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A showcase of products, services and ideas for mature people, Friday, March 30 to Sunday, April 1 at the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre.

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999 Canada Place

Friday, March 30, 1990	9 am - 8 pm
Saturday, March 31, 1990	9 am - 6 pm
Sunday, April 1, 1990	9 am - 6 pm

For more information call 684-4616. Not valid with any other offer

TIMETABLE ADJUSTMENT

New Westminster/Burnaby Timetable

There is an omission in the timetable which became effective March 19. The 106 Metrotown Station Monday through Friday timetable, which should have appeared in the left panel of page 9, was omitted.

This panel is being printed separately and will be distributed. In the meantime, check the times in the December timetable; they are basically correct.

"Who would succeed in the world should be wise in the use of his pronouns. Utter the YOU twenty times, where you once utter the I"
John Milton Hay

FOCUS ON TRANSIT

#334 Guildford/Newton Exchange
This new route would provide a direct link between Guildford and Newton, via 150th Street, 100 Avenue, 148 Street, 84 Avenue and 144th Street. Buses would provide hourly service during rush hours and the midday period, Monday through Saturday.

#335 Fleetwood/Guildford
This new route would provide service between Guildford and Fleetwood, via 160th Street south to 84th Avenue, and 152nd Street to the Fraser Highway. It would also provide regular service to Holy Cross and North Surrey Senior Secondary Schools. The #335 would provide hourly service during rush hours and the midday period, Monday through Saturday.

#337 Fraser Heights/Guildford
This would be a new loop route to the Fraser Glen/Clenwood Estates area, north of Highway #1. It would also provide service to the Pacific Academy campus scheduled to open at the end of the year. The #337 would provide buses every 30 minutes during rush hours and every two hours during the midday period, Monday through Saturday.

#345 White Rock Centre/Guildford
Service levels would improve with a new hourly rush hour service between Guildford and 152nd Street at Highway #10. With the introduction of the new #337 service, the #336 would be rerouted via 168th Street and 108th Avenue in the Fraser Glen area.

#326 Guildford/Whalley Exchange
The #326 route would be realigned to improve service along 156th Street, south of 96th Avenue to 88th Avenue, and along 88th Avenue instead of 96th Avenue. Service levels would remain unchanged.

#317 Guildford/Scottsdale Mall
The #335 Guildford/Scottsdale Mall route would be redesigned to more closely align the route number with other North Delta services. The route and service levels would be unchanged.

#326 Guildford/Whalley Exchange
The #326 route would be realigned to improve service along 156th Street, south of 96th Avenue to 88th Avenue, and along 88th Avenue instead of 96th Avenue. Service levels would remain unchanged.

South Surrey

PROPOSED SERVICE CHANGES

#355 White Rock Centre/Ocean Park
The #355 would be a new local route operating between White Rock Centre and Ocean Park, via 20th Avenue in South Surrey. It would also provide a new service to the Crescent Heights area, via 25th Avenue, 124th Street, and Ocean Park Drive to Ocean Park. Buses would run every hour during rush hours and the midday period, Monday through Saturday.

The open house on the proposed South Surrey service change will be held at:
White Rock Junior Secondary School
1785-148th Street
Surrey
Tuesday, April 3, 1990
3:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Guildford/Fleetwood
PROPOSED SERVICE CHANGES

#317 Guildford/Scottsdale Mall
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#326 Guildford/Whalley Exchange
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ODDS & ENDS
Canadian Pacific Posters, 1883-1963, an exhibition at Vancouver Museum, now temporarily at City Square, 12th & Cambie. > "The Ides of March" will be the theme of the Burnaby Writers' Society literary reading, March 25, 1:30 p.m., Burnaby Art Gallery. Info: 525-7915 > Ladies Sing the Blues, a program highlighting the music of Jerome Kern, Rodgers and Hart, Cole Porter, the Gershwins, Mar 26/27, 8 p.m., Presentation House. The Muzics will accompany Helene McDonald, Linda James and Christine Anton. \$10. Rsv: 986-1351 > Listening to the live music of the Tru Tones continues every Wed. at 7:30 p.m. at Edmonds Community Centre for the Retired, 7282 Kingsway, Bby. Non-members \$3. > Special tours of the Historic Stewart Farmhouse for seniors, Wed Mar 28 and April 4, 11, 18 & 25 between 10:30 & 11:30 a.m. Pre-registration required. Phone 574-5744 > Fend Players presents two one-act comedies by Canadian playwright Ken Mitchell, Heroes, and Dick and Jane Grow Up, Apr 6-28, 8:30 p.m., Sunday matinees, Station Street Arts Centre, 930 Station St. Info: 688-3312 > North Vancouver Community Players presents Equus, by Peter Shaffer, Apr 5-7, 11-14, 17-21, 8 p.m. in the Theatre at Hendry Hall, 815 East 11th Ave, North Van. \$7. Tx:983-2633 > Anne Cameron, author of books for children and adults, visits Coquitlam Public Library's Poirier Branch, Mar 26 at 7:45 p.m. She will read, answer questions and autograph her books, which will be available for purchase. Pre-registration required: 931-2665 > Author Helen Forrester will read from her new book and speak about her work, Mar 27, 10:30 a.m. at Dunbar Branch Library, and 1:30 p.m. at the Central Library. > Concerts at Shaughnessy presents Foolishness and Fancy, featuring Brahms' Neue Liebeslieder waltzes and works by R.Murray Schafer and P.D.Q. Bach, Apr 1, 3 p.m., Shaughnessy Hts. United Hall, 33rd & Granville. Adm by donation > Vancouver Little Theatre presents Vinegar Tom, a non-traditional look at medieval witchcraft, Tues-Sat, March 28-Apr 21, 3102 Main St. 8:30 p.m. Tx:\$10. Info & Rsv:876-4165 > Burnaby Multicultural Society and Burnaby School Board are featuring the cultures of a variety of countries by presenting films, lectures and entertainment. Mar 28: the Scottish Community. Apr 18, the Fijian Community. Schou Education Centre, 4041 Canada Way. Info: Susan at 299-4808. > Paul Kling, former concert master of the Tokyo Symphony, joins Taka Kling in a violin and harp recital, Apr 5 at SFU, Apr 6 at SFU Harbour Centre. Both at 12:30 p.m. Adm free. >

COMING EVENTS

Mar 23/24 - Thrift Sale, St. Stephen's United, 7025 Granville. Friday 7-9 p.m., Sat 10-11:30 a.m.	Mar 30/31 - Thrift Sale, St. Michael's, East Broadway & Prince Edward. Fri 6:30-8, Sat 10-noon.
Mar 24 - Spring Tea, Ypres Chpt. #48, 1st Presbyterian Hall, 335-7th St, New Westminster. 1:30-3:30. Crafts, baking, etc. Adm \$3	Mar 31 - Rummage Sale, St. Catherine's Anglican, 1058 Ridgewood Dr., North Van, 10-1. Clothing, books, toys, etc.
Mar 25 - Spring Tea & Bake Sale, Danisa Lutheran, 6010 Kincaid St, Bby, 11-3. Light lunch, cooking, crafts.	Mar 31 - Easter Bazaar, Russian Comm. Centre, Buffet, crafts, painted eggs, Balalaika music, Adm free.
Mar 25 - Fashion Show, Edmonds Comm. Centre for the Retired, 7282 Kingsway, Bby. 1:30-4 p.m. \$5	Mar 31 - Flea Market, St. Andrew's, 1044 St. Georges Ave, North Van, 9-noon.
Mar 29/30 - Rummage Sale, Holy Trinity Cathedral Hall, 514 Carnarvon St., New West. Thurs 6-9, Fri 9-11.	Mar 31 - Rummage Sale, St. Giles United, 305 West 41st, 9-noon.
Mar 30/31 - Thrift Sale, St. Faith's, West 57th & Cypress. Fri 7-8:30. Sat 10-11:30	Apr 5 - Thrift Shop Sale, S. Burnaby United, Rumble & Gray, 10:30-2:30. Clothing, housewares, books, etc.

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Public Open Houses

FOCUS ON TRANSIT

BC Transit is planning a number of new bus routes in the Coquitlam-Port Coquitlam, Surrey-Delta and Langley areas. It is proposed that service begin in September, 1990. Complete information on the proposed routes is being made available at a series of six public open houses (the first three were listed in the March 9 issue of the Buzzer; the remaining three are listed below). Planners will be in attendance to answer questions, discuss concerns and record any suggestions you might have. Further information is also available by contacting the BC Transit Planning Department at 264-5000.

Langley

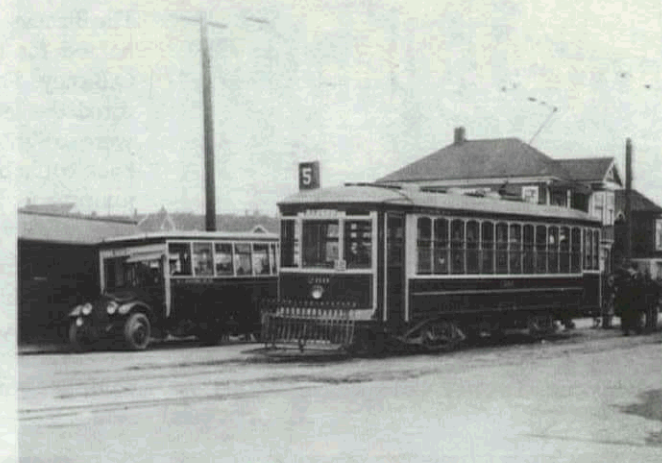
PROPOSED NEW ROUTE FOR WALNUT GROVE COMMUTERS

If approved the new #509 route would provide express service for Forest Hills, Walnut Grove, and Walnut Park & Ride passengers to and from Scott Road Station. Four trips are proposed for the morning and four for the afternoon rush hours with a service frequency of 30 minutes. All trips would be timed to match work starting and finishing times in downtown Vancouver. The open house on the proposed #509 route will be held at: James Kennedy Elementary School Thursday, March 29 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Langley 9060-212 Street.

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Centennial Celebration



BC TRANSIT CENTENNIAL CENTRE OPENS MARCH 23

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\$1.00-OFF ADMISSION COUPON INSIDE

BC TRANSIT CENTENNIAL CENTRE OPENS MARCH 23 AT STADIUM SKYTRAIN STATION



As part of the 100th anniversary celebrations, BC Transit is opening a Centennial Centre at Stadium SkyTrain Station in the heart of downtown Vancouver. The doors of this mini-museum open to the public March 23 and will remain open for the rest of 1990.

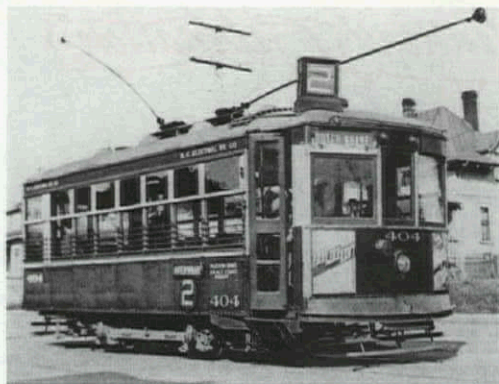
You are invited to visit the Centre, take in the historical exhibits and interactive displays, and view the transit documentary commissioned for the centennial. There are displays that interest and entertain the whole family and admission is free.

The Centennial Centre was designed by Bjorn Ollner, a local designer well known for his imaginative work with Science World and Expo 86. A native of Sweden, Bjorn brings a delightful sense of fantasy to his creations. The Centre is staffed by a crew of knowledgeable volunteers, all past or present employees of the transit system.

A highlight of the Centre is the 30-minute feature film, *Megan and the Ghosts*, produced especially for the centennial. Join Megan, a bus operator of the 1990's, as she learns first hand about the people and events that shaped our transit system and our communities - from some very likeable transit ghosts.

- Let a gallery of old photographs carry you back to a time when electric streetcars and trams ruled the road.
- Stand on the sidewalk outside a meticulous reproduction of the head office of the BC Electric Company, the company that used to run the transit company, just as it looked in 1897.
- Remind yourself of the days of Teddy Lyons and the open-air observation car, the famous "rubberneck wagon" which used to carry sightseers on a tour through the streets of Vancouver.
- Browse through dozens of artifacts on display, conjuring up memories of the streetcar days when a nickel paid for a ride downtown.
- Journey back to the present aboard SkyTrain, Vancouver's ultramodern rapid transit light rail system. Uncover the "mysteries" of how this "driverless" train actually works.
- Take a look into the future of transit in the Lower Mainland with a display that outlines plans for extensions to the rapid transit system.
- Learn about transit in smaller communities around the province, and transit for the disabled.

VICTORIA STREETCAR



Visitors to the Centre will have an opportunity to get a close-up look at one of Victoria's famous Birney streetcars. Model-builder Gordon Hatch has constructed a one-quarter size replica of Car

404 which ran in the capital between 1922 and 1948, and is seen in the picture on the Outer Wharf route in 1930. The two-metre-long model, correct in every detail, is on display at the Centre.

The Birneys were small, four-wheeled vehicles, named for their American designer, Charles O. Birney. They seated 28 passengers and featured the latest in safety controls. Since they were so light that school children crowded to the back could bounce the cars right off the track by jumping up and down, the Birneys were affectionately known as the "Kangaroos".

Mr. Hatch took six years to build this model, which actually works when it is not on display. The retired auto mechanic has assembled a small street railway in his own backyard in Victoria, complete with track and overhead wire.



On Granville, near Broadway, Teddy Lyons conducts a tour on September 8, 1942.



British Columbia Electric Company's head office in 1897

MODEL RAILWAY

Sure to be a favourite with model railroaders is the working scale model of the interurbans and street railways that provided public transit in the province until the 1950's. The model is the handiwork of the New Westminster Electric Railway Historical Society.

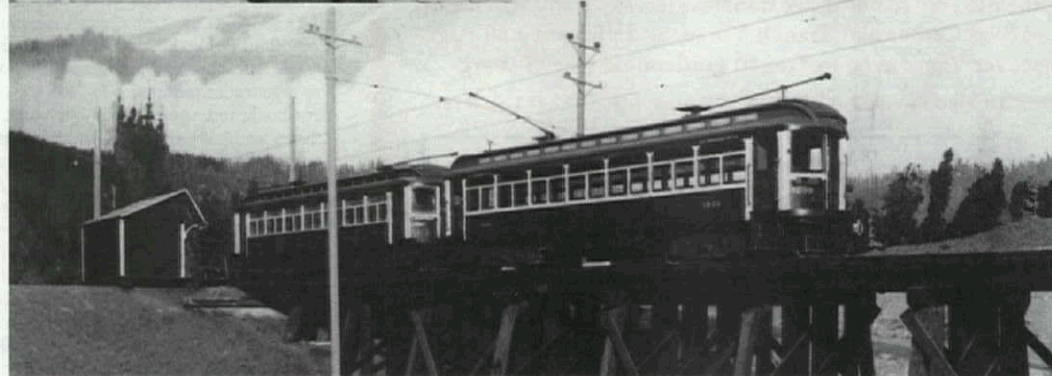
For over 30 years, this group of model builders has been meeting in Geoff Meugens' basement

in New Westminster to talk about the old railways and to build one of their own.

Mr. Meugens, a retired school teacher, actually began building model railways in the 1930s. But the Royal City group began getting together after he moved there in 1957. Since then, they've put in more than 200,000 hours building the model rail cars, laying the track and stringing the tiny wires.

In honour of this year's transit centennial, the model builders donated their pride and joy to BC Transit. The model has been moved from Mr. Meugens' basement and installed in the Centennial Centre. It features hand-made trams and trolley cars, a replica of the 12th Street car barn in New Westminster, and a meticulously recreated wooden trestle; all set against a series of beautiful backdrops painted by Fraser Wilson, an artist and a member of the historical society.

Below: members of the New Westminster Historical Society and part of the model they constructed. Mr. Meugens is seated second from left.



A LOOK AHEAD

The first 100 years was only the beginning. Visitors to the Centennial Centre will get a preview of what transit in the Lower Mainland will look like in the near future.

The SeaBus fleet is growing. SkyTrain is extending its service to Richmond, the Vancouver International Airport, Whalley Town Centre and Coquitlam. Superbuses will soon be in use on the major transit corridors.

Share the magic, the history and the pride of 100 years of transit with a visit to the Transit Centennial Centre. Open daily: Mon-Wed 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thurs-Fri 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sat, Sun & hols noon to 5 p.m.

