

## Bits from the Board:

From time to time we inform you of volunteer positions both on and off campus. Bear in mind that these positions are neither sponsored nor formally endorsed by the Association. We simply pass

date for the position of Dean of Engineering and I for the position of Chair of Electrical Engineering!

The task ahead was daunting. How does one go about designing a new program of study and set up a new department in a nonexistent Faculty? When it comes to an engineering program, it is quite easy in certain respects and quite difficult in others. The regulations of the Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board specify in considerable detail the components of an engineering program, e.g., a minimum of mathematics and basic sciences of 420 accreditation units where each of the two components must not be less than 195 AUs; a minimum of engineering sciences and engineering design of 900 AUs where each of the two

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April 15, Dr. Edward Ishiguro— Food-borne Infectious Pathogens, Food Safety
April 22, Dr. Michael Hadley—Restorative Justice
April 29, Dr. Erica Dodd—Understanding Islamic Art

you note under "Department" that you are a member of the UVic Retirees Association so that United Way can credit UVic towards its total for this year.

http://unitedway.uvic.ca/Quickinfo.htm

Many thanks to all who have donated. Your support will be greatly appreciated by those less fortunate who receive help from an agency supported by United Way.

Victor Neufeldt UVRA Representative United Way Campus Campaign Committee 250 592-4748 or drop them off at the office.

Some pictures of interest of last year's UVRA Christmas Buffet and Presentation.

## Volunteers:

**Opportunities in Africa:** those wanting a bit of adventure might be interested in volunteer positions at the University of Cape Coast, Ghana and Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences, Tanzania. Positions include Computer Scientist, Information Technologist, Biochemist/ Microbiologist, Clinical Pharmacist and Instructional designer. For fuller details and information check out the Academics for Higher Education and Development website at www.ahed-upesed.org.

**Survey participants wanted:** A third-year Ph.D. student at the University of Toronto needs "volunteers" to help with her research into volunteer activities and pre-retirement paid work. The research hopes to assist non-profit organizations with the recruitment, placement and retention of older volunteers and be insightful for volunteers themselves. It also hopes to create greater societal awareness of the contribution retirees make through their volunteer work. The on-line survey will be conducted from November 1, 2008 until December 8, 2008. The respondents must be 55 to 75 years of age (inclusive). They must have retired within the last 10 years and volunteer approx 3 hours per week on average. The survey will take 15 to 25 minutes to complete. A paper copy of the survey can be requested by contacting Ms Cook directly at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education University of Toronto scook@oise.utoronto.ca

**On Campus volunteers:** Conversation and Tutoring at the UVic English Language Centre Drop In Centre. Meet