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President's Message

Hello to my fellow CUPE brothers and sisters. My name is Jody Welch and I was elected as your new President last fall. I was extremely saddened by the sudden illness and passing of my friend and our President, Paul Colton. His years of service and dedication to our local and its members cannot be questioned. He will be greatly missed. Another one of our past Presidents will soon be retiring. C.W. Petersen has been a stalwart supporter of our local. He has been one of our representatives at the Vancouver Island District Council for longer than I can remember. As well, the newsletter that he helps put out has been award winning. He too will be missed.

Trish Mack, Our National Rep is starting another round of chemo and we wish her a speedy recovery. Our hearts are with her. Our temporary Rep, Alistair MacKenzie has been remarkable in his assistance and advice during my transition from Acting President to President. He has my undying gratitude, and I wish

him well now that he's moving on to his next assignment in Regina. Our new temporary Rep is Melissa Moroz.

On the local front, we would like to welcome Colleen Martin to our executive as our new Vice-President. I'm sure that her enthusiasm and efforts will be a great contribution to our local.

We now have a new office located at Robert Scott, Room 1. We plan to have a grand opening when everything is up and running. I would like to thank Muffy Jones for making the arrangements; also Roger James, Dave Black, Shelley Wilson and Janice O'Connor for their muscle in moving the table from the staff room. Shelley and Janice moved the chair from the warehouse, and special mention goes to Janice for all of her hard work.

We have a Regular Meeting on January 29th, in our new CUPE Office at Robert Scott, at 10:00 am. I hope you'll all come out and support your local.

Jody Welch
President
CUPE Local 2045

Broccoli-Grape Salad

Colleen Rushant

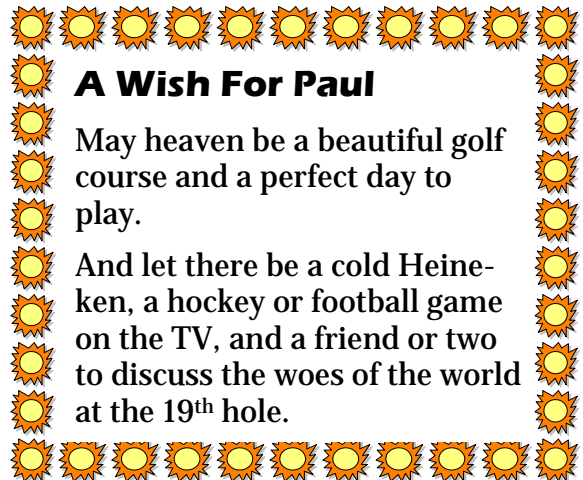
- 4 cups broccoli - chopped small
- 1 cup celery - chopped
- 1 cup red grapes
- 1 cup green grapes
- 4 green onions
- 8 pieces bacon - cooked and cut into pieces
- 2/3 cup slivered toasted almonds

Mix these ingredients in a bowl. Mix in dressing and chill.

Dressing

- 1 cup mayo or miracle whip
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 tbsp. vinegar

- * You can use any colour grapes and only 1 colour if you want.
- * Sliced almonds work too. Toast them by browning them in a frying pan or in the oven.



A Wish For Paul

May heaven be a beautiful golf course and a perfect day to play.

And let there be a cold Heineken, a hockey or football game on the TV, and a friend or two to discuss the woes of the world at the 19th hole.

WWW (Web Worth Watching) - The Hunger Site <http://www.thehungersite.com>. This includes the Breast Cancer Site, Child Health Site, Literacy Site and more. A click a day on each site pays for food, mammograms, books, health care and more.



Carol Hall takes a second to pose for our newsletter photo. She is a temp working here at Sunset, cleaning like a white tornado! Thanks, Carol!



We surprised Colleen Rushant, a Custodian at Cheslakees and NISS shops, just givin' 'er in the hallway at Cheslakees. She appears very happy and carefree. What's in that bucket, Colleen?

This is Connie Fri-man, a temp, working here at NISS as a Custodian. Her versatility covers the spectrum, as she is also a Bus Driver and Courier driver.



CW Petersen does a daily juggling act, working his 4 different jobs as SNNHS, Library Clerk, SEW, and Bus Driver. Constantly on his toes, can we assume he always shows up in the right place at the right time?



Here we caught Kerry Murray, one of Sunset's custodians, redhanded in the act of vacuuming the floor. She's smiling because her shift is almost over, or is it because she's getting her picture taken?



Michelle McCaskill works as a Custodian at NISS. She commutes from Port Alice, that wind-ing road rolling under her wheels every day. They call her the "Road Warrior"

Dump the dog and feed the garbage, mow the floor and sweep the lawn. This is Neda Kero, a custodian at NISS, and grinning from ear to ear, is just having a grand old time.



The ubiquitous Ron Berry, another custodian at Sunset, also works throughout the district with the Maintenance crew from time to time. If it's broken, Ron can fix it!



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