

Greetings! I trust that this month's e-notice finds you comfortably settled in your classrooms and ready for more curriculum resource news. In particular, I'd like to welcome the teachers who attended the **Canada in Colorado Workshop for K-12 Teachers** to this listserv. The event was held at the Canadian Consulate in Denver last week and it was a pleasure to share resources with a group of such enthusiastic teachers. I hope that similar opportunities for connecting with teachers in consular regions will happen in the future--many thanks to the Denver Consulate, Foreign Affairs Canada and the Association for Canadian Studies in the US (ACSUS) for their outreach support and Nadine Fabbi, UW, and Dr. Chris Kirkey, SUNY--Plattsburgh, for all their excellent preparation and organization!

Thanks, too, for those of you using the <http://k12studycanada.wvu.edu> site as your gateway to information and teaching material on Canada! Be sure to check out the loan schedules for the resource valise or the student novel collection—some openings are still available. I've received a lot of inquiries about next June's STUDY CANADA Summer Institute (even our first registrations!) so I've shared answers to some common queries below along with other new resource news for teaching about Canada.

Best wishes and Happy Thanksgiving to those of you who are Canadian! Tina

Should you no longer wish to receive this email, simply reply with "Please remove my name from the Canada Listserv". These resource notices and the K-12 Resource Flyer are also available on the [K-12 STUDY CANADA](#) website under K-12 News. K-12 STUDY CANADA represents shared outreach by WWU's Center for Canadian-American Studies & UW's Canadian Studies Center which jointly form the Pacific Northwest National Resource Center for Canada, funded by a US Department of Education Title VI grant. Additional support is granted by the Government of Canada.

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- **CANADA GALA in the PACIFIC NORTHWEST** – ‘Celebrate the Relationship’ with a grand evening of fabulous dining, dancing, entertainment, live-auction, door prizes & favours on Friday, October 7, 2005 at the Seattle Westin Hotel (6pm - 1am) Picture hundreds of Canadians and Americans sharing a gourmet feast and dancing to the sounds of Shelley and the Curves. Thousands of dollars in door-prizes, table favours and Canadian treats are given out. Make new acquaintances and see old friends or university colleagues sharing a reunion. USD \$90 per person; \$800 for a table of 10. \$80 2005 CAS members. Contact Kevin Cook, Canada Gala Chair, Canadian Consulate General, Seattle (206) 770-4065
 - **GREAT NEWS FOR THE GREAT LAKES** - To ensure the future of the Great Lakes Basin, eight American states, Québec, and Ontario are on their way to adopting a sustainable development plan for the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River. For news on the topic, see http://www.mri.gouv.qc.ca/en/salle_de_presse/bulletin/050912_grands_lacs.asp.
 - **THE CANADIAN EXPERIENCE Collector's Edition 2 - DVD or VHS** - This is the second series of 4 documentaries that define who Canadians are as a people and a country (see Sept. notice). Visit www.cbcshop.ca to purchase the set online. The 4 films are:
 - ***Sisters in the Wilderness*** - The story of pioneer writers Susanna Moodie and Catherine Parr Traill is one of ambition, passion, staggering hardship and remarkable success. It is the ultimate “Survivor” story.
 - ***Year of the Hunter: The Story of Nanook*** - The story of Robert Flaherty and the tale behind making the first non-fiction film.
 - ***Expo 67: Back to the Future*** - Some parties change people's lives. Expo 67 changed Canada. It was Canada's 100th birthday and everything seemed possible.
 - ***The 13th Mission*** - One Lancaster bomber, the women who built it, and the men who flew it—this is the story of a fateful mission over France one week after D-Day in June 1944

- **CANADIAN NEWS VIA GOOGLE ALERT!** - Google Alerts are email updates of the latest relevant Google results (web, news, etc.) based on your choice of query or topic. Try it out at <http://www.google.com/alerts?hl=en> but I recommend you ask for specific topics of interest or you'll be inundated with news! As easy to cancel as it is to sign up.
- **SCSI's 2006 BRITISH COLUMBIA EXPERIENCE: from the 5 Themes of Geography to the 2010 Olympics** - A number of teachers across the US and past STUDY CANADA participants have contacted me about registering for next year's workshop. I hope these answers to their questions help others decide to join us, too! All general information is at <http://www.wvu.edu/depts/castudies/k12studycanada/scsi.shtml>.

1) Start date: Sunday, June 25 (Register in lobby of Vancouver Delta Suites Hotel, 3-5pm. If flying in, arrive YVR before 3pm.)

2) End date: Friday, June 30 (Depart from Whistler's Crystal Lodge at 11:15am. If flying out, plan a 3pm *or later* YVR departure.)

3) The workshop begins and ends in Vancouver, BC. Vancouver International Airport (YVR) is the closest airport. Some may prefer the option of flying in/out of Seattle (SEA) or Bellingham (BLI) and taking the train to/from Vancouver. Participants need to make their own travel arrangements to/from the Delta Suites Vancouver but I'm happy to advise!

4) Both hotels offer special rates 3 days before the workshop at The Vancouver Delta Suites (<http://deltasuites.ivancouver.com/>) or 3 days after the workshop at the Crystal Lodge in Whistler (<http://www.crystal-lodge.com/>); however, you'll need to arrange your own transportation back to Vancouver for the latter option.

5) Re. financial support: Please *first* request support from your school district for professional development. At registrants' requests, I will contact regional Canadian Consulates' Academic Affairs Officers for \$300 in travel assistance per teacher. Our Center is able to provide limited \$100 rebated travel assistance to out-of-state teachers, if consular support is unavailable. Student/beginning teachers who apply for a *Canada in the Classroom Award* through our Center may receive \$100-\$300. Do not let cost prohibit you from joining us! We will do all we can!

6) The only meals included with the cost of tuition are the breakfasts on June 26-30. There are lots of restaurants and cafes near both hotels in Vancouver and Whistler. Exploring them is half the fun! We hope to find sponsorship for a welcome reception on Sunday evening in Vancouver and Tuesday evening in Whistler.

7) Companions are welcome (additional cost is \$500, due by April 1, not at registration).

8) Hotel accommodation is spacious (2 D/2Q) and participants will be assigned one roommate (unless a request is made). Private rooms are available for \$400 (50% room surcharge).

9) Full payment of the \$500 (in-state) or \$530 (out-of-state) course fee is required for registration. Registration is expected to close by April 1, 2006.

10) No refunds available for cancellations after May 1, 2006 due to hotel contracts.

11) The workshop is repeatable for credit or clock hours.

12) Visit <http://www.wvu.edu/depts/castudies/k12studycanada/scsi.shtml> to download the registration form (scroll down the page for the hyperlink).

- **RUTH WRITER'S REVIEW OF ADULT FICTION** - Susan Vreeland. *The Forest Lover*. (NY: Penguin Books, 2004). [ISBN 0-14-303430-8]

Susan Vreeland has written a beautiful novel about Canadian artist, Emily Carr. While reading this novel, one learns of many vital parts of Canadian culture and history. One focus

of *The Forest Lover* is the life of Emily Carr. Although she struggled through most of her artistic career, she became the most famous artist of the Pacific Northwest and certainly the most famous female artist of Canada. While most of the novel is set in British Columbia, one section also details Carr's experiences while studying in Paris.

There are other pieces of Canadian culture gleaned from this historical novel. Readers will learn of the customs of the Natives of the British Columbia coast. Since Carr spent much of her time depicting the totems of the region prior to their final decaying or "borrowing" for cultural purposes, one discovers the lifestyles of the Natives in the region. Vreeland writes descriptive passages about the family structures and cultural practices of Pacific Northwest Natives. Of special interest is the description of the outlawed potlatches. These are described both through the point of view of the government and the Natives.

Any student of art or art history will find this a fascinating book. A great deal of attention is on the transformation of Carr's early work in watercolors into some of the great oil paintings of Canadian history. Vreeland's guided tour of Carr's beloved forests, leap out of the pages with vivid imagery similar to the artistic canvases of Carr.

The many individuals who cross Emily's path are also fascinating. Of particular interest are the lives of Harold Cook and Sophie Frank. Harold becomes a part of Emily's world after he moves to an institution in Victoria due to a "breakdown." Harold has difficulty dealing with his missionary parents' attitude and his interaction with the Native children of the coastal region. Again readers learn from two perspectives—both missionary and Native. Sophia Frank, a basket maker, teaches Emily about the Native artistic world and the trials of women along the coast. Sophie Frank struggles to keep her large family alive and later struggles to cope with the fact her inability to do so.

I highly recommend this novel about art, geography, nature, culture, Natives, and the most amazing woman, Emily Carr. She was truly a woman who developed her talents during a time when women were not allowed to follow their own paths.

- **CANADIAN RECIPE OF THE MONTH** - I thought I'd offer an east coast dish to warm your appetites! The 5th ingredient is the perfect touch! From: <http://www.wordplay.com/cuisine/>

NEWFOUNDLAND TUNA CASSEROLE

2 cups medium noodles
1 10oz. can cream of celery soup
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1/2 cup Carnation milk
2 tablespoons of Good Luck
1 cup finely chopped celery
1/2 cup finely chopped onion
1/2 small garlic, minced
1 dash Tabasco sauce
1 1/2 to 2 lbs. Newfoundland tuna, cooked and broken into large pieces
1/2 cup chopped salted peanuts

Heat oven 350o. Butter a 1-1/2 quart casserole dish. Cook noodles and drain. Combine soup, soy sauce, tabasco and Carnation milk. Heat Good Luck in small skillet and add celery, onion, and garlic cooking gently until onion is yellow. Add to soup mixture. Combine soup mixture with cooked noodles and peanuts blending lightly. Spoon into prepared casserole dish and bake 30 to 40 minutes or until bubbling well. Serves 4 to 6.