The fire community is fortunate to have a person of Dan's calibre handling the development, and the Fire Academy is proud of his excellent work.

Irwin DeVries is Deputy Director of the Fire Academy. □



JI offers life skills training for people who work in residential settings

by Sandra Rice

The Justice Institute recently offered a new two-day workshop for professionals working in residential and vocational settings. The workshop is designed for participants who want to develop their personal life skills in the areas of self esteem, self assertion and problem solving, before using these skills to coach individuals in their residence or vocational programs.

The approach used is to have participants examine and practise these skills within the workshop setting. After examining their own skills, they identify methods for coaching their clients in each of the skill areas. Each participant then designs a specific lesson plan for coaching individuals within the workplace setting.

Evaluations of the first work-

shop were excellent and requests from two agencies for in-house training are presently being negotiated. Plans have also been made to co-sponsor this course with the College of the Upper Fraser Valley, Abbotsford Campus, in May.

Sandra Rice is Co-ordinator of Group Home Management Training in Interdisciplinary Studies. □

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

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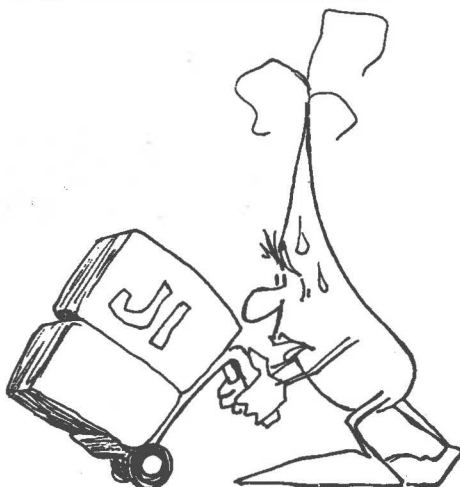
Police Academy co-hosts international police symposium

The Police Academy recently co-hosted an international police symposium that attracted over 100 police chiefs from around the world. Participants attending *Policing in the Global Community: The Challenge of Leadership*, came from countries as diverse as Jordan, Taiwan, Belgium and Australia.

Police Academy instructor Steve Hess was one of the co-ordinators of the symposium. He was instrumental in lining up an impressive array of speakers that included George Schertz, the police chief of Berlin, Daryl

Gates of the Los Angeles Police Department, and John Boyd, the chief investigator of the Lockerbie air disaster in Scotland. The speakers dealt with a variety of executive development issues.

The symposium is a continuation of the Police Studies Series, a joint venture of the Police Academy and Simon Fraser University. The series is designed to provide forums for line-level police officers and police administrators to examine critical issues confronting policing in the 1990s and beyond. □



Move alert

We will be using this little mascot in future issues to help keep you informed about the upcoming JI move.

