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PTEC driver training vehicles at the new Boundary Bay site.

PTEC now 'officially' open

On September 21, Pacific Traffic Education Centre (PTEC) held its official opening and open house at the Boundary Bay site. Over 150 people attended, including representatives of the federal, provincial and civic governments, law enforcement and traffic safety agencies, the trucking industry and the media.

Following welcoming statements by representatives of the federal and provincial governments, the Justice Institute, and ICBC, PTEC program director Al Lund provided a commentary as the audience viewed a series of demonstrations on the tracks. Police Academy instructor Warne Lynd and Bert Vermeer of the Delta police department gave a police driving demonstration involving a simulated pursuit (Warne was the "bad guy"). Kelly Murphy of Emergency Health Services Academy organized an ambulance driving demonstration, and ICBC coordinated a commercial truck braking/skid demonstration using PTEC skid pads to create a slippery surface. (The PTEC skid pads use a new type of sealing coat and are the first of continued on page 3

JIBC transferred to Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training

by Larry Goble, Principal

With the transfer of responsibility for the Justice Institute to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training on September 25, the Institute returns to the Ministry that provided its core funding from the inception of the Justice Institute until 1984.

The Justice Institute of British Columbia was created by Order in Council in the spring of 1978 as a post-secondary educational institution. It joined a network of 21 colleges and institutes in BC and was given a specific mandate to provide training and educational programs in the areas of justice and public safety. Through its principal, bursar and board, the Institute reported to the Ministry of Education and was subject to the terms and conditions of the College and Institute Act.

In the 1983/84 restraint era, the Ministry of Education was called on by Cabinet to reduce its overall budget. One way to do this was to cut all core funding to the Justice Institute. The Ministry of Attorney General, however, *continued on next page*

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fought to maintain the Institute and was able to gain support from Cabinet and Treasury Board to continue the JI as a post secondary educational institute under the College and Institute Act. Core funding for the Institute continued to come through the Ministry of Attorney General from that time until March 1988 when the Attorney General's Ministry was split and a new Ministry of Solicitor General was formed. With this change, the Justice Institute was moved to the new Ministry.

At a recent BC government Cabinet meeting, it was decided that the time had come again to re-evaluate what ministry the Justice Institute, as a post-secondary educational and training institute, should report to and receive core funding from for its administrative, buildings and grounds, and educational support services. Cabinet decided that, to make things rational and take away the confusion that arises when people hear that the JI is a post-secondary educational institute, they would simply move the JI back to Education (its original parent body, which is now the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training -AE&JT). The Order in Council was passed by Cabinet and the transfer took place on September 25.

The move to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training will not create any major changes for staff:

- Our 1989/90 budget for Finance and Administration and Educational Services will be turned over, as is, from the Ministry of Solicitor General to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training. The 1990/91 budget, which has already been submitted to the Ministry of Solicitor General, will also be transferred to the new ministry for negotiations for next year's budget allocation. At this point I do not anticipate any changes in those two budgets.
- Planning and support for the new JI facility will now be with our

Board through to the Ministry of AE&JT.

- The move to AE&JT does not involve any changes with our major client groups and the specific academy contracts for programs and services.
- We will now be more formally a part of the network of universities, colleges and institutes in BC. I anticipate there may be many opportunities for us within the system to apply for special project funds for new programs that have not been available to us in the past.
- The Policy Advisory Group, made up of assistant deputy ministers representing our major client groups, will continue, with the addition of a representative from the Ministry of AE&JT.

Let me conclude by saying that this move back into the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job

Media centre completes Lakeside video project

The Media Centre completed filming the Lakeside Video Project on September 15 after almost four months of work. Lakeside Correctional Centre is the only secure correctional centre for women in British Columbia, but when the Burnaby Correctional Centre for Women is completed in November 1990, Lakeside will be demolished. The video was created as a historical perspective of Lakeside from its beginning to the present. The Training has all the earmarks of being a win-win situation, since:

- the Ministry of AE&JT has expressed strong interest in bringing the JI back into the colleges and institutes network;
- the Ministry of Solicitor General is supporting the move; and
- all of our major client ministries and branches also support the move.

Personally, I see this is a real opportunity to move the Justice Institute forward by strengthening our financial base and removing some of the confusion people have as to who we are and what we do. This transfer, along with our new strategic plan and facility plan, can assist us all in preparing for an expanding role for the Justice Institute in justice and public safety education and training in the nineties. □

Justice Institute-produced film will serve to preserve the existence of Lakeside after its destruction.

Eleanor Stock, a correctional officer at Lakeside, is the creator and director of the production; Debby Hawboldt of Corrections Academy is the liaison between the JI and Lakeside. After editing, the video Lakeside Correctional Centre for Women will be available through the Justice Institute. \Box

Police Academy uses FBI instructors

The Police Academy will use more FBI instructors in the coming months. In October, the Academy's Hostage/Barricaded Person Commanders Program will feature special agent Ben Tisa of the San Francisco FBI office as the head instructor. Special agent Tisa was the lead investigator in the Patty Hearst investigation,

and instructs the FBI's widely regarded SWAT program.

In November, supervisory special agent James Horn of the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, Virginia, will be the featured speaker at a Police Academy-sponsored conference on critical incident stress (see separate story on page 5).



their type in Canada.) Dr. Stan Wilbee, MP for Delta who represented the federal government at the opening, took over the driver's seat for one of the ambulance runs and did a professional job of driving.

Media representatives took ridealongs through the circuits in police cars and ambulances. Displays included commercial trucks, firefighting apparatus, ambulances, and RCMP freeway patrol mustangs.

In conjunction with other agencies, PTEC will play a key role in applied research related to driving, accident investigation and traffic safety. For example, UBC's accident research team will test vehicles and drivers on the site to assist with accident research, the University Hospital's Alzheimer Clinic will use PTEC's track to conduct North America's first study of the driving behaviour of normal elderly people and those with Alzheimer-like symptoms, and plans are underway to install a crash barrier on the PTEC site to assist the police and research agencies in accident reconstruction and investigation.

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ON STAFF

Changes ...

Several staff changes have occurred over the summer. Police Academy bade farewell to **Brenda Sampson** at the start of the fall training season. As reported in the July issue of *The JI News*, Brenda has returned to UBC to work toward a teaching degree in English as a Second Language. Taking Brenda's place is **Robyn Towle.** Before coming to the JI Robyn worked for a secretarial service.

David Gantzer has also left the Police Academy. For the past two years, David has been the only full time resident on site in Lawrence Hall dormitory. David has returned to regular police duties at his home department in Saanich. He has been replaced in Legal Studies by Cpl. Steve Watt from West Vancouver Police Department.

As Gary Bateman approaches the end of his secondment to the Police Academy as Program Director of Advanced Programs, Sgt. Tony Needham from Vancouver Police Department has come on board in an understudy capacity.

Ingrid Pipke has recently become the first JI employee to be seconded to the federal government in Ottawa. Ingrid left the Police Academy in August to spend two years with the federal Solicitor General's ministry where she will help design and develop a series of training programs for federal law enforcement personnel. We hope to have an article from Ingrid next month giving us her impressions of life in the capital and work with the 'feds.'

Kathy Jung is the new person staffing the Blake Hall reception desk. In her new part time position, Kathy relieves Kathy Kelsberg on switchboard and assists with room bookings and other duties in the Finance and Administration Division. Kathy J. also works part time at the New World Harbourside Hotel.

Lorraine Ordano has moved from Finance and Administration Division to the Registration Office where she will assist Office Supervisor, *Kerry Gruber*.

Tara Cox completed her sixweek term in Fire Academy at the end of August. Tara has resumed her studies at Kwantlan College where she is in a UBC transfer program, working toward a degree in nutritional science.

Sylvia Habisch is the new secretary to the Deputy Director of the Fire Academy, *Irwin De-Vries.* Before coming to the JI in August Sylvia was a secretary with the Canadian Bar Association. *Anne Langdon* has also joined Fire Academy. Anne, who has been Administrative Assistant to Fire Academy Director *Paul Smith* since September, worked for a movie production company before coming to the JI.

Lisa Freshwater took up new duties as Program Secretary for continuing education programs in Emergency Health Services Academy in early September. She will work under the direction of Derek White. This was an internal move for Lisa, who had previously worked as Program Secretary for the Emergency Medical Attendants (EMA) II program. Edlynn Rivard will replace Lisa with the EMA II program.

In Educational Services Division, *Brenda Dahlie* has just been hired to fill a Program Planner position. Brenda, who will work with *Shelley Rivkin*, has a Master's degree in Community and Regional Planning from UBC. She most recently worked as a planner and research analyst for the District of North Vancouver.

After nearly ten years in the Resource Centre, the library's Audiovisual Booking Clerk, Angela Yannacopoulos, will leave at the end of September to pursue other work. Lydia Stewart, who has worked at the JI for the past two years as the Interlibrary Loan Clerk, will move into Angela's position.

More changes...

The JI "family" is growing at a rapid rate, and Ed Services staff are doing more than their part: On August 26, *Tricia Schairer* was married (she's now *Tricia Kobayashi*), and on September 19, *Kate* and *Bob Walker* (Extension Programs and Media Centre, respectively) became the proud parents of a healthy baby boy named Cameron.

The "family" expanded even further with the birth, on September 25, of *Derek White's* daughter, Rebecca. Derek is in Emergency Health Services Academy.

And it will grow still more on October 14 when *Sabrina Chen*, Finance and Administration, is married.

Education

Kelly Murphy and Derek White, Emergency Health Services Academy, are both completing bachelors degrees in Business Administration at Pacific Western University.

Conferences

Steve Hess, Advanced Programs Coordinator, Police Academy, attended a U.S. State Department seminar in San Francisco on the subject of Law Enforcement and the Diplomatic Community. Topics discussed at the conference included privileges and immunities granted to diplomatic and consular person-



nel, accreditation, and handling of incidents involving the diplomatic community. Steve's attendance at the conference is recognition of the fact that, with the growing influence of Vancouver and the Lower Mainland in international circles, and the increase in the incidence of demonstrations in front of consular premises, the Academy will need to provide training for police supervisors in this aspect of policing.

Three Fire Academy staff, *Irwin DeVries, Jack Tyler and Len Garis,* attended the weekend Volunteer Fighters Conference in Duncan in July. The conference serves as a forum for special educational seminars and offers an opportunity for volunteer fire departments to resolve some of the problems they face.

In August, Fire Academy Director *Paul Smith* attended the Canadian Fire Chiefs Conference in Montreal and the International Fire Chiefs Aviation Conference in Indianapolis. These conferences provided participants with an opportunity to attend educational programs, review new technologies and equipment, and have input on key issues involving fire service and fire protection and safety.

Paul Smith also attended a national conference on fire fighter training in August. This conference was held at the Manitoba Fire College in Brandon. He spoke to the 120 delegates about the JI Fire Academy's training for Native fire fighters in BC and Saskatchewan.

Paul Pershick, Program Director, Corrections Academy, attended The Second International Conference on Prison Education held at Wadham College, Oxford, England, from September 25 to 28. The conference was organized by the Open University in association with the Chief Education Officer's Branch of the Home Office Prison Department and the Correctional Education Association.

The conference, limited to 80 participants, was by invitation only. The gathering was truly international in flavour, with delegates attending not just from Canada and the United Kingdom, but also Australia, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Hong Kong, Republic of Ireland, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Sri Lanka, Tanzania and the United States.

Paul was asked to speak on staff development strategies. He also took along a variety of illustrative material to inform delegates of the various programs offered through the Justice Institute and the British Columbia Corrections Branch.

ON VISITORS

Mary Cann, Manager of Training for the Emergency Measures Organization, Ontario, visited the JI campus for three days in August. She was here primarily to look at the JI's arrangements for emergency preparedness training and share training ideas with PEP Academy Director, Sam Meckbach.

Val Patte, the new assistant deputy director of Police Services for British Columbia visited the Justice Institute this month to meet with Principal Larry Goble and Police Academy Director Phil Crosby-Jones.

Mr. Patte expressed great interest and support for the training and services provided by the Institute to his Branch. These include contracts to train all municipal police officers in the province, the Provincial Emergency Program and special projects and workshops provided through Extension Programs in support of crime prevention and victim assistance. \Box

Police Academy sponsors a conference on critical incident stress

As an adjunct to the November 16---17 Critical Incident Stress workshop sponsored by five JI divisions/academies, the Police Academy is sponsoring a two-day conference entitled "Police Perspectives on Critical Incident Stress." Police managers from around the province, including senior officers from all RCMP subdivisions, will attend the conference, which is also to be held at the JI, on November 7 and 8.

The Police Academy conference is designed to make police management more aware of the concerns and recent developments in the area of critical incidence stress. The featured speaker at the conference will be supervisory special agent James Horn of the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Special agent Horn is a recognized expert in the field of psychological services for law enforcement.

> The Justice Institute of B.C. is dedicated to improving the quality of justice and public safety by developing and delivering training programs and offering educational services to professionals and the public.

Resource Centre Notes

Library staff spend their summer weeding, barcoding and cataloging

With their new computerized catalogue, Resource Centre librarians can now do searches for you (or teach you how to do your own) of all of the books and audiovisual material in their collection. Cataloging changes that took place over the summer will also enable them to compile and print bibliographies in just minutes.

Library staff also streamlined their collection this summer. With advice and assistance from people throughout the JI, they weeded out 1 550 outdated, invalid and irrelevant titles.

Their final summer project was barcoding every one of the 9

000 books in their collection. With the barcoding complete, library staff are ready now for the installation of a network which will enable users to sign out books electronically - just as Safeway checks out groceries. The only difference will be that the library will use a light pen instead of passing the item over a counter scanner. When the JI library joins the institute-wide network, you'll also be able to access the library catalogue right from your office. When will this happen? Library staff are just waiting for word from the JI Information Systems Committee.

Programs for Native fire fighters started in BC and Saskatchewan

In August, the Fire Academy began training programs for Native fire fighters in both BC and Saskatchewan. Each province has its own program.

British Columbia Native fire departments are involved in the Volunteer Fire Fighter Certificate Program, while the theme in Saskatchewan is *Train the Trainer*.

When Saskatchewan's program is completed participating departments should be able to conduct their own training in some of the basics of fire fighting. \Box

Extension programs organizes orientation session on Native culture and history

On September 13-15, 95 staff from the ministries of Solicitor General and Attorney General participated in an orientation session organized by Extension Programs and held at the Kamloops Indian Band Cultural Centre. The purpose was to prepare regional staff for consultations with native organizations and political representatives regarding their increased access to the justice system. A key component of the orientation session was to familiarize participants with Native culture and history and sensitize them to some of the obstacles Native people currently face.

Participants were welcomed by Chief Clarence Jules, a hereditary chief of the Shushwap Nation. He urged them to put

aside their preconceived notions about aboriginal people, listen openly to their views and concerns about the justice system. and consider the value of customary law as a viable form of social control. Ron George, President of the United Native Nations. discussed the impact of European domination on Native family life and social structure. He spoke movingly about his own experiences as a non status Indian and the difficulties he encountered trying to live in two worlds. The final speaker was Vina Starr who talked about the negative effect of current tax laws and fishing regulations on the livelihood of Native communities.

The afternoon session profiled a number of programs initiated by Native organizations to assist their people in accessing the criminal justice system. These programs range from the preparation of videos on Native beliefs and customary law directed toward judges, to the Native Peacekeepers started by the Lillooet District Tribal Council.

The second day focused on the mechanics of the consultative process, with participants being asked to prepare an action plan that they could implement when they returned to their own communities.

Two days is too short to adequately inform people of the vast history and culture of Native people. However, Chief Jules eloquently concluded the session by expressing his hope that in the two days participants "began to walk a little way in our shoes."

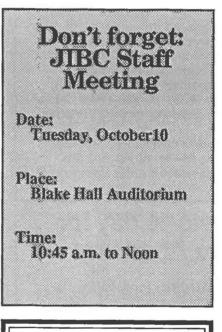
Ritual abuse: extension programs tackles new issue

Ritual abuse of children has become a bigger problem than most people imagine, both in BC and across Canada. According to lawyers, police, social workers and other professionals, ritual abuse can encompass physical, sexual and psychological abuse and can include murder. They say that, as with child sexual abuse, children are targeted because they are powerless. And in the case of satanic cults, children are seen as being special to God and therefore not revered by Satan.

Dr. Larry Pazder, a Victoria psychiatrist who is a leading North American expert on ritual abuse, was interviewed by *The Vancouver Sun* for a major article which appeared on September 16. Dr. Pazder says that ritual abuse points to a broader problem than satanism, which refers only to cults that worship the devil. "There are about 8 000 destructive cults in the US and all types of belief systems that can be used to desecrate life. Some have very heavy connections with drugs and pornography."

Recently, Extension Programs brought in two experts in the diagnosis, assessment and treatment of ritual abuse victims: Rob Tucker, Executive Director of the Toronto-based Council on Mind Abuse, and Dr. Catherine Gould, one of the most experienced psychologists working in the field. Sessions conducted by Tucker and Gould were oversubscribed, with strong participation from police, Crown counsel, crisis line staff and child care workers.

The Sun article quotes Wendy Harvey, a Vancouver Crown counsel and well-known child advocate in BC courts, as saying that, while she believes ritual abuse of children is going on, she would not bring it before the court. "We just don't believe juries will believe it and don't necessarily believe that judges will either, so we call it physical or sexual abuse." North Vancouver family lawyer James Martin agrees. He is currently handling two cases that he says involve claims of ritual abuse, but the cases will go forward as "general abuse" cases. □





Ambulance administrators from throughout Japan visited the JI in September to study the BC ambulance system. Representatives from BC Ambulance Service accompanied the visitors on their tour, and EHS Academy Director Tony Williams and JI Principal Larry Goble (on the far right) welcomed them to the JI.

Next deadline for submissions to the *JI News* is October 15

JI instructor helps W-5 with a feature on youth gangs

W-5, the acclaimed CTV news program, is planning to produce a segment on organized gang activity. The focus will be on youth gangs, particularly Asian youth gangs. Vancouver has been prominent among Canadian cities for its response to this problem and will be featured in the production.

The research team at W-5 has interviewed Justice Institute instructor, Chris Beresford, for background information. Beresford worked as the specialist probation officer in Vancouver with responsibility for gang members from late 1987 until early 1989. He joined the Corrections Academy at the JI in June 1989.

W-5 is planning to film segments in Vancouver this fall. The air date has not been set. □

Historic day for Fire Academy

Fire Academy made history in September when it took delivery of two valuable pieces of equipment on the same day: a new 'state of the art' pumper (fire truck) and a destroyed airplane. Look for photos and a story in the October JI News. \Box

The JI News is produced ten fimes 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. Deadline for submissions is the 15th of every month - except Juty and August when the newsletter is not published.

Police support Terry Fox run

Police Academy showed strong support for the 1989 Terry Fox Run on September 17: forty-four police recruits, police academy staff and their families took part as runners or cyclists. Paula Connolly from Corrections Academy, and her husband Pat, also took part in the run.

United Way campaign underway

Rick Evans has been appointed to chair the Justice Institute's United Way campaign this year, and representatives from each academy division will help him distribute pledge forms. He also plans to organize a Halloween Dance for staff and students. The dance will be held in the gymnasium on October 28, so start thinking about your disguises for that occasion, those who need them!

1988/89 Annual Report published

The JI's 1988/89 Annual Report has now been released. Directors of each academy and division have copies on hand if you'd like to look at one. If you'd prefer to have your own copy, contact Sabrina Chen at local 245. □

Extension Programs staff 'retreats' to Granville Island



The photo above shows extension programs and registration office staff at the close of the first day of a three day retreat at the Granville Island Barge in July. Front row: Kate Walker, left; Pat Ross, right. Second row, left to right:

Marje Burdine, Sandra Rice, Shelley Rivkin, Bev Karakochuk, Tricia Schairer (now Kobayashi) and Gail Makowsky. Back row: Patricia McNeill, Tad Dick, Marg Huber, Cindy Douglas, Flora Mac-Leod and Kerry Gruber.