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Construction of New Facilities To Start



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WEST BLOCK



SOUTH BLOCK

MEETING HALL CLASSROOM BLOCK

Thanks to the generosity and vision of a small group of individuals who have provided the seed money, construction starts this month on the new facilities at Vancouver College. The funds received provide for the completion of the Science Centre with its state-of-the-art super lab at the Centre plus four senior science classrooms, greenhouse, and computer room. It will also cover the construction cost of the building envelopes for the Performing Arts Hall, the new additional gymnasium with adjoining Fitness centre and change rooms.

With over half of the budgeted \$10.1 million expansion to our college raised to date, we are confident we can raise the rest to fully complete the project by Fall 2007.

The winning bid for construction of the new facilities came from Heatherbrae Construction, a family owned and operated company established by Michael Knight in April, 1990. Heatherbrae, which originated in Vancouver, BC and has since spread throughout the province and neighbouring Alberta, has on its team over 100 years of combined experience in construction, estimation and management. The company is known as a general contractor with a special interest in building and renovating schools and is currently working on projects at Little Flower Academy and Our Lady of Perpetual Health.

Construction will take approximately fourteen months till completion. For weekly updates on the construction please go to the VC website at www.vc.bc.ca after September. To learn more about the project, contact Kim Findlay at 604-261-3755 or email at kfindlay@vc.bc.ca

Alumni Homecoming Game

September 16th, 11:45 am - 5:00 pm

Opening season home game is September 16th, O'Hagan Field versus cross town rivals Saint Thomas More Knights. Kick off is at 1:30. This is a game not to be missed! All alumni and families are invited to join us in the hospitality tent east side of O'Hagan field for a complimentary barbeque lunch starting at 11:45am to 1:15 pm plus gift packages for all alumni attending the game. Classmates can plan to meet at the alumni tables in the beer garden from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Make your connections there and enjoy music provided by our very own VC Jazz band.

Join us in the hospitality tent, sign in and leave a note for friends, register for the Irish Online, look up graduates in the alumni directory, and obtain information on Vancouver College and Alumni Association programs.

Please RSVP your attendance by calling 604.261.4285 ext 265 or email kfindlay@vc.bc.ca



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Message from the Millennium Foundation



"Vancouver College is at an exciting time in its history. Both academically and athletically, VC continues to set standards most schools strive for. Renovations continue with work on the second floor of

McCormack Hall and our planned new facilities that include, among other things, a new Science Centre with Performing Arts Hall, new Gymnasium with Fitness Centre are readying for breaking ground this fall. New exciting alumni programs are being started to strengthen relationships between alumni, VC and future alumni.

The future has never looked brighter. The foundation is pleased to support such a vibrant and forward looking education institution. We look forward to working closely with alumni and donors to find new ways to meet challenges of new opportunities."

Kim Findlay
Managing Director, VCMF

Upcoming VC Events

Irish Varsity Football Homecoming Game - September 16, 2006

O'Hagan Field 1:30 PM Irish versus Saint Thomas More. Bbq: 11:45 am - 1:15 pm
Beer Garden: 12:00 pm -4:00 pm
Complimentary Barbeque lunch for alumni and family

33rd Annual VC Alumni & Friends Golf Classic - September 23, 2006

McCleery Golf Course
Contact Steve Eivemark '89 at stephen_eivemark@vancity.com or Ed Rogers '78 at e_rogers@telus.net for details. Last chance to sign up. PAID REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 15, 2006

Finnegan Ball

November 4, 2006

Gala Dinner/Dance fundraising event. This annual event pulls out all the stops and promises to be a lot of fun. Last year's ball "A Night In Venice" sold out early. So keep your eyes open for details and get your tickets early.

Alumni Awards Dinner - April, 2007

Come out to celebrate the latest round of inductees into the VC Alumni Hall of Honour. Watch for details and ticket information in future issues of this newsletter.

May Fair - May 12, 2007

Great fun in a country fair setting. This year you'll be able to see some of the amazing upgrades the school has got underway.

Alumni Football Game

May 12, 2007

Feature event of the May Fair. Watch for details.

1st Annual VC Alumni Fishing Derby June 9, 2007

For all you avid fishermen, this should catch your interest. Contact Rob Kozikowski '94 at r_kozikowski@hotmail.com for details.





While some student's take the summer off, others have been busy attending camps or training. Three fighting Irish students have been particularly busy competing nationally and internationally-Sean Addison and Anthony Jacob in rowing, and Trey Henderson in track & field.

SPORTS

Canada wins overall event!

CanAmMex 2006: Canada Has a Successful Weekend at CanAmMex in Mexico

Sean Addison had just finished the grade 11 year when he started training with the CanAmMex junior team, a young squad of Canadian rowers that picked up a boat load of medals at the annual CanAmMex regatta, this year held in Mexico during July.

"We are very pleased with the results of the Canadian team at CanAmMex," said National Junior Coordinator John Ruscitti. "All the athletes earned their seats into the CanAmMex boats, and spent some training time together before going to Mexico. This preparation period

appears to have been a successful formula, and it is exciting that most of the athletes are eligible to return next year and compete for seats in boats heading to China for the 2007 World Junior Rowing Championships."

Sean Addison, competing in the men's four and eight crews, brought home gold, placing first in the fours with a time of 6:41.11. In the men's eight, Canada had a tight race to the last 250 metres when they made a move and jumped out in front, to win in 6:26.92, almost five seconds faster than the US team at 6:31.25!



Sean Addison on left.



Finals

World Rowing Junior Championships

Anthony Jacob trained with the Junior national squad competing in the coxed four crew that competed at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships (Aug. 2 to 5) in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The Canadian Juniors just missed out on the podium placing fourth overall.

"The coxed four had a great race, just missing out on a medal," said John Ruscitti, National Junior Program Coordinator. "They're a young crew (16 to 18 years old), so these guys will be back."

Romania won the coxed four event in 6:25.69, with Italy in a close second in 6:26.96, then Germany in 6:27.23, with the Canadians, who held onto second-place until after the 1000-metre mark, finishing right behind in 6:28.61 in fourth overall.

Vancouver's Trey Henderson breaks national youth record in men's hammer throw at Legion National Track and Field Championships

August 12th 2006, BURNA-BY, B.C. - Trey Henderson of Richmond, BC, broke his Canadian youth record in the men's hammer throw on Saturday at the Legion Track and Field Championships youth nationals.

Henderson bettered his previous best set last year by two metres with a 67.45 metre toss to win the under-17 event. Before

Henderson, current Canadian champion James Steacy of Lethbridge, Alta., held the mark. Angus Taylor of Richmond, BC, was second at 59.41 and Maxime Haran of St-Eustache, Que., third at 56.02.

"That was my goal," said Henderson, 16, also a tight end and defensive end with the Vancouver College football team. "The Legion meet has been my whole focus and it's great to end my track season this way. They have a new circle here and it works well for, I can really gain a lot of speed. I couldn't have asked for a better situation."





President's Message VC Alumni Association

Greetings All!

Man, that summer flew by. I remember when summers used to stretch on for what seemed like an eternity. Fall is here and while September usually still has some warm days (cross your fingers for the upcoming Golf Tournament), it won't be long before we break out the sweaters and the hot cocoa.

For all the boys, this represents the start of another school year and for those entering Grade 12, the Last! For all of us Alumni, this is simply the beginning of another fall. But hey, Ski Season is just around the corner.

So the school year is shaping up to be pretty busy with lots of events planned over the next 10 months starting off with the First Annual Alumni Home Coming event on September 16 and wrapping up in June with another first, the First Annual Alumni Fishing Derby (does everything have to have

such a long title?) There is pretty much something for everybody this year. Check out the Upcoming Events schedule in this, and future issues, and keep an eye on the website, vcalumni.com, for more details.

On another note, in June we presented the Br. JP Rowland Memorial award to Anthony Aldaba for being accepted into a program of study for religious vocation. Anthony is the second recipient of this award in two years, the first being Pablo Santa Maria Watson. Vancouver College hasn't produced consecutive religious order initiates in quite some time. This is truly something for the VC Community to be proud. Join me in wishing them the greatest success in the service of God.

I'll wrap it up with my usual appeal. We are always looking for more volunteers to help out. If you're looking for an excuse to get out of the house, I'm sure I can find something for you to do.

Till Next Time
Steve Eivemark '89
VCAA - President

New VC Alumni Program

With the growing interest and excitement around the school, we thought it would be a good time to recap the programs that we have been developing.

The Alumni Network

Since Vancouver College opened its doors in 1922, thousands of students have passed through the hallways moving on to careers and lives that span many diverse professions and businesses around the world. The Alumni Association has developed an exciting program to connect fellow and future alumni to share your collective knowledge and experience, which represent a vast untapped resource. If you're planning a career change or thinking of going back to school, we can help you make that decision by putting you in touch with a couple of other alumni who have already gone down that path and can give you valuable insight as to what to expect. For the current students, our future alumni, it is a great way to help them get started by providing mentoring and career guidance. Then, if your path takes you to a new city or country, we can get you a friendly contact to show you the lay of the land. For more details see the Alumni Network page of our website, vcalumni.com, or contact our Alumni Network Champion, Daniel Lavery '77 at 604.506.1705 or daniellavery@royallepage.ca.

The Alumni Reunion Program

As part of our dual mandate to enhance the social environment of the Vancouver College community and keeping the lines of communication open, we have been developing a Reunion Program to encourage alumni to organize class reunions on a more regular basis. The central piece of the program is an Information Kit that includes a class contact list so you're not starting from scratch, a list of potential activities, and list of alumni owned/operated venues or services. If you're going to have a pub night, why not go to an alumnus owned pub - keep the business in the family, so to speak. To that end, if you know anyone that is in the hospitality industry, send us a name and number so we can get in touch and add them to the list. Otherwise, when your year comes around, drop us a line and we'll send you a copy of the Info Kit.

Irish Review

Staying with the communication theme, we hope you like the reformatted Irish Review newsletter. This is a collaboration between the Alumni Association and the VC Millennium Foundation. Our goal is to produce the newsletter on a

quarterly basis and make it available to everyone in the VC Community. The "Where Are They Now" and "Alumni In The News" articles are intended to help celebrate our accomplishments, keep everyone up to date, and help alumni reconnect with old friends. Two things you can do to be a part of this are send us your email address (helps cut down postage costs) and send us a note on what you're up to. Whether you moved to a new town or were knighted by the Queen, it's all good information.

Alumni Affiliate Branches

This is a really exciting move towards expanding our VC Community to a global scale. The VC Millennium Foundation has spurred the forming of the first satellite VC Alumni branch in Ontario, which hosted its first social event at the beginning of the summer. With its success, we can look at opening branches anywhere in the world where pockets of VC Alumni live. The goal for each branch is to create a valuable local social network for members, visiting alumni and future alumni.

Events

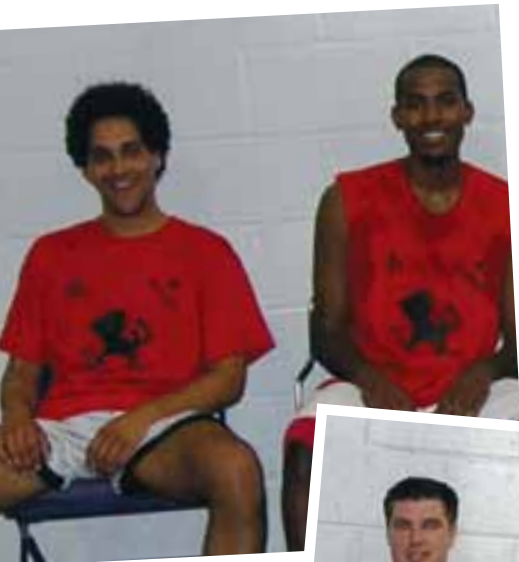
On top of our mainstay annual events such as the VC Alumni Basketball Tournament, the VC Alumni Football Game, and the VC Alumni Golf Tournament, we are trying out new types of events and expanding others. Back in the spring, we hosted the first Wine and Cheese social at the school's production of Little Shop of Horrors. This month is the first ever Alumni Home Coming Event around the football team's game against Saint Thomas More. In April 2007 we are planning the next Alumni Awards Dinner to celebrate some of our best and brightest. And in June, we'll have the First VC Alumni Fishing Derby.

In time, we would like to expand the services and programs that we offer. One service we have talked about for years is establishing an Alumni Business Directory. Other ideas are hosting receptions for new alumni, business networking nights, running mentor programs, and establishing regional scholarships. The only limit on what we can achieve is our desire to do so.





2006 VC Alumni Basketball Tournament



On Saturday May 27, over 60 VC Alumni collected in the school gym to play some ball and have some fun. After seven hours of grueling competition, (maybe a slight exaggeration), Team 98/99 including Chris Peerless '98, Gerard Slobogean '98, Graeme Williscroft '98, Jordan Mason '98, Scott Wright '98, Jerome Barcelone '99, Sten Tillberg '99, Chris Marincat '98, and Trevor Mills '99 won the bragging rights. After applying our super-secret highly scientific formula, Jordan Mason was awarded MVP. Tournament All-Stars included John Dumont and Chris Peerless.

We'd like to thank the parents who helped out at the BBQ and in selling 50/50 tickets. In fact, one of them went home with all the loot from the 50/50 (hmm?).

Despite the complications of births and weddings, the organizing crew including Tricia Marcotte, Steve Jagger '96, Geoff Smythe '01, John Robertson '94, Mike McIsaac '87, and Chad Howse '03 did awesome jobs. Everyone had a blast and next year we'll get back in stride.

55th Anniversary Re-union of VC Class of '51

A CELEBRATION TO REMEMBER

Rochelle and Don Farquhar's Beach Grove waterfront home was a perfect site to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the class of '51 graduation from the College.

The June 15th, 2006 event attended by 18 alumni and 16 spouses/friends featured an afternoon barbeque with music from the hits of 1951.

Most who attended reside in the Vancouver area but several out-of-towners made a special effort to join the group to renew old friendships. They included Sharron and Bill Rose from Princeton; Sheila and Paul Guichon from Sammamish, Washington; Pat and Lou Murphy from Marietta, Georgia; Gil Saunier from Bowser; Barry Brown from Toronto; Penny and Frank Sweeney from Lynden, Washington; Maurice Boulanger from Salmon Arm; and Martha and Gil Choquette from Silver City, New Mexico.

A moment of silence was held to honour classmates and Brothers who had passed away. MC Jack Cooke advised the group that "... plans for a 60th anniversary re-union were starting with the collection of name tags used today to be re-used in 2011." He expressed the hope that "...everyone attending the 55th would be able to participate again 5 years from now."

June 30, 2006.
Ralph Kitos



Names of attendees at VC class of '51 re-union, June 15th, 2006. (Left to right)

Back row:

Sue Macdonald, Betty Smyth, Pat Murphy, Sheila Guichon, Yoshiko Ogura, Bill McKibben, Neil Smyth, Bill Rose, Mike Mulholland, Paul Guichon, Jack Cooke, Elaine Cooke, Diane Smith.

Middle row:

Don Farquhar, Lou Murphy, Jim Macdonald, Sharron Rose, Ray MacLeod, Ole MacLeod, Gil Saunier, Barry Brown, Wilf Lefebvre, Margaret Lefebvre, Frank Smith, Martha Choquette, Penny Sweeney, Frank Sweeney.

Front row:

Evelyn McNeil, Rochelle Farquhar, Mary Kitos, Janet Mulholland, Maurice Boulanger, Gil Choquette, Ralph Kitos.





Reunions in the Works

The following are class reunions at various stages of planning. We have included the names and email addresses for those heading up the organizing efforts. You can also contact the Alumni Association's Reunion Liaison, Larry Biggar '69, at larry@richmondrealty.ca

10 Year Reunion for Class of 1996
Steve Jagger, steve@ubertor.com

20 Year Reunion for Class of 1986
October 20th weekend
Cory Smith
Aaron Van Pykstra
Dean Doolan

25 Year Reunion for Class of 1981
Rick Brownrigg
Liam Coughlan
Joe Doyle

30 Year Reunion for Class of 1976
November 4, 2006
Perry Mazzone, pmazzone@litigators.ca
Kevin Konar, kevin.konar@rbc.com
Brad Shorey, brad@wiffen.com

50 Year Reunion for Class of 1956
September 7th, 2006 VC Alumni Room
Peter Howes

RIP

Lawrence Fanning (VC '45), January 2006
Capt. Lawrie Watters (VC '75), July 3, 2006
Alfred Lim (VC '46), 2006
Albert Van Der Sande (VC '74), 2006
Howard Gougeon (VC '57), August 27, 2006

NEW ARRIVALS

Olivia Joy Pasacreta to Allan Pasacreta (VC '95) and Nicky Normand on April 25, 2006.



We Need Your Help

Have you ever thought about getting involved?

Looking to give back to the VC Community?
Or, just looking for a reason to get out of the house?

From Special Events, to Special Projects, to sitting on our Board, your Vancouver College Alumni Association is looking for some good men who can volunteer a couple of hours a month. Contact us through our website www.vcalumni.com or call 604.261.4285 and ask to leave a message for the alumni office.

Where Are They Now?

1960's

Alan Exley (VC '68) came close to graduating, too much wine women and song! He says he was in residence at the time so there were no excuses for not graduating. Returned to Ottawa and went to Gr. 13 and then through summer school, finally received a diploma (Sr. Matric). He joined the Federal Government in the Immigration Dept. and got into computer operations; climbed the ranks fairly fast and then left in 1979 to join the Bank of Montreal as their night operations manager in Calgary. Got married in 1978; divorced in 1988. Went into geophysical seismic operations in 1990 and became a surveyor. He's worked up north ever since. Still healthy and having fun! **Jim Invararity (VC '69)** is a Property Assessor for Assessor Okanagan Region. He lives in Aldergrove. **Norman Lambert (VC '69)** has been the Deputy Chief/Director for Toronto Emergency Medical Services for 25 years, starting as a paramedic in 1981. **Michael Meegan (VC '69)** is the owner of Meegan's Store Ltd. in Queen Charlotte City.

1970's

Peter Campos (VC '73) received a BA from UBC, Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Hawaii, and a specialized residency in Behavioral Medicine research from the University of Mississippi Medical Center/VA Consortium. He was on faculty at the State University of New York - Binghamton for six years before becoming the Clinical Director of Mental Health Services at the Emory University School of Medicine's Grady Infectious Disease Program in Atlanta, Georgia. Peter left Emory in 2000 to start his own health research and evaluation consulting business. He currently lives with his 16 year old Border Collie/German Shepherd dog, Danno, in Decatur, Georgia, where they proudly cheer on the Fighting Irish every college football year. **Thomas Faliszewski (VC '74)** is the Owner/President of TSDF Consultants. Thomas, along with his wife Lidia, and their son, Michael live in White Rock. Michael is starting grade eight at Vancouver College in September. **Doug Ware (VC '74)** is an MWO with the Canadian National Defence in Ottawa, where he also lives. **Carson Tipper (VC '75)** is married and has three children. He has been a self employed contractor for the last twenty years. He has read his poetry in Vancouver over the past 3 to 4 years and has been writing for over thirty years. In 1976 he attended The University of British Columbia favouring subjects such as creative writing, linguistics and Greek. Carson attended Langara College Arts Program in 1978 to study design, Greek mythology and various arts. In 1980 he attended The Emily Carr College of Art and graduated with honours in sculpture and ceramics in 1984. He has since taught sculpture at UBC continuing education programs and has continued drawing and sculpting privately with most all of his work focused on the human figure. **Randy Tichelman (VC '79)** is a self employed Computer Consultant. He and his wife, Nicole, live in Vancouver with their son, Jeff, who is beginning grade eight at Vancouver College in September.

1980's

Howard E. Cadinha (VC '80) is the head of trading systems, as Associate Portfolio Manager, at VanCity Investment Management. He lives in Surrey. **Bill Canvin (VC '80)** is the owner of the Frog and Nightgown Pub. He and his wife, Rosemary, live in Maple Ridge. **Piotr M. Czaykowski (VC '80)** is a Medical Oncologist for CancerCare Manitoba. He lives in Winnipeg. **Paul Gipps (VC '80)** lives in Terrace, BC. He is the President of Building Officials Association of British Columbia. **Michael Kreykenbohm (VC '80)** is the General Manager of W Kreykenbohm Corporation. He lives in Delta. **Alex Loboazar (VC '80)** lives in Burnaby and is an Associate with Concord Business Development. **Tony Macken (VC '80)** is a Professional Tennis Player and lives in Coquitlam. **Tom Pulchny (VC '80)** and his wife, Liz, live in California. He is Assistant Administrator, Curriculum at St. Leo the Great School in San Jose. **Natasak Rodjanapiches (VC '80)** has been Managing Director of Oracle Corporation Thailand since 1997. Previously, he worked at Bell Canada and Price Waterhouse. He lives in Bangkok. **Judson E. Selig (VC '80)** lives in Peekskill, NY. He is the Hockey Instructor at Westchester Skating Academy. **Mark Tilbe (VC '80)** lives in Seattle, WA and is a Principal with Murase Associates (landscape architecture). **Paul D. Toporowski (VC '80)** is a Realtor with Re/Max Real Estate. He lives in Kamloops. He has served or is serving on the following local organizations: Director and Treasurer of the Southwest Business Improvement Area Association, Member of the Kamloops Tourism Association Co-chair, Kamloops Attractions Associations, Steering committee on fundraising for St. Ann's Academy, Canadian Securities Course, and Junior Achievement Moderator. **Phil Welch (VC '80)** is the President and Managing Director of McDaniel & Associates Consultants (oil and gas reservoir evaluators) in Calgary, where he also resides. **Stephen Ciccone (VC '82)** lives in Oakville, ON. He is the Manager of Mining and Metals for Amec (environmental, geotechnical, materials and water resources). **Aubry G. Farenholtz (VC '82)** lives in Coquitlam and is the Physics Teacher at D. W. Poppy Secondary School. He has taught Physics and Junior Science for 15 years in BC. He was a primary developer of the TESSI project model for technology integration and received the Canadian Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence in Science, Technology and Mathematics. He has authored junior science and technology-based resources, and has taught SCED 412 Computers in the Science Classroom at UBC. **Troy Stasiuk (VC '82)** is married and has two children. He is a Detective with the Vancouver Police Department, a post he's held since 1991. **Damian McKevitt (VC '82)** is the President and CFI (Chief Flying Instructor) of FloatSafety Seaplane Training Inc. in Vancouver. He is currently employed by Air Canada Jazz as a First Officer on the Canadair Regional Jet. He has been flying for 15 years and has in excess of 7000 hrs, 5000 of which was logged on a myriad of float plane types. He has flown in many parts of Canada and the world, most notably a four year stint with Kenn Borek Air Ltd. where he operated Twin Otter float planes in areas ranging from BC's west coast to the Indian Ocean. **Marek J. Radzikowski (VC '82)** is a Physics Professor at UBC in Vancouver, which is where he lives. After graduating with honours from Engineering Physics at UBC in 1987, Marek entered graduate school at Princeton University, USA, completing a PhD in Applied and Computational Mathematics there in 1992. His area of study was (and still is) mathematical physics. Marek has had three post-docs since then, one at Texas A&M University for two years (1992-94), one at the University of York (1994-5) in the UK, and one at the Institute for Theoretical Physics in Hamburg, Germany (1996-98). Since then he's been back in Canada in various jobs. Most recently, he has been tutoring (mostly at the university level, in mathematics and physics). He has tutored high school math and physics. He plays chess with the Lower Mainland Chess Club Team and enters the Championships. **Chris Stead (VC '82)** lives in Vancouver. He is the Head Pro at the West Vancouver Tennis Club and has held this position since 1993. Chris was born and raised in Vancouver and was introduced to tennis at a young age while a member of the Vancouver Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club. As a young adult, Chris became interested in teaching tennis and began his coaching career as an assistant instructor at Vancouver Lawn and Tennis Club. Chris then moved on to the Arbutus Club where he worked as the Assistant Pro for six years before assuming his current position as Head Pro at the West Vancouver Tennis Club. Chris is a certified Tennis Canada Level 3 Coach. In 1998 he was selected to be a Tennis Canada National Touring Coach, providing him with the opportunity to work with some of Canada's top national and international level junior players. Chris is also a Tennis BC Provincial Coach where he works with BC's National Junior Teams. **Roberto Abraham (VC '83)** Dr. Abraham is a Professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics at the University of Toronto. After years of studying distant galaxies with the Hubble Space Telescope, Dr. Roberto Abraham, one of

We do our best to publish the above information as accurately as possible. If you see an error, please accept our apology, let us know and we will correct it in our next issue. If you want your former classmates to know what you are up to, contact us as well at ckoehler@vc.bc.ca, attention Charlotte Koehler.





Alumni News

six winners of the 2005 NSERC Steacie Fellowship, has his sights set on an image no one has ever seen: the birth of our Universe's first galaxies. When he was 12 years old, Roberto looked through a telescope for the first time. He was at his family cottage and the moon, Earth's closest celestial neighbour, filled his viewfinder. In 2004, Dr. Abraham used Canada's newest major resource for astronomy, the massive Gemini Telescope in Hawaii, to capture images of the most distant massive galaxies ever seen. **Dean Moreau (VC '83)** and his wife, Lisa, moved down to Texas (North Dallas) in 1999 after receiving his CPA designation, and he currently works with Gibraltar Group (www.gibraltarservices.com), an employee benefits administrator, as VP/Finance & CFO. He notes the irony that it should turn out like this - "mathematics was definitely not my strong suit at VC!" **Didier Culat (VC '83)** is a lawyer with Langlois Kronström Desjardins in Quebec. Born in Lyon, France, Didier resided in Vancouver for 22 years prior to moving to Quebec City. He has completed a law degree in both common and civil law. He was a student-at-law in the legal department with the Canadian Intergovernmental Affairs Secretariat and the Ministry of International Affairs. Today he acts in financings and commercial transactions with international or cross border implications and specializes in securities law. He lives in Sainte-Foy, QC. **Gordon Hammond (VC '83)** lives with his wife, Lori, in Las Vegas. He is a Tennis Pro at Summerlin Tennis Club, where he teaches all levels of play and specializes in organizing group clinics for beginners and training high-level juniors. He has been involved in Summerlin Tennis since its inception. Also involved in high school tennis, Gordon coaches the Gorman High School girl's tennis team, which has produced champions in 1998 and 1999. His future plans include obtaining USPTA Master Professional status, publishing a book or two and coaching a child to the top. Outside of tennis, Gordon has lived and traveled all over the world. He was born in Vancouver to a Scottish father and a Hungarian mother. His days off are spent playing in a roller hockey league. **Sean Love (VC '83)** is the Minister at St. John's Shaughnessy Anglican Church in Vancouver. He lives in Richmond. **Darren Ell (VC '83)** works for Emco Plumbing/Heating Wholesale and has his commercial pilot's license. He lives in Delta. **Sean Polson (VC '83)** lives with his wife, Sandi, in Kamloops. He is the Project Manager of Polson Developments Ltd. **Richard Porter (VC '83)** lives with his wife, Debby, in Bradenton, Florida. He is the Construction Supervisor for Ryland Homes. **Patrick Rebstein (VC '83)** Dr. Rebstein, PhD (Microbiology and Immunology) is the Scientific Development Officer for the BC Cancer Society. In this role he works with scientists and clinicians at the Agency to enable the scientific development of intellectual property. Dr. Rebstein received his MSc in Medical Biophysics at the Ontario Cancer Institute (University of Toronto) and his PhD in Microbiology and Immunology from the University of British Columbia. He lives in Vancouver. **Mark Fathers (VC '84)** is the Corporate Controller at Windsor Regional Hospital. He lives in Ottawa. **Gabor Friciska (VC '84)** lives in Kelowna, and is a Meteorologist at the Canadian Meteorological Centre. **Benedict Garry (VC '84)** is a doctor in Salinas, CA, where he also lives. **Sven Lincke (VC '84)** lives in Milliliani, Hawaii. He is the Manager of Export Sales and Marketing for Hertco Kitchens Mfg. in Oahu. **Philip Raphael (VC '84)** is a Reporter for the South Delta Leader newspaper. **Fred Hensel (VC '85)** lives in Calgary and is Vice President, Marketing for Akita Drilling Ltd. **Lawrence Kosick (VC '85)** lives with his wife, Shelly, in Carmel Valley, CA. Previously the Vice President of Yahoo, currently he is the President and Co-Owner of Lussori, which focuses on high-end timepieces and jewelry. He, along with one other person, purchased the business last year, and since their purchase, the new owners have worked to re-position Lussori to become a premier multi-channel luxury goods retailer. **Graeme McFarlane (VC '85)** is a Partner at the law firm of Roper Greyley. He lives in Vancouver. **Robert Onstein (VC '85)** is the President of Terrace Motors Toyota. He lives in Terrace. **Anthony Szeto (VC '85)** Dr. Szeto is an Earth and Science Math Professor at York University in Toronto. **Nicolas Von Dehn (VC '85)** lives in Kamloops and is an Optometrist at Nicola Optometry. **Dion Vuk (VC '85)** is an Engineer and Project Manager for ITC in Vancouver. During his summers between university terms, Dion had an early start developing his management skills as a head foreman for a reforestation company. He obtained a Bachelor of Applied Science in Civil Engineering at UBC in 1992. Looking for a new challenge, Dion harnessed his passion for adventure sports and advanced the scope of his professional skills when he conceived, branded, constructed and managed his own profitable paragliding business, iparaglide, where he is an Advanced Instructor. He founded an eCommerce website, a flight school where he mentored pilots through their training and built a dealer net for the North American Distribution of paragliders. With this dream fulfilled and the construction sector in BC booming, he decided to return to his roots and apply his proven management skills in the area he originally studied Civil Engineering for residential high rise projects. He lives in North Vancouver. **Mark Wisniewski (VC '85)** is a Managing Director at TD Securities Inc. **David Perks (VC '85)** dropped us a note to say he is now living in Australia. As some of his contemporaries may recall, he moved over from Australia just before beginning at VC in grade eight. After graduating, he worked and travelled for 18 months before moving back to Australia for university. He eventually ended up training to become an air traffic controller (a long story) and that is what he is doing today. Life in Australia has been good: he's married (12 yrs now) with two girls aged 6 and 8. Apart from that mate, not much to report. He still looks back with fondness on his days at VC and even looks forward to coming back for a reunion one day. He keeps in touch with a few 85ers but would welcome the chance to catch up with a few more. **Jason D. Dumaresq (VC '86)** lives in Vancouver and is a Mortgage Broker for Mac Mortgage. **Kristoff Kucera (VC '86)** lives with his wife, Liann, in Vancouver. He is a Contracting Foreman for the City of Burnaby. **Jason M. Winton (VC '86)** is a Commercial Realtor for Colliers International. He started at Colliers in 1994 after completing the Urban Land Economics program at UBC. In 1996 Jason moved over to the Industrial division to concentrate on the leasing and sales of industrial buildings. Over the next eight years Jason became one of the most active brokers in this area completing an average of 60 deals per year from 2000-2003. In 2004 Jason was given the exciting opportunity to expand Colliers' activities on Vancouver Island by focusing on the Mid-Island region (Duncan to Campbell River). Based in Nanaimo, Jason is now one of the only full time commercial-only real estate specialists in the region. **Bruno Vander Cruyssen (VC '87)** is working in Investment Banking in London, England. **Khalid Ataya (VC '87)** is the CEO of Media Nova Digital (web design and Intranet development). He lives in Vancouver. **Benj Beens (VC '87)** is the President of Lupulus Company (beer brewery). He lives in Vancouver. **Alex Bolongaro (VC '87)** is a realtor with Dexter Associates Realty and on the Board of Directors of Datawitness. Prior to being a realtor, Alex managed large real estate investments and multi-complex units. He lives in

Vancouver. **Dennis Dehlic (VC '87)** is an Estimator with BC Shipper Supplies. He lives in Richmond. **Marco Di Paolo (VC '87)** is the Vice President of Colliers International Vancouver. **Jose Kalaw (VC '87)** lives with his wife, Lindsay, in West Windsor, ON. He works at the Credit Suisse First Boston bank. **Paolo B. Montessori (VC '87)** is the Vice President, Southern Europe of Bharti Telesoft. He started his career in the public market domain, raising venture capital funds for IT&T companies in the U.S. and Canada. Prior to joining Bharti Telesoft, Paolo worked with LogicaCMG in senior sales positions in the Asia Pacific and Southern European regions. Paolo has an Advanced Diploma (Hons) in International Management from Ecole Les Roches in Switzerland and a BA in Western European Language and Literature from UBC. **Stefano A. Piccone (VC '87)** is a muralist and faux finisher based in Vancouver, Canada. His work draws heavily from his Italian heritage and the study of the Renaissance masters in particular. Since completing an Art History degree in 1991, Stefano has been commissioned to paint increasingly accomplished and prominent murals in some of Vancouver's finest private residences and public spaces. The murals themselves are often classically inspired flights of fancy featuring architectural perspectives which contain still-life and figure elements. **Liberato Reyes (VC '87)** is a Massage Therapist at Ironwood Massage Therapy in Richmond. **Anthony Seet (VC '87)** is a Pharmacist at Shoppers Drug Mart. He lives in Burnaby. **Shawn Baly (VC '88)** is a Policeman with the Ridge Meadows RCMP. **Milan Boljuncic (VC '88)** is a teacher at Argyle Secondary School in North Vancouver. He lives in Burnaby. **Philippe Doebeli (VC '88)** is now the Owner/Manager of The William Tell Restaurant, following several years as Food & Beverage Manager. Philippe took his three year apprenticeship under the tutelage of his father, and in 2000 went to Europe to broaden his experience. Philippe worked at Hotel de la Navigation, Lausanne, Switzerland and the illustrious Le Montreux Palace in Switzerland. He then continued on to the great wine regions of Europe, returning to Canada to work at the renowned Relais & Chateaux Post Hotel in Lake Louise, where he had the opportunity to work with one of the finest wine lists in North America. At The William Tell - also serving as Sommelier - Philippe created one of the finest and deepest wine lists in the City. Philippe is an avid skier, soccer player, film buff, food and wine enthusiast, and accomplished guitarist. **Janklaus Dreher (VC '88)** is a Realtor with Macdonald Realty Kelowna. He lives in Peachland. **John Kerti (VC '88)** lives in Surrey and is a Senior Network Manager at Kwantlen College. **Michael Lawless (VC '88)** is a Lawyer with McConnan, Bion, O'Conner and Peterson in Victoria, which is also where he resides. He is also a sessional instructor for the University of Victoria's School of Public Administration, teaching comparative public administration and law in the Master's of Public Administration program. Michael is an active member of the Naval Reserve serving as the Operations Officer for HMCS MALAHAT, Victoria's Naval Reserve Division. He is also the vice-president of the BC & Yukon Branch of the Royal Lifesaving Society Canada and continues to teach Lifeguard and Instructor courses for the Society. **Peter Lawless (VC '88)** is a Lawyer with Johns, Southward, Glazier, Walton & Margetts in Victoria. In addition to being a lawyer, he is a graduate of the National Coaching Institute in Victoria with a diploma in High Performance Coaching. A preferred area of practice is sports/recreation law. He is a Chartered Professional Coach and is currently the Provincial Coach for Wheelchair Athletics. He has been a coach with Team Canada for Wheelchair Athletics and recently took three of his personal athletes to the 2004 Paralympics Games in Athens, Greece. He lives in Mill Bay. **Bob Mackin (VC '88)** is a writer for the North Shore News, Vancouver Courier, and 24Hours. He also published a book called Soccer the Winning Way, as well as four books about baseball. He lives in North Vancouver. **Andrew Nathanson (VC '88)** is a Partner with Fasken Martineau, practicing primarily in the areas of commercial litigation and white collar crime. Andrew has appeared before the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal for British Columbia, the Supreme Court of the Yukon Territory, the Federal Court of Canada and before various administrative tribunals. He lives in Vancouver. **Franco Michielli (VC '88)** is the General Manager and Director of Sales of Executive Hotels & Resorts in Vancouver. He lives in Burnaby. **Luis Kalaw (VC '89)** lives with his wife, June, in Toronto. He works at Nortel. **Robin Apel (VC '89)** is the General Manager of Monk McQueen's in Vancouver. **John Hinze (VC '89)** is the CFO, Director, Human Resources & Administration, of British Columbia Securities Commission (BCBC). He lives in North Vancouver. **Mark Rethy (VC '89)** is the Owner of MountainStyle Inc. / WEST in Canmore, AB and London, ON. He lives in Ontario. The Mahoney clan has opened a new pub out at UBC. It is fittingly called Mahoney and Sons and is managed by Chris Mahoney (VC '89).

1990's

Rolando Villarreal (VC '90) is working in Finance and Investor Relations for Grupo Salinas in Mexico. **Andrew Corcoran (VC '91)** is the Manager, Product Technical Support for Vadim Software. He lives with his wife, Lisa, in Kelowna. **Richard Lam (VC '92)** is a freelance photographer for the Canadian Press and is living in Richmond. **Daniel Baouya (VC '93)** is a 2nd Lieutenant in the 409 Tactical Fighter Squadron, based out of Cold Lake, Alberta. While he has been there for a few months, he has only just had a chance to settle in and is getting used to the idea of home ownership (no spare time sucks). By the time this is printed, he will have participated in a 160 Km 4 Day march in Nijmegen, Holland. 40 km per day with a 10 kilo rucksack makes the Walk-A-Thon look like a cake walk. Unfortunately, due to the extreme heat, the race was called off after the first day. In between his pilot training, he finds some extra time to coach the local high school track team. **Paul A. Gilson (VC '95)** is an Audio Engineer for Cine Audio/Visual/Atlyn Productions. **Matt Cousineau (VC '95)** is in law school at the University of Saskatoon. **Jason Dukowski (VC '96)** works in the Financial Industry for Assante Financial. He lives in Vancouver. **David Jagger (VC '98)** is an Associate with Birch Hill Equity Partners Financial Services. He lives in Toronto. **Keith Roy (VC '99)** is a Realtor for MacDonald Realty. He lives in Vancouver.

2000's

Kevin Jagger (VC '00) lives in Montreal and is a Financial Analyst for Citigroup. **Rob Weitemeyer (VC '00)** currently lives in Victoria. He has finally completed his BSc at UBC this past April and moved to Victoria to go back to training full time for the national rowing team. He has had some success with this in the past four years, winning a few medals at world championship events, which makes it a great excuse to put off getting a real job for a few more years. He plans on rowing till the 2008 Olympics in Beijing and then finally retiring from rowing and getting started in the "real world."

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If you have any story ideas that would be of interest to the Vancouver College community please contact Kim Findlay at kfindlay@vc.bc.ca or (604) 261-3755.

Keeping Track

Please let us know what you have been doing since you left Vancouver College so we may share it with your classmates. Just go to the contact page of the alumni website, www.vcalumni.com and click on the "VC Alumni Update" section or fax us at (604) 261-3756 and keep us up to date on important developments in your life.



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