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NEWS BRIEFS
 TWO RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UBC STUDENTS

Two students from UBC have been awarded the Rhodes Scholarship, making 2009 the first year the university has had multiple students receive the prestigious award.

The Rhodes Scholarships are meant to bring students from across the globe to study at Oxford University in England. Honours Chemistry student Kavin Johnson and fourth-year medical student Jaagreet Khargera have accepted the scholarships.

Both will pursue postgraduate studies at Oxford. Johnson will be studying at the Oxford Centre for Water Research through the School of Geography and the Environment, and agrees to advise policy makers on issues regarding the global water crisis. Khargera, continuing in the field of medicine, will be working towards a MSc in Global Health in order to prepare for a career in health care.

PRE-GAMES IMPACT REPORTS RELEASED

Early results from the Olympic Games Impact (OGI) Pre-Games Report, which measures the impact of Olympic Games during the first four years of the organizing phase, have found that the decision to host the Games has boosted Canada's world brand potential and increased the number of businesses in Vancouver and Whistler. Findings on issues such as the environment and housing have been more positive. UBC Professor Rob VanNystrope led the report, which is the second of four studies required by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to measure the overall impact of the 2010 Olympics. The IOC developed the OGI study in order to have a standardized method of measuring, monitoring and reporting the impacts of hosting the international event. There are 216 IOC mandated indicators used to measure the social, environmental and economic conditions of the host city, region and country. Two more reports are set to be released in 2010 and 2013.

COULD THE AMS BE SAVED?

If AMS President Blake Frederick and VP External Tim Cho are recalled by Council on Monday, would that be the end of the UN complaint controversy? Not necessarily.

Last Wednesday, Frederick sent all councilors a one-month-old memo by Davis LLP, the AMS' law firm, outlining how 'directors' of the AMS—better known as councilors—could be removed from their positions.

The question of the legality of removing executives from office was also brought up in Council Wednesday.

In the memo, Davis advises that removing executives would be the equivalent of removing them as directors—an act which, based on case law, could only be done through a special resolution of the society, as the AMS is governed by the BC Society Act.

A special resolution would require a petition signed by at least 2 per cent of UBC students, and a motion to pass by 75 per cent at a special general meeting attended by two per cent of students.

Since Frederick's e-mail, the AMS has asked Davis for a new opinion that deals more specifically with relevant Council could recall executives without removing them as directors.

I would be checking with legal counsel to see if there were any steps forward," said Frederick. "AMS Council has asked for a legal opinion, so if I were to take any action it would be the result of that legal opinion."

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Copenhagen

As we head home for the holidays, six UBC students are going to Copenhagen to talk climate change. PAGE 4.



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ASK AN EXPERT

Ian McAllister talks about CO₂ emissions

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A UBC student bikes to Alberta's oil sands

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NO MONEY

A Vancouver city councillor is denied funding for travel

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Mayor praises UBC club for sustainability initiative

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TAKE THAT, ROOKIE

Under the surface of varsity initiations

HOT OR NOT

Who's who of the first semester in UBC Athletics

Back to work and/or pants SINCE 1918

THE EVOLUTION OF WOMEN

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Gutted.

Safewalk halved and Equity cut—the AMS' structural deficit has Council making sudden and dramatic reductions to several core student services in next year's budget. PAGE 3 AND 4

SAFEMARK EXECUTIVE SUPPORT STUDENT ASSOCIATION COUNCIL EQUITY OMBUDS

SAVE \$63,000
 or **47%**
ON SAFEWALK

By reducing staff from 60 to 40 people and cutting summer operation.

SAVE \$17,980
ON EQUITY

By eliminating the program all together.

SAVE \$11,535
ON SAC

By reducing 23 hours of work and cutting two positions.

NEWS BRIEFS

SUB-ARCHITECT SELECTION UNDERWAY

This week, students have a chance to watch presentations by the seven architectural firms vying for the position of architect of the new SUB.

Presentations started on April 6 and will run until April 9 in the SUB South Alcove at 11am and noon. Video clips of the presentations can be found on the AMS website beginning April 12.

Students can vote to reduce the list of firms from seven to three between April 13 and April 15. The AMS will choose from the list of three.

UBC ALUM DIES ON MOUNTAIN

Thomas Bennett, a UBC alum, died last weekend after being trapped on a California mountain, reported CTV.

Bennett climbed Mount Shasta on Saturday where he and his companion Mark Thomas were forced to spend the night due to high winds. When Bennett was found to be disoriented the next day from what appeared to be altitude sickness, Thomas climbed down to get help.

Storms prevented rescue teams from rescuing Bennett right away, and he was found dead upon recovery.

CRIME WATCH

MARCH 29 A theft from a vehicle parked in the North Parkade. Vehicle's window smashed, cash taken from complainant's wallet. Another theft from a vehicle reported from the Thunderbird Parkade where the vehicle's window was smashed and an iPod was taken. Police are reminding students to not leave valuables in their vehicles.

APRIL 1 Mischievous: two windows were smashed out of the emergency exit doors at Koerner's Library. No entry was gained.

APRIL 1 At approximately 12am police assisted a female who cut herself while climbing over the fence at the outdoor pool. An ambulance attended and transported the female to the hospital with a large gash on her shoulder.

APRIL 2 Between 12:30 and 2:30am there was a break and enter at Totem Residences. Complainants reported leaving their dorm rooms and upon returning, numerous items had been stolen. No signs of forced entry. Police are reminding students to lock their residences, even if leaving for a short period of time.

APRIL 4 Between 11am and 1pm, the complainant stated he fell asleep in the Koerner Library and awoke to find his laptop had been stolen from his backpack.

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Were you one?

14 times this number of people signed the petition to save the UBC Farm

Pressure is mounting at UBC to change course on the future of the UBC Farm. With Campus and Community Planning in the middle of public consultations for the UBC Campus Plan, focus has thus far concentrated on the future of the farm, the last working farm in the city of Vancouver. In all three options presented by Campus and Community Planning, the farm is decreased in size from 24 to 8 hectares, and is moved from its current location in all but one of the plans. In a rally outside the SUB Monday afternoon, Friends of the Farm announced that over 16,000 people had signed a petition demanding that the UBC Farm be saved from development. "In a world of climate change and questions about food security it should seem obvious: preserve and secure the culture of the UBC Farm in its full 24-hectare location and size," said Friends of the Farm President Andrea Morgan at the rally. Later on Monday, Friends of the Farm presented the petition to UBC in a meeting with President Stephen Toope and VP External Stephen Owen. Pick up this Friday's *Ubyssey* for all the details.

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VOTE Comics Events Sudoku

Love or Hate our Events? VOTE IN OUR POLL AT UBYSSEY.CA



Gordon gabs with students

TALK OF OLYMPICS, STUDENT FUNDING, FUTURE OF BC

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SUBTERRANEAN DWARVES ENSLAVING BRYCE SINCE 1918

Under pressure

Tara Martellaro dives with the AquaSoc. See more on page 6, or check out the video at ubyssey.ca



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NEWS BRIEFS

UBC-O PARTY SHUT DOWN

A huge party was shut down on Saturday night in Kelowna, BC. The local RCMP got the tip that there were several chartered buses transporting 500-600 students from UBC Okanagan to a party on Pustill Lake Road. Staff Sergeant Terry McLachlan told local radio station CKFR 1150 AM that no one was taking responsibility for the party, booze flow was being unmonitored and the event was unsanctioned. Some students were left behind because they were throwing rocks at the chartered buses. McLachlan also said that the party was shut down because the RCMP have received complaints of assault from these types of parties before.

SINGING THEIR WAY TO A U-PASS

Students from VOC, Emily Carr and Douglas College have launched a campaign to push Premier Gordon Campbell for a universal U-Pass. The campaign, called One Pass Now, is pushing for a \$25 U-Pass for all students in the Metro Vancouver area. The website asks the question, "U pissed about U-Pass?" and urges supporters to text "onepassnow" to 212121 to support the push for a cheap transit pass. Campaigners have also launched a musical ad campaign on YouTube that includes a song aimed at Campbell. "They Mr Premier, don't be slow/because I've got classes where I've got to go/hey Mr Campbell man, we're not second class/you promised us a universal pass."

NEW GENOME SEQUENCING COULD IMPROVE CANCER RESEARCH

UBC associate professor Steve Jones and his colleagues from STU claim to have found a faster and cheaper way to compile genome sequences, and that the finding could improve cancer research. They used cutting-edge hardware with new software to combine the first complete genome sequence of *Gesmania clavigera*, a fungus that is key to causing the mountain pine beetle infestation. Jones and his team say that the process was done at a fraction of the cost of current methodology. The technique is now being tested to decode cancer tumours.

UBC USES SOCIAL MEDIA TO CONNECT STUDENTS

UBC launched a new website campaign last week that uses social media to showcase its two campuses' lifestyles. The website, ConnectionsForLife.ubc.ca, was created by Vancouver-based company Tribal DBE, and aggregates UBC mentions from Twitter, feeds from YouTube, Flickr and UBC corporate and public blogs. It is designed to give the public a feel for what is happening at UBC and the issues that facilitate dialogue for future and current students.

UBC RESEARCHERS AWARDED THE ORDER OF BC

Three UBC researchers have been awarded the Order of BC for excellence in their fields of study. Radiologist Dr Linda Warren, geneticist Dr Michael Hayden and microbiologist Dr Robert Hancock help make up the list of 13 award recipients. The Order of BC award winners are chosen by an independent advisory committee. It was introduced in 1989 and has honoured 287 to date. It is the province's highest recognition of achievement, excellence and citizenship.

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Prof marks available online, but only for certain instructors

TYLER VARNALS Contributor

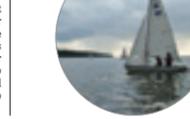
After years of contentious negotiations, teacher evaluations at UBC have been made partially public to students for the first time. However, students are arguing for greater openness in the program, which currently has very little practical value for students. For starters, only professors who consent to disclosure will have their ratings made available to students. Standardized questions, called University Module Item (UMI) questions, appear on every evaluation form. Only results from the UMI questions are released with no student comments attached. A search of common first-year courses such as ENGL 110, CHEM 123, and PSYCH 100 on the new UBC evaluations site turned up scores that were almost all above 4/5. When asked whether professors with lower scores may be unlikely to consent to having their scores displayed, UBC VP Academic

and Provost David Farrar said that this was not the case. "73 per cent of all faculty are rated 4 [out of 5] or above, which suggests that a significant number of faculty should be releasing this data if the only concern was how it made them look," Farrar said. "It may simply be that professors aren't used to releasing this data, and they simply have to be made more aware of [their choice]. So far, publicly released results are few, besides not having a professor's go-ahead, results are also held for courses should they have more than one instructor, have an enrolment of less than five students, or if it is the first year that the instructor or course is offered at UBC. In each department, released evaluations range from 1 to 25 courses, with most departments ranging in the lower numbers. The site, teacheval.ubc.ca, came out of a policy passed by the UBC Vancouver Senate in May 2007 on student evaluations of teaching.

The aim was simple: to provide data for students, staff and faculty about the overall quality of teaching at UBC. The website launched this past May and contains results from 19 faculties and programs on campus including Arts, Applied Sciences, Law, Land and Food Systems and the School of Nursing. *Rate My Professors* boasts to be the Internet's largest listing of professor ratings. It has eight million student ratings from over 6000 schools that range from extremely positive to unapologetically dismal. "Sites like ratemyprofessors.com are useful, but they definitely don't tell the whole story," said third-year Science student Sandra Mulvenna. However, questionable rating criteria and student selection biases can lead to artificially polarized student opinions that are of uncertain value. A central Michigan University review of *Rate My Professors* found that students and universities do not share the same criteria for teaching assessment. "The better and easier professors are, the more likely they'll get rated

as a good teacher," wrote James Felton, author of the study. AMS VP Academic Johannes Rebane said that UBC's system will improve as more professors add their results to the site. "The important thing is for students to lobby their professors as much as possible to take that step to opt-in," he said. "Once a tipping point has been reached in terms of the number of professors registered, the resource's relevance and usability will vastly increase." Registration habits of students as well as the ratings themselves show faculty that the university and students value teaching ability," Rebane said. "This incentivizes good teaching—something which is so vital to an excellent university." Nonetheless, Farrar admits it may not yet represent a superior tool for students making course selection decisions. "The data has been very useful and meets our needs. But if it's not released so that students can make informed choices, they'll go other places to make choices."

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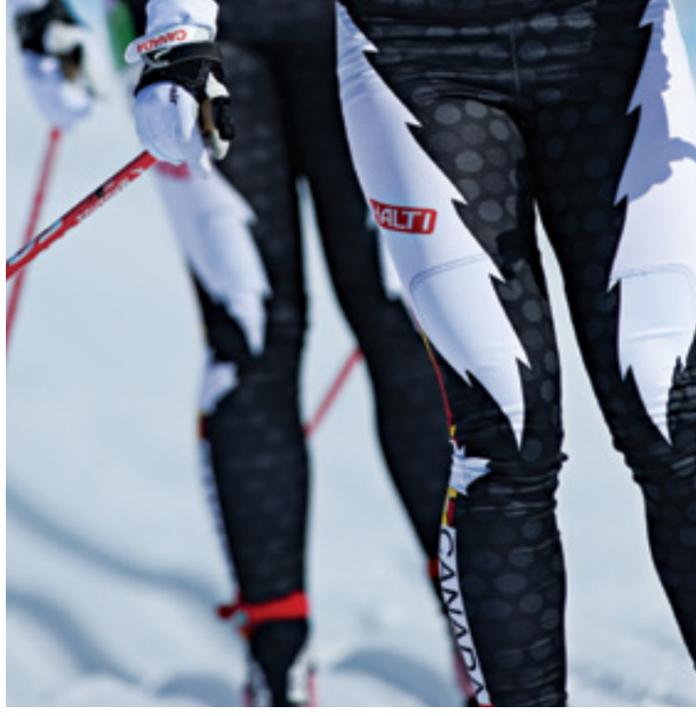


Oh, yeah, Bates, oh, yeah SINCE 1918



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24 SHOWERS 7:29
25 SHOWERS

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30 DAYS 'TIL END OF TERM
2 BUMPS AGAINST A TABLE IN TWO DAYS
1 PAPER CUT IN THE OFFICE
0 STAPLED EYELIDS (FOR NOW)

NEWS BRIEFS

UBC EXPERT WARNS ABOUT VANCOUVER'S ACCESSIBILITY

Vancouver's hope to become the "top accessible city" could be tricky, according to experts. Agence France-Press reported that UBC professor Tim Stainton said that hosting the Paralympics would make it easier for governmental bodies to recognize accessibility issues for athletes, but warns of the possibility of neglecting other people with disabilities. "It creates a false image of disability, and the idea that everybody can rise above and overcome and become an athlete," he said. "Not everyone is capable of being an elite athlete, or interested." Manager of the Swedish wheelchair curling team Thomas Wilhelm said that Vancouver's accessibility is poor when compared to European standards.

\$25,000 FOR GO GREEN CHALLENGE

UBC students Queenie Bei and Jessica Cho made up one of four Canadian post-secondary teams that won \$25,000 for their innovative sustainability solutions. Bei and Cho's project, "UBC Farm Sustainability-Tea," proposes creating a 363 square-foot plot for growing tea on the UBC Farm to promote the development of a sustainable tea industry in the city. Out of 45 schools, 124 teams competed for this year's event, organized by TD Friends of the Environment Foundation.

NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN

Bruce Wiesner is the new associate dean for the Sauder School of Business, according to *The Globe and Mail*. Wiesner was previously the senior vice-president of sales at Canada Wide Media Ltd., the largest independently owned magazine publishing company in Western Canada. He is also a UBC alumnus, having earned his Bachelor of Commerce for Marketing in 1987. Sauder Dean Daniel Muzzyka welcomes Wiesner "as he joins us to further accelerate the growth of our world-class and globally-connected business school."

UBC CONTINUES TO HUNT FOR FOREST LAND

According to a press release in the *Times Colonist*, UBC is looking for land for studying sustainable light logging and other forestry research. Eighteen months ago, UBC made an offer for \$50 million on land located on Vancouver Island. The land was formerly licensed for tree farming by Western Forest Products (WFP). The offer was rejected by WFP, as the company was looking for a higher price—closer to \$120 million. UBC VP External, Legal and Community Relations Stephen Owen said UBC will continue its hunt, but also hopes that the province will step in to support their project.

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Election heating up!

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'Birds Botch the Clock



From the thrill of victory to the agony of defeat. With ten seconds remaining against the University of Regina last Friday, the Thunderbirds were just a short field goal away from winning their third consecutive game. For more details, go to page 11. **AARON TAM PHOTO/THE UBYSSEY**

Look for our coverage of Dion's town hall event today in Hebb in Friday's issue of *The Ubyyssey*.



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AMS readies for possible name change

Executive contemplates exchanging antiquated name for something that "better represents" students, university

BY JASON ZHANG
News Writer

Re-branding has been the "it" phrase this fall on campus. Think of Dean Nancy Gallini's plan for the Arts Faculty, the new Student Union Building or the revitalization of the Faculty of Science by Nobel Prize laureate Carl Wieman. However, the re-branding does not stop there. It was recently revealed that the Alma Mater Society is considering to change its name as a part of the new "General Communication Strategy Plan," meant to strengthen the bond between students and the Alma Mater Society.

According to Alma Mater Society (AMS) President Michael Duncan, the main reason behind the plan is that "Students most of the time do not know what AMS stands for, and we want to change that, because the AMS is for them, by them and they should know this."

Michael Duncan revealed that recent polls suggest 70 per cent of students attending UBC do not know what the name of their student society stands for—one of the highest rates in the country.

To increase the bond between students and the society, Duncan and the executive committee of AMS believe that it's time to change the Alma Mater Society into something that they feel better represents students and the University. In a few weeks a survey will be distributed to gather students' feedback about the plan—whether they would like to change the name of the AMS or keep it as is. Students will also get the opportunity to submit their own ideas in the survey. "Because we want the students to know that their ideas are important to us," said Michael Duncan.

There are many different student reactions but William, a second-year Engineering student, had a popular response. He said, "I definitely agree with the name change however I believe the new name should be accepted by the majority of the student body."

Other students like first-year Arts student Sarah said that, "I believe that AMS is one of UBC's main heritage and it is a reminder of its great past which should be kept the way it is."

The AMS is ingrained in UBC history. It was first founded in 1907 when UBC was still named the McGill University College of British Columbia. Throughout UBC's hundred-plus year history, the AMS has not changed its name, and today it is the one of the last universities, besides Queen's University, that still refers to its student society as the "Alma Mater Society."

Despite some minor differences, many students agree that this change will bring a new era into the history of UBC. The Alma Mater Society confirmed that if any change happened, it would go smoothly without affecting students or any of the existing services provided by the AMS. ☐

The Ubyyssey takes home national awards in features, photography, and sports



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THE CBC'S LAST remaining radio orchestra has rebranded itself the National Broadcast Orchestra (NBO), the privately funded successor to the former CBC Radio Orchestra. As was previously the case, the orchestra will call the Chan Centre home.

BY IAN TURNER
News Staff

UBC finalized the agreement to be a founding partner with the National Broadcast Orchestra (NBO) shortly after the CBC Radio Orchestra's farewell concert on Sunday, November 16. NBO co-founder Philippe Labelle, the founder and CEO of Montreal-based ZeFridge, an online software platform, said the agreement covers an initial period of three years and is subject to renewal provisions.

During the initial period, the NBO will hold three concerts per year at the Chan Centre, to be broadcast nationally on the CBC.

"If our efforts keep developing in a positive way, we look forward to building a regular presence of the NBO at the Chan Centre," said Sid Katz, managing director of the Chan Centre.

The NBO will also feature new opportunities for students, UBC faculty and alumni artists. Currently, the UBC School of Music is negotiating a contract with the musicians union to confirm that students will be able to occasionally rehearse with the orchestra and potentially have music they composed be played by the members. Another potential avenue includes internet-based film documentaries on the orchestra—an effort to strengthen the bond between the orchestra and its loyal nationwide fan base.

Orchestral member Andrew Brown noted that students will also be mentored in other areas. For example, they will be taught how to play in an orchestra, not as a soloist, as most music undergrads are

taught. Brown also sees potential for UBC-NBO interactions on stage, like a performance featuring the UBC choir and the orchestra together.

According to UBC's School of Music director, Richard Kurth, the CBC originally had seven radio orchestras spread across Canada. The orchestras were slowly trimmed despite being what Kurth called an "exceptionally important" launching pad for Canadian composers and young artists.

The upcoming talent's music was routinely played on international airwaves—a rare opportunity for artists to showcase themselves. The March decision to cut CBC orchestra funding inspired public protests at the final concerts.

Kurth believes the CBC's logic behind cutting the last remnant was two-pronged: to save money and enable CBC Radio 2 to have more leeway in its pursuit of younger listeners. According to Kurth, the second goal has not been entirely successful and has succeeded in isolating a very loyal base.

Brown was shocked by the CBC's abrupt decision as well. However, he believes the NBO has a secure future, citing confidence in UBC president Stephen Toope's arts-friendly posture.

Kurth notes that today the orchestra is thriving under a celebrated Québec conductor, Alain Trudel. Previously the principal conductor of the CBC Radio Orchestra, Trudel has committed himself to securing the future of the NBO.

Kurth said he feels "a moral duty for us to make sure that the opportunities for the orchestra to remain viable exist." ☐

MARCH 2008 CBC Radio executive Mark Steinmetz announced the end of the 70-year-old CBC Radio Orchestra.

NOVEMBER 1, 2008 musical director Alain Trudel announced the orchestra would attempt to continue independently as the National Broadcast Orchestra.

NOVEMBER 16 CBC Radio Orchestra's last scheduled concert.



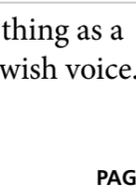
CONCERTS WILL START again in September, said Trudel. Fundraising has already begun, with the goal of building an endowment to help sustain a projected annual budget of \$1-million.

THE CBC HAS offered to give the rebranded orchestra three broadcasts next year and to commission more new works.

MANAGING DIRECTOR of the Chan Centre, Sid Katz, suggests "building a regular presence of the NBO at the Chan Centre," to UBC Reports.

Please don't stop the music

Former CBC radio orchestra is here to stay



There is no such thing as a definitive Jewish voice.

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APPEALS | What happens when democracy goes into the courts? Check out the appeals process on Page 3.
ONLINE | See the reactions of key players in the debacle online at www.ubyssey.ca.

ELECTION OVERTURNED

Frederick thrown out as president, Monegro set to take his place

BY JUSTIN McELROY
News Editor

Blake Frederick has been disqualified from the AMS presidential race after the Elections Committee found that Frederick violated electoral code by running in a unofficial slate with other candidates.

The Elections Committee acted after a complaint against Frederick was filed on the evening of Tuesday, February 3. Then, on Friday morning, runner-up presidential candidate Alex Monegro filed a separate complaint, alleging that Frederick had engaged in slate-like activity with other candidates, including campaigning and posting with other candidates that had similar platforms. By Friday evening, the Elections Committee made its ruling, disqualifying Frederick from the race.

One of the pieces of evidence cited by the committee in their disqualification of Frederick included a piece of video evidence filmed by Tom Dvorak, the VP Finance-elect. While the tape has yet to be released, multiple sources have confirmed to *The Ubyyssey* that the tape shows Frederick, VP Administration candidate Tristan Markle and VP Finance candidate Ale Coates campaigning at the same time—though in different areas—in the Totem cafeteria.

A shocked Frederick, who said late Friday he learned about the result by reading a blog, appealed the decision to the elections appeals committee Saturday afternoon. Should the committee rule against Frederick, he could appeal the decision to Student Court, whose decision in turn would then have to be accepted by AMS council based on past precedence.

"I have been very, very careful in not breaking any rules," Frederick said. "I would like to assume that the committee has evidence, but I know I haven't broken any code."

Monegro said that he was "very cautious" in filing the appeal, but felt it needed to be done due to the closeness of the race, which saw Frederick preferred over Monegro by just 42 voters.

"Every infraction could make a difference in an election that close," he said.

When reached for comment on Sunday, Markle denied any campaigning with other candidates, and questioned whether the Election Committee's decision, given both the short timeframe it was made in and the committee's decision not to question himself or Frederick.

There was no due diligence done in making this decision, so I don't see how a good decision could be made."

Elections Administrator Sarina Rehal replied that the committee is not required to speak to candidates before decisions. "The Elections Committee is not a court, and does not hold hearings," she wrote. "Instead, it has the power to issue rulings on complaints."

In their ruling, the committee also said that they could not "entertain the prospect of re-doing the elections, as the rules were infringed upon only by one candidate, and thus requiring all candidates to re-run the race would be unfair." Unless overturned, the ruling would hand the presidency



Rehal's decision moves presidency from Frederick (left) to Monegro (right). **GERALD DEO PHOTO/THE UBYSSEY**



WHAT HE VIOLATED

Sent from Sarina Rehal, Elections Administrator on Feb 6, 7:14 pm

This email is being sent to all official VFM media outlets, and the Ubyyssey paper.

On Tuesday February 3 around midnight the Elections Committee was given a formal appeal supported by video evidence implicating Blake Frederick and two other candidates as exhibiting "slate" behaviour.

As per Section 9, Article 2(11) in the Code of Procedures, it states that:

"Candidates shall not run in slates, real or apparent, or share expenses for campaign materials, excluding minor supplies as defined in 10(6) of this article. A slate shall mean a group of candidates who run for elected office (including but not limited to Executive positions and positions in the Senate and on the Board of Governors) on a similar platform for mutual advantage."

At the time when the Elections Committee received this allegation, we were already investigating and following up with concerns over false statements. Blake provided the committee in regards to allegations towards another candidate.

Furthermore, this morning the Elections Committee received another allegation of slate behaviour.

Recognizing that he campaigned, posted and participated in classroom announcements together with a group of individuals who run a very similar platform, the Elections Committee has ruled that he ran the campaign as part of a slate.

Rehal reiterated Monegro's call for calm, writing "While we feel that this situation is regrettable, it would be inappropriate for the body responsible for enforcing the rules to ignore violations for expediency's sake."

For his part, Frederick said that he would follow the appeals process through to Student Court if need be, and had some harsh words for the way the Elections Committee had dealt with the situation.

"I have been chosen democratically by students to represent them as their AMS president. I find it extremely troubling that I am guilty until proven innocent." ☐

to Monegro, who was preferred by 1415 more voters than Paul Korczyk, the other losing candidate.

Monegro said that while he was surprised the ruling from the committee came so quickly, he agreed with the committee that there should not be a re-election.

"I don't think we have time for another election, especially because the process takes so long...I don't really have the time for that, and I don't think Blake has the time for that."

AMS president Michael Duncan agreed, believing that "with Condorcet election style, students are voting ranking-wise...and having that as an understanding, Blake was their first choice, but it was clear Alex was the second choice. So if Blake was disqualified, Alex would obviously be the next choice."

The decision is likely to cause an uproar with many of the students who voted for Frederick, but Monegro said that the appeals process would ensure that a fair resolution would emerge.

"I do think their needs should be met, and I do think they should trust the Elections Committee."

Rehal reiterated Monegro's call for calm, writing "While we feel that this situation is regrettable, it would be inappropriate for the body responsible for enforcing the rules to ignore violations for expediency's sake."

For his part, Frederick said that he would follow the appeals process through to Student Court if need be, and had some harsh words for the way the Elections Committee had dealt with the situation.

"I have been chosen democratically by students to represent them as their AMS president. I find it extremely troubling that I am guilty until proven innocent." ☐



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PAUL BUCCI GRAPHIC

The mattock, a close cousin of the pickaxe, is used to dig through tough, earthy surfaces—it loosens soil, breaks rock, and tears through knotted grass. Its handle is a three-foot wooden shaft, twice the density of a baseball bat and its dual-sided iron head is comprised of a chisel and a pick. It was Pastor Fred Phelps's weapon of choice when beating his children according to his son, Nate Phelps.

"The Bible says 'spare the rod, spoil the child,'" explained Nate, "and he would be screaming that out as he was beating us." One Christmas night, Pastor Phelps hit Nate over 200 times with a mattock's handle, swinging it like a baseball player. Nate would hide out in the garage with his siblings, where he could escape his father's wrath. What he couldn't escape, however, was the fear of going to hell. He suffered much abuse growing up under the roof of the infamous Westboro Baptist Church (WBC)—he

still suffers today. The church, which believes that "God is hateful," hasn't changed its grim outlook since Nate's time there 30 years ago, but it has expanded its fame. WBC has become well known for picketing funerals, where its followers, predominantly Phelps family members, proclaim that God is punishing "fags and fag enablers." WBC frequently targets military funerals. "WBC will picket the funerals of these Godless, big army American soldiers when their pieces return

home," their website says. They believe God is punishing America for facilitating homosexuality, which, according to the church, ought to be a capital crime. More recently, WBC planned to protest the funeral of Tim McLean, the young man who was beleaguered on a Greyhound bus. However, they were barred from crossing the Canadian border. It is little wonder that Louis Theroux's BBC documentary on the Phelps' was titled *The Most Hated Family in America*. Incidentally, it was when I men-

tioned this documentary that Nate introduced himself to me. It was a Monday in September and I was on my way to the Cranbrook Airport. Cranbrook, a modest city of about 25,000, hides in BC's Kootenays. It rests behind a shroud of mountains, clean air, and restful silence. I began a conversation with my cab driver, who looked to be in his late forties, with a trimmed beard and kind eyes. He told me that he once owned a chain of print shops with his brother, that he liked the BBC, and that Pastor Fred Phelps was his father—only after I had mentioned WBC, unaware. Following this coincidence, he agreed to an interview.

Nate's story tells of the "shadow—the dark ugly thing at the back of their minds." The fear of burning in hell never goes away, said Nate, who is still struggling with it himself. "It's destructive. It's hard to live life with that stuff in your head." But he's doing his best.

His conditioning began over 40 years ago in Topeka, Kansas, where WBC was formed and still exists today. As his pastor, his father very quickly alienated himself from most of the people who had seeded the church.

"A young lady got pregnant by a soldier at Fort Riley," explained Nate, "and [my father's] response to that was to kick her out of the church...and that sent most of the people packing. There was already that siege mentality developing: us against the world."

Sundays were particularly strict. Nate was expected to dress formally and present himself in the church auditorium by a certain time. The sermon that followed was always "fire-and-brimstone preaching."

"I know that very early on [my father] was under the influence of those drugs," Nate said. Pastor Phelps was attending law school and would take amphetamines to stay awake and barbiturates to come down. "It spiralled out of control [and he] was prone toward violence...He just wasn't tolerant toward the presence of all of us kids running around—and the accompanying noise...He would beat the kids with his fists and kick them and kneed them in the stomach."

Nate doesn't know why his father was such an angry man; he didn't know his father very well.

"I just know that that's the way he was and I stayed as far away from him as I could."

He remembers when his father would force him and his siblings to run five to ten miles around the high school track every night. One evening another boy was riding his bicycle along the outer lanes of the track, and Fred began yelling at him to leave. The boy's response was to keep riding on the track, and Fred's was to push him off the bike. The boy left screaming, and 20 minutes later a truck came screeching into the parking lot. The boy had brought his father, who approached Fred and knocked him to the ground.

"The man was threatening to sue him," said Nate. "Then my old man yelled at us all to get in the car and we went home, and [my father] ended up beating my mom that night."

Nate left home the day he turned 18. For a while he worked for a lawyer in Kansas City, eventually moving to St. Louis to work for a printing company with his brother Mark. He and Mark opened up their own print shop soon after. But then, after three years and despite his brother's disapproval, Nate returned home.

"My sisters were trying to convince me that things had changed...I attended college for a semester and realized that while he may have been less prone to physical violence, he still was the same person. He just used different techniques to violate people—with his words and his deeds."

In October of 1980, Nate left for good. He found residence above a Volkswagen repair shop, where he went through about six months in a drug and alcohol haze. He eventually ran into Mark's wife and she suggested that he and his brother reconcile their animosity, which had been caused when Nate returned to WBC temporarily. And so Nate moved to California to work with his brother again.

Late one night over a decade later, Nate found himself listening to his father being interviewed on a radio station in LA—it wasn't long after Fred had gained national attention with his protests. Nate called in under the impression that the interview was a rerun, but realized after calling that his father was on the air live.

"I was freaked out. I got on and I challenged [my father]...That lasted about maybe a minute, and it devolved quickly into him calling me every name he could imagine, and then he handed the phone to Shirley, and she delivered a few diatribes."

Shirley Phelps-Roper, Nate's sister, has gained her own reputation for being the church's other loud voice. Nate says that she has always been their father's favourite. I contacted her to ask about her brother, and she responded with the following: "Nathan Phelps is a rebel against God," she said. "He has nothing to look forward to except sorrow, misery, death and hell... Great peace fell upon our house when Nathan left...He spit on the goodness of his mother and father. In spite of that, his father and mother loved him and did their duty to him, and required of him that he behave while he lived in their house. They loved him in the only way that the Lord God defines love! They told him the truth about what the Lord his God required of him. He was not going to have that!"

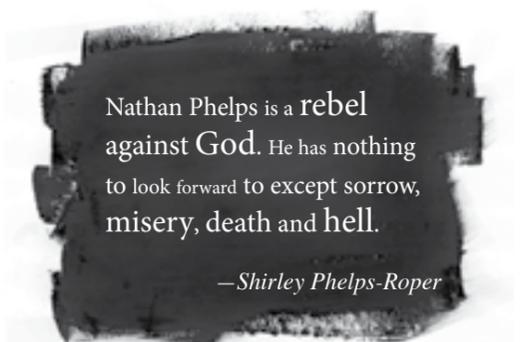
Shirley also claimed that Nate "left when he was a raging disobedient rebel with selective memory," and asked, "What in this world is he doing in Canada?"

Nate met his exwife in '81, married in '86. They had three children together and he helped raise a fourth. They moved to a new, pre-planned city, Rancho Santa Margarita, nestled at the foot of Saddleback Mountain in California.

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"It was like paradise," Nate said. "It was a perfect little town, and we were young and starting a family. It all just seemed so ideal."

They joined a church, where they met many other families, five of which they became close with.

"Every Sunday, I was listening closely and trying desperately to find something in the preaching or in the words that would convince me that this was right. Even while I was doing that, I was always skeptical...but I never voiced it. I was very good at playing the apologist for the Christian faith. In fact, I had quite a reputation for writing and talking in defence of Christianity."

The turning point was one Christmas, when Nate decided to teach his children about God. In the end, his son Tyler began crying in the backseat of the car, saying that he didn't want to go to hell.

"He wanted to believe because he didn't want to go to hell," Nate said. "I was just stunned because I didn't know what I had said or how I had left him with that fear. I thought I was doing a good job of presenting it without the fear."

"Thinking about it after the fact, I realized you can't do that. With a young mind it doesn't matter. You can try as much as you want to talk about how good God is, but the bottom line is there's this intolerably frightening punishment if you don't accept it. And how does a young mind deal with that?"

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"I do declare myself an atheist now," affirmed Nate, "although I'm willing to admit that there's stuff in life that I'm not real clear on yet."

Despite this, he still lives with anxiety caused by his experiences over 40 years ago. "I spent the first 25 or 30 years of my life denying that anything was wrong with me...Then bam: all this weird stuff just starts coming out."

"It's so, so difficult to go back and look at stuff and try to make sense of it, especially being this far removed from it. I'll immerse myself in it for a couple weeks, and then I got to back away because it's too destructive. But I have to believe it's going to turn out."

I asked Nate what he wanted for his future. "I think the best way to answer that is what I said to my wife when we were fighting at the end." He paused for a moment. "That I just want peace. I want to not wake up fearful every morning." ☺

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Story on the infamous Phelps family of the Westboro Baptist Church and Nate Phelps' estrangement from his father.

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Candidates spar in an empty room UBC's next representative to be decided tomorrow

BY JUSTIN McLEBOY
News Editor

"This isn't quite a dead community," Charles Menzies said at one point during Wednesday night's Electoral Area A debate. The comment was somewhat ironic, coming out in front of no more than 20 people. Nonetheless, the five people vying to become the only elected municipal representative for the UBC area energetically debated their ideas at the Acadia Park Commons block in their final encounter before voters cast their ballots this Saturday.

The first question asked of the candidates is where they stood on future governance of Electoral Area A, a common concern raised in all three debates. Candidates Fred Pritchard, former director of Campus and Community Planning at UBC, and Maria Harris indicated that their voice would reflect the desires of the entire community, which includes UBC student housing, University Town, the surrounding University Endowment Lands and unincorporated islands around Metro Vancouver.

"Systems can be tweaked, but there should be some version of the status quo," said Harris, a member of the UEL Ratepayers' Association.

Charles Menzies, Ben West and UBC student Matthew Naylor—the other three candidates running—all spoke in favour of reviewing the governance structure of UBC, with West being the most steadfast against the status quo.

"There is no government here," he said. West, a 30-year-old who has organized for the Green Party for many years, heavily criticized the current arrangement regarding development on campus, which is controlled through Properties Trust and the Board of Governors.

"The regulator and the developer are the same people, and that's a problem."

The five candidates spent the bulk of their time outlining their platforms on transit, private development, the UBC Farm, and how to best meet the needs of the islands that are also placed under their jurisdiction. However, they also took the time to explain why their experiences and skills made them best suited to be director.

"I've been fighting for student advocacy for years," said Naylor, pointing to his experience as VP External for the AMS, where he lobbied various levels of government for students, as the most prominent qualification he had.

Menzies, who has spent many years advocating for schools through parent advisory councils and the UNA, said all five candidates were qualified, but cited his work with schools and indigenous groups, as well as his local ties to the area, as reasons why he would be an effective advocate.

For his part, Pritchard emphasized the work he had done as a community planner in cities across Canada. "I know all there is to know about a rapidly growing community and the issues they face," he told the crowd, and told them he understood the inner workings of Metro Vancouver.

In order to vote in the Electoral Area A election on Saturday, November 15, you must be a Canadian citizen, have lived in British Columbia for at least six months, and currently live in the Electoral Area A boundaries. Voting is open from 8am to 8pm in room 212 of the SUB, and University Hill Secondary School. Two pieces of identification are needed. No proof of residency is required; students living in UBC housing can make a solemn declaration at the polling booth that they live in Electoral Area A.

Bond. James Bond.

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A wasteful life

One hamburger's journey through the hellish bowels of the university

by Heather Amos

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LIMBO
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On September 23, the College Sustainability Report Card awarded UBC an A- in sustainability, third overall and highest of all universities in Canada. One category UBC excelled in, with a grade of A, was food and recycling.

When UBC Food Services staff clear off lunch tables in the SUB, they separate the different types of garbage into their respective bins. Our lonely hamburger and its paper plate would get thrown in the compost. Plastic bottles and pop cans go into the recycling. And just about everything else goes into the garbage. If the students had cleared their own table, the hamburger wouldn't have made it to the compost.

Education and access are the big reasons why people are not composting, thinks Jennifer Wardle, a fourth-year physical geology student. Wardle is doing a project on composting in the Pacific Spirit Cafeteria for a technical writing class. The goal of this assignment is to improve something, and, since Wardle is an avid composteer, she chose composting. She passed out surveys to diners in the cafeteria asking them questions such as "How often do you use the composting bins when disposing of organic food waste?"

The big green bin with the hamburger can hold 200-250lbs of organic waste.

**THE AVARICIOUS:
METAL AND PLASTIC**

A pop can and water bottle taken from the same table as our hamburger would travel

of organic waste. There are 22 bins in the SUB just like it. When it is full, it gets wheeled to the back and a new, empty green bin replaces it.

Later, Yau will move the waste downstairs to the storage room, where it will stand at attention alongside some of the other bins. The bin next to it may be filled entirely with left-over pasta or the unused bits of chopped vegetables. Most of the waste comes from bins filled in the kitchens. They contain what is known as pre-consumer waste. The hamburger and plate are post-consumer waste.

Yau explained how sometimes all the green bins fill up with organic waste and he has to wait for UBC Waste Management to come and empty the full bins. "Nothing I can do about it," explains Yau who, as a result, sometimes has to put compost in the garbage as he waits.

UBC Waste Management has separate trucks for organics, recycling and garbage. Depending on a building's waste volume, the trucks come to collect waste once or twice a week.

At the incinerator, the garbage is burnt and some of the energy is recovered and converted into electricity. "So there is a bit of a benefit to that but it is still incineration which isn't perfect by any means," Beaudrie explained.

At the landfill, it's another story. The coffee cup is com-

postable but will be decomposing in a non-optimal environment. No oxygen will be added and the pile won't be turned enough to provide oxygen for microbes to use—they will be working in an anaerobic environment. This means that methane is produced from the process. Methane has 21 times the global warming potential of carbon dioxide.

After a waste audit in 1998, UBC Waste Management set a goal to divert 55 per cent of their waste to composting or recycling by 2010. "We still have some work to do and we're running out of time," Beaudrie said.

Metro Vancouver has surpassed UBC campus in diversion rates. "I believe Metro Van has reached the 55 per cent," said Beaudrie, who went on to explain Metro Vancouver has set a new 70 per cent diversion target.

"We've laid off the pressure," Beaudrie said. "There's very little information or encouragement to keep doing that stuff so I think that instead of doing better with diversion we're sort of almost getting lazy with it."

PURGATORY

On the back of the pickup truck, the green bin with the hamburger rides along the bumpy road to south campus. The in-vessel composting

system, located down a dirt road, is the destination. The site smells earthy and acidic, recognizable as food in the throes of decomposing.

"Because [the system] is completely enclosed we are able to control the environment so the break down is optimal," explained Christian Beaudrie. "So we have an optimal amount of oxygen that is supplied and the pile is turned regularly...That enables the system to break-down anything including meat, cooked and uncooked food, dairy, paper."

Beaudrie is the outreach coordinator, a student position with UBC Waste Management. He explained that 40 per cent of waste generated at UBC is organic.

Once at the site, the bins are emptied, washed, loaded back onto the truck and returned to their buildings. The truck can hold 10-12 bins at a time. There are 22 bins in the SUB; it's a labour-intensive portion of the process.

The hamburger makes up part of 1.5 tonnes of the organic debris Waste Management adds to the in-vessel composting system daily. They add another 1.5 tonnes of clean organic waste daily, which comes from a NGO called Quest.

Quest collects food from grocery stores that can no longer be sold. They distribute this to food banks, soup kitchens and sell it at a discount at their warehouse. They bring the food they cannot give away or sell to UBC.

When UBC started the in-vessel system they did not have enough organic waste for ideal composting so they needed the extra organics from Quest. Furthermore, the organics brought by Quest are high-quality pre-consumer waste. A Quest green bin will be bursting with red peppers or coffee beans—this helps the composting process, especially when trying to compost large quantities of paper napkins and plates.

The amount of organics UBC accepts from Quest has decreased and will continue to decrease as Waste Management collects more organic waste from campus.

Currently, UBC Waste Management receives most of their organic material as kitchen waste or other pre-consumer waste. This material is beneficial for the in-vessel composter because it is high-quality organic matter that hasn't been processed. UBC Waste Management is now trying to capture more of the post-consumer waste. "The challenge right now is getting people to compost more," Beaudrie explained.

Before any organics enter the composter they are mixed with wood chips to help speed up decomposition. The wood chips arrive at the composting site from Vancouver construction companies, like Bartlett Tree Experts. UBC and Bartlett have a symbiotic relationship; if they didn't bring the wood chips to UBC they'd have to pay someone to dispose of them. UBC needs the chips to keep the pile of organics aerated and add fiber so the pile can move easily through the system.

The hamburger, now mixed with wood chips, moves up a steep slope along a conveyor belt. Over the next two weeks, the hamburger and other waste is turned in the in-vessel system, which reaches a steamy temperature of 70°C. This tropical environment is created from the energy released by the microbes breaking down the food. They add an excess of oxygen to the environment so the microbes use an aerobic process. The use of oxygen means that carbon dioxide and water, rather than methane, are produced during the break-down process.

Two weeks later a very dizzy, hot hamburger and the plate it was sitting on come out of the system. They are no longer recognizable as a hamburger and plate—they resemble mushy soil. For the next two months, this almost-soil will sit in a holding bin while it cools down, and eventually the breaking-down process slows and the soil stabilizes.

The biodegradable forks and spoons that went into the bin with the hamburger still resemble plastic after two weeks, just softer and slightly deformed. After another two months in the holding bin, they will degrade. In contrast, a regular plastic fork would look the same at the end of the process as the day it was made.

Items misplaced in the compost bin by diners are contamination. "As we capture more [post-consumer compost], we are also capturing a lot of the non-compostable material that is contaminating our waste stream. A component of that is education and awareness," Beaudrie said.

"We also have to help people to build these habits starting when they first arrive at UBC." According to Beaudrie, UBC Waste Management "trained all of the MUC leaders in the composting and separating so they could help all the new students coming in to get familiar with the system...then those habits will carry out for the four years or five years they are here."

The operator of the in-vessel system tries to capture as much of the contamination as possible by standing beside the conveyor belt and removing any plastic, Styrofoam, metal cutlery, baby diapers and plastic bags—even the biodegradable ones. This takes a lot of time and doesn't capture everything.

In one day, it is possible to fill two full bins with materials not meant for the composter. Some particularly surprising contaminants include industrial-sized tuna cans, sushi containers and plastic bags. The metal cans can actually break the shovels and pins used to turn the pile in the composter. Plastic bags wrap around the turning wheels.

After two months in the holding bin, the soil made out of hamburger is added to ground waste that has also been composting separately. Ground waste, such as leaves, is composted in piles that are turned occasionally.

The combined soil is screened to remove all the big pieces. The final product is so fertile that it is used only as a topping agent, such as fertilizer. One hundred per cent of the soil produced is kept here on campus and used by the farm and for gardening.

UBC's waste composition:



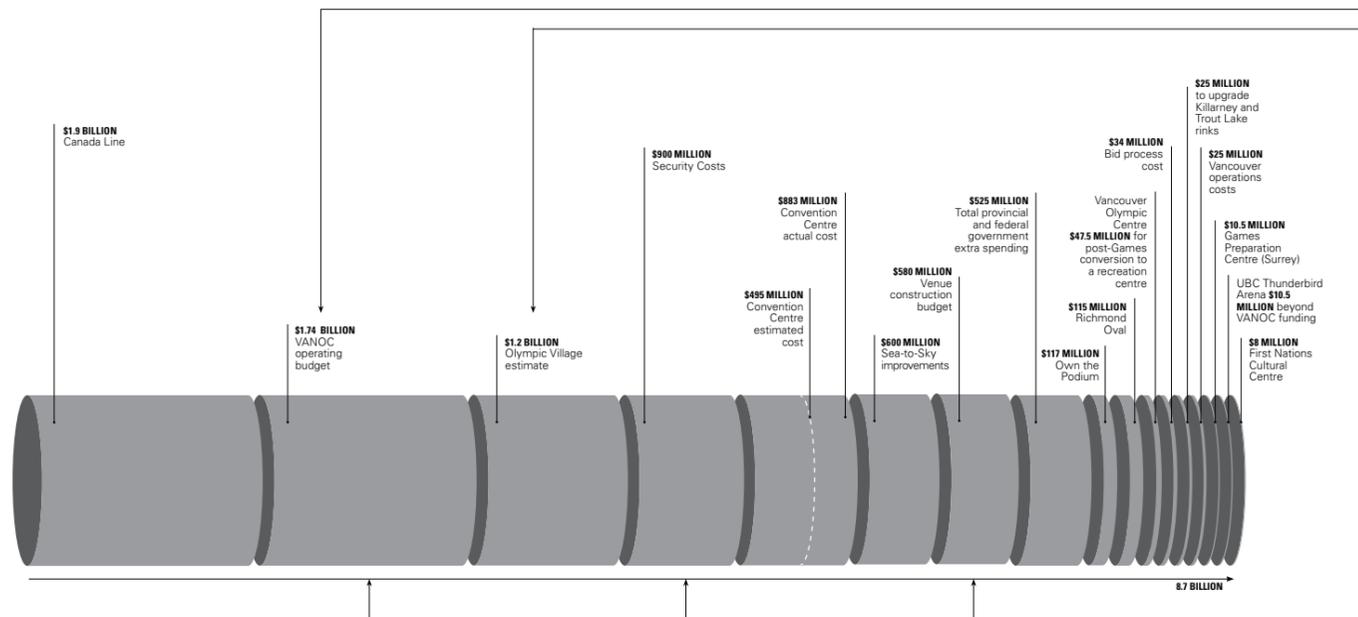
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JHM AWARD
WINNER
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National student design award won with Goh Iromoto, who took the photos. Art direction & design

\$8.7 billion and counting

This graph represents the ever-increasing costs related to the Olympic Games as reported by federal, municipal and provincial governments, as well as VANOC.



VANOC LOSES FUNDING TO CONTRACT BUNGLING

VANOC lost millions after signing contracts with American broadcasters because they didn't include currency hedging in their contracts. Such a clause would have pegged the amount that VANOC was paid by the broadcasters to the value of the contract in Canadian dollars when it was signed, protecting against fluctuations in the value of the American dollar. When the Canadian and American dollars shifted to close to parity, the value of the contracts dropped dramatically.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

The Olympic Village in Vancouver was a construction project awarded to real estate developer Millennium Development in 2006. Originally intended to serve as a combination of market and social housing after it was finished being used as an athlete's village for the Games, the project quickly went over budget, with the city liable for the completion of the project. The city eventually had to borrow hundreds of millions of dollars to complete the Village, and Penny Ballem, the new City Manager, says it may now cost \$1.2 billion by 2013. Although the majority of the housing will now be sold on the market, it remains unclear how much of the billion-dollar project's costs will be recouped. Mayor Gregor Robertson has admitted that the best the city can hope for is to break even.

A TALE OF INFLATING COSTS

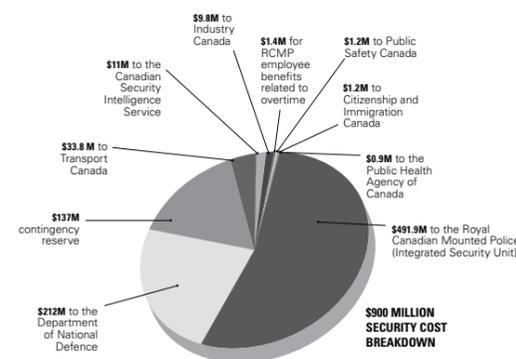
The original cost of security for the Games was pegged at \$175 million in 2002, while construction of venues was set to be \$470 million at the same time. The cost of construction soon ballooned to \$580 million and beyond as municipalities stepped in to shoulder some of the burden. After years of speculation, it was announced that the full cost of security would be \$900 million. The VANOC operating budget for the Olympics was initially pegged at \$1.3 billion in January 2003, but was changed to \$1.63 billion by 2007, and finally to \$1.76 billion, with a \$77 million contingency fund, in 2009.

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Illustration of the cost of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic games.
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Paying for the party

At least \$8.7 billion spent on the Games



TREVOR RECORD

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With the 2010 Olympics over, the price of the Games is starting to come into focus. Around \$4 billion was spent on the Games by the Vancouver Organizing Committee (VANOC) and multiple levels of government, before taking related side-projects into consideration.

VANOC'S SHARE

\$2.4 billion of the Olympic bill has been paid by VANOC. Of this, \$580 million came from the provincial and federal governments to build new venues

(such as the Richmond Oval) and upgrade the ones that already existed (such as Pacific Coliseum). In addition, VANOC had \$1.76 billion in operating costs, which paid for the Olympic workforce and everything else required to stage events. This money came from private sources, including event tickets, the International Olympic Committee (IOC), merchandising, and advertising and broadcasting deals. The details of most of these contracts is unknown because as a private company, VANOC is immune to Freedom of Information requests. Beyond these operating costs was a government-approved \$77 million contingency fund for unplanned expenses—it remains to be seen how much of this has been spent.

WHAT WE'VE BUDGETED

Once the direct costs incurred by parties other than VANOC are taken into consideration, the cost of venues and operations for the Olympics balloons by over a billion dollars. The most eyebrow-raising of these expenses was the security price tag. It was originally expected to cost \$175 million, but as the Games approached it became clear that the amount would not even come close to covering the actual expense of policing the Games. The cost of security had ballooned to \$900 million once the Olympics arrived. The construction of sporting venues has also gone well beyond the \$580 million allowance VANOC was given. The City of Richmond was stuck paying \$115 million for the Olympic Oval beyond VANOC

financing. The Vancouver Olympic Centre, which hosted curling, cost \$47.5 million more—apparently its conversion to a recreation centre will be rather expensive. UBC's Thunderbird Arena upgrade costs went \$10 million beyond what VANOC estimated. Vancouver even spent \$25 million to upgrade the Killarney and Trout Lake rinks, used as practice facilities. Although these sporting venues will continue to be used after the Games, there is no question that their upgrades and constructions were motivated by the Games alone.

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That's not the end of the costs. \$32 million was spent on the bid process. Vancouver will spend at least \$25 million for their Olympics operations once the \$20 million legacy fund is taken into account, and even Surrey ended up paying \$10 million for their Games Preparation Centre. Then there's the money other provinces have spent on the Games—for example, Alberta spent \$13 million on their pavilion. The federal and provincial governments have budgets of \$1.25 billion and \$765 million, respectively, that are explicitly earmarked for the Games. After construction and security budgets, that's still over \$500 million between the two, which has gone to various costs such as their tourism budget, the Four Host First Nations, the Opening Ceremonies, the Torch Relay

and non-security essential federal services. All told, close to \$4 billion can be counted in Olympic costs, with well over half coming from public coffers. That doesn't even include additional cash which was poured into infrastructure that would support the influx of visitors during the Games.

ADD IT UP

There were also a number of costly projects taken on by the federal, provincial and municipal governments. Vancouver's new Convention Centre ended up costing \$883 million—a huge increase over its original \$495 million price tag. And then there's the Olympic Village, which City Manager Penny Ballem now says may cost \$1.2 billion by 2013, with no clue as

to how much might be recouped when units are sold following the Games. The Office of the Auditor General of BC has been critical of the province for a lack of transparency. The most costly upgrade was the new Canada Line, which came out to \$1.9 billion before operating costs. Split between federal, provincial and Vancouver governments, in addition to Transport and Vancouver Airport Authority, its construction

was undeniably linked to hosting the Olympics. The same goes for Sea-to-Sky highway improvements, which totaled \$600 million. Although none of these projects have been included in Olympic budgets, they were included in Vancouver's bid to host the Games. When it has all been added up, at least \$4.6 billion was spent on infrastructure upgrades for the Games. That's not including other infrastructure upgrades such as the \$3 billion Gateway Program, a Lower Mainland road and bridge development project which was not as clearly motivated by the Olympics.

FUDGING THE NUMBERS

Until admitting to an increase their security funding this year,

the province had said their budget was set firmly at \$600 million. After increasing the security budget, they now admit to somewhere closer to \$765 million. However, the question of how much money the BC government will actually spend on the Olympics has been questioned for a long time. As far back as 2006, the Office of the Auditor General of BC has been critical of the province for a lack of transparency, claiming the province will spend closer to \$2.5 billion on the two-week event. The federal government has been more transparent with their financing, but suffered the same criticisms. Although they recently released a breakdown of the \$1.25 billion they budgeted, this did not include any infrastructure

upgrades. Nor did it include all of their Olympic costs—the Own The Podium project, for example, received \$66 million in federal funding over five years, and was not included in the budget. The actual economic impact of the Games will remain in question for some time to come. The provincial and federal governments still claim that the economic benefits of the Olympics will offset their costs, but it has become clear that this is questionable—even if the Games cost the amounts they say they will. Much of the infrastructure that was built up for the Games will continue to benefit our city for years to come, but most of the other costs are one-time expenses and will not necessarily show a return. □



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FLYING THE COOP

THE ABCs OF RENTING IN VANCOUVER

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Maybe you're moving out of rez, maybe your parents kicked you out of your bedroom or maybe it's time to become a 'real' adult. Fear not, *The Ubyssy* is here to demystify Vancouver for you.

Every district has its own vibe. Each area attracts a certain mindset which you will not change. Your routine of playing beer pong on your front yard in the middle of a Tuesday afternoon may be hampered if you move into an area teeming with children.

These are the ABCs of choosing a neighbourhood in Vancouver. Keep in mind these distinctions are highly biased. We apologize if we disregarded where you live. It's not our fault you decided to live in a cultureless wasteland known as Richmond.

A is for Alcohol: The most important letter of them all. You've worked hard this entire year, and the summer is the perfect time to share a pitcher with a friend, even if that friend is yourself. Our favourite places offer the cheapest doubles, sunniest patios, fanciest drinks or the seediest clientele.

B is for Buses: No matter how nice your place is, sometimes you have to go to class, get groceries, or remember what your friends look like. These are the average estimated transit times to go to UBC for a 9am class. For good measure, we also mapped out the buses that take you home late at night.

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is for the student who spent the past eight months in a library, bar or basement of some kind, it's easy to forget that there's a whole lot of Vancouver out there. This really hits home when you realize your lease is up and it's either find a new hovel or crash on a couch. Here's a guide to finding a new nook.

F is for Fun: These places and events won't appeal to all. Some of these may seem off-putting or straight out weird. Everyone has a different definition of fun right?

G is for Groceries: Tastes differ across the board when it comes to groceries. Some people like a chain supermarket for its assortment of 80 different cereals. Others like to go to the little family-run grocer for its homemade mozzarella or pastries. We decided to look at the cheapest place to find a two-litre carton of milk to appeal to everyone that needs cheap calcium. We then realized we'd leave out the vegans and lactarated, so a 2L carton of (Silk) soy was also priced out.

H is for Housing: When it comes down to it, no matter which neighbourhood you are in love with, living in a cardboard box doesn't suffice. Sure, it's got at least three walls, a roof and a door but where's the WiFi? These are the average rent prices students paid in late 2009. Prices, sizes and definitions vary when it comes to actually getting a place. Don't blame us, blame your new landlord.

I is for Interiors: If you're looking for a place that's not just a place to sleep, but a place that's actually a home, you'll want to look at the interior. We've included a list of some of the most interesting and affordable places to rent in Vancouver. These are the average rent prices students paid in late 2009. Prices, sizes and definitions vary when it comes to actually getting a place. Don't blame us, blame your new landlord.

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- C:** If you want a decent espresso, head to the Boulevard. You know what it is and where it is already.
- D:** Sadly, *The Ubyssy* Haus will no longer be able to fulfill your need for eardrum shattering beats at 3am. Sad. That leaves the Pit Pub. In the summer the drinks are still the same price, the floors are still a sticky mess, but now remove 95 per cent of the clientele. Specifically, remove students.
- E:** As per usual, the BirdCoop is ridiculously cheap at \$25 a term. During the summer you'll be paying for a relatively empty space. Yay, the one time being a loner on campus is a good thing.
- F:** Can you really hope for any fun during the day? You've decided to stay on or near campus while every other undergrad has left. Unless you like ghost towns or grad students, expect a whole lot of boring. Pretty much the only way to get your rocks off is to go free-balling on Wreck Beach.
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riding along the chestnut trees lining East 10th.

F: If you head up Main to shop, you'll head back down with an empty wallet. Go north of Broadway if you need to furnish your house and south if you need to furnish your wardrobe. There's an awesome mix of organic grocers, independent record stores, eclectic vintage shops and thrift stores.

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Lit and Art

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A collection of writing from the First Nations community at UBC. Many thanks to Richard Van Camp's creative writing class for their submissions and all other contributing writers and artists.

Missing Mother

My bare feet trail lightly through the fallen pine needles, dragging through leaves and earth. My toes are numb. The calluses on the pads of my feet keep away the pain of stones and small sticks. Raven says of good morning from the branch of a tall red pine. I take this greeting as a sign and burn to leave the path. My first step into the brush is slow and cautious to show my humility and respect to the forest. I carefully lay my foot down among the undergrowth and wiggle my toes, flexing them for feeling. The forest seems to accept my entrance into its unknown places. Wind breathes her way through the pines and my lips carrying such sweetness to my lips that licking them, I can taste the forest's moistness. My steps are small and precise. I avoid crunching twigs and dry leaves. I keep a watchful eye out for Spider's web and am careful to take other paths so as not to destroy her crystalline home.

My work is nearly finished. Sighting in the heat of my efforts I crawl on all fours and gently lower myself into the space I have just created. The earth feels cool on my skin, soothing after my strenuous digging. Stray grits of dirt grime metal, between my teeth and I taste metal, like blood on my tongue. A potato bug tries to navigate the cuff of my jeans. Snuggling into my cradle of earth I begin to cover my body back over with the same soil I have just displaced. Dragging my arms through the pile and over my body a satisfying blanket. The beautiful cacophony of the forest's many hidden creatures accompanies my final movements as my body disappears beneath the burnt umbrellas of the earth, the burnt umbers and deep charcoal streaks with shimmering, garnet reds. My breathing slows as the weight of the ground tells my body it is sleeping. When I am completely covered but for my face I wiggle my exposed arm beneath the blanket of earth until it lies hidden also. I breathe deeply and close my eyes. Earth smells rich, damp, muskiness accompanied by the slightly more pungent scent of clay. My ears are stopped with dirt and I am deaf to the sounds of the world. I hear only a deep and steady beat. I think at first it is the resting of my own blood in my ears, but my body feels the hum of the sound around me and I realize the beat I hear is the Earth Mother's heart beat. I breathe in time to the beat of her drum and let my body be held by her, cradled and embraced. My body becomes liquid and I melt into the loams and soils of Mother. Her deep earth song pulses through my body, the gentle vibrations a lullaby, rocking me to sleep. Spooned by Mother, the hurt, the fear and the sadness buried within my spirit begin to seep away. The loneliness and emptiness inside me is replaced with a sense of connectedness and I know I am never alone. In grateful prayer my body sings with Mother, dances to her drum and weaves the song of Thanksgiving with her.

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E'ho neniothonake ne onkwa nikonra
We greet each other, giving love and respect to all people
To our Mother the Earth we give greetings, love and respect
To the Wild Plants we give greetings, love and respect
To the Berries we give greetings, love and respect
To the Forests we give greetings, love and respect
To the Game Animals we give greetings, love and respect
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To the Winds we give greetings, love and respect
To the Grandfathers the Thunderers we give greetings, love and respect
To our elder brother the Sun we give greetings, love and respect
To the Moon we give greetings, love and respect
To the Stars we give greetings, love and respect
To Handsome Lake we give greetings, love and respect
To our Guardians we give greetings, love and respect
To our Creator we give greetings, love and respect
This is how our minds are to be
Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Prayer

Sweat runs down my SPINE and drips from my TEMPLES. My hair is a TANGLED MESS down my back and DIRT clings to me EVERYWHERE.

I had a deer path and follow its faintly painted impression until I reach a snug burrow, a dry patch of earth, circled by Douglas-fir, Red Cedar, Western Hemlock and Sitka Spruce trees. Their roots safely encircle the small clearing, offering a tower of protection from the outside world. Moss offers a soft resting place and Sunlight dances through the leaves, bringing a muted glow. Folding my body down on hands and knees I use my open palms to brush away the pine needles and other treasures of the forest floor. I bury my fingers in the dirt and relish the way it clings beneath my fingernails. I am digging now, pulling and pushing the rich and mucky earth from its slight rich and mucky earth from its slight rich and mucky earth from its slight place. At first it is only a slight depression, but soon it becomes a shallow ditch and finally a hole. Sweat runs down my spine and drips from my temples. My back is a tangled mess down my back and dirt clings to me everywhere.

Poetry

As our Ancestors shake their heads

So, humankind, now we're bombing the moon? For those of you who live in cave, US scientists at NASA fired a missile that blasted into the south pole of the moon on Friday, October 9, 2009 at 7:31 am. This \$79 million mission resulted in a huge hole and a six-mile high cloud of debris, all in the interests of "discovering" if water is underneath the crust and whether or not humans can set up a permanent colony there. Why not? It's not like blowing things up, extracting resources, and setting up colonies hasn't worked so well in the past. Take the settling of North America for example. And to think, scientists at that time were saying that the earth was flat.

Turns out that there is water on the moon. And that's interesting. But to me, this information is not worth what this act of violence to our dearest celestial and spiritual relative has cost us. I'm into STAR TREK as much as the NEXT guy, but WHERE are science and TECHNOLOGY TAKING us?

Don't get me wrong, I'm into Star Trek as much as the next guy, but where are science and technology taking us? How much is enough? Have we not learned from exploding and exploiting Mother Nature down here (see: mining, clear-cutting of forests, and fossil fuels) that messing with the fragile balance of the universe leads to destruction? I've heard the arguments for sending a 6000-mile-an-hour bomb at the moon. They are staggering in their shortsightedness, ranging from: this mission won't do any long-term damage to an already cratered surface, the moon is a lifeless and uninhabited rock hurtling in the universe, and tons of space mission junk lie on its surface anyways. Oh yeah, and don't forget the "one small step for man" argument -- that

this is a natural step in our "progress" as a species. The simple-mindedness of these arguments are too much to engage, but I will point out that this mission did leave a permanent scar, scientists never do know the long-term effects of anything (take asbestos in homes, for example), the moon does crucially participate in life-giving activities (like women's menstruation cycles and ocean currents), and dumping garbage is exactly what we teach our children not to do (see Disney's WALL-E). What if humankind, for once, listened seriously to Indigenous intellectuals throughout the world who speak of a living and feeling universe? What if humankind, for once, listened seriously to Indigenous scientists throughout the world who describe the life-dependent principle of reciprocity -- that whatever we do to other entities inevitably affects us? It's all enough to remind me that "progress" is an illusion. A story one tells when one wants to convince others to support the unsupportable. So, we should tell them that these sorts of actions are unacceptable. Again and again, until they listen. It's the only way I can think of to make sure our ancestors aren't shaking their heads at us. Science and technology should not come at the expense of life. Period. Especially for a search for moon water that costs \$79 million dollars. Surely there are other meaningful problems humankind has and should be solving. Humankind can't even find money to "discover" clean drinking water on Native reserves yet. Try that. At least that wouldn't need a bomb, and we could all be proud of what we'd find. FNI --Nigonawedon James Sinclair

Pleasure Dome

20 inch screen; double sheen feather pillow desk; so smooth; couldn't scratch it with a brillo
sable speakers mumble deep notions I can't keep
locked; cocked and ready to the fire blue onslaught; note forming desire
breath in mic waves in sight thoughts; dwellings
telling, letting erupting trying, veing, disrupting
tones; songs of love gone wrong of bliss; a kiss they all belong
in my Xanadu calling you aural pleasure cerebral leisure
worries wistfully wane my mind; at last is tame

—Spencer Lindsay



COURTESY OF ELLE-MAJIA TALEFATHERS

Documented

I was your muse once Did any of them ever know? I have grown older now Not anything like the young nymph You once aspired to having I smoked leisurely across from you We shared coffee
Conversation I showed you my sketches I was beginning I have begun Where are you at now? My beauty is fading Quickly... I was once your muse Now I would undress For you If only for Archival reference

—Dee MacLaughlin



COURTESY OF ELLE-MAJIA TALEFATHERS

Unchained

blood's last breath, silent dying cry cold ground's reach over the falling sky
no water flows, no flames will dance defiant pose; eternal stance
the sounds sing not, all meaning lost like sands of time on an ocean tossed
the horns are silent, the echo gone darkness falls where light once shone

—Ciarrán Uachtarán Leavitt

Living Traditions

We were a wolf pack protecting our pups But evil lurks around A mother is followed to her den... They drag her then move her away from her natural home and the pups are taken without any choice

The mother wakes but it is far too late to do anything her dear ones are gone

the evil is transforming the pups the pups are now 'domestic' dogs no longer free receiving different training and being fed the wrong food They know they belong else where...

The mother and pack are on full alert waiting for such evil to come back but hoping it won't The evil came in different forms and the pack was taken over

By morning all pups were gone learning new traditions Receiving new ways to react Losing the real way.

Many still had memories though if expressed they were punished a tradition gone in a matter of years a sense of shame flows around thought to be lost forever

But it was never really gone The traditions of past times will always live within Coming out in magical ways whether its dancing to our heart beats or singing from our souls

—Crystal Molina

By the Water

Picture me by the Water hear rushing sounds a back drop to the wind in trees
The Wind blows the waves of my hair brushing my face softly colors of green-blue reflected in the blacks of my eyes
See me by the water My feet meet the place where water caresses rock and sand gentle waves pull my awareness away from me enchanted by the ebb of rhythm mashed in the ancient notion of continuity and splendor wandering with thoughts forgotten and remembered through rivers and streams
Stories of water Remembering connection
Picture me by the water calm and serene gazing out the glassy surface reflecting on past lives and encounters with spirit

cold clear tiny ripples of the dream-time remembered

Picture me by the water bathed in sunlight my hand skins the surface wanting oneness with Water

I long to know what is beneath the surface and live there live in the memories of past life etched deep in stone the stories of me linger in water

—Francine Burnung

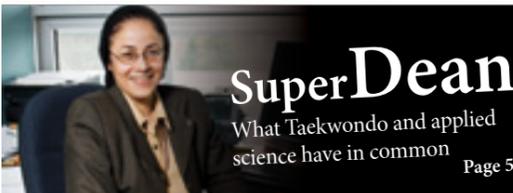


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BoG questions

- 1) Aside from the new Student Union Building, what is one issue that will be a key focus of yours?
- 2) What approach will you take to ensure other board members act on student concerns?
- 3) What is your current opinion of the UBC Board of Governors?

BY JUSTIN McELROY

News Editor

After two debates in four days, the race to be the next AMS president is in full flight, with all three candidates having defined themselves to students in different ways.

Blake Frederick, current AVP external and student senator, had the most fiery rhetoric and ready-made applause lines in both debates.

"As your 100th AMS president, I will build a unified voice, and together we will tell the university and government that we won't be ignored any more," he said at Friday's opening debate at the SUB Conversation Pit.

In both debates, Frederick emphasized his AMS experience, but also made ambitious claims pledging "no more market housing for people that have no affiliation with this university," a fully protected UBC Farm, and efforts to lower tuition. "We can't just go to meetings and sit back and play nice with government representatives that are bullying us," he said on Friday.

His main challenger for the presidency, Alex Monogro, emphasized his consensus-building skills, and plans "to work with all stake holders and students on campus to make positive things happen." He also highlighted education improvement as a key part of his platform. "We all come to UBC to learn... and I think the AMS has lost its focus in making sure the university keep up with their side of the bargain," he said.

The third candidate, Paul Korczyk, a residence coordinator for UBC Housing, repeatedly emphasized the "outsider" perspective he could bring to the AMS. "It is important to bring our message to the students, and I think I am best suited to do that," Korczyk said, though he failed to articulate a clear reason why this would happen.

For his part, Frederick accused Monogro of voting against an AMS motion supporting the UBC Farm. Monogro noted that he had abstained from the motion because it "didn't include a focus on sustainability."

In the end, all three candidates attempted to convince the audience they could both implement their platforms, and, as current president Michael Duncan said, "lead a team with executives on completely different sides of the political spectrum." □

BOG BOARD OF GOVERNORS



MICHAEL DUNCAN
AMS PRESIDENT
FORMER SUS PRESIDENT

1 Aside from the new Student Union Building, one of my largest focuses will be on the UBC Farm. With the current global situation of 'food security' being one of the biggest issues our world faces, it is absolutely essential that the last farm in Vancouver be preserved. The current issues facing the farm are tenure of land and funding. The UBC Farm serves both an academic

and community purpose, but it is impossible for the farm to continue serving these functions without its own security. I am very passionate about the farm and am leading the Great Farm Trek of 2009, which will take place in April of this year. This trek is designed as a community trek to show the overwhelming support for the Farm. I will always focus on the Farm as one of the most

important issues this coming year.

2 The Board of Governors doesn't understand the student perspective. We have been fighting tirelessly this year to try and portray issues and perspectives to the board. They are informed by biased sources (namely the administration of the University). To ensure that student issues are a priority, we need to ensure that the board members actually know what these concerns are. I speak on behalf of students and will ensure that, regardless of the topic at hand, the BoG members know what the average student feels about it.

3 My current opinion of the UBC Board of Governors



BIJAN AHMADIAN
CURRENT BOG STUDENT REP.
STUDENT SENATOR, 2004-07

1 As a current Board member, I am aware of the keen interest that the Board has in increasing affordable student housing. Currently about 8500 beds are provided on campus through the Housing Office and other market housing. This does not meet the high demand, and the shortage has thwarted UBC's progress in improving student life and engagement on campus. As an involved student who has lived in both market-housing and residence, I understand the importance of living on-campus

and the challenges that arise under different models. During the current semester, students will be surveyed on their housing preferences in order to develop a business plan to be presented for approval to the Board in the fall. I will ensure that these efforts will incorporate students' interests properly.

2 In my experience, the board has tremendous respect for students' concerns and is influenced by them. The key to invoking that respect is linking students' concerns

with established priorities of the university in accordance with its mission statement, Trek 2010 and the university's policies.

As the incumbent board member and a seasoned student leader on campus, I have a track record of commanding respect from both the Senate and the board. In my third year on the Senate I helped draft a new policy for viewing marked work. Last year, I persuaded my colleagues on the board to go on record emphasizing that student space should not be the first element to be reduced when trying to eliminate funding gaps for institutional buildings.

3 My criticism of the current structure of the Board is about the length of time that student representatives serve. Students are effectively at a disadvantage because their

representative's term lasts only one year whereas others on the Board serve for three years allowing them to learn and apply their knowledge over that period. That is one of the reasons why I am seeking re-election.

One of the weaker criticisms of the board is that a bare majority of it—11 out of 21—are appointed by the Provincial Government—and therefore it is unrepresentative of the University community. But, I am sure that one could not find an instance where the appointed members overturned the will of the elected members—the board works as a team. Appointed members bring such essential backgrounds as finance, government relationships and community development that are indispensable to the running of the university.



TRISTAN MARKLE
VP ADMINISTRATION
4TH YEAR SCIENCE

1 To finish the job of saving the UBC Farm, The Farm is not only a veritable paradise on campus, it's also the best place to research local solutions to our global ecological challenges. It has been under the threat of market development, leaving many pessimistic about its future. But since last spring, the tide has turned. I've provided support to the wonderful network of folks working on saving the Farm. I composed the AMS and GSS policies on the Farm, and participated in the delegations

that motivated unanimous Metro Vancouver support for the Farm in its current size and location. I will work with other board members to prioritize the completion of the Farm's academic plan and to provide core funding needed for viability and growth.

I will work to unhinge the association of the Farm with housing, and instead present various models for the creation of affordable student housing closer to campus. I am currently running a feasibility study for student coop

housing and have been working with affordable housing experts across Vancouver to determine options for subsidized development.

2 I will take a proactive approach of promoting student initiatives. Currently, the biggest issues on campus are in fact student-driven, and the board needs more direct connection with those driving the projects in order to make informed decisions about them. There is a will among board members to support the new SUB project as well as the Farm, but first hand knowledge and student perspective is currently lacking. Having managed the SUB project for the past year, I bring the most comprehensive understanding of the design process and its challenges. I will ensure board members are not only informed about the issues,

but are able to participate directly in the creative process.

The board and administration have also shown interest in taking the lead from students in provincial and federal lobbying: we have much to teach them about student financial issues and lobbying strategies, and have much to gain from lobbying jointly with them to strengthen public funding for UBC.

3 Over the past few decades, the university has turned its attention from the student experience and, instead, toward secondary activities like market real-estate development and financial speculation. But, recently, due to student initiative, the university is starting to move in the right direction—environmentally conscious, publicly funded, and student-centred. On the Board, I can help build on our

+ VP Finance works with the

The current VP Finance is Chris Diplock...



BLAKE FREDERICK
ASSOCIATE VP, EXTERNAL
STUDENT SENATOR

1 The cost of education at UBC is unaffordable for too many students. We have seen our tuition fees double in the past six years, with the average debt load upon graduation is now \$27,000. Our fees are rising, but these increases need not be inevitable. Tuition is non-existent in most European countries. In Canada, tuition either remained the same or declined in half of the provinces last year. In an economy where 70 per cent of new jobs are now demand-

ing post-secondary training, the BC government needs to recognize the economic benefits of making education affordable. UBC also needs to provide more financial support to students. Funding for needs-based awards has declined at UBC by 40 per cent over the last four years. Many more students could have had bursaries this year if the Board of Governors had not cut funding.

I will pressure the BC government to recognize the social

and economic benefits from increasing funding to universities and lowering tuition, and work with other Board members to vastly increase the amount of funding dedicated to needs-based awards.

2 I will never hesitate to speak out for students on tuition, housing, child care, the UBC Farm, classroom space, and other issues important to students. I am not seeking election to the board to make friends or further my political ambitions. I will remind the other board members that without students, there would be no university. Students know best the changes that need to be made to UBC. As your representative, I will always advocate on your behalf.

3 The majority of board members are unelected and unaccountable provincial appointees who are not responsive to students' interests. Financial responsibility is vital to the functioning of the university, but the board members have unfortunately viewed UBC as a private enterprise rather than an institution of higher learning. If you've ever wondered why there are so many million-dollar condos on campus and not enough affordable student housing, you don't have to look further than the Board of Governors. Although students pay over 40 per cent of UBC's operating budget, only 14 per cent of the board members are students. We need to be included in the decision-making processes of the University so that our needs are met. I will pressure the provincial government to make changes to the composition of the Board of Governors so that it is elected

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1 One of my key priorities for this year, if elected, would be to greatly improve communication between the board and the general student body. One of the largest problems with the board is that virtually no students actually know what happens at the meetings. As the board provides the last checkpoint for student input, and is required to approve pretty much every major decision at the university,

it is crucially important that the student representatives have an accurate view of student opinion on every issue. Along with this improvement to communication, I would also strive to ensure that I am accurately representing student views, instead of taking my personal position or avoiding an issue because it might put me at odds with the administration.

2 I believe that the most

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needs are reflected in the system, and as VP Finance, I will be able to address it. I have both the financial and administrative experience relevant and required for this position.

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NATE WENDEL IS A SERIOUS-LOOKING BOY.

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He has dark curly hair and is soft-spoken. As he speaks, he gets more and more excited, and his gesticulations become more exaggerated. Just looking at him, you wouldn't expect him to be a talker. But boy, does he talk—especially when you get him to talk about latest film project, a ten-minute short called *Brown Sound Underground With Nona Leslie*.

Nate Wendel is a second-year UBC Film Production student embarking on his maiden voyage directing a film he wrote. The film is primarily funded by himself and "mom and dad," which explained the pieces of newspapers taped to ceilings, impromptu gobos (which control light) amid the camera dolly and the sandbags holding things down. "We're getting an amazing deal on the camera because our [director of photography] has a million connections in this secret underground world of cameras that I don't understand at all," he explained. "He is unfazed about how low-budget the whole thing is. Once you have a crew together, you can make a movie," he said. "And when you have an excellent crew and you have a story, that's like half the job. The rest is literally just showing up."

Wendel got interested in film during the summer between his junior and senior year of high school.

Film transcends every single thing I'm interested in.

NATE WENDEL
DIRECTOR

"I was in acting camp...they had a film component," he said. "We made a movie and it was really fun, and I thought [that] film was a great future." Ever since then, he's always wanted to study film production. "Film transcends every single thing I'm interested in. I can narrate a bigger picture," he explained. "Wendel's film is about two girls and their interactions. One of them is doing a radio documentary...she wants to do [it] on cassette tapes," he explained. "So she goes and finds her idol, a zine writer, because she thinks the idea of these dead formats are connected. But when she goes to meet her...she finds out the zine girl is not what she expected. "In the characters, there is a journey of overcoming lethargy, overcoming a desperate need to self-validate."

As most of the film is actually an interview, some of the sound will be edited post-production to have that "fuzzy distance" of cassette tapes. "Our plot involves the sounds being recorded...by the character. So we just have the microphone that the character uses, which is actually going to a recorder, which is portably held by our sound [recorder]."

Wendel's advice to aspiring filmmakers? "Stay focused and stay present."



Director Nate Wendel (left) and Director of Photography Oliver Millar stare intently at the RED ONE camera, which houses part of Spielberg's brain.

Brown sound underground

Nate Wendel and friends have an expensive camera



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE 50MM KIND

Fellow Film Production student and First Assistant Camera Anna McDonald changes the lens for a close-up.

LEFT: The clapperboard was once used to sync sound and film. Now there's an app for that.

BOTTOM LEFT: This device allows you to control focus remotely.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Alice (Rhonda Liddell, left) has smashed poor Nona's (Anna Lewis) tape recorder.

BRENDAN ALBANO PHOTOS
THE UBYSSEY



What's all the fuss about the UBC Farm?

09.27.08
The Food is Fundamental Conference highlights threats the Farm faces as a result of being zoned for future housing.

10.23.08
Campus and Community Planning campus consultations. None of the options kept the UBC Farm at its current size of 24 hectares.

10.28.08
A petition with over 16,000 signatures is presented to UBC President Stephen Toope in support of keeping the Farm as it is.

10.31.08
The Metro Vancouver Board votes unanimously to inform the Board of Governors (BoG) that they want to keep the Farm at its current size.

12.01.08
The BoG says that there will be no market housing on the Farm—as long as UBC can transfer density to other parts of campus effectively.

04.07.09
AMS organizes the Great Farm Trek, where approximately 2,000 people marched to show support for the Farm.

09.25.09
Thursday's FarmAde.

Culture

Culture Editors: Kate Barbara & Trevor Record



There were very few attendees at FarmAde '09. The Farm is a cool place. The band was good. What happened, AMS? MICHAEL THIBIAULT PHOTO/THE UBYSSEY

FarmAde 2009 a flop

Will the Farm survive without student interest?

KAREN GARBERT
Contributor

Last year's FarmAde was the most successful in the event's history, seeing approximately 1000 people in attendance. But last Thursday's event, the seventh annual fundraiser for the UBC Farm, saw significantly smaller crowds.

The free admission, open air event was held at UBC's 24-hectare learning and research farm on campus. The crowd numbers were less than half of what they were last year, with under 500 farm supporters coming by to enjoy the autumn sunshine and listen to the country twang of the Agora String Band. As families strolled in the children's garden and BBQ smoke from veggie burgers drifted over compost bins, the low key eco-crowd talked to volunteers manning the booths that ringed the event area.

The UBC Farm booth sold t-shirts and educated people about its student-driven model farm that integrates sustainable land management and food production practices. Nearby, Kevin Cooper, president of the UBC Bike Co-op, showed farm visitors the bikes used to deliver the Farm's Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) boxes. Nancy Toogood, organizer of the AMS-sponsored event, scanned the crowd from under the brim of her cowboy hat.

The event, she remarked, seemed to draw more families than in previous years. She added that this may be due to the Farm's elementary school "Discovery Program" and heavy advertising for FarmAde in Acadia Park and University Apartments, UBC's family-housing developments. Toogood speculated that the lower numbers could be a result of the fundraiser moving from its traditional Friday time slot to a Thursday afternoon.

At FarmAde's small beer garden, some students wondered if the low turnout could instead be because the

"Save the Farm" movement is now past its "tipping point."

AMS President Blake Frederick had a different view. "The big campaign [to save the farm] was leading up to the Great Farm Trek. Now that the Great Farm Trek is done, work has shifted to building an academic plan to make the Farm a supported area on campus."

Concern has been expressed that while the Board of Governors states that there will not be market housing on the UBC Farm, as long as the university's housing, community development and endowment goals can be met through transferring density to other parts of campus, "zoning for the Farm remains unchanged."

"There is a perception that the farm is now safe from development and any reduction of its 24-hectare footprint," said Andrea Morgan, president of Friends of the Farm.

"Yet, as of today, there is nothing written down on paper that says this place is safe. Legally it is still the same as last year."

Frederick does not feel there is as much need for alarm. "The AMS is extremely optimistic that the university is going to support the Farm with a rigorous academic plan for that area. Every indication we've had so far is pointing in that direction."

Stephen Owen, UBC VP External, Legal and Community Relations at UBC, echoed his sentiment.



Overwhelmed by the prospect of doing something both fun and good for the community, most UBC students stayed home last Thursday despite the excellent marketing campaign put on by the AMS. On wait. Save the what? MICHAEL THIBIAULT PHOTOS/THE UBYSSEY

"There will be no market housing in this 24-hectare area," said Owen, "greater density for more sustainable housing will be located in existing housing neighbourhoods on campus, which will require a change in the Official Community Plan. This will all be developed over the next one to two years, and all programs and projects at the farm are to continue."

Friends of the Farm doesn't want to see the UBC Farm fade from the scene, but the process could drag on," she said, "it is important to keep the pressure up now, to have the farm re-zoned to something more relevant to farming, green space, something more academically appropriate."

Fun Farm facts

An overview of the controversy surrounding the Farm in the last year

KAREN GARBERT
Contributor

The 2008/2009 academic year saw Friends of the Farm, an AMS Club dedicated to support the Centre for Sustainable Food Systems at the UBC Farm. The controversy arose around UBC's Campus Plan, which determines design and construction on campus until 2030.

In September 2008, the Food is Fundamental Conference put a spotlight on the UBC Farm and the threat of development it faced as a result of being zoned for future housing.

October's Campus and Community Planning's Option Review Workshops offered three options for the campus, none of which included the Farm at its current size.

On October 28, Friends of the Farm presented a petition to UBC President Stephen Toope containing more than 16,000 signatures in support of retaining the UBC Farm in its present size and location. Then, on October 31, the Metro Vancouver Board voted 30-0 in favour of a motion to send a letter to the UBC Board of Governors in support of preserving the Farm at 24 hectares.

These actions resulted in UBC Board of Governors' issuing a media release on December 1 that stated there will not be market housing on the UBC Farm—as long as the university's housing, community development and endowment goals can be met through transferring density to other parts of campus.

In addition, the Board mandated the striking of a South Campus Academic Planning Committee to create a plan that "identifies the key areas of growth and transformation required to make the 24-hectare parcel on south campus an 'academically rigorous and globally significant' interdisciplinary centre."

The culminating event of the AMS' Great Farm Trek On April 7, approximately 2000 people walked from the Student Union Building to the UBC Farm to show their support for retaining its present size and location. ☐

BREAD

whole wheat loaf

Mainly Organic: \$2.09
Famous Foods: \$2.19
Triple A Market: \$2.59
Safeway: \$2.69
Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$3.19
East-End Food Co-op: \$3.29
Donald's Market: \$3.39
Everfresh Produce: \$3.49
Santa Barbara Market: \$3.49
Nester's: \$3.69
Choices Market: \$3.99
Capers: \$3.99
Drive Organics: \$3.99

CARROTS

per pound

Young Brothers Produce: \$0.49
Tim's Fresh Produce: \$0.59
Safeway: \$0.79
Stong's: \$0.59
Durbar Produce: \$0.59
Marketplace IGA: \$0.89
Santa Barbara Market: \$0.39
Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$0.49
Triple A Market: \$0.79
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Nester's: \$0.99

APPLES

per pound

Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$0.39
Tim's Fresh Produce: \$0.59
Santa Barbara Market: \$0.59
Donald's Market: \$0.69
Triple A Market: \$0.79
Dollar Grocers: \$0.79
Famous Foods: \$0.87
Durbar Produce: \$0.89
Young Brothers Produce: \$0.89
Everfresh Produce: \$0.89
Stong's: \$0.99
Nester's: \$1.29
Safeway: \$1.29
Marketplace IGA: \$1.49

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per pound

Triple A Market: \$0.79
Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$0.99
Young Brothers Produce: \$0.99
Everfresh Produce: \$1.39
Stong's: \$1.39
Santa Barbara Market: \$1.39
Famous Foods: \$1.47
Tim's Fresh Produce: \$1.49
Donald's Market: \$1.69
Marketplace IGA: \$1.69
Durbar Produce: \$1.89
Dollar Grocers: \$1.99
Nester's: \$1.99
Safeway: \$2.29

MILK

1L of 2% milk

Dollar Grocers: \$1.79
Safeway: \$1.81
Stong's: \$1.89
Choices Market: \$1.89
Capers: \$1.99
East-End Food Co-op: \$1.99
Marketplace IGA: \$1.99
Tim's Fresh Produce: \$2.19
Durbar Produce: \$2.19
Famous Foods: \$2.19
Santa Barbara Market: \$2.20
Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$2.20
Donald's Market: \$2.29
Young Brothers Produce: \$2.39
Triple A Market: \$2.59

CHEESE

per 100g of cheddar

Dollar Grocers: \$1.59
Norman's Fruit and Salad: \$1.59
Santa Barbara Market: \$1.69
Safeway: \$1.79
Famous Foods: \$1.86
Stong's: \$1.89
Nester's: \$1.99
Donald's Market: \$2.07
Everfresh Produce: \$2.09
East-End Food Co-op: \$2.10
Triple A Market: \$2.10
Mainly Organic: \$2.27
Drive Organics: \$3.25

COFFEE

500g

Santa Barbara Market: \$5.89
Dollar Grocers: \$7.99
Marketplace IGA: \$1.95
Stong's: \$2.45
Famous Foods: \$2.89
Donald's Market: \$2.99
East-End Food Co-op: \$3.99
Drive Organics: \$3.99
Nester's: \$4.99

CHEERIOS

large box (525g)

Santa Barbara Market: \$4.59
Marketplace IGA: \$5.99
Nester's: \$6.49
Stong's: \$6.99

Addresses of locations used

Capers—2285 W 4th
Choices Market—2627 W 16th
Dollar Grocers—2200 Commercial
Donald's Market—2279 Commercial
Drive Organics—1445 Commercial
Durbar Produce—4355 Durbar
East-End Food Co-op—134 Commercial
Everfresh Produce—270 Main
Famous Foods—595 Kingsway
Mainly Organic—4348 Main
Marketplace IGA—3535 W 4th
Norman's Fruit and Salad—4604 Commercial
Safeway—2315 W 4th
Santa Barbara Market—1322 Commercial
Stong's—4550 Durbar
Tim's Fresh Produce—2827 W Broadway
Triple A Market—626 Commercial
Young Brothers Produce—351 W Broadway



KNOW YOUR GROCERIES

The Ubsysey investigative team shopped around for the best deals in town—you don't have to. Without further ado, we present the fruits of our labour.

ALLARIE COLEMAN
Contributor

With the economic downturn, university students around the world are asking the same question: Is it possible to buy beer and food? We pondered this mystery, and The Ubsysey's investigative team flooded local supermarkets in search of the best deals on groceries. Here is what we came up with:

1 Make sure that you are actually saving money by not dining out.
2 White eggs should not cost more than \$2.
3 You should not buy apples for more than \$2 a pound (even if they are organic).
4 Milk is frequently \$2 a litre, and the smaller the store, the more expensive. The same pricing rules apply for butter.

5 White and whole wheat sandwich bread can be found for less than \$2.50 a loaf, and the smaller the grocery store, the cheaper.
Organic food markets, such as Drive Organics, are cheaper than the larger chain organic grocery stores, especially for dairy items, but aren't necessarily a good deal for produce.
The best deals on produce are probably at Everfresh Produce, but all small produce places tend to have good deals. However, local produce stores often charge more

—With files from Lana Mador, Jenny Tsunoda, Larissa Karr, Anita Lau, Quin Sheppard, Elise Grog, Sophie Roider, Kalen Leech Porter, Catherine Lau & Clayton Weiss.

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CARL WEIMAN'S THOUGHTS

ON STUDENTS' ATTITUDES ABOUT SCIENCE

They're shifting to be less like scientists.... They don't see physics governing in the world around them, they see physics as all about doing artificial exam problems. If you teach them differently, you can see [their attitude] change.

ON THE TRADE-OFF BETWEEN RESEARCH AND UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

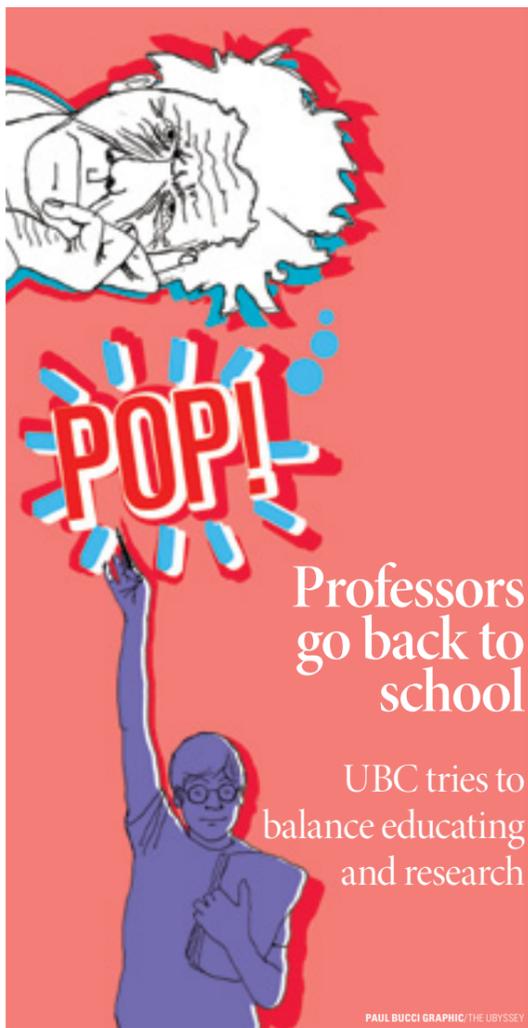
What we're trying to do is convince them that they don't have to make that trade-off. That's part of what we're trying to demonstrate here. [It has] always been considered the case that people either spend more time on research and less time on teaching and do a crummier job on teaching.

What we're trying to really demonstrate is 'look, if you think about teaching in a different way, you can be not just a lot more effective, but you can also be more efficient.'

ON INTEREST ABOUT THE CARL WEIMAN SCIENCE EDUCATION INITIATIVE

If I measure that by how many speaking requests I get, there's a lot. I probably get close to one a day now. Speaking requests from conferences and lots of other institutions from all over the world.

When I was just an ordinary Nobel Prize winner I didn't get nearly that many.



Professors go back to school

UBC tries to balance educating and research

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The stereotypes seem to have been around forever: the Birkenstock-wearing, slightly outrageous liberal arts professor who looks like a cross between a hushman and Bob Dylan. The stiff-suited Commerce instructor with a penchant for strict deadlines and overly-shined shoes. And then of course there are the Science professors. More controversially, the document stated "graduate education is a much more significant part of our teaching mandate." It said that since most research at UBC is "conducted by graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, there is a very strong connection between research excellence and teaching and learning for those students."

Research and International on April 1 appears to support that stereotype. UBC may be neglecting undergraduate students in its pursuit of research excellence. The document focused minimally on undergraduate research, saying that while all universities "should strive to create the very best possible learning environment for their students, at major research universities like UBC, the meaning of 'learning environment' incorporates research to a far greater extent than at smaller universities."

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UBC INITIATIVES TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF TEACHING

• The Lasting Education, Achieved and Demonstrated (LEAD) program, of which the CWSEI is a flagship, is very broad in scope. Its goal is to improve the learning experience of all students at UBC, and aims to become an example that other universities can follow.

• The Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund uses 3.5 per cent of tuition from all students to fund programs that, as the name implies, will enhance learning at UBC. The fund awards between \$1000 and \$150,000 to projects that "will significantly contribute to the enhancement of teaching and learning." One of its requirements for programs is that they have some sort of student involvement in the process. Projects that have been approved range from a new telescope for undergraduate Astronomy students to the Faculty of Arts Academic Commuter Transition Program (FACT) that aims to enrich the experience of first-year commuter students.

• The Centre for Teaching and Academic Growth (TAG) was set up in 1987 to help improve the teaching skills of professors and graduate students and has a large number of workshops (21 in April alone) set up to help improve teaching.

• Closely related to TAG is the Institute for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (ISoTL). Its stated goal is to support "research and reflection on teaching and learning." According to their website, it is the only institute of its kind in North America.

ON CHANGES TO SCIENCE EDUCATION

We require a paradigm shift. The question is, can you make that paradigm shift incrementally or do people have to be pushed off a cliff?

ON CHANGING THE ATTITUDES OF SCIENCE PROFESSORS

[A] substantial number of faculty have made significant changes which I think clearly show improvements in how they're teaching that's impacting quite a few students. But if you look across the different Science departments we're working with, it's varied quite a lot as to how some departments have made a lot more changes than others.



What are you doing for the Games?

Students have mixed feelings and low engagement for the 2010 Olympics

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The Olympics have begun, but most students don't plan on getting out to see much of them.

The *Ubyssey* conducted a poll to gauge student opinion of and engagement in the Olympics over the last two weeks. Although students have a wide range of thoughts regarding the Games, few planned on seeing them in person.

ENGAGEMENT IS LOW

It seems that most students will not be seeing the Games, as only 17.9 per cent of the students that responded had a ticket for an event. Only a slim majority of students (57.7 per cent) said they had definite plans to watch the games on television. Less than half of students said that they have plans to attend the free events, concerts and other celebrations in town, although a reasonably high number had yet to make a decision.

A fifth of the respondents said they had plans to leave Vancouver for the Olympics, however. These students did not hold tickets to events and were less likely to watch the Games on TV or have plans to attend any Olympic celebrations before leaving. Few who are displeased with the Games seem to be planning to get off their couches. Only 12.2 per cent of students said that they planned on attending a protest or engaging in any other anti-Olympics activities. Some of these had said they were in favour of or ambivalent towards the Olympics, but interested in checking out the scene or using the protests as a way for promoting other causes.

MIXED OPINIONS

Although more students were in favour of the Olympics than were against or

conflicted by them, they still made up less than half of the respondents, since some students said they were simply uninterested. Opinion of what effects the Olympics will have on Vancouver was also fairly mixed.

Despite the efforts by VANOC to brand the Games as being environmentally progressive, the majority of students had a pessimistic view of what the environmental impact of the Olympics would be. Opinion about what outcome the Games will have for Vancouver economically was more mixed, but the largest number of students expected the effects would be negative. Students were similarly split on what they thought the social impact of the Olympics would be, although more thought the effects would be positive.

Graduate students generally had a more favourable disposition and optimistic opinion regarding the Games, although since the sample size was much smaller than that of undergrads their results can not be considered as reliable. They were also more likely to have tickets to events.

MANY STUDENTS IN THE DARK

The *Ubyssey* also asked students if they had been sufficiently informed about bus changes, road closures, event and celebration locations and times and their rights. The majority of students thought they had received a reasonable or high quantity of information about the Games. But 41.6 per cent were left in the dark, saying they had received little or no information.

The *Ubyssey's* poll consisted of 14 questions and was applied to 156 student respondents from locations across campus.

—with Paul Bucci Graphics and files from Celestian Rince, Armita Parnar, Hannah Lorena and Joanna Chiu

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JHR'S
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Speak Magazine is the annual publication of the Journalists for Human Rights University division. As the Art Director, I controlled the layout and design of every page.

SPEAK.2009

Front of Book section.
Design

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

BY CYNTHIA KHOO

UNITED STATES: Child trafficking on Craigslist

Anti-human trafficking organization Not for Sale recently reported spiking numbers of ads by child traffickers on the popular classifieds website Craigslist. Traffickers use Craigslist's free ad service for its efficiency and effectiveness in advertising. In one case reported by Not For Sale, two Chicago women were using the service to sell girls as young as 14.

GUATEMALA: Corruption in Foreign Adoption

On January 1, 2008, Guatemala closed its doors to American adoption agencies, citing a need to reform the system. The country is known for having the worst record of corruption in foreign adoption. In some cases, healthy infants lured or abducted from their biological parents later turn up in the process of being adopted by an American family.

UNITED KINGDOM: Child Abuse Under-Reported in Developed Countries

British medical journal *The Lancet* recently published the findings of a study revealing higher than reported incidence levels of child abuse, neglect and maltreatment in highly developed countries. Up to 16 per cent of children each year are physically abused, up to 15 per cent neglected, and up to 10 per cent of girls and 5 per cent of boys are subject to serious sexual abuse. In spite of this, less than 1 in 10 of these cases have been reported.

GAZA: Child casualties in the Gaza conflict

The day after a cease fire is declared in Gaza, the Palestinian Ministry of Health reports that one-third of the people killed (412) in conflict were children. While the exact figures are hard to pin down—journalists were barred from the conflict zone—the fact remains that toll on children was high.

YEMEN: Child marriage and abuse

Yemen has long been notorious for its deeply rooted custom of child marriage, which is both a cause and an effect of devastating poverty in the region. Girls frequently end up in forced marriages after their families give or sell them to prospective husbands. In 2008, three Yemeni girls ran away from their adult husbands to demand—and were granted—a divorce. All three girls, like many other child brides, were forced into marriages with husbands who raped and beat them.

INDIA: Sex-based abortions, neglect, and denial of health care

The situation of "missing" girls in India has become critical since the introduction of ultrasound, which enables parents to discover the sex of their as yet unborn children. This knowledge has led to the abortion of approximately 10 million female fetuses over the past twenty years, with approximately 500,000 aborted per year. Girls who survive to birth face discrimination, abuse, neglect, and deliberately poor health care.

ZAMBIA: Devastating Child Mortality Rate

With a population of 12 million and little to no health care, Zambia has a critically high child mortality rate. While malaria is the primary cause of death in children under five, malnutrition, including vitamin A deficiency and anemia, are also major problems. This is partly due to the severe lack of infrastructure, medical facilities and experts available to treat sick children.

ZIMBABWE: Failure to address Human Trafficking

The exodus of people from Zimbabwe has led to an upsurge in human trafficking in the state. The government of Zimbabwe not adequately addressed the issue. Zimbabwe's existing laws do not ban all forms of trafficking and the protections that do exist are not enforced. In 2007, the government announced it was drafting more comprehensive legislation. That legislation has not yet been introduced in Parliament, however, and in the meantime trafficking cases go largely unprosecuted.

CÔTE D'IVOIRE: Child Slavery on Cocoa Plantations

Côte d'Ivoire (the Ivory Coast) is the world's number one exporter of cocoa, producing approximately 40 per cent of the world's total, with children performing many of the dangerous tasks required for this production. Côte d'Ivoire denies this is an issue, despite reports that young children are forced to work up to 12-hour days under untenable working conditions.

SRI LANKA: Forced Recruitment and Use of Child Soldiers

The militant nationalist organization Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam continues to break repeated promises to stop recruiting child soldiers, at times forcibly taking children from their families to perform military duties. Sri Lankan authorities have not only failed for many years to stop the practice or prosecute those who recruit child soldiers, but have also been implicated in helping the Karuna Faction, rivals of the Tigers, recruit child soldiers themselves.

BABY STEPS

BY KATE O'NEILL AND SAMANTHA JUNG



1923: Declaration of the Rights of the Child, drafted by Eglantyne Jebb in Geneva in February and adopted by the International Save the Children Union.

1924: Declaration adopted by League of Nations as the World Child Welfare Charter.

1959: Declaration of the Rights of the Child is updated and expanded from five to ten principles — this date, November 20, is now Universal Children's Day.

1983: Child Rights Information Network (CRIN) formed as the ad hoc NGO group responsible for drafting of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. This group is an information network that supports the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Today, CRIN has a membership of more than 2,000 organizations in over 150 countries.

1989: The United Nations replaces the Declaration of the Rights of the Child replaced with more extensive UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). The Canadian House of Commons votes unanimously to pass a non-binding resolution to end child poverty by 2000.

1985: Children's Rights Council is co-founded by David L. Levy; it is a global, non-profit organization that focuses on children's advocacy, legislative reform, and access and visitation services.

1991: Canada ratifies the Convention on the Rights of the Child on December 13.

1990: Formation of the Canadian Children's Rights Council Inc. It monitors compliance of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child in Canada as a member of CRIN.

1993: Canada's national "Child's Day" is held November 20th each year as enacted in Bill C-371, otherwise known as the Child Day Act.

1995: The Government of Canada creates its first report on the implementation of the Convention of the Rights of the Child. It states that "certain basic provisions and principles of the Convention, particularly those relating to nondiscrimination, the best interests of the child, and respect for the views of the child, have not always been adequately reflected in national legislation and policy-making."

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1998: Canada forms the Special Joint Committee on Child Custody and Access. The committee is to give fathers more rights in divorce and custody cases; the term FACT (Fathers Are Capable Too) is coined at this time. It is also to help decrease instances of Parental Alienation Syndrome (PAS).

1999: The UN General Assembly declares August 12 as International Youth Day. It was designed to promote awareness for the World Programme of Action for Youth. 2008's theme was "Youth and Climate Change: Time for Action."

May 2000: The UN General Assembly adopts two optional protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child. One on the involvement of children in armed conflicts and another on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography.

2003: The UN criticizes Canada for not incorporating the recommendations made in 1995 into law. The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms does not specifically address children's rights and issues.

2003: Canada passes the Youth Criminal Justice Act to recognize the rights and freedoms of young people and to explore alternative punishments for youth other than incarceration, such as rehabilitation programs.

December 2008: The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is ratified by all members of the UN except the US and Somalia.

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Q&A

with human rights activist, Laurny Oates

BY BRIAN PLATT



Laurny Oates first learned about the plight of women in Afghanistan in 1996, when she was 14. By the time she turned 16, she was busy setting up the Vancouver chapter of Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan.

Now 26, Laurny is heavily involved in human rights, gender equity and access to education work in Afghanistan. She has been to the country a dozen times in the last five years. One of her current projects is the Omid Girls' Scholarship Fund, a fund-raising project to give university scholarships to girls at the Omid-e-Mirmin Orphanage. Omid means "hope" in Dari.

Q: How did you get involved with the Omid Orphanage?

A: The orphanage was started by the Ontario-based Afghan Women's Organization around 2002. Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan began funding it shortly after that. In 2007, I visited the orphanage myself for the first time after collecting donated goods from my family and friends for them. ... I fell in love with the Omid girls, who are vibrant, intelligent, feisty, beautiful girls. I started spending time with them every time I visited Kabul.

Q: What kind of impact do the donations have on the orphanage?

A: A wide network of people in BC have become connected to these girls through their contributions, including getting their first book collection going, plastering their walls with maps and educational posters, providing an English-language tutor who comes to the orphanage every morning, and supplying the huge amount of toiletries they go through each month.

The girls write mounds of colourful, decorated letters full of love and appreciation for their Canadian friends, which I carry home with me. ... They have a deep sense of connection to these people in a far away land who have decided to care about them.

Q: How did most of these girls come to the orphanage?

A: The 28 girls at the orphanage are ages 3-16 and come from all over Afghanistan. Each of them has a unique and often horrific story of how they ended up there. Not all the girls are "orphans"; both parents were killed in some cases. In other cases, the bread winner was killed and the mom could not afford to support the girl. Or the mother was killed and the father gave the girl away.

Other girls were left with relatives who did not want them, or were too poor to care for them. Others were sold, or in danger of being forcibly married in child marriages. ... Many experienced abandonment, abuse, trauma and witnessed violent acts. Some of them are currently in hiding as they continue to be at risk of abduction by relatives.

Q: How many orphanages does Kabul have?

A: There are a few but not enough. Most orphanages are small and run by Afghans. Afghans do not adopt, so normally a child without parents is absorbed into the extended family. ... but when the social fabric of a country has been strained by war, extremism, opium, and poverty, lots of kids fall through the cracks. It's estimated that there may be at least 40,000 street kids in Kabul alone. Child labour is common, and the average marriage age for a girl is 15 years old. ... It's a tough place to be a kid.

Q: Why is this project important to you?

A: Each year I get a few dozen requests for assistance from individuals whether it's women in abusive marriages trying to escape, refugees wanting to come to Canada, girls trying to find support to study, or otherwise. Helping individuals one by one is time consuming and exhausting, and I eventually concluded my time was better invested in trying to change things at the

policy level and through advocacy, hoping to reach a larger number of people through deeper change.

Q: What are the challenges faced by the international community in helping in children in Afghanistan? What can we do better?

A: There needs to be more of a focus on quality of education, not just building schools. ... Most of the country's teachers have no post-secondary education of any kind and many did not finish high school themselves. All the schools lack resources; the walls of classrooms are bare and science teachers are trying to teach science without any materials.

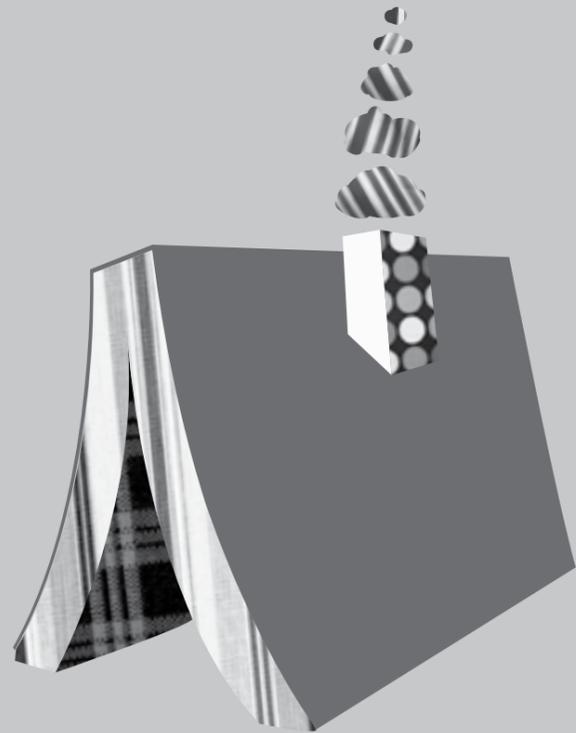
The international community needs to support an informal education sector through village libraries. Having libraries in communities can promote a reading culture, provide a space for adult literacy classes, and just get people interested in literacy.

Kids often don't get the opportunity to be kids in Afghanistan. ... The police often are ignorant of laws protecting children and insensitive to their needs. Supporting the Afghan government to truly enforce the provisions of the Convention on the Rights of Children is critical. Addressing child abuse, including sexual abuse, is also important. Very few programs exist, though the Afghan Research and Evaluation Unit has started research on violence in families, which should provide some starting places for the international community to get to work.

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CAMPING FOR LITERACY

BY KAREN MOXLEY

A tent the size of a small cabin seemed starkly out of place in the quiet, carpeted entrance of the University of British Columbia's (UBC) Irving K. Barber library. Still, the tent remained there for ten days in January, home to two students determined overcome the 24-hour fluorescent light and all-night security guards in order to raise money for children's libraries in India.

"Books provide ideas," said Avneet Johal, one of the two student squatters. "When you read a book, you can travel as far as you want. You don't need anything apart from words on a piece of paper."

In co-operation with DREAM — a student-led organization established in 2006 at Queen's University — and under the Los Angeles-based charity Room to Read, this ten-day library stakeout is called Live-In for Literacy.

Literacy live-ins were held throughout January at universities across Canada, including Memorial University, University of Toronto, Concordia, McMaster, Queen's, Laurentian and UBC. The campaign aimed to raise \$40,000 to build nine libraries in India.

Avneet Johal and Seiya Hayashi are the two UBC students who spent ten days eating, sleeping, showering and studying in the library.

"This project is about giving people in the developing world the opportunity and the resources to create something sustainable for themselves," Johal said.

The writing on the wall

The words "everyone has the right to education" were enshrined in 1948 when the United Nations General Assembly

passed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Since that day, education has been a state obligation under international law. It is a key factor in people achieving their personal goals. It also ensures that people are equipped to defend and promote the rights and freedoms of themselves and others.

While the Indian government made significant improvements in literacy rates and access to education, many people, especially women and children, are left behind each year.

The 2002 All India Education Survey found that 35 million 6-14 year-olds did not attend school. A full 50 per cent of 6-18 year-olds did not go to school. Fifty-three per cent of girls aged 5-9 were illiterate. And of the girls who did make it into school, half dropped out by the time they were 12.

Access to libraries is important to these children who otherwise might not have access to reading materials provided in schools. Libraries can empower children by giving them free access to learning materials that lets them see beyond their immediate lives.

"In some cases, not a single book is available to children to encourage independent learning, intellectual curiosity and a lifelong passion for reading. Even when children have acquired the skills to read, many children do not have access to books to practice and enjoy these skills," said Room to Read representative Sonia Torres.

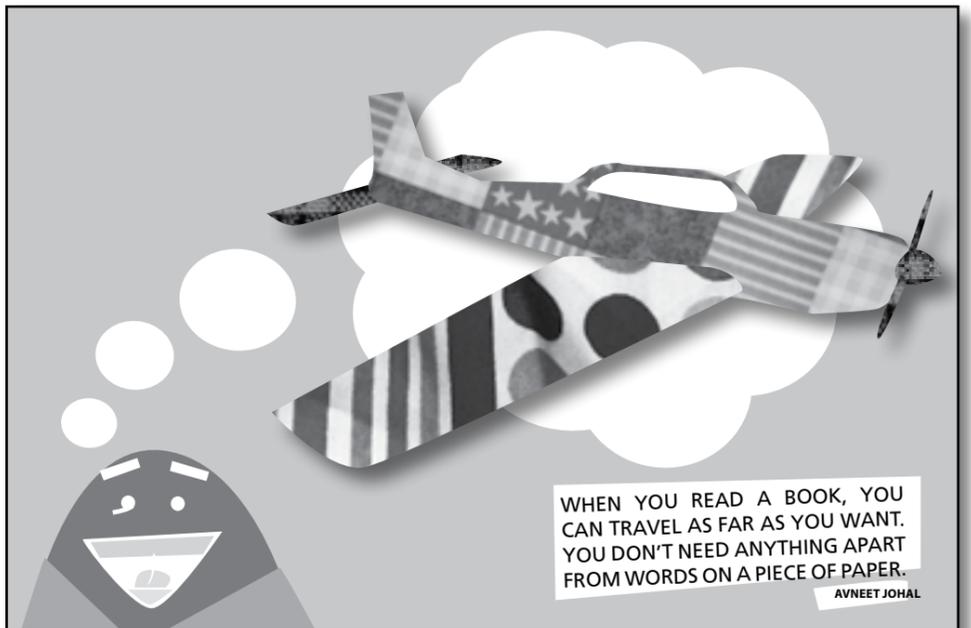
These trends continue into adulthood and affect a disproportionate amount of women. In the 2001 Indian Census, for example, only 47.8 per cent of women over the age of 15 could read and write compared to 73.4 per cent for males.

Dream big

The Toronto subway sparked the idea for the Live-in for Literacy event.

"I saw a sign on the subway in Toronto that said 'build a school in the developing world for \$5,000.' I told my friend Alvin about it, and he said, 'Let's do it!'" recalls Joanna Sue, DREAM co-founder.

Sue, along with Alvin Shin, staged the first live-in at Queen's University in 2006. DREAM, which stands for Discover the Reality of Educating all Minds, teamed up with Room to Read to establish libraries, schools and computer labs in the developing world. Sue, now a graduate student at



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AVNEET JOHAL

Queen's, says DREAM is very much aligned with Room to Read's mandate.

"World change begins with educating children," Sue said. "Education is a means to change your current status. It's a mechanism through which people can help themselves out of poverty."

Room to Read encourages literacy development from a grassroots perspective. The charity builds schools and libraries and also works with local writers and publishers to fund the creation and development of new, local-language books. According to Torres, by the end of 2009 the organization will have established over 3,000 libraries in India and published over 70 local-language books.

"The first step toward the lifelong gift of education is putting a book in the hands of a child," Torres said. "Room to Read believes that literacy is a right and that every child has the right to an education. With an education, the possibilities for a child in the developing world are endless."

DREAM now operates the annual Live-In for Literacy event at universities across the country to raise money for literacy in the developing world.

Day in the life of a library-dweller

Back at the UBC library, Johal and Hayashi have to abide by the live-in's strict rules. They have to remain in the library 24/7 and only have five minutes out of each hour to leave their "campsite" for bathroom or other breaks.

"It's not easy missing classes and living in a roped-off area for 10 days," said John MacDonald, DREAM co-chair and a past library camper. "But it's a lot easier than the lives of the children we're helping; they don't have a library to read in, let alone live in. So with the help of Room to Read and all of Canada, we're building them nine."

Johal and Hayashi find sleeping on the ground one of the toughest things about library camping. Yet, there's lots of room to lounge in inside their massive, blue, 10-person tent. It has two entrances, one for each of the campers. Inside, their blue-tinted world is littered with sleeping bags, clothes and books.

As for meals, campfires are not permitted in the library, so the classic camping menu of hotdogs and s'mores is out. Instead, Johal and Hayashi rely on friends and "perfect strangers" to bring them food.

Peanut butter and jam sandwiches, subs, pizza and coffee are just some of the goodies being dropped off to the hungry campers. More importantly, students and staff have been emptying their pockets for the cause as they pass.

The boys will miss an entire week of school during their fundraising, but aren't concerned about falling behind. "My professors have been really supportive," Hayashi said, "and we're living in a Learning Centre, so I think I may actually end up ahead in some of my classes."

This year's live-ins raised \$24,000, enough to build five children's libraries in India. The libraries will be filled with children's books written both in English and local languages.

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This is a set of business cards I developed for the Ubysssey's 2009/2010 editorial board. Each card can be used to play with or to teach.
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This was given out to all of our volunteers as a quick reference guide to copy editing marks.

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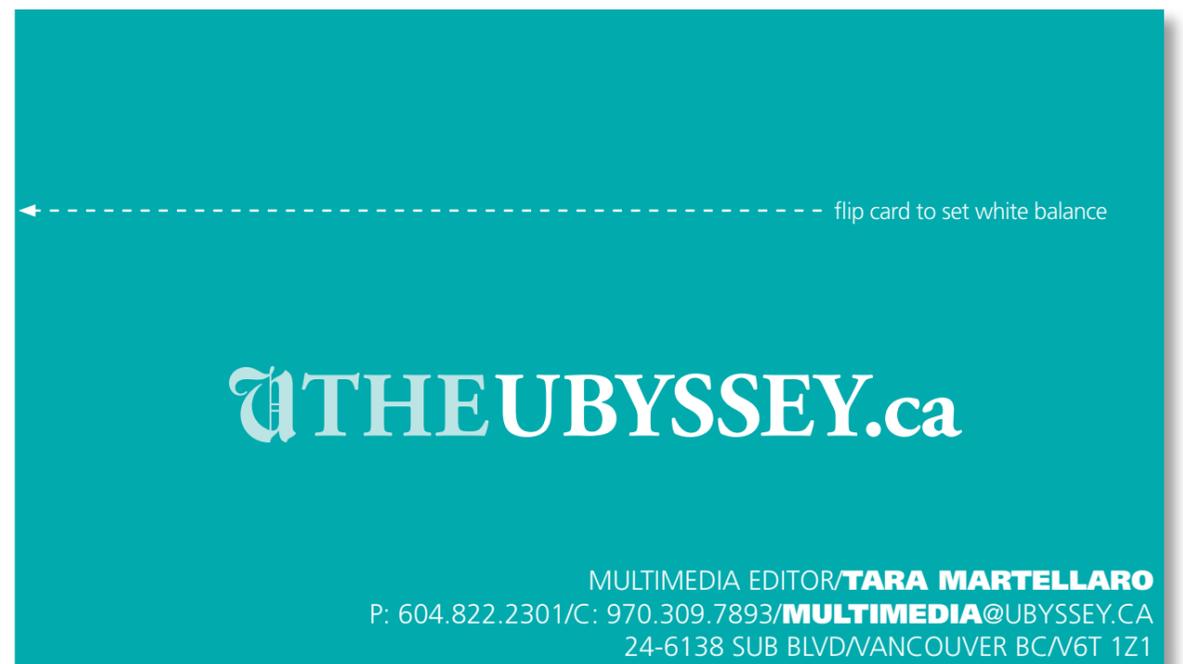
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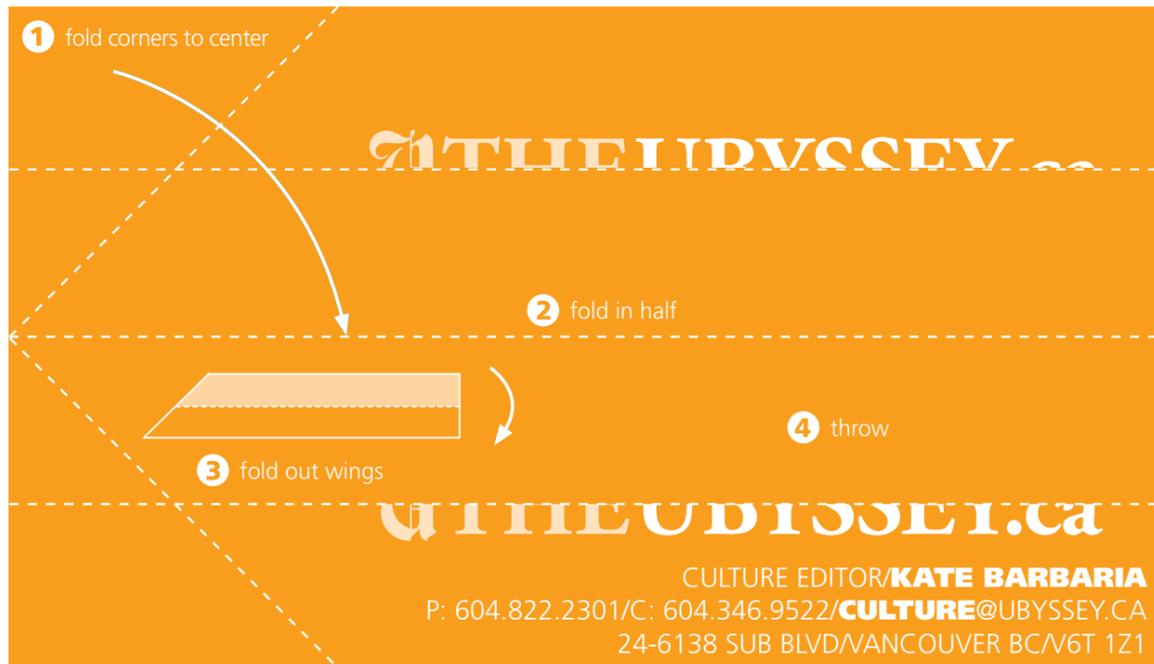
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This was our Photo Editor's business card, and could be used to explain camera lenses.

WHITE BALANCE

The back of this card could be used as a white balance reference point.





PAPER AIRPLANE

This card was for one of our two mischievous Arts editors. As shown in the detail, the card folds together to show our logo.

WHISTLE BLOWER

This was our news editor's card. It makes quite a loud sound, like a reed being blown on between one's thumbs. Click the photo to hear it in action (YouTube link).



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