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Message from the President

Summer at CCVS!

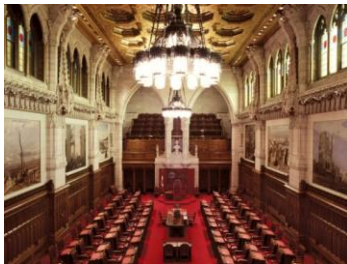
We hope everyone is having a great summer. Things have been very busy for CCVS and we are thrilled to share all of the exciting events that have taken place over the past few months.

Field Trip

“Our Day in Court” on June 9th, CCVS students witnessed a jury trial, video footage from the alleged crime scene and a READ BACK! CCVS wishes to thank Michael Cornwall, a realtime reporter who volunteered his time to speak with the students.

Open House

The Ottawa Open House was held on Thursday, June 10th at the Lord Elgin Hotel. It was a resounding success and we look forward to welcoming new online students into the realtime court reporting diploma program for our September intake.



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CCVS had the pleasure of seeing a realtime reporter from the Senate of Canada in action. Also in attendance Broadcast captioners and former and current students. Many thanks to Michelle and Minori for volunteering after a full days work! All prospective students had the chance to get a hands-on, realtime demonstration as they practiced their strokes on the steno machine. Thank you to all who attended and volunteered their time. Special thanks to D’Arcy MacPherson who came by to show his support. Stay tuned for upcoming events such as the October 6th Question and Answer session with the Crown.

Student Updates

In other exciting news, ASAP has taken on more students from CCVS - thus far we have 8 students who are currently working for or interning with ASAP. Congratulations to all of our former students, keep up the phenomenal work. We are also happy to announce that more of our students are heading into Speedbuilding from all three of our programs.



Congratulations to those students who are transitioning at great speeds!

CCVS Welcomes new additions to our team

Peter DeCourcy has joined the CCVS team. He will be assisting us with marketing and course development. Peter has over 10 years experience in the education field, primarily in eLearning.



David Roberts joins the CCVS team as Registrar and Current Events Instructor. David received his BA from Queen's University and is busily preparing new students for the upcoming academic year and making exciting new additions to the CCVS Current Events curriculum.

Online Studies

For those people not in the GTA, keep in mind that we have online studies as well. There is no need to reside in Toronto to become a CCVS student. Online studies are only increasing in demand - you can become a realtime court reporter from the comfort of your home.

Financial Assistance

CCVS offers a student line of credit through the Bank of Montreal. Please email David at the email below for more information. For incoming students, please note that there are two scholarships available, our Entrance Scholarship and our Academic Scholarship, sponsored by ASAP Reporting Services. If you would like more information about the qualifications, please check our website at www.verbatimstudies.com

For more information about how to register for any of our programs, please call us at 1-877-337-CCVS.

If you have any questions about our online, hybrid or full-time course options, please contact our Registrar, David, at david@verbatimstudies.com

Warm regards,

Kimberley Stewart, President

Tips from a Realtime Court Reporter in the Field to stay “fresh”:

CCVS wishes to thank Michael Cornwall for providing these great tips:

- Always eat a good breakfast; you never know when you will get your first break
- You are only as good as you last read back; your last score on a test pales in comparison to how well you can perform read backs
- The two P’s – patience and practice
- Organize your files so you are always prepared for a transcript request
- Speed is important but so too is accuracy; be accurate and your editing time will be cut in half
- Build endurance so if you have a long sitting time you are prepared



Conference Updates

CCVS Instructor Exposes the Comma Chameleon
This year’s annual conference of the Chartered Shorthand Reporters’ Association of Ontario featured a workshop presented by our own resident English Instructor, Alexandra Bolintineanu. With her exceptional wit and knowledge of the English language, Alexandra enlightened students and professional reporter-attendees with two hours of comma conundrums. Only reporters know the value of the comma, especially when punctuating the spoken word.

Depo Man, Mike Richards, also amazed conference participants with his collection of reporting gadgets to help student and professional reporters alike. From computer platforms that attach to the steno machine tripod to techno gadgets like a page scanner the size of a pen, CCVS students got the opportunity to view gadgets up close. The Depo Man runs a website geared for court reporters; check out his wares at www.depoman.com

OACC Conference

Lisa Marie Picken, former Registrar at CCVS and now Director of Business Relations at our affiliate court reporting agency, ASAP, attended the OACC conference. Held in Collingwood at Blue Mountain, this was a fabulous opportunity to network and was also beneficial for meeting people who are directly involved in ensuring all Private Career Colleges in Ontario are

properly regulated. The event attracted over 160 delegates; the conference featured presentations from more than 20 speakers on the latest issues in employment and training. The Honourable John Milloy, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, headlined the conference's opening ceremonies. Other speakers included comedians Meg Soper and Doug Funk. Allan Scott, Superintendent of Private Career Colleges at the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities also spoke. Further, Assistant Deputy Minister Laurie LeBlanc informed conference attendees on the transformation of Employment Ontario and the Second Career program. Paralympic Gold Medalist Paul Rosen, the longtime Team Canada sledge hockey goalie, closed the conference with a very motivating talk inspiring all those who attended the conference.



FINGER FORUM: A special thanks goes out to Kimberly Brown!

1. Beginner

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2. Intermediate

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3. Advanced

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Solutions to Finger Forum

1. A vacation is having nothing to do and all day to do it in. Robert Orben
2. Every man who possibly can should force himself to a holiday of a full month in a year, whether he feels like taking it or not. William James
3. A vacation is like love - anticipated with pleasure, experienced with discomfort, and remembered with nostalgia. Author Unknown

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