

# THE WHALE'S TALE



*Frances Kelsey Secondary's  
latest breaking news and views*

*May 5, 2003 Vol. 8/No. 8*

## Moving On

by Al MacLeod, Principal

During the past year the newest additions to the Kelsey family, Kaia Martin, Anna Parker, Hewitt Garriock and Hallie Baker have visited the school. Although the visits have occurred at various time, teachers, secretaries and students materialized from all over the school, drawn by the joy of a newborn.

In eighteen years, Kaia, Anna, Hewitt and Hallie and their parents will be experiencing what our parents and their graduating students are feeling now – a range of emotions and concerns as the final two months of grade twelve rush to an end. They will soon be “moving on”.

Although four years ago when our students entered grade nine, graduation seemed a long way off, it has become obvious that reality has set in. There is a rush to consider options, complete resumes, fill in forms, pour over various post-secondary calendars, and become increasingly anxious over whether or not “I will make it”. There is also a dawning of the fact that some things are coming to an end – the last game has been played; the last school dance

**It seems that every week we are hearing of accomplishments from Kelsey students. If you know of some that we have missed, or you have an article you feel is applicable, please let us know for our upcoming issues.**

attended; and long time schoolmates are beginning to realize that next September they will no longer be together. There is a mixture of fear, anticipation, happiness, confidence (or a lack of) and there are the signposts – grad pictures, dry grad, grad banquet and walk-up.

As parents, you have watched and supported your children as they faced and dealt with all the trials, tribulations, successes and joys of growing up. At times you have “popped your buttons” with smiles that would not erase and at others felt fear and sometimes even anger. Now as your young adults prepare to move on, you share what they are experiencing.

I have known this year’s grads for varying lengths of time, most for four years, and some for less. I have absolutely no doubt about their ability to deal with the future. They are mature and competent. They will deal with whatever comes their way and you will be there to support them.

“Moving on” from grade twelve is a milestone for all of us.



## Kelsey Calendar

**Monday, May 5, 2003**  
Monthly Report Card & Newsletter

**Tuesday, May 6, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. Grad Fashion Show

**Thursday, May 8, 2003**  
6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

**Tuesday, May 13, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. Dry Grad meeting in Library

**Friday, May 16, 2003**  
Day in lieu - No Classes

**Monday, May 19, 2003**  
Victoria Day - No Classes

**Wednesday, May 21, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. PAC meeting in Library

**Monday, June 2, 2003**  
Monthly Report Card & Newsletter

**Friday, June 13, 2003**  
Last day of mandatory classes

**Tuesday, June 17, 2003**  
Last day to hand in work for final report

**Wednesday, June 18, 2003**  
*Government Exams:*  
English Lit: 9:00 - 11:30  
Chemistry 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Thursday, June 19, 2003**  
English 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
Japanese 12, Spanish 12,  
German 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Friday, June 20, 2003**  
Comm. 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
Principles of Math 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Monday, June 23, 2003**  
Mandarin Chinese: 9:00 - 11:30  
History 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Tuesday, June 24, 2003**  
Physics 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
French 12: 1:00 - 3:30  
7:00 p.m. Awards evening

**Wednesday, June 25, 2003**  
Geography 12: 9:00 - 11:30

**Thursday, June 26, 2003**  
8:00 a.m. Final Report Cards  
Biology 12: 9:00 - 11:30

**Friday, June 27, 2003**  
6:30 p.m. Walk-Up Ceremony

# Grad Year-End Activities "Who's in Charge?"

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by Al MacLeod, Principal

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## **Walk-up and Reception**

(Friday, June 27 @ 6:30 p.m.)

The most formal *and* the final grad event is organized exclusively by the administration with staff assistance.

## **Dry Grad Evening**

(June 27 - 28 @ 11:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.)

Over the course of the year, a hard working committee of parents plans and prepares this activity which follows the walk up. The committee liaises very closely with the administration and individual staff members as required.

## **Grad Banquet**

(Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 - 11:00 p.m.)

This is organized by the student grad committee which works with its sponsors including an administrator. Teachers are invited by the grads and several volunteers to act as chaperones.

*The above are the only activities associated with the school. Any other activities take place without sanction or permission from either the administration or staff.*

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# Dry Grad

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by Frank Minchin, Parent

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The combination garage sale / silent auction / hot dog sale / car wash held on April 5th was a great success. Counting the car wash, which was very well run by the grad council, with the money earned going to them, the total income for the event was close to \$3000. We believe this should become an annual event, perhaps with future enhancements such as a bake sale. Done annually, events like this will grow and become an anticipated major event.

June Painter deserves most of the credit for making this such a

success. She put in a tremendous effort and was rewarded by the result. Credit and sincere thanks is also due to the administration and staff of Frances Kelsey, the sponsors, the parent volunteers, and the student workers for their active support and help. It took everyone.

We recommend that future Dry Grad Committees schedule major fundraising events like this one and the firewood sale and start early. We would be happy to help future committees with their planning. Although money is still coming in, our fundraising efforts are virtually complete.

Our organizing committees to decorate, provide food, set up entertainment, and run the event are now our primary focus. Everyone can help, and lots of help

is needed. This is a party thrown by the parents and we need lots of parents to help. We're going to throw a great party and hope all the grads come out and have a wonderful time. This is your last year.....it's time to make memories.

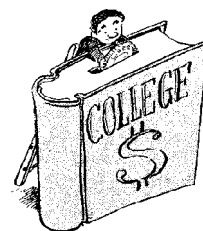
Next Dry Grad  
Meeting:

Tuesday  
May 13, 2003  
7:00 p.m.  
Kelsey Library

*Everyone Welcome!*

# Bursaries and Scholarships

by Jo Keeping, Vice Principal



## Local Scholarships & Bursaries:

Although the deadline for most scholarships has passed, there are still a few with late deadlines and some you can apply for after graduation. The following is a list of scholarships/awards that are coming up in the next few months. Please note the deadlines for each one. To apply for the University/College ones, you must be planning on attending that university in September 2003. To apply for the union affiliated ones your parents or grandparents must be members of the union. The focus or requirements of the others are listed in the brackets. New scholarships are still coming to the school, so grade 12's should be checking the Newsbreaker daily.

*Greyhound draw	May 8, 2003
Canadian College of Teachers Scholarships	May 10, 2003
BC Secondary School Cross Country & Track & Field	May 10, 2003
BC Secondary School Golf Association Scholarship	May 10, 2003
Association of BC Drama Educators Scholarship	May 15, 2003
*Royal Bank Financial Life Skills Scholarships	May 15, 2003
*Hayes Forestry Scholarships	May 15, 2003
*IWA Canada 180 Bursary	May 15, 2003
*Masonic Bursary Fund in BC	May 15, 2003
*Royal Canadian Legion Provincial Bursaries	May 15, 2003
*Norske Canada Scholarships	May 16, 2003
BC Secondary School Sports - Badminton	May 20, 2003
Canadian Intermural Recreation Association of BC	May 30, 2003
BC Arts Council Scholarship	May 31, 2003
BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres (First Nations/Metis/Inuit)	May 31, 2003
*Bridges.com Scholarships (Submission of work)	May 31, 2003
Weyerhaeuser Canadian Scholarships	June 1, 2003
*BC School Sports	June 5, 2003
BC Ferry & Marine Worker's Union Scholarships	June 15, 2003
Chiefs' Health Careers Initiatives (First Nations)	June 15, 2003
Telus Employee Dependents Scholarships	June 15, 2003
Pitman College Scholarship	June 27, 2003
*Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC	June 30, 2003
*UBC Administered Awards (Affiliation Scholarships etc.)	June 30, 2003
Icelandic Canadian Club of BC Scholarships	Aug. 15, 2003
Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarships	Aug. 31, 2003
*BC Principals & Vice Principals Association Scholarships	Sept. 14, 2003
Mahatma Gandhi Student Awards (Literary entries)	Sept. 15, 2003
Registered Nurses Foundation of BC	Sept. 30, 2003
Camosun College Fall Bursaries	Oct. 1, 2003
*Fraser MacPherson Music Scholarship	Nov. 1, 2003

\* Mrs. Keeping has these forms

### Web Sites:

Canadian Universities and Colleges:	<a href="http://www.schoolfinder.com">www.schoolfinder.com</a>
Online applications in B.C.:	<a href="http://www.pas.bc.ca">www.pas.bc.ca</a>
BC Colleges/Universities scholarships:	<a href="http://www.scholarshipscanada.com">www.scholarshipscanada.com</a>
	<a href="http://www.studentawards.com">www.studentawards.com</a>

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**Björn Ratjen, President FK PAC**

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The school year seems to go by so quickly. In two months summer holidays will begin. Yet there is still a lot of work to be done for students, teachers and parents. For senior students graduation is coming closer and closer.

The School Planning Council (SPC) is completing its first report. The following goals were set for the next year (see also article in previous Whale's Tale):

- 1 To improve grade to grade transition rates.
- 2 To maintain or improve student achievement on provincial exams and FSA.
- 3 To increase parent support for a positive learning environment.

While it was recognized that transition rates can be improved it was also made clear that the SPC (and the PAC) stand behind the self-paced learning system at Frances Kelsey School. Among the strategies for improvements were:

- increase on task student behaviour
- establish a system of learning targets to improve student accountability
- review of/and modification to learning guides as necessary using cognitive summary data
- more effective communication (with parents) through email, website, parent access to marks via the internet, PAC, survey of parents
- increase advisor / parent contact

It was recognized that staff have spent numerous hours gathering suggestions for improvements to learning in an internal review. Some results will also be included as recommendations by the SPC for the next year. What does this all mean? It is making our voice

heard in maintaining, setting and correcting the direction of the school.

Parents, please let us know what you think. You can do this by email or by phone (see below), by letter (drop off at school office) or by speaking up at our next PAC meeting. Your input is valued. If you do not say anything, then your agreement is assumed.

The PAC constitution needs its final reading too. Visit <http://www.fkss.ca> and look for PAC.

Björn Ratjen, President FK PAC  
phone 743-7575  
email: [Bjorn@Iglide.net](mailto:Bjorn@Iglide.net)

Please come and join us at our next meeting on:

Wednesday  
May 21, 2003  
at 7:00 p.m.  
in the  
school library

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## Spring Break in Spain

a letter from Laurel Whyte, Parent

"In last month's Whale's Tale, I read the article written by Lisa Jeffery, titled, "Spring Break in Spain".

I was fortunate enough to travel with the group during this journey and would like to give "Kudos" to my fellow travellers. The students and teachers (you know who you are) from Frances Kelsey.

I was really impressed with the amount of mutual respect and cooperation shown by the students and teachers. Even during the tiresome travel everyone remained responsible, respectful and fun.

You are an amazing group!"



# Clubs and Activities

## **RED CROSS CLUB**

Tuesdays: 11:15, Room 122  
Sponsors: Ms. Ciofani & Mrs. Petersen

## **MOST KIDS DON'T**

(Tobacco Prevention)  
Blocks A & H, Afternoons  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose, Liz Gehl (Public Health Nurse)

## **S.A.D.D.**

STUDENTS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING  
Thursdays: 11:15, Room 120  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose

## **S.A.V.E.**

STUDENTS AGAINST VIOLENCE EVERYWHERE  
Mondays: 2:15 - 3:30, Room 118  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose

## **MISSION POSSIBLE**

Listen for announcement  
Sponsors: Ryan Drake, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Munday

## **STUDENT COUNCIL**

Thursdays: 11:15, Room 208  
Sponsor: Mr. Rowan

## **BOOK CLUB**

Mondays: 11:25, Room 212  
Sponsor: Ms. L. Patterson

## **LITERARY MAGAZINE**

Fridays: 11:20, Room 208  
Sponsor: Mrs. Hyde

## **THE KELSEY ORCA NEWSPAPER**

Sponsors: Mr. Hall & Mrs. Foster

## **DESTINATION IMAGINATION**

Weekly: Room 158  
Sponsor: Mr. Archer

## **DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD**

Weekly: Room 158  
Sponsor: Mr. Archer

## **KELSEY WEB GROUP**

Tuesdays: 2:15 - 3:45, Room 223  
Sponsor: Mr. Parker

## **DANCE AT LUNCH**

Dance room is open every lunch hour for breakdancing, hip hop, & CMF rehearsals.  
Sponsor: Mrs. MacLeod

## **MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB**

Tuesdays: 3:00 Cobble Hill  
Fridays: Make prior transportation arrangements with teacher  
Sponsor: Mrs. Buhler-Morgen  
\*Parental permission forms required before participation

## **GIRL'S RUGBY**

Tuesdays  
Sponsor: Mr. Loutet

## **GOLF**

Sponsor: Mr. Abbott

## **SOCCER**

Jr. Girls Sponsor: Mr. Johnston  
Sr. Girls Sponsor: Ms. Peltier  
Boys Sponsor: Mr. Wilkinson

## Library Resource Centre

Bookmark the Library home page. It has a large number of links with curricular connections. It can be accessed from the school homepage:  
<http://www.fkss.ca>





# Frances Kelsey Yearbook Pre-Order

The Business Education Department is pleased to produce the Kelsey yearbook using Pagemaker, Photoshop and the latest in desktop publishing techniques. Don't be disappointed in June, reserve your copy of the yearbook today!!

Fill out the order form below (one per student, please) and bring it and your \$36.00 to Munchies, the school store, at lunch time to place your order. Make cheques payable to Frances Kelsey Secondary.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve my copy of the 2002-2003 yearbook at the cost of \$36.00. (Nov-March price)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## *2003 Frances Kelsey Yearbook Receipt*

Payment Received:   
(\$36.00 Nov-March price)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Retain this receipt as proof of purchase**

# Frances Kelsey Career Corner - May 2003

## CAPP Credit Activities:

May 1 Malaspina University College for a day. Half of our grade 10 students participated in a variety of events and experienced a post secondary school as part of CAPP.

May 12 SADD presentation to the school (Students against Drunk Driving)

May 21 Dress for Success Job Interview Day (Parents, please phone Mrs. Munday or Mrs. Jones if you can help us by being a volunteer interviewer)

## Spotlight Presentations:

April 25 Rod Hailey came to our school to present information on careers related to corrosion inspection, such as **metallurgy, welding, and petro-chemistry**

May 5 Mr. Mike Murphy will be presenting information on types of jobs associated with **grocery stores**. As well as cashiers and stock clerks, there are many related jobs such as advertising, accounting, meat cutting and more

May 28 Our last spotlight presentation for the year will be by Marshall Hunt on **paramedic** careers.

## Work Experience Opportunities:

- **BCIT Forest Ecosystem Orientation:** Work study program open to high school students to gain 35 hours of work experience during the week of May 5, 2003.

- **Summer Work/Student Exchange** is a 6-week program for 16 - 17 year-old students with some knowledge of French. The government sponsors the transportation costs and students will be paired with a Quebec student. Applications are due as soon as possible.

## Career Program Placements:

Recent placements have been made for students in the following areas:

- University of Victoria - student shadow in Asian Studies
- Royal Theatre in Victoria
- Pharmasave in Lake Cowichan
- Shoppers Drug Mart
- John T. Martin, Barrister & Solicitor
- George Bonner Middle School
- Hayes Ltd. - Heavy Duty Mechanic
- Sea Spring Salmon Hatchery
- Ride-Along with Shawnigan Lake R.C.M.P.
- Provincial Skills Canada on April 16<sup>th</sup> - Three students from Kelsey in the Gravity Car Competition came away with silver medals - Graham Jones, Paul Lance and Nick Schroeffer

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## What's in the Career Resources?

### Helpful web sites:

- [www.bcsap.bc.ca](http://www.bcsap.bc.ca)
- [www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)
- [www.bccat.bc.ca](http://www.bccat.bc.ca)
- [www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)
- [www.openingdoorsbc.com](http://www.openingdoorsbc.com)
- [www.pas.bc.ca](http://www.pas.bc.ca)

### Comments:

- student loans site
- student awards & scholarships
- BC transfer Guide to BC public post secondary schools
- educational resources - find the right program and school
- post secondary educational planning tool (recommended)
- apply to most post secondary schools online

FKSS subscribes to the following sites and access can be obtained through the Career Centre or your student:

- [echoices.com](http://echoices.com) skills assessment, occupations, personal planning
- [cx.bridges.com](http://cx.bridges.com) employment trends, detailed career descriptions
- [careers.typefocus.com](http://careers.typefocus.com) personality and learning style to suit a career
- [studentcounsellor.com](http://studentcounsellor.com) career and academic planner

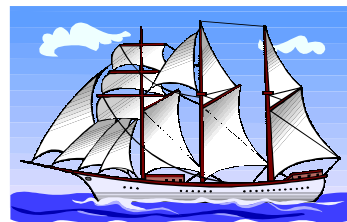
# S.A.L.T.S SAILING

*The time of our lives!*

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by Olivia Wade, Lia Sampson and Erica Flater, Students

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Late Sunday night, the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, I found myself ripping out my hair due to the stress of packing. Every time I threw something in, I found myself eyeing the item dubiously, all the reasons that it would be a bad thing to bring on the trip rushing through my head.

What trip? The S.A.L.T.S trip; S.A.L.T.S (Sailing and Life Training Society) is a non-profit Christian organization that is dedicated to youth training, with programs designed to teach traditions that are too valuable to be forgotten. It combines all aspects of life aboard a ship, from helmsmanship to galley chores, lessons by the watch officers in navigation, seamanship and small boat handling. The ship that 28 trainees from Frances Kelsey Secondary boarded the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup> for five days was called the Pacific Grace. The Grace is a 130-foot schooner, and to us it looked right out of the pirate movies. The trip was from the Inner Harbour in Victoria to Thetis Island and back.

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When everyone arrived at the dock, eager faces straining to see the first sight of the Grace, we didn't know what to expect. But once we met the awesome crew, got a tour and a speech from skipper, everything was starting to come together. We got separated into watches, who would become our families for the week. And what a week it was! For example we did anchor watches with buddies for two hours late at night (they called it character building, we called it child labour) we navigated, manned the wheel (what a feeling of power), washed the dishes, and raised the sails. We listened to John (a watch officer) play Bob Marley on the guitar while the sun rose, and polished the brass and washed the deck before anybody in their right mind would even be out of bed. But strangely

enough, being on the boat made everything fun and exciting, even waking up at three in the morning. Even though it didn't have a crow's nest (a landing at the top of the mast) we made quick work climbing the four of the eighty-five foot shrouds (the steel ladders supporting the mast), but not to worry, we did have safety harnesses on.

Every morning, one of the three watch groups would start the day off by scrubbing the deck and generally cleaning the boat. After all of the watches had taken their turn "hoovering" the delicious food that Lindsay, the ship's cook, had made, we usually had a lesson, which could be about anything from chart work to sail terminology. Each group had four hours on watch at a time and you and your watch buddy had a specific job to do for that amount of time. Whether it was listening for "pan pans" on the radio, watching for logs dead ahead (in front of the boat), or steering the boat, everything was an adventure. The food was always fabulous and lunch was no exception. Some poor sap of a watch group would have dish duty each day, and then we would continue on.

It's a 'known' fact, that guys are braver than girls. Well, think again. In the middle of the week, just after returning from playing ultimate frisbee on Thetis Island, nine brave souls (all women, I might add) took the daring plunge, swinging off the bow of the boat in to the sub zero water, and not only did they do it once, oh yeah, they did it twice. Of course, thinking it would never happen, one brave male watch officer said that he would go in, after ten swings. Well, ten had been made, and it was James's turn. The only male representative, he went in wearing a full body dry suit.

After that escapade into the water the rain drove us inside for dinner, and dry clothes. Every night after dinner, we would have mug up, which

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consisted of; some sort of game (always surprisingly fun) and then a treat and singing. All of us joined in singing well known songs, with John ( a watch officer) leading while playing guitar. "Amazing Grace" seemed to be our favourite, but it was a good laugh all round when we sang "Froggy went a Courtin".

Times like that were truly magical; in fact the whole trip felt like it wasn't happening. Its amazing how fast you bond with people when you're around each other all the time and are having fun; all of us either made or strengthened friendships. We would all like to thank the organizers of the trip and everyone who helped out, because none of us will ever forget any of it. We had the time of our lives!

To find out more about S.A.L.T.S. and their very worthwhile programs, visit [www.saltsociety.com](http://www.saltsociety.com)

## MUNCHIES

How about shopping at Munchies for some great gifts for your kids.

**Blue or white hoodies** with  
Kelsey  
Kelsey Athletics or  
Kelsey Music  
\$40.00

**Sweatpants** with  
Kelsey on the butt  
\$33.00

**Crewnecks**  
\$33.00

***Get your order in now!  
Don't be disappointed!***

## The Pacific Grace

by John Lance, Student

*The* ocean is calling  
I can feel it in my heart  
it is like a lost lover  
who has gone away unseen

*But* as I stare out the window and feel  
the great sea surrounding, waiting  
I know it is still there  
reflecting and affecting  
all around it

*It* will not come to me, but I to it  
as it moves only to its own tune  
and answers only to the whip of the wind  
It is master of its element

*My* legs are still balanced  
as if for another wave  
but the land around me  
is not blue nor grey  
it is dark and green

*I* will return, I know it  
as I can still hear the bell ring,  
the sails crackle  
I can still feel the boards creak,  
the wind on my face

*I* will return to my newly found  
and too quickly lost,  
home on the ocean-  
the *Pacific Grace*

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# Gravity Car Challenge

by Ken Hamilton and  
J. Duyf, Teachers

The months of March and April have been particularly exciting for some of the students in the Technology 9 and the Materials and Products 9 courses. They took up the Junior Skills Challenge offered by Skills Canada. Teams of two or three students had to design and build a gravity driven vehicle to be raced on a 40-foot long track. We had an in-school set of races to determine the contenders for the regional competition.

On Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> three teams from Frances Kelsey competed in the Regional Junior Skills Gravity Car Challenge at Victoria High School. Students presented their car designs to a

panel of judges and then participated in a series of head-to-head races. The competition was fierce, with Kelsey teams taking Silver, Bronze and Fourth place, with the final difference between Gold and Silver being one hundredth of a second!

*Well Done Teams!*

#### **Silver Medal Team**

Nick Schroepfer  
Graham Jones  
Paul Lance

#### **Bronze Medal Team**

Keenan Longair  
Tony Brown

#### **Fourth Place Team**

Liam Schneider  
Bill Young  
Dan Slade

On April 16<sup>th</sup> the two winning teams from the regional event, one from Victoria High and Silver medal team from Kelsey Secondary, travelled to Vancouver to compete in the Provincials, held at the Vancouver Trade and Exhibition Centre. Seven teams from around the province competed. Our team performed very well by placing second and returned home with silver medals. Congratulations go to Graham Jones, Paul Lance and Nick Schroepfer for a job well done.

This was the first year this Junior Competition has been held and its success ensures that it will be an annual event. Next year we'll go for the Gold!

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## CPS Boating Courses

### Pleasure Craft Operator Card

This legally required card or licence for operating a boat may be obtained through the successful completion of an exam following the Boat Pro course.

Thursdays: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

May 1, 8, 15

\$55.00 & GST = \$58.85

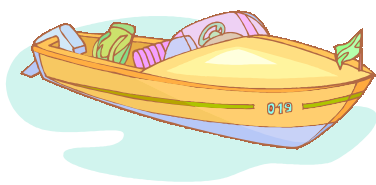
### VHF Radio Operator's Certificate

This course teaches the correct radiotelephone operating procedures.

Tuesdays: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

April 29 & May 6

\$55.00 & GST = \$58.85



### Global Positioning System Course

This course teaches navigation with GPS.

Tuesday & Thursday: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

\$30.00 & GST = \$32.10

### Canadian Power Squadron Boating Course

This course is designed for boaters with boats less than 8 meters long who want to become safe boaters.

Thursdays: 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. (14 weeks)

September 11, 2003

\$165.00 & GST = \$176.55

#### **For Information:**

Cowichan Continuing  
Education  
5878 York Road, Duncan, BC  
Phone: 746-0277

# SOUTH COWICHAN LIBRARY

(at Mill Bay Centre)

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by **Dave Driedger, Library Manager**

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## Database Information:

VIRL has just completed the 'Its more than just the Internet' database promotion from April 28 to May 4<sup>th</sup>. In addition to the regular Internet search access available at our 'Selected Websites' VIRL now subscribes to (pays for) thirteen databases. Library customers can access online articles from thousands of magazines - such as Chatelaine, Fine Woodworking, Guitar Player, People, Rolling Stone or Seventeen; consult the latest sources in health and pharmaceutical information, or dig deep into research - you just need a library card.

Some of our online resources are only accessible from within VIRL branches. These resources are clearly marked. Otherwise, all registered VIRL users can access the databases from home. Go to <http://www.virl.bc.ca> and click on the 'Online Resources' link. You may need to enter your ID# which is the fourteen-digit number found at the back of your VIRL library user card.

## NEWEST DATABASE - QP LegalEze:

The law affects people in many ways: age for driving, traffic tickets, wages for part time work, guidelines for health care, the cost and timing of fishing and hunting, drinking age, employment standards, and funding for many services, etc. etc. 'QP LegalEze' is a web based subscription service to the current laws of British Columbia produced in partnership with the Ministry of Attorney General and Legislative Assembly. This service offers:

- A complete, comprehensive source of current British Columbia legislation from official sources;
- The most current authoritative Regulations available anywhere;
- Instant search results using our powerful and easy to use award winning NextPage search engine;
- Access to links for the laws of other provinces.

## Writers' resources at VIRL:

The library provided a list of Writer's Resources available from the VIRL for the authors attending our 'AAPPE Hour' author appreciation event last month. The list contains the following categories of Online Resources:

- Databases included Novelist, Bowker Global Books In Print, Columbia Granger's World of Poetry, Oxford Reference Online, and the magazines Qwerty (literary) and Storyteller Magazine (Canadian short story).
- Other online resources include five Selected Websites about books, two for dictionaries and encyclopedias, and four Search Engines or online Directories, as well as referrals to Writer's Market 2003 and the Playwright's Union of Canada websites.
- Print resources: A list of over three dozen print resources was also provided. Contact the South Cowichan Library if you would like a copy.

# May Fundraisers

*Our senior sports teams find it very expensive to travel to the various venues they must play at during the year. Despite fundraising efforts they often end up in debt at the end of the season. To help them clear up these debts, we are offering the following fundraisers:*

**Regal:** *Check out the new summer catalogue. Shop for cards and wrap as well as gifts and gadgets for your home, patio and garden. Please come in and take a look or we can arrange for your student to borrow one overnight. We can't send catalogues home to everyone as there is a cost for them. Regal purchases will be made through the school. If you wish to place an order, please give the item number and the page it is on and include GST (7%) & PST (7.5%).*

**You've probably spring-cleaned your home by now, but have you spring-cleaned your body?**

**Liquid Chlorophyll** is a much needed 'food' for our body that makes drinking water a treat! The chlorophyll molecule is chemically similar to that of human blood, the difference being its central atom is magnesium not iron. Liquid Chlorophyll has a refreshing, mild spearmint flavour. It contains no artificial colours or sweeteners and has all the vitamins and minerals from the alfalfa plant. Chlorophyll is perfect for all ages.

This product is from the **Nature's Sunshine** line of healthful supplements. If you are interested in what else they have to offer, we have **catalogues** available for borrowing in the main office. Kelsey will receive a portion of the purchase price of anything you buy.

The chlorophyll will be delivered within a week.

If you have any questions regarding these fundraisers, please call the school, 743-6916, 7:30 - 2:30, and ask for Deb.

*Thank you for your support!*

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## Liquid Chlorophyll Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

1.	Quantity _____	473 ml bottle	@ \$18.00	= _____
2.	Quantity _____	946 ml bottle	@ \$27.00	= _____
			Total	_____

3.  I would like to borrow a Nature's Sunshine catalogue.