



# University of Victoria



## GREY MATTERS University of Victoria Retirees' Association

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### Special Events

Only one event left on the calendar so come join us.

June 19: 1:30 pm. Tour and Tea. Point Ellice House. Registration by June 14.

For more info on events contact Trudy Byers or call the UVRA Office at 472-4749. Registration forms have been sent to all members and – sorry to be so picky – but we would remind you of our policy that your place at an event is NOT confirmed until your cheque has been received.

Annual General Meeting June 20: 10am, in MacLaurin, Room D111.

Don't miss out on the last event before we "retire" for the summer. Plan to attend a REALLY, REALLY special event and it will cost you nothing. Plus refreshments!!

(Note building change from previous years.) We can guarantee no long speeches but a summary of what your association is all about, what it is doing and where we are going.

We hope you are enjoying the beauty of Victoria in what is the most colourful time of the year. Despite the cool spring it has been a spectacular season. It was wonderful to see so many members of our association volunteering at the recent UVic plant sale. The sale was one of the best ever and generated substantial revenue for the Finnerty Gardens – well done folks!!

### Bits from the Board

The UVRA website contains a list of all members. Because of privacy concerns the Board has decided to restrict access to this page to members only. Stay tuned, as they say, as we work on this.

John Schofield, Vice-President of UVRA, will be representing your interests while attending the Annual Conference and General Meeting of the College and University Retiree Associations of Canada (CURAC) being held in Windsor from May 23-25. Check for more information at <http://www.curac.ca/index.htm>

Members who are still using their "employee" card to access facilities/services at UVic are encouraged to replace their card

with a "retiree" version. Student and Ancillary Services has informed us that UVic retirees should get a "retiree" Photo ID card to replace their "employee" Photo ID card. Your old employee Photo ID card may not be accepted for RecPlus benefits in the future. The Retiree card may be obtained without charge (for the first one) at the Information Booth in the University Centre. This applies to all UVic retirees not only UVRA members.

There is no change in the procedure for Associate members of UVRA to obtain a "Retiree" Photo ID card. If you do not already have one, you should contact the UVRA Office and complete the form "Associate Member Application for Library Borrowing Privileges and Photo ID card".

### Masterminds

#### Thanks for the Masterminds!

The 2007 Masterminds Lecture Series and Art Exhibition by UVic Retirees has been a great success. Many people attended and enjoyed the events that highlighted the talents and continuing contributions of UVic

### UVRA Executive Board 2007-2008

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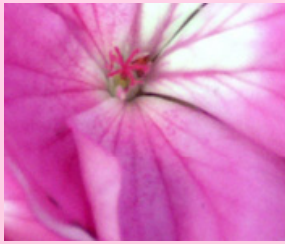
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## In Memoriam

**Harvey Mickelson,**  
August 12, 1915 - March 20, 2007. Harvey was educated at Victoria College, UBC and at the University of Washington. For over 22 years Harvey was in charge of Special Education in the Greater Victoria School District. Harvey leaves his wife Dr. Norma Mickelson, former Dean of Education and Chancellor of UVic, two children, four grandchildren and one great-grandson.

**Dr. Edgar (Ted) Horne,**  
February 2, 1924 – Jan 15, 2007. Ted was educated at UBC and completed a PhD in Mathematics Education at the University of Illinois. He taught in the UVic Faculty of Education for 29 years. Ted leaves his wife, Connie, four children, and five grandchildren.

**Henriette Moreau,**  
November 20, 1937 – January 13, 2007. Henriette taught French at Mount Douglas Secondary School for 23 years. In addition to her teaching, Henriette was an outstanding volunteer in her community and was recognized by the Governments of Canada and of France. Henriette leaves her husband, Professor Gerald Moreau, formerly of the French Department, UVic, two children, and three grandchildren.

retirees to the community and to UVic. The voluntary participation of lecturers and artists, those who introduced and thanked the speakers, and those who opened the events was truly impressive. Thank you.

The Masterminds events could not have been possible without the help of many individuals and groups, all of whom have been generous with their time, encouragement and support. I would like to thank all who participated, and added to the success of the Masterminds. Special thanks are due to Dr. David Turpin, UVic President, for the generous support and encouragement without which the Masterminds lectures and art exhibit could not have occurred. The staff of the President's Office, particularly Ludgard De Decker and Shari Winter, were of great assistance throughout the planning of the events.

The collaboration of the Centre on Aging and the UVRA on the planning and execution of the events was an essential feature of the Masterminds. Many individuals from both groups gave freely of their time and effort, working together throughout the months of planning and the delivery of the projects. I would like to convey my thanks to Dr. Elaine Gallagher and the staff of the Centre on Aging and to Lyle Robertson and the Board of the UVRA. Some individuals involved and due particular thanks for their hours of work and dedication to the success of the project are Marie Elliott, Lois Edgar, Lindsay Cassie, Anita Jessop, Trevor Matthews, Victor Neufeldt, Helen Kempster, and Judy Cryderman.

Thank you to Martin Segger, Caroline Riedel, Kerry Mason and the staff of the Maltwood Art Museum and Gallery for the advice and encouragement, the assistance in planning and the fine installation of the art exhibit that made for a spectacular show. They were presented with the challenge of showing a very diverse collection of art; and met that challenge with great skill, sensitivity, and professionalism.

Communications Services personnel, who provided advertising and advice, are due

many thanks as well. In particular, thanks are due to Bruce Kilpatrick and Maria Lironi who dedicated many hours to assuring that UVic and the Greater Victoria community would be aware of the events.

Also, thanks to Carli Kennedy who provided the guitar music for the reception. UVic Facilities Management, Room Bookings, A-V Services, and Catering Services all provided assistance in important aspects of the project and are due thanks. Their willingness to help is very much appreciated.

To all participants--Thanks for the Masterminds!

Beverly Timmons, UVRA Masterminds Coordinator

### **And what lies ahead for Masterminds?**

This depends on you – what you are doing, what types of activities engage your interest. So let us know by communicating with the UVRA office, either by telephone (472-4749) or by e-mail: [www.uvra@uvic.ca](mailto:www.uvra@uvic.ca). Here are two possibilities for future events.

**Artisans--** Please let us know if you are interested in participating in a quality crafts show (not a sale). If we have enough people who wish to be involved, we could apply for space on-campus in which to show the works. An outside (non-member) jury would select the works for the show. We could show such things as quilting, carving, glass blowing, fabric art, wood turning, toy making, stained glass work, porcelain painting, pottery, weaving, etc.

**Photographers—**Please let us know if you are interested in participating in a photography exhibit. If we have enough people who wish to be involved, we could apply for space on-campus to show your work. As in the information for artisans, a jury of non-members would select the works submitted for the show.

## Volunteers Needed

We need your opinion!! Participants are needed for a UVic Study evaluating a Health

Canada Information Guide. Participation involves less than 10 minutes of your time. The guide and a questionnaire will be mailed to you and postage will be provided for you to respond. The questionnaire asks you to give your opinion of the Health Canada Guide (e.g. Did you find it useful, informative, interesting etc.). This research is important for determining if the effectiveness of the guide from a senior's perspective. Participants must be 55 years and older and not physically active more than 30 minutes per day 4 days per week. Please contact Rachel Dean (Interdisciplinary PhD student) at RNDEAN@uvic.ca or 250-746-4056. We look forward to hearing from you!

Ceremonies needs your help!! Duties will be in the robing area during Spring Convocation on June 5, 6, 7, or 8. You will assist students in the Marshalling Rooms (Clearihue C Wing) with their robes; hoods; and hats and get them ready for the Student Procession into the Ceremony. Time: 1.5 hours before each ceremony commences. Schedule available at <http://web.uvic.ca/ceremony/convocation/fallceremonytimes.php>

As well, should any Retirees who are assisting as Robers wish to have tickets to a ceremony, they can also forward this request. Although we are not able to guarantee availability of tickets once the student requests are processed, we will use best efforts to accommodate our volunteer ticket requests. Interested retirees can contact Alison Ducharme, Ceremonies Office, directly at [alisondu@uvic.ca](mailto:alisondu@uvic.ca) or 721-7632 should they require additional information or would like to volunteer as a Rober.

#### **Want to put your skills to good use?**

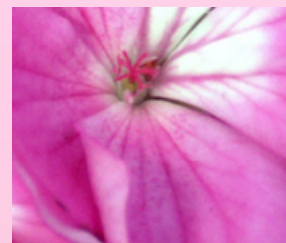
What about harnessing your work and life experience to address international need? NGOabroad matches your skills and interests to international humanitarian need. It provides frugal, customized international volunteer options. Check them out: <http://www.ngoabroad.com>

**Faculty of Education retirees:** Want to get caught up with former colleagues and exchange ideas or perhaps some gossip?

Dr. Max Uhlemann wishes to begin a monthly luncheon on the **first Wednesday** of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the University Club starting in June 2007 for Faculty of Education Retirees. Look for table in main dining room. Put this date in your busy schedule book. Contact Max at 477-5823 phone or 477-5823 fax for more information.

### On the Lighter Side

**More golf rule changes:** *Rule 4.c.7:* if a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The law of gravity supersedes the law of golf. *Rule 4.c.8:* putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in, may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than 3 inches from the hole. No one wants to make a travesty of the game.



### Victoria's Summer Event Calendar

Here are just a few local events during the months of June and July that may pique your interest:

**June 22—July 1:** 22nd Annual Victoria Jazzfest International 2007. This year's event will be the biggest ever with over 330 musicians in 60 bands with 100 performances. For more info visit: <http://www.jazzvictoria.ca>

**July 21:** 20th Annual Moss Street Paint In. The Art Gallery of Greater Victoria's Annual Moss Street Paint-In (a not-for-profit event) features invited professional and emerging artists from Victoria and Region who demonstrate their art to 30,000 visitors walking Moss Street from Fort to Dallas Road. For more info visit: <http://www.aggv.bc.ca/moss+street.aspx>

**July 24, 26 & 28:** The Victoria Summer Music Festival—*Chamber Music of the Highest Order*. All concerts will be held at the University of Victoria, at 7:30 pm, in the Phillip T. Young Recital Hall. For more info visit: <http://www.vsmf.org/vsmf>

**July 28—August 6:** Stinking Fish Studio Tour. 10 am - 5 pm. Self-guided tour. Visit 25+ artists in their studios, in Metchosin and East Sooke area. For more info visit: <http://www.stinkingfishstudiotour.com>