

BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation



annual report **2009**



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TO PROVIDE EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS WITH QUALITY EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, PROGRAMS AND OTHER AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION THAT HIGHLIGHT AGRICULTURE AS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR ECONOMY AND WAY OF LIFE

TO ENABLE STUDENTS TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT FOOD CHOICES, FOOD SAFETY, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR OWN SUPPLY OF LOCAL FOOD AND OTHER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

TO DEVELOP AN AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING IN BC SCHOOLS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF AGRICULTURE, SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS AND THE PROTECTION OF BC'S AGRICULTURAL RESOURCE BASE

TO PROMOTE THE VALUE OF A HEALTHY AGRICULTURAL SECTOR TO OUR EDUCATORS, STUDENTS AND SOCIETY

TO PROMOTE CAREERS IN AGRICULTURE AS A VIABLE AND DESIRABLE CAREER CHOICE

TO FACILITATE THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BCAITC AND IT'S STAKEHOLDERS TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSE OF THE FOUNDATION.

report from the president

As I complete my term as president, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to our board of directors, donors, partners and staff for their continued dedication to the Foundation's mission of "working with educators to bring BC's agriculture to our students".

In 2009 the British Columbia Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation (BC AITC) had the opportunity to work with partners, both new and old, on numerous projects and initiatives. BC AITC is entering the final year of the 2005 – 2010 Strategic Plan, and our focus on the five critical areas of Learning Resources and Programs, Financial Sustainability, Visibility and Promotion, Human Resources and Administration, and Governance continues.



Spuds in Tubs expanded from 72 classrooms in 2008 to 101 classrooms in 2009, while 39 classrooms participated in the Waylon - The Horse Listener. BC AITC also introduced new programming in the form of the Take a Bite of BC – a pilot program that ran from September-December distributing 22 different commodities to the teaching kitchens in 14 Metro Vancouver and Fraser Valley schools.

BC AITC continues to administer the BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program. In 2009, the Executive Director and BC AITC staff succeeded in meeting the organizational objective of expanding the program. The introduction of refrigerated delivery as directed by our industry partners was essential to ensure that quality products were delivered to locations throughout BC.

BC AITC is also very proud of the innovative and collaborative measures utilized to ensure the nutritional program was a financial success. Sound fiscal management provided BC AITC with the ability to reinvest into programming improvements. As a result of these efforts the nutritional program is now providing fresh fruits and vegetables to over 367,000 staff and students in 1,092 of BC's public schools.

2009 saw the creation of the new children's book Alfabet A-Z – The Wonderful Words from Agriculture. Three thousand copies were published with 2,400 copies being distributed. The book introduces agriculture words and concepts to early readers.

Financial Sustainability continues to be a key objective for the Foundation. Developing relationships with existing and new donors is instrumental to BC AITC success. An essential partner in this success is the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands. For several years, the Ministry and its staff have provided ongoing support and a home for the Foundation. BC AITC appreciates this support and looks forward to continuing to work with the Ministry. In 2009, BC AITC also developed a donor and partner appreciation evening "Meet and Potatoes." The event, attended by over 150, provided BC AITC with the opportunity to express gratitude to those who continue to support BC AITC initiatives.

BC AITC managed to pursue a number of initiatives that enhanced the area of Visibility and Promotion. The efforts of the Board, Executive Director and staff joined with the high profile of the Nutritional Program increased BCAITC brand recognition and ultimately the demand for our educational resources. Resource orders and website downloads of BCAITC resources by BC educators tripled from 2008 to 2009.

The commitment, skills and support of BC AITC's team of Lindsay, Andre Solymosi, Laura McKenzie, Michelle Fripps, Jill Spencer and Misty Bedwell provided BCAITC with the ability to effectively expand and administer numerous BC AITC programs.

2009 proved to be a year of learning when it came down to the strategic focus area of Governance. In 2008, the BC AITC adopted a new Policy Model of Governance that was essential to ensuring the continued success of the organization. The Board and Executive Director spent many hours learning and implementing the policies needed to build a strong organizational foundation. An integral part of this process was provided by Past President, Gerry Kasten. Gerry recognized the value of an expanded governance model and was essential to the implementation of the model in 2009. Thank you for all your efforts Gerry.

As I move on I would especially like to join the donors, partners and board in sincerely thanking our Executive Director, Lindsay Babineau, for her enthusiasm, vision and commitment.

David Munro
President

executive director report

Annual General Meeting – March 31, 2010

Thanks to the hard work of our talented team, our program partners and our Board of Directors, 2009 was another year of exceptional growth and success for the BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation.

To think that we published our first book, we expanded the fruit and vegetable program to reach hundreds of small schools in remote communities and we brought fresh BC product to secondary school teaching kitchens all in one year. That is remarkable.

We are coming to the end of our strategic plan and as I look back I realize that we have met our goals. We should all be very proud of what we have accomplished as we continue to “work with educators to bring BC’s agriculture to our teachers and their students.”

I look forward to our planning sessions in the coming year. There is still so much to do and we are set to get it done.

Thank you for another great year.

Lindsay Babineau
Executive Director



program manager's report

In 2008, as a consultant working with Lindsay Babineau (Executive director of the BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation) I became familiar with the BCAITCF, its programs, and the unparalleled enthusiasm and passion of its leadership team for agriculture and agricultural education in British Columbia. The organization, already well established and endorsed by the BC Agricultural community and acknowledged for its award winning programs, has tremendous potential for further growth. I liked what I saw and in January 2009 came on board as the new Programs Manager.



In 2009 the BCAITCF programs office has directed most of its resources in administering the growth of the BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program (BCSFVNP). It is our pleasure to be able to announce that this Act Now BC Initiative is now offered in 1,092 BC schools throughout the province of BC, providing over 350,000 students with 9.5 Million servings of fruits and vegetables over the 2009-10 School Year.

Growing the BCSFVNP to 1092 schools has been a challenge that the programs office team has embraced with gusto and perseverance. Over the course of the year much attention was given to the development of operational tools that would assist us in managing the program. We were also fortunate to have Saputo BC join our team as a distribution partner for the program. Through this partnership and our partnership with the Overwaitea Food Group, we can now offer a complete cold chain distribution service to 95% of BCSFVNP schools throughout British Columbia.

Building upon our success with the BCSFVNP, in September we piloted a new program called 'Take a Bite of BC'. Developed in partnership with the BC Culinary Arts Association and BC agricultural commodity groups, the program provides an opportunity for teaching chefs to feature locally grown product in secondary school teaching kitchens throughout the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley Regional Districts. Students gain experience working with fresh products and begin to develop an appreciation for farmers in their community as they connect with the foods that are grown around them and learn about the benefits of eating healthy, fresh and local foods. The pilot was a success and for the 2010-11 school year plans are being made to expand the program.

I am looking forward to 2010 and further enhancing our current program offering and creating new programs that bring BC's agriculture to our students.

Andre Solymosi,
Programs Manager



absent: Chris Michel and Peter Jolliffe

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Partners Corp

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TriCities Public Health Preventative
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human resources and administration

The BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation is run by its Executive Director Lindsay Babineau, B.Ed., P.Ag.

Jill Spencer holds a new title of Executive Assistant. At the same time Jill took the lead on the Spuds in Tubs program. Jill is also responsible for filling resource orders, making changes to the website as well as keeping track of donations.

The AITC Programs Office is managed by Andre Solymosi M.B.A., B.Sc. The office is located at #208 – 33119 South Fraser Way, Abbotsford, BC V2S 5N7

Michelle Fripps continued in her role as Program Coordinator – New Applications and Logistics and Laura McKenzie continued as Program Coordinator – School Liaison.

Misty Bedwell joined the office as a part time administrative assistant.

Nicole Dickson is the book keeper for the Foundation. Nicole worked closely with our Treasurer, Sarah Ryall and with the Executive Director, Lindsay Babineau.

Ken Forcier of Kenneth A Forcier CGA Inc. of Abbotsford provides the Foundation's financial statements.

Nathan Hampson of Stratum Systems administers the web site and provides support service to it and to our computer systems.

Michela Sorrentino and Matteo Hermani of hermani and sorrentino design located on Salt Spring Island have taken on most of the graphic design for the BCAITC program.

new resources and publications



The BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation continues to provide classroom ready resource materials and activities on the agri-food system that can be integrated into the existing school curriculum.

The links to the curriculum are strongest in Social Studies, Life Science, Home Economics and Planning. Themes for resource development were once again health and the environment.

New Resources for 2009

BCAITC 2008 Annual Report

BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program
Information Materials

Teacher Guides, In-School Coordinator Guides, Posters and Student Brochures were distributed to new schools joining the program

Program Training DVD was updated to encourage schools to use the AITC website to access program information

On line information handouts to accompany product being delivered to classrooms

Fridge magnets for schools on the program with contact information to the Program office

New banner for display at events – “Is your school on board?”

Alfabet A-Z The Wonderful Words from Agriculture – The new reader for primary students is the first book published by BCAITC

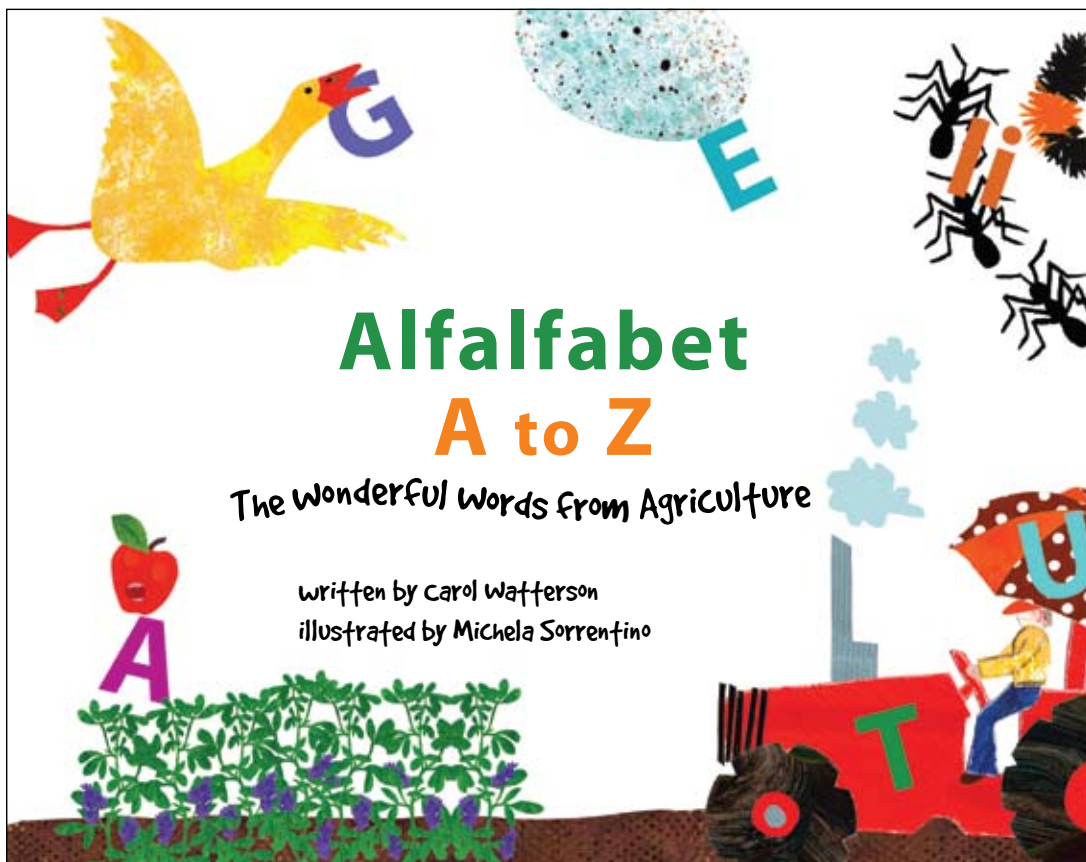
Dig in for Dinner Poster to accompany the Spuds in Tubs Program

Updated Spuds in Tubs Teacher Guide

11 new Summer Institute Plans created as a result of the 2008 Summer Institute for Educators

Completed lesson plans for the new Ministry of Education's Sustainable Resources Grade 11 course and have posted them on the AITC website

Reprinted Food for Thought, Salmon the Environment and Society and My World My Choice – the critical thinking series of resources for grades 4-8





BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program

As administrators of the Program, BCAITC worked towards the expansion of the Program to 931 schools in 2009. The BCSFVNP is part of the Provincial government's ActNow BC initiative. Students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 are provided fresh BC fruits and vegetables every other week for 14 weeks during the school year.

In 2009 Saputo BC joined the Program to work with the Overwaitea Food Group to distribute product. Having Saputo use their home delivery refrigerated trucks means that the cold chain will be maintained from the store to the school thus ensuring the best possible product to the school.

The Foundation continues to be responsible for not only the product but the informational materials and distribution bins provided to all schools that participate in the program. The BCAITC website is now a valuable communication tool enabling schools to find out what product is going to be delivered and when and information about the products that they will be receiving.

reaching out

Spuds in Tubs — Potato Gardens for Elementary Schools

BCAITC expanded this program to include 162 classrooms in the Lower Mainland, on Vancouver Island and the Okanagan. Spuds in Tubs has proven to be a wonderful alternative to a school garden. The seed potatoes were donated by Bill and Sandra Zylmans of W&A Farms Inc of Richmond. Rob Anderson from Buckerfield's donated potting mix for schools in the Okanagan and use of his stores for workshops on the Island and in Abbotsford. Cor and Yvonne Smit from CY growers donated all of the tubs. Partial funding for the program has come from the BC Potato and Vegetable Growers' Association.



Science Fair Awards 2009

14 Regional Agriculture in the Classroom Science Fair Awards for 2009 were offered through the Science Fair Foundation of BC as a result of sponsorship by the BC Potato and Vegetable Growers' Association.



Berry Best From the West 2009

BCAITC partnered with the BC Strawberry, Blueberry, Cranberry and Raspberry Growers as well as the Science Fair Foundation of BC to provide funding to the top Science Fair students from the Fraser Valley to attend the Canada Wide Science Fair in Winnipeg. Students were provided with Berry Best from the West sweat shirts to wear proudly at the Fair.



Waylon the Horse Listener

Thanks to a grant from the Abbotsford Sumas Rotary Club BCAITC was able to work in partnership with the Abbotsford School District and the Abbotsford AgriFair's Mighty Fraser Riders to participate in the Great Reading Challenge. 42 Grade 4/5 classrooms recorded their extra reading hours for the month of April. The top 5 classes had a visit from Waylon the Horse Listener and received a copy of Alfabet A-Z as a thank you for participating.

Conferences/Presentations and Workshops

Abbotsford/Sumas Rotary Meeting
Abbotsford Agricultural Committee Meeting
Agriculture Day at the Legislature
BC Fruit Growers Association Annual General Meeting
BC Produce Marketing Association Annual General Meeting
BC Women's Institute Annual General Meeting
Chilliwack Economic Partners – Agricultural Commission Board Meeting
Delta Farmland Awareness Day
Farm Credit Canada Agriculture Day
Fraser Valley Regional District's Agriculture Committee
Fraser Valley Science Fair Judging
Home Economics Specialists Association Conference
Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC Awareness Event
Langley Teachers Professional Development Day
Metro Vancouver Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting
National Agriculture Awareness Conference and Agriculture in the Classroom Meetings
Pacific Agriculture Show
PNE Charity Auction
Planning for Healthy Eating Initiative
Primary Teachers Conference
Spuds in Tubs Workshops – Chilliwack, Abbotsford, Langley, Burnaby, Maple Ridge, Vancouver Island and Vernon
UBC Career Fair
UBC Student Teacher Workshop

National Activity

Bi Monthly teleconferences to share ideas across the country
Lindsay Babineau represented BCAITC at the Canadian National Agriculture Awareness and Agriculture in the Classroom Conference hosted in Saskatoon
Alfabet A-Z primary reader sent to AITC organizations across the country
BCAITC continues to host the national website aitc.ca

reaching out

Take a Bite of BC

Members from the BC Culinary Arts Specialists Association approached BC AITC to feature BC products in secondary school teaching kitchens around the province. As result a new program called Take a Bite of BC was launched in the fall of 2009.

Fourteen secondary schools in the Lower Mainland featured 22 commodities on their cafeteria menus.

Abbotsford Community Garden

The Abbotsford Community Garden Society set aside an area to be used by BCAITC in partnership with schools from the Abbotsford School District. In the fall of 2009 we met with 4 teachers representing K/1, grades 5 and 6 as well as grades 11 and 12 to plan how to use the garden in 2010.

Meet and Potatoes 2009

In June of 2009 all of those involved with Ag in the Classroom got together at Bradner Hall for a night of celebration and good food. We honoured our Outstanding Teacher – Chef Daniel Lesnes, shared our stories and enjoyed a delicious meal. Even Waylon joined.

www.aitc/ca.bc

The BCAITC web site remains very active especially since it is now used as a direct communication tool for schools participating in the BC School Fruit and Vegetable Snack Program. The site is now able to host videos and online lesson plans for teachers to download.

Monthly Averages for 2009

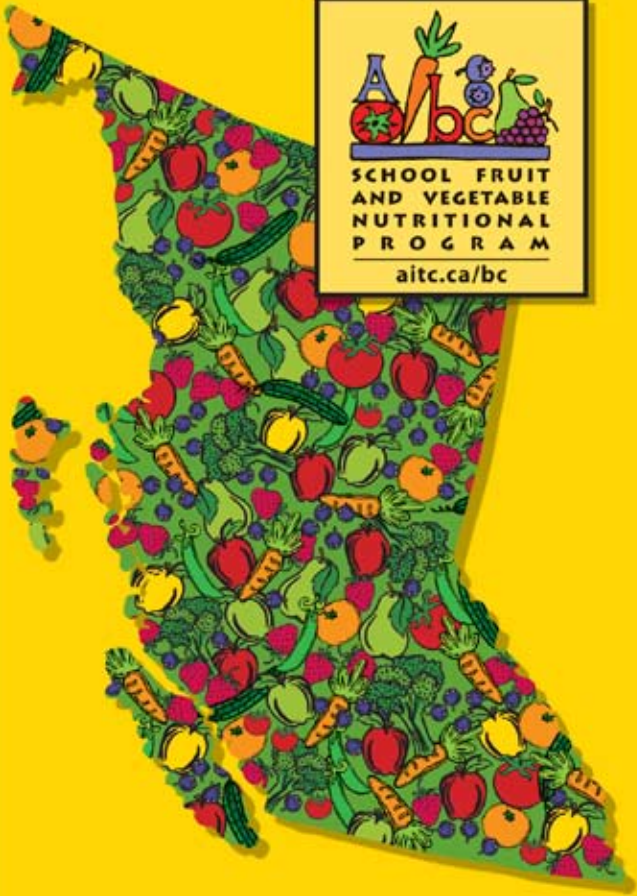
Views: 18,627

Visits: 10,522



Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
are going to BC schools.

Is your school on board?



**SCHOOL FRUIT
AND VEGETABLE
NUTRITIONAL
PROGRAM**
aitc.ca/bc

Program Partners:

save on foods

PriceSmart foods



Overwaitea Foods

Cooper's Foods



ActNowBC.ca



Saputo

our program partners for 2009

We thank all of those from agriculture and beyond who believe in our work and are there to support our programs.

Abbotsford - Sumas Rotary	Buckerfield's	Noel Roddick Ltd. Fertilizers
Abbotsford AgriFair	Bulkley Valley Wholesale	Okanagan Science Centre
Act Now BC	Carol Watterson	Overwaitea Foods
All Seasons Mushrooms	Cheema Farms	Papason Trucking Ltd.
Atchelitz Women's Institute	Cinnabar Valley Farms	PriceSmart Foods
BC Agriculture Council	Community Nutritionists of BC	Russ and Tony's (Tamarac) Fresh Cut
BC Blueberry Council	Cooper's Foods	Sandhill Books
BC Cattlemen's Association	CY Growers	Sandhu Produce Growers
BC Chicken Growers Association	Davis Quality Meats	Saputo Dairy Products BC
BC Chicken Marketing Board	Direct Organics Plus	Save On Foods
BC Cranberry Marketing Commission	Dynamex Couriers	School District 34 - Abbotsford
BC Culinary Arts Association	Fraser Valley Cole Crop Growers Association	School District 35 - Langley
BC Dairy Foundation	Fraser Valley Regional District – Agricultural Advisory Committee	Science Fair Foundation of BC
BC Egg Marketing Board	Fraser Valley Regional Science Fair	Silver Valley Farms
BC Fresh	Fraser Valley Strawberry Growers' Association	South Alder Farms
BC Hog Marketing Commission	Fresh Start Foods	Stephan Baker Photography
BC Hot House Foods	Garden Works at Mandeville	Stratum Systems
BC Ministry of Agriculture and Lands	Golden Valley Foods	SunRich Fresh Foods Inc.
BC Ministry of Education	Harker's Organics	Sunrise Farms
BC Ministry of Health Services	Hermani and Sorrentino Design	The Oppenheimer Group
BC Ministry of Healthy Living and Sport	Houweling Nurseries	Transform Compost Systems
BC Potato and Vegetable Growers Association	Johnston Packers	University of the Fraser Valley
BC Raspberry Growers' Association	Krause Berry Farms	University of Victoria
BC Tree Fruits	Lucerne Foods	Urban Fare
BC Turkey Marketing Board	Metro Vancouver Regional District – Agriculture Advisory Committee	Vancouver Kids Books
Barbara Jo's Books to Cooks		W&A Farms
Book Express		Windset Farms



"I wonder how tall our spud plant will get?" - Spuds in Tubs Program.

funding

The BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation is housed in the Abbotsford Agriculture Centre. The BC Ministry of Agriculture and Lands provides office space for the Executive Director and Executive Assistant, portal for computer linkup and networking, mail delivery and some administrative assistance. They also provide storage space for resources and workshop materials.

The Board is very grateful to BCMAL for this support and in such BCAITC recognizes BCMAL as a Grand Champion Donor. Donations made to the BCAITC Annual Giving Program are recognized on a cumulative basis.

In 2009 the Foundation acquired many new supporters. New for this year were the Provincial Employees Community Services Fund, The Okanagan Tree Fruit Cooperative Association, Dr. Ruth Wiebe, Sarah and David Ryall, Sinkut Women's Institute, and Honey Bee Enterprises Ltd.

fundraising and donor recognition

Abbotsford Sumas Rotary Presentation

Annual Giving Program

Annual Giving Sign in the AITC office

Annual Giving Thank You advertisement in Country Life

BC AITC website www.aitc.ca/bc

BC College of Teachers Magazine Advertisement

Country Life and West Coast Farmer Articles

Delta Farmland Awareness Day

Fraser Valley Farm Fresh Reference Guide – Article and Advertisement

Pacific Agriculture Show 2009

Program Partnerships – 81 organizations that support the Foundation

Sardis Secondary School Greenhouse Renovation Project

our contributors

Grand Champions \$10,000+

BC Ministry of Agriculture and Lands
BC Cranberry Marketing Commission
BC Dairy Foundation
BC Egg Marketing Board
BC Potato and Vegetable Growers
BC Youth in Agriculture Foundation
HSBC
Overwaitea Foods
PriceSmart Foods
Save-on-Foods
Cooper's Foods

Champions \$5,000+

BC Greenhouse Growers' Association
BC Turkey Marketing Board
John VanDongen

Blue Ribbon Partners \$2,500+

Atchelitz Women's Institute
Kenneth Forcier CGA Inc.

Red Ribbon Partners \$1,000+

Daren & Mary Lou Alary/Alpa Farms Ltd.
Bill and Sandra Zylmans/W&A Farms
Sydney Massey and Christos Theoharis
Honeybee Enterprises Ltd.
Dr. Norma Senn
Dr. Peter & Ann Jolliffe
The United Way
Lindsay & Lindsay Babineau
Gerry Kasten

White Ribbon Partners \$500+

Don Cameron Associates
Ron Charles
Fraser Valley Cole Crop Growers' Association
Okanagan Tree Fruit Cooperative Association
Walter & Elsie Goerzen

Green Ribbon Partners \$50+

Bill Weismiller
Douglas & Margaret Sampson/Semiahmoo
Suffolks
Henry and Grace Wiens
Lance & Rhonda Hill
HR Architects (Ms. Barbara Adams)
John & Kathy Hope/Golden View Farm Ltd.
Pat Tonn
Provincial Employees Community Service Fund
Rosario Soneff
Dr. Ruth Wiebe
Sarah & David Ryall
Sheila and Doug Rogers
Sinkut Women's Institute
Stewart Paulson

summary

BC Agriculture in the Classroom continues to grow and to change. The expansion of the BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program to 932 schools has raised the profile of the Foundation and brought many new partners to our organization. With the grant from the provincial government we are able to bring the program to schools well into 2010.

Our programs and our resources are meeting the needs of educators. Our resource orders have tripled since this time last year indicating to us that there is indeed a demand to bring agriculture to our schools.

We believe that learning about agriculture enables students to make better food choices and it leads to an awareness of the role we play in the sustainability of agriculture in our communities.

financial statements



counting our beans

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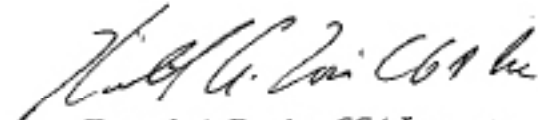
REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the members of:
British Columbia Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation

I have reviewed the statement of financial position of the British Columbia Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation as at December 31, 2009 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. My review was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted primarily of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to me by the foundation.

A review does not constitute an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Based on my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that these financial statements are not, in all material respects, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



Kenneth A. Forcier, CGA Inc.
Certified General Accountant

Abbotsford, B.C.
March 18, 2009

**BRITISH COLUMBIA AGRICULTURE
IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unaudited - See Review Engagement Report

DECEMBER 31, 2009

BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION

December 31, 2009

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BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
 Unaudited - See Review Engagement Report

As at December 31, 2009

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash, Unrestricted	\$ 1,066,062	\$ 261,460
Cash, Restricted (Note 6)	250,000	-
Investments (Note 3)	3,000,000	7,193,570
Accounts Receivable	-	34,349
G.S.T. Recoverable	17,574	14,920
Inventory (Note 2a)	31,344	18,000
Prepaid Expenses	<u>14,750</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>4,379,730</u>	<u>7,522,299</u>
LONG TERM		
Capital Assets (Notes 2e, 4)	<u>7,778</u>	<u>10,495</u>
	<u>\$ 4,387,508</u>	<u>\$ 7,532,794</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 189,821	\$ 21,230
Unearned Revenue (Note 5)	3,131,334	6,817,626
Unearned Revenue PRCI (Note 6)	<u>250,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>3,571,155</u>	<u>6,838,856</u>
	<u>3,571,155</u>	<u>6,838,856</u>
NET ASSETS		
NET ASSETS		
Invested in Capital Assets	7,778	10,495
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>808,575</u>	<u>683,443</u>
	<u>816,353</u>	<u>693,938</u>
	<u>\$ 4,387,508</u>	<u>\$ 7,532,794</u>

Approved by the Board

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Kenneth A. Forcier, CGA, Inc.

BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
 Unaudited - See Review Engagement Report

For the year ended December 31, 2009

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
RECEIPTS		
Program Sponsorships and Grants (Schedule I)	\$ 17,863	\$ 65,437
Donations	56,684	45,102
Interest	61,672	150,919
Program Revenue - Administration fees	295,392	282,583
BCSFVNP - Spring	-	1,300,000
BCSFVNP - Fall	3,686,293	891,475
Resource Sales	<u>16,248</u>	<u>790</u>
	<u>4,134,152</u>	<u>2,736,306</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Advertising and Promotion	11,522	13,458
Conferences and Meetings	1,617	5,386
Contracts and Wages	172,314	152,103
Contributions to Capital Fund	-	10,308
Insurance	2,640	2,190
Office and Miscellaneous	12,390	14,470
Professional Fees	6,530	4,564
Programs - Other (Schedule 2)	45,440	72,539
Programs - BCSFVNP (Schedule 2)	3,686,293	2,169,613
Resource Development and Printing	64,823	30,121
Travel	<u>5,451</u>	<u>4,986</u>
	<u>4,009,020</u>	<u>2,479,738</u>
SURPLUS OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>125,132</u>	\$ <u>256,568</u>

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BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
 Unaudited - See Review Engagement Report

For the year ended December 31, 2009

	Invested in Capital			
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
BALANCE, beginning of year	\$ 10,495	\$ 683,443	\$ 693,938	\$ 428,966
Surplus of revenue over expenditures:	-	125,132	125,132	256,568
Transfer from unrestricted:				
Depreciation	(2,717)	-	(2,717)	(1,903)
Purchase of capital assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,307</u>
SURPLUS, end of the year	<u>\$ 7,778</u>	<u>\$ 808,575</u>	<u>\$ 816,353</u>	<u>\$ 693,938</u>

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Kenneth A. Forcier, CGA, Inc.

BRITISH COLUMBIA
AGRICULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 Unaudited - See Review Engagement Report

December 31, 2009

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Net surplus	\$ 125,132	\$ 256,568
Items not requiring an outlay of cash:		
Depreciation	2,717	1,903
Contribution to Capital Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>8,405</u>
	127,849	266,876
 Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts Receivable	34,349	(14,044)
GST Receivable	(2,654)	(651)
Inventories	(13,344)	8,370
Accounts Payable and Accrued Charges	168,590	(28,390)
Unearned Revenue	(3,436,292)	6,817,626
Prepays	<u>(14,750)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>(3,264,101)</u>	<u>6,782,911</u>
 Cash Flows used in Financing Activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 Cash from Investing Activities		
Additions to Capital Assets	<u>(2,717)</u>	(10,307)
 Cash Flows used in Investing Activities	<u>(2,717)</u>	<u>(10,307)</u>
 Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(3,138,969)	7,039,480
 Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>7,455,031</u>	<u>415,551</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 4,316,062</u>	<u>\$ 7,455,031</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents consists of:		
Cash	\$ 1,316,062	\$ 261,460
Term deposits	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>7,193,571</u>
	<u>\$ 4,316,062</u>	<u>\$ 7,455,031</u>

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1. PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION

British Columbia Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation is a non-profit society and was incorporated under the *Society Act* of British Columbia on August 9, 1999. The foundation is a charity registered under the *Income Tax Act* and is therefore not subject to taxation, subject to certain requirements. Management is of the opinion that these requirements have been met.

The purposes of the Society are:

- to promote an awareness and understanding of sustainable agriculture and food systems in B.C. Schools;
- to enable students to make informed decisions about food choices, food safety, the importance of our own supply of food and other agriculture products as well as the protection of B.C.'s agriculture resources;
- to foster awareness of careers to be found in agriculture and food systems;
- to attract funding for the research, development and implementation of programs to meet the above stated purposes of the society.
- to provide classroom ready resource material and activities on the agri-food system which can be integrated into the existing school curriculum;
- to provide in-service professional development on the agri-food system for British Columbia teachers; and
- to establish a clearing house of agri-food system resources for classroom teachers.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the foundation are in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Outlined below are those policies considered particularly significant.

The financial statements have, in management's opinion, been properly prepared within reasonable limits of materiality and within the framework of the accounting policies summarized below:

(a) INVENTORY

Inventory, which is comprised of publication materials held for distribution, is valued at cost.

(b) MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period.

Depreciation is based on the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment. These estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary they are reported in the periods in which they became known.

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(c) REVENUE RECOGNITION

The foundation follows the restricted fund method of accounting for revenue. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year when related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

(d) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

All significant financial assets, financial instruments and equity instruments of the foundation are either recognized or disclosed in the financial statements together with other information relevant for making a reasonable assessment of future cash flows and interest rate, currency or credit risk.

Management is of the opinion that the foundation is not subject to significant interest, currency or credit risks on the financial statements.

(e) CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital Assets are recorded at cost. Depreciation has been calculated using the following methods and rates as follows, except in the year of acquisition when one half of the rate is used. No depreciation is applied in the year of disposal.

Displays and fixtures	20% diminishing balance
Computer equipment	30% diminishing balance
Equipment	20% diminishing balance

3. TERM DEPOSITS

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Envision Credit Union non-redeemable term deposit bearing interest at 2.3%, maturity August 9, 2009	\$ -	\$ 18,283
HSBC Bank Canada term deposit bearing interest at 3.00%, maturing August 6, 2009	-	703,046
HSBC Bank Canada term deposit bearing interest at 1.50%, maturing March 16, 2009	-	6,472,241
HSBC Securities (Canada) Inc. guaranteed investment certificate bearing interest at 1.4%, maturing March 26, 2010.	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,193,570</u>

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4. CAPITAL ASSETS

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Net 2009</u>	<u>Net 2008</u>
Computer equipment	\$ 19,667	\$ 15,341	\$ 4,326	\$ 6,180
Displays and fixtures	4,219	3,862	357	446
Equipment	<u>4,299</u>	<u>1,204</u>	<u>3,095</u>	<u>3,869</u>
	<u>\$ 28,185</u>	<u>\$ 20,407</u>	<u>\$ 7,778</u>	<u>\$ 10,495</u>

5. UNEARNED REVENUE

Unrestricted funds are received during the year but have been designated by the board as being recordable as income in a subsequent year. The funds will be used to deliver the BCSFVNP.

6. UNEARNED REVENUE - PRCI

Restricted funds are received during the year but have been designated by the British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture and Lands as being deliverable in a subsequent year. The funds will be used to deliver produce in remote communities.

7. COMMITMENTS

The foundation is committed to a premises lease in the approximate amount of \$1,378 per month until September 2010.

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SCHEDULE I - SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM SPONSORSHIPS AND GRANTS

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	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
RECEIPTS		
Food for Thought	2,845	750
Fraser Valley Regional District	-	4,965
Horse Listener	-	2,000
National Song	-	50,349
Regional Science Fair Awards	2,500	573
Spuds In Tubs	18	6,500
Summer Institute Sponsorship	-	300
Take a Bite of BC	<u>12,500</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 17,863</u>	<u>\$ 65,437</u>

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SCHEDULE 2 - SCHEDULE OF PROGRAMS

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	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Ag Zone	-	77
BCIAF - Making the Connection	594	1,143
Berry Best in the West	2,563	2,560
Chilliwack Partnership	2,000	-
Dairy Classroom	-	1,566
Donor Recognition and Fundraising	7,879	-
GVRD Partnership	1,775	1,647
National Song	-	44,830
Regional Science Fair Awards	2,050	4,100
Spuds In Tubs	6,304	7,210
Summer Institute	-	9,406
Take a Bite of BC	19,200	-
Workshops	3,075	-
	<u>\$ 45,440</u>	<u>\$ 72,539</u>

PROGRAM - BC SCHOOL FRUIT AND VEGETABLE NUTRITIONAL PROGRAM

AITC Administration	295,392	207,583
Distribution	481,234	40,497
Evaluation	7,000	-
Information Material	68,280	71,564
PAC Funding and Training	99,250	145,250
Product	2,488,429	1,434,221
Program Office and Administration	41,152	144,613
Wages and Benefits	205,556	125,885
	<u>\$ 3,686,293</u>	<u>\$ 2,169,613</u>

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thank you

BC Agriculture in the Classroom continues to grow to meet the needs of educators and the agriculture industry. The expansion of our programs and partnerships have raised the profile of the Foundation and brought many new opportunities to our organization.

BCAITC now has the staff and the resources to really make a difference for agriculture.



One Incredible Journey from BC School Fruit & Vegetable Program



Bowen Island's little school
nestled in the trees



Produce arriving at
Snug Cove Harbour



The peas have arrived



A "snap" or the Snaps



Little helpers



Serving them right
to the classroom



How many can I have



1,2,3,... crunch



A little break from math



I love these peas



Queen of Capilano pulling out
Thanks for the delivery!

"Together we are making a difference for agriculture."

