Cap. College opens new Sechelt campus

Capilano College Principal Paul Gallagher got the key for his new Sechelt classroom building Thursday, and the Sunshine Coast's postsecondary education program got a substantial boost.

Cap College's new satellite campus is a 4,567-square-foot building at the northern end of Inlet Avenue. It includes three classrooms, a library, reception area and office space.

Le Baron Estates, headed by Bill Van Westen, owns the building which has been leased to the

college.

April Struthers, the college's local community services assistant, said the new facility will have immediate fulltime use with four credit classes, two vocational programs and several non-credit workshops scheduled for this fall.

The credit courses were chosen from responses to a local survey conducted in June. They will run from 6 to 10 p.m. one night a week and include: Business Management 210, Education 155,

Geography 101 and English 010.

The vocational programs include business office training — an eight-month fulltime course in such skills as bookkeeping, typing and office procedure — and daytime and evening high school upgrading — self-paced, basic training in skills development.

The college will also offer non-credit courses in creative writing and fashion sketching and non-credit workshops in development of strata titles, selling your own home, genealogical history

and felt making.

As the community services assistant, one of Struthers' primary jobs is the development of non-credit courses which utilize the resources of the college.

She said the college's offerings would be distinct from the program of the local Continuing Education division in that the college courses "will be less oriented to leisure time activities. They'll be things the college already has its fingers in. Personally, I'd like to see courses here in things like forestry and marine biology."

She encouraged people who are interested in seeing particular courses started here, or who want more information about any of the above, to

contact her at the college, 885-9310.



THURSDAY WAS AN auspicious day for Capilano College's Sechelt branch as principal Paul Gallagher received the key to the college's new building on Inlet Avenue from Bill Van Westen, president of Le Baron Estates, owners of the building. From left in foreground are:

George White, vice president of Le Baron;
Gallagher; Van Westen and April Struthers,
community assistant. At rear from left are Brian
Hodgins, School District No. 46 trustee and a
member of the Capilano College board, and Merv
Boucher under whose administration the project
was begun.