



**University  
of Victoria**

**Welcome to our  
New Members**

**Paul Molyski**, Project  
Management,  
Computer Networking

**Marilyn Van  
Imschoot**, McPherson  
Library

**James Kissinger**, Mail  
Services

**R. Lee Harrison**,  
Social Work/Continuing  
Studies

**Douglas Kunz**,  
Computer Services

**Marilyn Montgomery**,  
Development Office

**Agnes Lynn**,  
Computing Services

**Mel Klassen**,  
Computing Services

**Michael Walbank**,  
University of Calgary



**GREY MATTERS**  
University of Victoria Retirees' Association

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**UVRA Newsletter March/April 2009**

Thanks to all who helped produce the January newsletter. This year it was a team effort so kudos all round. Yes I had a great time in Arizona and the weather (sometimes a bit dicey in January) was excellent. Evidently a lot of sun plus rain in December pushed the desert to bloom earlier than usual and the walks around the Phoenix area, particularly in the Superstition Mountain parks, were spectacular. I must say it was difficult adjusting to March in Victoria with a welcoming snowstorm as a reminder that this has been a long and cold winter. But it is good to be home.

**Bits from the Board:**

The UVRA is delighted to welcome Grant Hughes to campus. Grant is the recently appointed Community Relations Officer and will act as liaison between our association and the university community. Grant reports to Martin Segger in the Department of External Relations.

**New UVic ID Cards:**

You may have seen notices about new

UVic ID cards for Faculty, Staff and Students. An updated card should have a V-number but no barcode. Please replace your card if (1) it does not have a V-number or (2) if it has a barcode. If the card has a V-number and a barcode this card should be replaced. New cards can be obtained at the Photo ID Centre located in the University Centre.

For more details about UVic ID cards and the extended hours of operation for the Photo ID Centre please visit their website at: <http://stas.uvic.ca/photoid>. There is no charge if you bring in your existing ID card or it is your first time requesting a Retiree ID card.

For ease of identification bring your existing Retiree card or Employee card. If you don't have either it will help if you know your identification number which can be found on a pay statement or on your UVic pension account statement. Failing the foregoing, identification might be done through a match on your name and date of birth.

There is no change to your Library or any other benefits and it is not necessary

**UVRA Executive Board 2008-2009**

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## In Memoriam

Dr. Marika Ainley,  
Associate Member, History  
and Women's Studies,  
UNBC.

to have the new card activated by the Library. Your identification within the Library as a Library borrower is the same with your new Photo ID card with the new V number, as your old Photo ID card with the barcode.

**However if you use the BARCODE NUMBER shown on the old Photo ID card to access your Library Account on-line from the Library web page "My Library Account" you should make note of this barcode number from your old Photo ID card.** You cannot use the V number on the new Photo ID card to logon. If you use your Netlink ID to log on you do NOT need to record this barcode number, just continue to use your Netlink ID.

The Photo ID Centre is asking that you replace your card by the end of April if possible.

If you have any questions please contact the UVRA Office at [uvra@uvic.ca](mailto:uvra@uvic.ca) or 250-472-4749.

## Keeping Up to Date with Retiree Issues.

You can do so with a membership to CARP - the Canadian Association of Retired Persons. Last month, CURAC/ARUCC President Tarun Ghose signed an agreement with CARP, one of whose provisions is to offer CARP Membership (and subscription to CARP's Zoomer magazine) to retirees belonging to our Member Associations at a 25% discount from the advertised fee.

Until May 31, retirees may join CARP for one year for \$14.95 (regularly \$19.95) or for three years for \$44.85 (regularly \$59.85). After May 31, 2009, the CURAC/ARUCC rate will increase to \$26.21 for one year and \$78.64 for three years (regular rates \$34.95 and \$104.85, respectively).

Retirees who are already CARP

members may extend their memberships at the CURAC/ARUCC rates for one or three years.

Information about the CURAC/ARUCC CARP agreement is posted on the CURAC Website (<http://www.curac.ca>).

## Upcoming Events:

**April 29. Guided Tour. New buildings at UVic.** Registration by April 22, Charge \$5 per person. Meet at the Petch Fountain in front of McPherson Library. Parking Lot 5 (off Sinclair Road) - permit, dispenser or meter.

**May 11-12. Overnight tour to Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre.** This tour is now fully subscribed. A waiting list of those members who indicated their interest early in the Fall is being maintained. If more spaces become available, they will be offered first to members on the waiting list, and then to those who expressed their interest later.

**May 20. 10:00 a.m. Guided Tour. Government House\* and Gardens.** We shall begin with a tour of the public areas of Government House. Then we shall visit several areas of the gardens, including the newly-renovated terraces at the back of the House. The Gardens should be at their best in late spring, with tulips still in flower, rhododendrons at their peak, and perhaps some early roses. Parking: directly in front of House (porte-cochere entrance). Meet at the porte-cochere. Time of whole tour: approximately 2 hours. Registration by May 10. Charge \$7 per person.

\*Note we are delighted to confirm that this event has been expanded to include a tour of the public areas of Government House in addition to the tour of the Gardens.

Mark your calendars for the UVRA Annual General Meeting - June 17 at 10:00 am in MacLaurin D111. We do want to hear your views and concerns so plan to attend.

John Fitch (Chair), UVRA Events Committee:

Feedback / Suggestions: UVRA Office (250-472-4749, [uvra@uvic.ca](mailto:uvra@uvic.ca)), or Committee.

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### People in the News:

Jenny Waelti-Walters, painter and printmaker, is exhibiting some of her works at the Collectiveworks Gallery, 1311 Gladstone Avenue (Fernwood/Belfry). The exhibit is entitled "Telling Stories" and runs from April 10 to 23. You can get more information at [www.collectiveworks.ca](http://www.collectiveworks.ca).

### 2009 Masterminds

The fourth Masterminds Lecture Series is fast approaching. Each lecture takes place in room 105 of the Hickman Building at 7 p.m. **Please register by calling the Centre on Aging at 250-721-6369.** Lectures are free but don't forget the \$2 parking fee payable at dispensers in all campus parking lots. The topics are relevant and there will be time for questions after the lecture. Here is what the speakers have to say about their presentations.

#### April 15, Dr. Edward Ishiguro—*Food-borne Infectious Pathogens, Food Safety*

Gastrointestinal infections have been among the top 4 leading causes of death worldwide for several decades. The vast majority of mortalities have been in developing countries and primarily attributable to substandard sanitary conditions. My presentation will focus on Canada and other developed

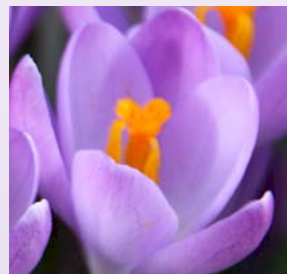
nations where circumstances are quite different and yet the incidence of food-borne infections has been on the rise in recent years. During this period, we have also experienced new modes of infection and the emergence of a growing list of new food-borne pathogens. Using specific examples, such as the Maple Leaf Foods Listeria outbreak and the Salmonella-peanut product recall, I will discuss the apparent roots of recent problems and the challenges they impose on public health organization. (*E. Ishiguro*)

#### April 22, Dr. Michael Hadley—*Crime and Punishment Revisited: Exploring Restorative Justice*

The drama of human conflict looms large in both fact and fiction. The popularized story-line of a criminal act is marked by pursuit, arrest, trial and punishment. This model of justice is commonly known as the Retributive paradigm. In such scenarios, justice is 'satisfied' and the guilty are 'punished,' while the victims get their 'revenge.' But just how one deals with the trauma caused by crime, and finds peace, is seldom examined. This talk will explore an alternative view of crime and punishment known as Restorative Justice. In addressing the needs of victim, offender and community, this paradigm offers options for peacemaking and healing on both interpersonal and international levels. It is a concept with deep spiritual roots that took practical form in Canada in the 1970s as a community approach to dealing with crime. It was endorsed by the United Nations in 2002. In many respects, it is 'new wine from old vines'. (*M. Hadley*)

#### April 29, Dr. Erica Dodd—*The Image of the Word: Understanding Islamic Art*

There is unity in Islam, and unity in Islamic art. Moslems see the world in a way that is common to all Moslems,



### Volunteers Needed:

**The Ceremonies Office** needs your help during Spring Convocation. They are currently recruiting Robing Assistants for the 2009 Spring Convocation, June 15, 16, 17 & 18th and would appreciate your assistance once again. Ceremonies are held at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. each day. Robing Assistants are required 1.5 hrs. prior to the start of the Ceremony. If you are able to assist at one or more ceremonies, please reply by Friday, May 1st to [tarden@uvic.ca](mailto:tarden@uvic.ca) or 721-7445 to indicate which ceremony you would prefer.

**Lochside Elementary School** has recently undertaken a Scientist-in-Residence Program. They hope the Program will introduce their students to the wide variety of disciplines represented by "science" (biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, earth sciences, etc...) They need your help and request members willing to share their knowledge and expertise with the

in Islamic art. Moslems see the world in a way that is common to all Moslems, wherever they may come from and in whatever time they live, and this view is expressed in their art and architecture. This artistic view was particularly clear in the Medieval period, when Moslem society was not so much affected by outside or foreign influences as it is today. Painting in the Wazir Khan Mosque, Lahore, Pakistan, illustrates an Islamic world view at its height, in the 17th century, the period of the great Moguls. The Wazir Khan Mosque will be shown in slides, with commentary. It will be accompanied with readings from the Koranic inscriptions in the Mosque by Muhammad Younas Mirza, retired, student of Islamic Scripture and its contemporary interpretation. (*E. Dodd*)

#### **May 6, Dr. Ralph Huenemann— China's Role in the Global Economy**

Three decades have now passed since China began the dramatic reforms that shifted its economic system away from Soviet-style central planning toward a market-based economy. Measured either by rapid growth of GDP or by a major reduction in the number of people living in poverty, China's reforms have been remarkably successful. But recently, and especially since the onset of the global economic crisis, China's policies have become the target of much criticism. In this situation, what policies should China pursue? And—a different question—what policies is China likely to pursue? And finally, what are the implications for other countries, especially for Canada? (R. Huenemann)

#### **REDESIGN OF UVRA WEBSITE**

Our website will soon have a new look and we hope to "go live" by April 2nd. Spearheaded by our talented Judy Cryderman (our communications whiz kid) the redesign will follow the new guidelines and protocols of the official university website. We are grateful for the support and resources of the UVic Communications web co-coordinator's office who gave invaluable help in this project.

Thanks, also, to executive members and committee chairs who assisted in the redesign and content.

As part of the UVic community the UVRA website will have the same look and feel as other departments on campus. It also provided us the opportunity of updating our information and adding new features. In addition, by using the latest templates/design, the site will provide accessibility for all users.

We would like to hear your comments/feedback. Please write to us at [uvra@uvic.ca](mailto:uvra@uvic.ca) with the subject line "New Website". The website address remains the same <http://web.uvic.ca/retirees>



#### **Volunteers required (Cont'd)**

students and to work with the School to deliver a science project. To learn more about the project, please contact [claudia\\_smith@telus.net](mailto:claudia_smith@telus.net)

**Men's Trauma Centre** needs responsible, socially-minded people to join the agency either as board members or as auxiliary volunteers. Your commitment would be one 2-hour meeting on the second Thursday of each month (except for Aug and Dec) as well as participating in special events (e.g., public outreach, fundraising, etc.). They are presently seeking board members with skill or experience in business, finance, technology, fundraising, community promotion and media, and counselling. If interested or to get more information contact Bram Goldwater at [bgoldwat@uvic.ca](mailto:bgoldwat@uvic.ca) or 250-477-8385.