Februarys past

February 12, 1912 the Vancouver Sun published its first edition.

February 14, 1915 the first Trans-Canada telephone call, between Vancouver and Montreal, was placed. February 27, 1958 the electric interurban service ceased with a final trip from Marpole to Steveston.

February 28, 1910 Vancouver's new Main Post Office opened at Hastings and Granville. It's now Sinclair Centre.



Customers agree that those little extra services mean a lot

A Richmond passenger writes:

"A young man got on the #406 bus (bus number 3107) at 8:15 am with a young child, paid and sat down. The driver then asked the young man: was it you who asked if I had a bus schedule last week? The young man looked surprised and said yes. The driver then produced a schedule he had obviously kept, hoping to meet the passenger again.

This, I believe, is service with a capital S!!"

If you have witnessed an employee going the extra mile to please passengers, please tell us about it.

In return, we'll put your name in a draw for one of six books of FareSaver tickets.

Write to Linda Freer, Marketing Department, BC Transit, 13401-108th Ave, Surrey, B.C. V3T 5T4. Fax 540-3455. e-mail: linda freer@bctransit.com

A perfect example of minority rule is a baby in the house.

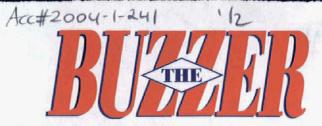
COMING EVENTS

Seniors and Social Policy. Marie Beaulieu, a visiting professor at SFU's Gerontology Research Centre, examines the results of major changes in Canada's social policies in a free lecture, Partnership and Respect of Older Adults: Two changing values in social policies, Mar 5, 9-11 am, SFU at Harbour Centre. Seating limited. Rsv: 291-5062 🗸 Exhibitions of paintings by Gabriel von Ursus and Margot Thomson. 'til Mar 8 at Richmond Art Gallery, 180-7700 Minoru Gate. V Surrey Little Theatre, Fraser Hwy & 184 St, presents the comedy mystery Ravenscroft, Thurs-Sat 'til Mar 6 at 8 pm. Tx \$10/\$8. Rsv: 576-8451 ✓ New Westminster Public Library's annual spring sale of books, magazines and recordings, Mar 4 to 6. Thurs 6-8 pm, Fri 1-8 pm, Sat 10 am-1 pm. 716 6th Ave ✓ Vagabond Players presents The Fighting Days, focusing on the 1910-1917 life and work of Marion Beynon, a Manitoba journalist and political activist. Wed-Sat, Mar 3-27 at 8 pm, Queens Park, New West. Rsv: 521-0412 V Surrey Art Gallery presents a slide lecture by Dr. Allan Ryan: An introduction to Contemporary First Nations Art, Feb 28 at 2 pm. Two Decades, by Joane Cardinal-Schubert, is being shown at the Gallery 'til May 23 ✓ See Shipyard Snapshots: Cover to Cover, 'til May 16 at North Vancouver Museum and Archives, 209 West 4th St. Stories about the people who built Victory Ships during World War 11. Open Tues-Sun, noon-5 pm. Adm free. Volunteers: the Museum is looking for enthusiastic North Shore residents with a few hours a week to spare to assist with weekend and school programs. Call 987-5618 to arrange an interview ✓ Langley Players presents The Lion in Winter, Thurs-Sun, 'til Mar 13 at 8 pm. Langlev Playhouse, 4307 - 200th St. Rsv: 534-7469 / Mental Health Issues in the Chinese Community: Workshop for front-line workers, Feb 27, 8:30 am to noon at the Polish Community Centre, 4015 Fraser (at 24th Ave). The workshop will be conducted in English. Fee \$50. Phone Stella Lee at 872-4902 ✓ Richmond Art Gallery 1999 Exhibition Review, Feb 2, 3 to 5 pm. The Exhibition Committee and the Director/Curator, Corrine Corry will be showing examples of the work selected for this year's exhibitions and will be happy to answer any questions you might have. V Deep Cove Cultural Society presents George Bernard Shaw's Arms and The Man, Wed-Sat 'til Feb 27 at 8 pm, Deep Cove Shaw Theatre. Tx \$10/\$8. Rsv: 929-3200. Then from March10-27: the madcap farce Noises Off will be performed by First Impressions. Tx: \$12/\$11. ✓ Vetta Chamber Music presents a celebration of Russian music by Tchaikovsky, Arensky and Rachmaninov, May 5 at 8 pm, West Point Grey United, 4958 West 8th. Tx \$18/\$15. 434-4084 or at the door. ✓ Income tax assistance for seniors with simple tax returns and a 1998 income of no more than \$18,000 (\$30,000 per couple), Mon-Fri, Mar 1-Apr 30 at the 411 Seniors Centre, 411 Dunsmuir. Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30 am to 1 pm. Drop-in only. By donation

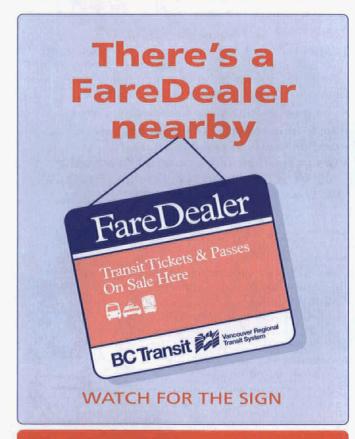
Feb 26/27 - Rummage Sale, St. 10-2. Clothing, housewares, etc. Peter's C.W.L., Dontenwill Hall, Mar 5 - Thrift Sale, St. Stephen's, 336 Agnes, New West, 9-noon Mar 4 - Thrift Shop Sale, South Burnaby United, Rumble & Gray.

7025 Granville, 7 to 9 pm

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Pickpockets often carry a coat over their arm and stand behind possible victims

The jacket or coat conceals what they are doing with their hands. Keep your shoulder bag or backpack in front of you. If your wallet is in a pocket, it should be a front pocket, preferably zippered or buttoned.

If you become the victim of a pickpocket, please:

- Note the description of possible suspects.
- · Get the names of possible witnesses.
- Report the theft to your nearest Community Police or Crime Prevention Office, and to BC Transit Security at 515-8300

Please fold strollers before boarding

Please remove children from strollers and completely fold the strollers before boarding buses.

Strollers are not only potentially dangerous obstructions for other customers, they may also become projectiles if the operator has to apply the brakes in an emergency situation.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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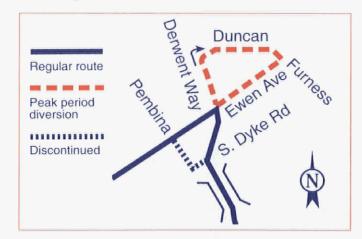
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Enter to win a pair of Canucks tickets



Tell us why you think it's a good idea to use transit to get to and from a Canucks game and you may win a pair of tickets (\$133 value). A winning entry will be drawn on February 22 for tickets to the February 28 Buffalo game.

Mail, fax or e-mail your answer (one per person please) with your name, address and telephone number to: Canucks Contest, BC Transit Marketing, 13401 - 108th Ave, Surrey, B.C. V3T 5T4. Fax 540-3455. e-mail: si_locke @bctransit.com



Route adjustment 104 Annacis Island/22nd St Stn

With the introduction of new traffic signals at Ewen Ave and Derwent Way, the #104 travelling in both directions is now rerouted along Ewen Ave.

The farm equipment salesman received a John Deere letter

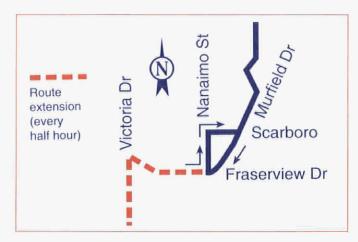
Bay change at UBC Loop 258 West Vancouver/UBC

The #258 from UBC is having some difficulty maintaining its schedule because of congestion at the UBC Loop, Bay #7. The #258 will therefore begin dropping off and picking up passengers at Bay #1 on Monday, February 22.

Behold the warranty - the bold print giveth, and the fine print taketh away.

Routes International provides worldwide transportation information

Heinz Hammer, BC Transit operator and author of *Routes: The Lighter Side of Public Transit*, now tells us that his web site: Routes International, is now the largest 'people' transportation related reference site on the internet. There are members in over 70 countries. Visit http://routesinternational.com



Route adjustment 29 29th Ave Station/Elliott/ Champlain Hts

Northbound trips from Champlain Mall to 29th Ave Station are now routed via Nanaimo Ave and Scarboro Ave. This replaces the previous service on Muirfield Drive, between Nanaimo St and Scarboro Ave.