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It's official-- Board of Governors wants 13%

by Michael Brand

The Link jumped the gun a couple of issues ago, when it announced that BCIT's Board of Governors wants to raise next year's tuition fees by 13 per cent. At that time, the proposal hadn't even gone to the committee stage, and The Link apologizes for misinforming you.

But now it's official: in the closed session of its meeting last Thursday, the Board voted to raise tuition fees by 13 per cent next year.

Student Council Board Rep Bonnie Milne said that a rising student activity fee in past years was one of the Board's main reasons. Milne added that the Board will provide a \$100,000 scholarship fund, "divided between bursaries and loans."

TRAC off track, some say

At the same time BCIT has received money for its HITRAC program, students and administrators at Pacific Vocational Institute aren't happy with their own version, which is already in place.

They say the program, which was put into place in January, was rushed in without adequate preparation, and that study materials are not ready. A story in the Pacific Progress, the PVI newspaper, quotes Ron Stevenson, the Institute's executive director of instructional services, as saying: "We were not happy with the materials and the students and staff were not happy with the materials." The story says that an educational program committee will review all TRAC materials.

An article in the BC Student, newsletter of the Canadian Federation of Students, says that TRAC "was shrouded in vagueness from its conception," and charges that the program was put into place in January "with little publicity, less public debate and substantial dissension among the principals of the institutions." Moreover,

the article says, "the ministry of education suggested to the institutions involved that they not reveal specific entrance requirements, and when the program was implemented, more problems began to appear."

The TRAC program is a "module" approach to vocational training, using course kits and a "pay-as-you-go" system. Some students don't like it.

One PVI student spoke to federal Employment and Immigration Minister Lloyd Axworthy when he was at BCIT, showing him what she said was an example of a TRAC course. "This is one of the things we're taught: how to glue two pieces of wood together," she said, presenting Axworthy with two pieces of wood. "The quality of raining has really deteriorated." Axworthy answered that he can't comment on the specifics of the TRAC program, but the student's complaint "does highlight the necessity of looking at where the money is going."

Province gives BCIT \$990,000 for HITRAC; alumni send election letter

by Michael Brand

A special cabinet committee of the provincial government has given BCIT a \$990,000 grant for its High Technology Training Access Program.

HITRAC, according to BCIT's Vice-President of Education Drug Svetic, is like the Training Access program at the Pacific Vocational Institute. Svetic acknowledged that the controversial TRAC program "has generated a lot of ink, not all of it positive." He said that BCIT "is not going to make the same mistakes."

For BCIT students, HITRAC will allow them to study throughout the year, instead of from September to May. Svetic said the Electronics program at BCIT will be the first course to be extended "from a two year course to year-round." "HITRAC will be a pilot for technological education," Svetic said. Students will be able to enter on a much more flexible basis, to suit their own needs."

The \$990,000, according to Svetic, BCIT president Gordon Thom and the Board's Finance and Administration Committee, is a special grant for HITRAC only, and is not part of the institute's operating budget.

Among other items that were discussed at the open meeting was a letter the BCIT Alumni Association is sending to all candidates in this provincial election. Nobody on the present student council had seen the letter, even though a copy was made for every member of the Board. The letter states that the alumni "are concerned that BCIT's singular role is being lost in the setting of public policy for education," and "if this continues, it would be a serious blow to BC's future and future opportunities for thousands of young people."

The letter also declares that "BCIT is in danger of becoming a museum of outdated equipment," citing a request by BCIT for \$10 million for upgrading

three years ago. "Since then, only \$2 million has been provided for such upgrading." The letter asks each candidate to meet with the Alumni Association to discuss "this increasingly serious situation and what can be done about it."

One member of the Board, Ted Hird, said the letter was too political for his liking. Responding to Emery's characterization of the letter as "motherhood," Hird said: "I don't think it's 'motherhood' at all. You're too political. I think you're looking for a thick ear (with this letter)."

Gordon Thom, meanwhile, said he was looking into a possible change in BCIT's status- from diploma-granting institute to one which hands out degrees. Referring to this possibility as "the polytechnic issue," Thom said, "The education minister told me the institute cannot hand out degrees, and that's final." But Thom said the minister relented a bit at a later meeting, when he told Thom that a Polytechnic Committee will be set up to look into degree status for schools like BCIT.

BCIT actually third

by Michael Brand

When he visited BCIT on Friday, April 15, and announced a \$3.2 million grant to BCIT from the federal government's Skills Growth Fund, federal Employment and Immigration Minister Lloyd Axworthy said: "I don't think it was a matter of saying who got the privilege of being in the first round or the second round (of disbursements from the Fund). What counts is that you're there, and this is the largest grant given to any single institution in British Columbia."

But a check of Axworthy's own press package shows that BCIT actually received less than two other BC institutions, making it third behind Kwantlen College (\$5,141,000) and Pacific Vocation Institute (\$3,565,500).

When asked about this, Axworthy replied: "Maybe you're coming in second, or whatever, the federal government is spending a billion dollars this year on training programs."

The Skills Growth Fund was established under the National Training Act, a government news release says, "to improve the capacity of Canadian training

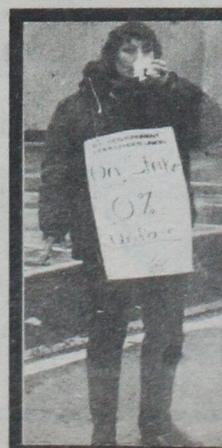
institutions to train workers for high demand occupations and to meet the training of special groups." The government has allocated \$98 million for the fund. BCIT's \$3.2 share will be used to establish new programs in microelectronics, robotics and CAD/CAM, and to put up a building to house these three new technologies.

Your name here? Take a bow

First, for working beyond the call of duty and the limits of good health, we must give special thanks to our former editors: D.J. Hauka, Pamela Post and Lesley Rae Purdy. Now to the rest of you, the scribes and photogs of 1982-83, if we've missed anybody, please know that you're in our hearts and pages. Thanks, folks:

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 0830 - 1130 hours
 1230 - 1630 hours

Extra invitations will be given out during this week on a first come first serve basis.

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The bcit safety Committee is interested in offering a one-day class in C.P.R. on campus if enough people are interested.

If you are interested, please drop in to Medical Services, in the SAC Building.

President's Award Board of Governors' Award

Nomination forms have been sent out regarding the above awards, which will be presented at the June Convocation Ceremonies.

If you require more information on criteria for the awards or wish to nominate someone please contact Joyce Payton at local 214.

Please note that the Nomination Forms must be returned to Joyce Payton, Marketing and Development Office, no later than 1983:05:13.

May 1983 Transcripts

Transcripts for the May, 1983 Term will be mailed to all day-school students in June, 1983 EXCEPT General and Psychiatric Nursing. Nursing transcripts will be mailed in May 1983.

Please be sure we have your MAILING address, including postal code on file.

Deadline date to submit address changes:

Nurses - May 6, 1983

All other students - May 20, 1983

Submit changes to the Registrar's Office Information counter, Administration Building 1A.

These notes appear in the LINK as a public service to the BCIT Community.

Editorial

Two ineptitudes

How difficult can it be? Can it really be all that hard to organize — and adequately publicize — a meeting?

Looking at the shoddy efforts of the student council and the BCIT administration in the last few weeks, you might think the task was positively Herculean. Jim Armstrong, the student council's vice-president of administration, could not seem to muster the effort to hold an all-candidates meeting any earlier than the day before the election.

BCIT students who were lucky or perceptive enough to be in Growlies on a certain Wednesday got a quick glimpse of their candidates. A quick glimpse, and hey presto! — time to vote!

Enough of the student council's ineptitude; enough ink was spent on it last week. Time now to look at exhibit B: The almost-invisible, fleeting tuition fee forum, brought to you by the marketing wizards of the BCIT administration.

Here is how that particular show was put together. On Monday, April 15 — only two days before the big forum — somebody from the administration called up The Link and ordered an ad. No details about the size or appearance provided — just an ad. Thank goodness for creative ad managers. Now, when a Link ad is ordered on a Monday, the earliest it can appear is that Wednesday. And this particular Wednesday was the day of the forum.

Some ad. Some publicity. And not much consideration for students, not all of whom would read The Link — and notice the ad — in time to go to a forum with the BCIT president.

Of course, there were the posters: discreet, unassertive little posters, scattered haphazardly around the campus, as if the persons who designed and distributed them didn't want to offend or inform anyone by being to attention-getting.

And what has the student council got to say about all of this? Not its fault. No, a perfunctory mention at one student council meeting was sufficient, and let the administration handle the rest. The administration handled it very poorly, but somehow, nobody there gets any blame.

Instead, the student council president, in righteous frustration, huffs that "students just don't care" and that council might not do anything more for them in the way of forums. Sort of like saying to the students: "I didn't tell you about the game, but you still should have showed up, and since you didn't, you can't ever play again."

Is it any wonder that only 14 students are reported to have shown up at the forum? One can almost agree with the engineering students who reportedly raised a din outside the room, demanding to start their class. It's possible they had a better use for it than the 'organizers' of the sham 'forum'.

letters

Thank you from Nigeria

I have no doubt that all the remaining Nigerian students at BCIT will be graduating this June.

In fact, I really feel great about being a product of BCIT. I never thought I was getting up to 80 per cent of my money's worth. But now, I have realized that what I was getting at that time was worth more than the money paid.

My praise really goes to BCIT for maintaining an excellent educational standard. I pray that the standard of education in the school will still remain excellent as it was in my days.

Could you imagine that I work 40 hours per week on my job and carry an 18-credit load in my school work, yet, in my section of the design course I am the only student to hand in any assignment on time? Without the time management I learnt from BCIT I couldn't have done it.

My professor has been praising me for this, but I know that the credit should go to BCIT. I do very good in my other courses too and my mates do wonder if I sleep at all. They did not know that all was made possible because I attended BCIT. In fact, I will prefer coming to BCIT by 1985 to study my Masters of Architecture degree if the school will start offering the program at that time.

I am really happy to have graduated from BCIT and there is no regrets about that. Long live BCIT, long live Canada and long live Nigeria. I wish you and all those directly or indirectly to provide an atmosphere towards our success; a happy and excellent Easter celebration.

Ndubuisi Ibeh
Graduate - Building Tech

Hunger

On Wednesday, May 4 the hunger project is to present the Ending Hunger briefing. The briefing is an educational forum on the conditions of hunger in the world today.

The purpose of the briefing is to educate people and to dispell myths and beliefs that actually keep hunger in place.

As the source person for the briefing here at BCIT, I invite all students and faculty to attend.

The briefing will happen Wednesday May 4, in room 1A 126 during the break (beginning at 11:30 sharp, going to 2:30 sharp).

The Ending Hunger briefing is not just another course. It is an opportunity for people to realize the truth (the facts and figures) about this unwanted condition.

Many will not want to even think about coming to such an unpleasant presentation. The briefing is for you! The briefing will not show you dead children and all that we have got to relate to hunger, yet it will show you that this fact exists in the same world that you and I live in.

I also request that those attending please confirm it, by calling me.

People may show up spontaneously, but it is for the logistics of the presentation that we know the number of people attending.

The briefing is free. Donations to the costs of the materials given out will be requested. Thank you.

Fernando Ferreira
BCIT, Building 1st Year

Please contact me at 438-4117 anytime.

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Prez, We will discuss it over dinner at the Brock House.
Luv Willie Bruce.



Intramurals and Campus Rec

majority, so they were great. Staff members helped out when I needed them. Instructors were excellent and punctual. To all of you — thank you very much and good luck in your exams.

Every year my student sports rep has a different approach to work with me. Bouncy Karen was no different. She arrived full of uncertainty but faced the challenge and soon was in charge. Her personality drew a lot of help and support from council members. I worried a lot at the start but she proved to be a great leader and jobs were completed on schedule. Thank you Karen and good luck in your career.

The new sports rep, Rob Paterson-Burton is already at work driving me to increase activities in '83-'84. Anyone that's coming back next year and wants to join our campus rec council or possibly get a work study position, drop in and talk to Rob or myself. My new office will soon be open. It's that office facing the campus centre entrance. Signs will soon be in place and information will be readily available for what-where-when-how is happening in campus recreation.

news

Tuition forum 'a farce', O'Connor says

by Michael Brand

Last Wednesday's forum with BCIT president Gordon Thom was "a farce" attended by only fourteen students, according to student council president Tammy O'Connor.

"The thing that gets me is that students get a chance to complain, then don't show up," O'Connor said just after the forum.

The BCIT administration organized the forum at the student council's request. "At the request of the Student Association, we set it up from this end," said Pat Ginarson, Thom's secretary. O'Connor concurred: "It was sort of a mutual thing. They (administration) asked me if I would invite them. But I said they should arrange it."

The student council announced the forum at its Monday night meeting, but evidently left the rest of the advertising up to the Administration. (Link reporters could not attend the council meeting or the forum because of practicum commitments). That advertising consisted mainly of small posters distributed in the 1A and 2N buildings and the SAC, and an advertisement placed in The Link on the day of the forum. Ginarson said that the office of public relations head Jerry Lloyd "is responsible for ads and posters."

Student Association Publications Manager Don Wright, who took the order for the Link ad on Monday said he is not surprised to hear that the forum had such a poor turnout. "A lot of students wouldn't have seen the ad because they don't come down to pick up The Link until the three-hour break. Marketing studies prove that a person has to be exposed to an ad three or four times before he or she gets the message," he said. "I had to make up the ad as big and noticeable as it was — nobody asked me to."

Grant forms delayed

Don't be in a rush to apply for a new student loan—the new forms probably won't be here until June. The Canada Employment Centre on Campus says the loan forms would have been here in the first week of May, but the provincial election will mean a one month delay. The Centre says the government has not even printed the forms yet, so they will be some time in coming.

A real 'demo'

It probably wasn't like Berkeley in '68 but on Friday, April 15, BCIT was the site of a bona fide student demonstration.

Regrettably, Link staffers were caught up in a practicum briefing and could not be there. But sources say the 'demo' took place at the front of the administration building, at the same time Lloyd Axworthy was addressing a luncheon inside.

The talk is that the demonstration was well-attended and vocal, and managed to embarrass the assorted dignitaries and functionaries at the luncheon. Reports say that the crowd was more than 50 students strong.

Student Council Engineering Rep Ralph Goodwin-Wilson organized the demonstration, and he led the shouting with a megaphone. "It went well," he said. "We had about a third of the crowd that attended the forum with Axworthy."

The reason for the demonstration, by the way, was that tuition fee increase we may be faced with next year.

The never say die Cougar Rugby team has made it to the F.V.R.U. league championships.

The cougars, again the underdogs on Saturday, defeated the top team in the Fraser Valley, the Surrey R.F.C. by a score of 16-10.

Coach Miller said, "This is the fourth time since Christmas that this club has faced elimination, but the boys always dig deep and come up with an excellent game." Saturday was no exception.

The Cougars went into the game as underdogs but played like champions, constantly hitting the Surrey players and upsetting their style. As the game wore on the Surrey players began to argue with one another and the referee, which resulted in numerous bad penalties.

The team was led by team captain Jacque Showmaker who was all over the pitch on the day. Rob Leon and Jeff Robertson scored a try each with assistant coach Jeff Slamon kicking two penalties and one convert. The championship game will be held at Queen's Park in New Westminster at 11:30 against Pocomo R.F.C. on Saturday.

Miller and the team wish to thank the Student Association and Jim Mitchell of the Athletic Department for their assistance throughout the season.

As always, if you have any suggestions, new programs or leagues, give me a little lead time and we'll attempt to include it in the coming year.

To one and all: Good luck in your exams and for grads, don't forget to come and see us either as alumni members or just good friends.

Racquetball — After many exciting games the first winners declared in the tournament are: (A) D. Wagner defeated T. Marchese. (B) P. Chu edged out M. Benbaruz. (C) D. Murphy won over B. Becker. (D) V. Karpinsky beat G. Karpinsky.

Squash — Due to small entry list, a round-robin series drew out N. Stevenson and D. Cameron with the championship declared to D. Cameron.

Highlights included J. Smulders, an excellent lady player to the B semi-final; the family dual in the D final with Val edging out his wife, Glynis; the super sportsmanship demonstrated through the tournament; winners receiving commemorative trophies for the first BCIT tournament.

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SEPTEMBER

The BC Government Employees Union set up a picket line around BCIT on September 1. Ten BCIT employees, whose BCIT local of the BCGEU was not on strike at the time, joined the line, at were suspended by the administration. And thirty members of the Staff Society had a day's pay deducted for respecting the line. The GEU filed a grievance and the Staff Society sent letters to the administration. Staff Society

President Pat Thomas did not object to the pay docking, but he did question the way it was done, saying: "The administration has opened a can of worms to make a point." The picket line was the first delay of the Campus Centre.

September also saw The Great Parking Scramble, as students jostled to get on of 200 parking spaces. Many students complained that the sale of tickets, held on the morning of

Wednesday, September 15, was "a fiasco" and was "all screwed up."

And then there was Shinerama. Only 250 students volunteered to shine shoes for cystic fibrosis research. Meanwhile, BCIT's administration was thinking about getting reorganized, through a method called the Priority Planning and Budgeting Allocation Process-PPBA, for short.



OCTOBER

For more than a month, students were on edge, waiting to hear whether they would get their grants. The Ministry of Education had budgeted for only a 10 to 15 per cent increase in the number of applications for BC Student Assistance, even though financial counselling offices on campuses predicted a

much higher increase. Anyway, deliverance came near the end of October, when Education Minister Bill Vander Zalm and Universities Minister announced together that the student aid budget would be boosted by \$8.7 million. On the other hand, Health students had to deal with cutbacks in their own bursaries.

Here it is: the last Link of 1982/83. Where in the world did this year go? If you find out, please let me know. Otherwise, have a good summer, and maybe think of us at The Link now and then. We'll be here when you get back, putting out the best rag east of Willingdon. Bye for now.

Michael Brand
News Editor



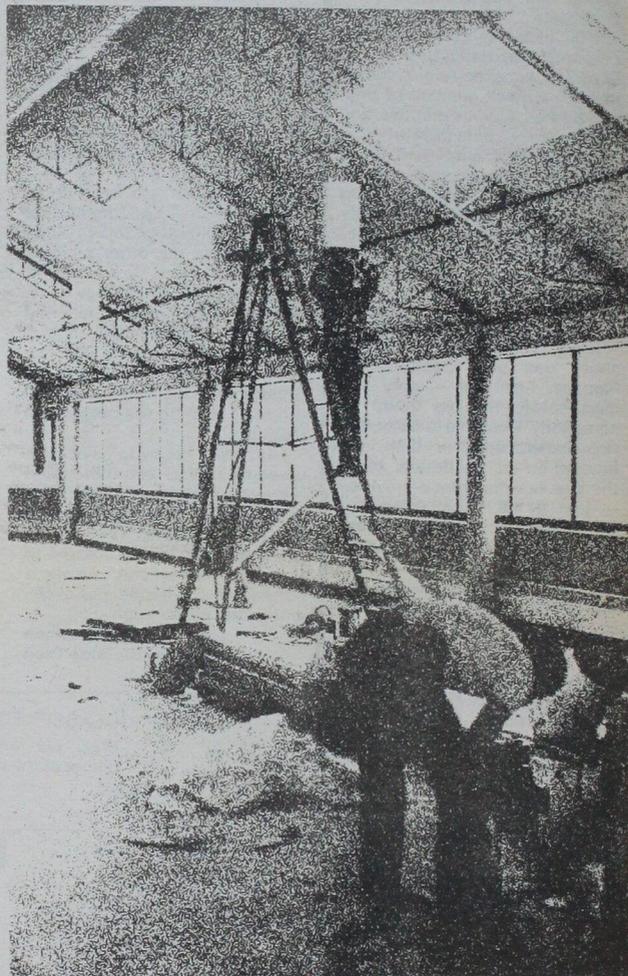
college and the institutions because they play—especially in these times— an extremely important role in the economic future of British Columbia."

Construction of Phase One of the Campus Centre was delayed again, this time because the window couldn't be put in until the structure dried out. BCIT was sued by a man who was shot outside the SAC two years before. Steven Wood filed a writ in County Court against BCIT and his assailant, Ronald Joseph Watton. For a while, it was possible that the Student Association might be named as well.

NOVEMBER

BCIT's local of the BC Government Employees Union voted to go on strike, and served notice to the administration. The BCGEU and administration had been in negotiations since September 10, but found themselves at odds over wages. A mediator was called in, and the Staff Society urged the union to settle. The Staff Society, though also went to the bargaining table.

Education Minister Bill Vander Zalm visited BCIT, and declared himself "very impressed" with what he saw. He pledged to "give fair consideration to the



DECEMBER

Another guess was tossed up about the opening of Phase One of the Campus Centre: January 26. Alas, it was not to be.

And, on Boxing Day, a lone Link Staffer boarded a plane for Ottawa, where he took a cab to Vanier, Ontario and the 45th Annual National Conference of Canadian University Press. CUP, as it's commonly known, is the national news cooperative of student newspapers in Canada. The lone Link staffer learned much about CUP and the craft of newspapering. He also learned how rotten bad food can be, didn't sleep, had an identity crisis (it seems there's another Link back east), and still doesn't remember much about New Year's eve. But those are other stories.

the year in
by Sam Corea and

Permits to racquetballs...



JANUARY

As we came back to school for a new term, we didn't find the campus quite the same. Students and staff had to cross picket lines to get to class. Chapter 59 of the BC Government Employees Union staged a full scale walk out, protesting a zero per cent wage offer from the administration of BCIT.

During the walk-out, the cafeterias, the bookstore, switchboards and the library were a few of the services affected. By mid January the union went back on the job in a move of "good faith." However, the next week, the pickets were back up again.



MARCH

The big event of March was the long awaited opening of the campus centre. A big celebration was held on March 16th with music, speeches, dedications, food, drinks and a large cake in the shape of a racket. Although most students were happy that the racket ball and squash courts were finally a reality, some were a little skeptical. "There are only four courts and 4000 students, there will never be a chance to get court space."

Students also had a chance to air their thoughts about their teachers in an Instructor Evaluation Forum.

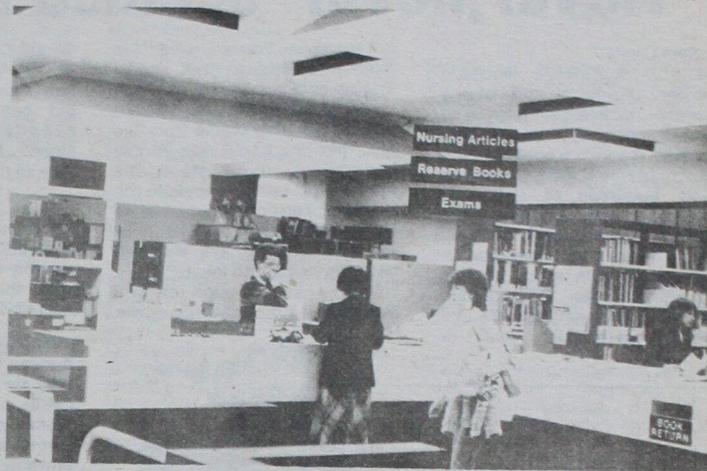
Second Year Television students aired their thoughts about course cutbacks by refusing to pay their second term tuition fees.



APRIL

As students were busy around campus getting final projects together and studying for exams, it was announced that we could possibly face a 13 per cent tuition increase for next year.

The elections were held for next years Student Association, however due to student apathy or whatever, only 559 of the 4000 eligible students decided to vote.



FEBRUARY

The beginning of this month started on a much happier note than the last. The BCGEU stopped the strike action and agreed to refer their wage demands to arbitration.

It was now time for the Staff Society to review their contract. However not all was well with this union. Apparently over the refusal of faculty members to honor the BCGEU strik, Kent Yakel, General Secretary of the

Staff Society, resigned his post with the faculty's collective bargaining unit.

In other news, the LINK did an extensive report on the WHYNOT pub and why students don't go there. One of the major beefs was that "students don't like having to present their life story" before being admitted into the place.

BCIT still held hope for skills growth funds and the TNT opened a new store in the SAC.



review
and Michael Brand

It sure has gone by fast, hasn't it! Well this is the 29th and last issue of The Link for the year. I hope that we've provided you with some interesting reading material the past eight months. It's all over for us and for the school year as well. Have a great, entertaining summer ... see you later.

Sam Corea
Entertainment & Technical Editor

'Never, never' seemed to end.

by Sam Corea

Life in Australia's Northern Territory during the turn of the century. Its sparsely populated desert country, remote and isolated. There's a cattle station with four white men, a Chinese cook, hundreds of aboriginal people and one, only one, white woman. She's Jeannie Gunn, "the Missus" and the central character in this award winning Australian movie. All together, they call themselves "WE OF THE NEVER NEVER".

The term "never never" is fixed in Australian folk songs, stories and languages. It's the land beyond the horizon, 'back of beyond'. It also stems from the fact that one could ride all day and 'never never' reach the horizon. Still some people in the Northern Territory say that once a person has seen the beauty of the outback landscape, they will never never want to leave.

Well, I saw enough of this beauty and I thought this movie

would never, never end!! Sure, all the terrain is there in all its glory, and it's shown very well, but can a movie survive on excellent cinematography alone?...I mean, one can only take so much scenery.

This never never land serves as a backdrop for a simple story—the only thing that saves it is its truth—the movie was based on Jeannie Gunn's memoirs.

She's the woman who married Aeneas Gunn. Just as soon as they are hitched, they leave for a cattle station in the Northern Territory, to manage the place. Upon arrival, she is quite unwanted by the stockmen, and the aboriginals don't accept her. Her life is planned to consist of sitting in the house all day to do her needle work. But wait... that wouldn't make for much of a story, so Jeannie, being the strong, modern woman of the times sets out to change everyone's opinion about her and the men's prejudice against the aboriginals. Now we have a bit of conflict, at least.



That's about it for the story, kind of like an American western with the woman going against all tradition and finally conquering in the end. This film should make the Tourism Bureau for the Northern Territory quite pleased, but as for the rest? Well, it isn't a total waste because there is some important history about the Australian people and the area. However, that's not enough to warrant almost 2½ hours of horizon scenes. Possibly a 90 minute documentary-style TV film would have told the story better.

The acting is fairly decent. Angela Punch McGregor was good as the strong willed Jeannie, and Arthur Dingam was appropriately hard on the outside, sensitive on the inside, husband.

If you feel like a "slice of life" story and a 2 hour long postcard on the Australian outback turns you on, then see the film. But if you can't handle too many pictures of flat land with a never ending horizon, then this movie will "never never" seem to end.

A play not meant for children



by Lisa Bagshaw

The thrash of petrified fingers on an organ. The shrill of a blood curdling scream off stage. A frozen stare. Ominous silence... **CHILD'S PLAY** by Genesis Players, though not meant for children.

About eight per cent of the players on stage this year in Vancouver have been facial. And not even funny farces at that. There was that odd drama amidst the funny "ha-ha" plays and the quite well done plays, but those odd dramas allowed me to see why Vancouver clung desperately to farces. Drama, Vancouver style, just wasn't very good. It has to be believable, in the characterizations, in the settings, in the direction of the script for purposes of the production.

CHILD'S PLAY is one of those rare examples that was an engrossing drama. Child's Play is a mystery thriller that takes place in a catholic boys school. Teachers and students alike become possessed by some force that makes everyone behave tormented and evil.

It is easy enough to sit at home in the dark and watch a thriller TV show and scare

yourself half to death but how often can a live production send shivers up your spine? Only too often the characterizations haven't been believable enough, and if the audience can't believe that the characters actually believe that it's happening, then how can the reality of the play be a success?

In Child's Play it's the characterizations that steal the show. All the characters are very different, just as humans are and each portrayal by each actor is very real.

Child's Play is about the possession of minds which stems from the hatred of one man's loneliness.

This Genesis Players production is made up of six cast members as well as eleven Winsor highschool theatre students. The students play the most ominous roles. Most never say a word, but if looks could kill, and in this play they do....

Child's Play is playing at the Waterfront theatre on Granville Island Fridays and Saturdays for \$8.50, Tuesday thru Thursday for \$6.50 and only \$4.50 for student rates. By the way, Tuesdays are 2 for 1 days. Show time is 8:30 pm.

An insane cabaret

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It was five minutes past the time that the production was supposed to start. The lights were still on, drinks were still being served and there were two women dressed in Spanish costumes that kept going from table to table kissing, hugging and pocketing tips in their bosoms from the audience. I imagined that they were waitresses (as all waiters and waitresses were dressed in appropriate costumes) who had had "too many" behind the scenes and were just getting a little too carried away. I wished they'd cut the cat calls back and forth and let the show get on.

The show was called **Le GRANDE de COCA-COLA AND IT WAS NUTS!!** The show is about a family who is trying to impress an uncle who is supposedly out in the audience. All the members of the cabaret (all five) tried extra hard to smile, be funny and get all their dance steps and voice pitches on cue, to impress the uncle. It was all very unprofessional, corny and quite amusing.

Le Grande de Coca-Cola has the audience in stitches for most of the time. In fact, the audience is seldom left alone, what with the flirtatious women constantly making eyes at the men in the

audience or running to sit on their laps. Often times the entire cast will go running through the audience. Don't ask for reasons in this production, it's much too crazy for reasoning. The audience can only laugh at the makeshift vocabulary and exaggerated movements of the cast.

The show is not entirely slapstick though there are moments of brilliance on the stage. For instance, there is one slow motion scene where the cast replays a wedding scene to show the audience what really happens and what we might have missed. The scene was very clever and perfectly timed.

Le Grande de Coca-Cola is playing at the new Revue Theatre at Granville Island right next to the ARTS CLUB. The theatre is set up like a cabaret with tables, chairs and drinks. For a guaranteed laugh catch Le Grande de Coca-Cola.

It continues Tuesdays through Thursdays at 8:30 pm and Fridays and Saturdays at 6:30 and 9:30 to May 28th.

Got anything to do tonight?

by Sam Corea

Since this is the last issue of the LINK for the year, here's an entertainment guide for those of you who rely on this paper as your information source to see what's happening around town.

CLUBS AND BARS

The Savoy, 6 Powell St. Gastown
To April 27— The Villains.
April 28-30: The R&B Allstars.

Gators, 7100 Elmbridge Way, Richmond.
To April 30: Code Red.
May 2: French Letters, a local band.
To May 7: The Cover Girls.

Backstage, 405 North Road, Coquitlam.

To April 30: Spare Parts.
May 2-7: Trama, a fun dancing band.
May 9-14: Stiletto.

The Boo Pub, next to the Backstage, same address.
To April 30: Paris.
May 2-7: Kick-Axe.

Rockin' Tonight, 57 Blacke St. New Westminster.
To April 30: Steelback.
May 2-7: Innocent Bystander.
May 9-14: Sidewinder.

Whispers, 1421 Lonsdale, North Vancouver.
To April 30: Innocent Bystander.
May 2-7: Vicious Rumour.
May 9-14: Cover Girls.

The Rock Palace, 1022 Davie St., Vancouver.

Ladies free, Monday-Thursday.
Thursdays: Recession night and Hot legs contest.
To April 30: Kick-Axe.
May 2-7: Frank Soda.
May 9-14: Lydia Taylor, 1983 Juno Award Winner.

THEATRE

I'll Be Back Before Midnight: a young couple move into a desolate farm house to get their rocky marriage straightened out. However something isn't quite right with the house. It's just as fun as staying up to watch the midnight horror show. To May 7 at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre.

Blood Relations: The legend of accused axe murderer Lizzie Borden...Did she do it? To May 14 at the Arts Club theatre, Granville Island, 2 for 1 matinees on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.

Piaf...her songs, her loves: the vivid theatrical biography of Edith Piaf, the fiery French songstress whose rise from the gutters of Paris to centerstage of the world's adoration was chronicled in songs of great courage and passion. Opens May 3 at the City Stage theatre.

VANCOUVER EAST CULTURAL CENTRE

On Sunday, May 1st, a spirited May Day concert will be presented by the **Masterpiece Musicians**. 2:30 pm and 8:00 pm, tickets at the door.

Anna Wyman Dance Theatre will celebrate their 10th anniversary. Special performances May 17-21 at 8 pm. Tickets available at all VTC outlets.

FILM

A presentation of the films completed during the 1982-83 Centre For The Arts Film program at SFU. Saturday April 30 at 7pm- Robson Square Cinema- free admission.

There you have only a few of the things that you can do in your spare time... enjoy and be entertained!!

Laurie Jack Awards

The SA invites nominations for the Laurie Jack awards. 3 money prizes of \$400 each will be awarded to first year students proceeding to second year fall 83 or second year student proceeding to third year fall 83.

Criteria: student must have given time and service to the cause of student life at BCIT such as involvement in student government, sport, or general interest in student affairs.

Nominations should include a brief resume of the background, etc, of the student nominated.

Closing date: May 31, 1983.

Please do not nominate yourself.

Nominations should be forwarded to Business Manager, Student Association.

Constitution changes

I move that the Constitution of the Student Association of the British Columbia Institute of Technology be amended as follows:

Bylaw 1 (membership)

Section 1: The active members shall comprise of all full-time day students and Career Program students who have paid the required Student Activities fee for the current year.

Section 4c: upon a student failing of refusing to pay the required Student Activities fee for the current year.

Bylaw 2

Section 4: 'Each member of the Executive shall maximize communication amongst the Executive by making every effort to confer with a majority of the Executive before making public declarations reflecting on the whole of the Executive or Council. this practice should be adopted particularly in instances where another member of the Executive may, through his own endeavours, be more familiar with the matter in question.'

Bylaw 3 (Governing Body of the Association, members, and Eligibility)

Section 3d xvi: 'Sit on committees formed to oversee the expenditure of Association funds, and report back to the Executive.'

Section 3g be changed to read as

follows:

recreation Chairperson
i) Work with the Co-ordinator of Campus Recreation to co-ordinate intramural sports, clubs and recreation activities.

ii) Meet with the Campus Recreation Committee at least once a month and keep minutes of such meetings.

iii) Keep classes informed of sports programs, recreational activities, timetables, etc., through Technology Sports Representatives. meet with Technology Sports Representatives. meet with Technology Sports representatives at least once a month.

iv) Inform students of Campus Recreation activities through the Link Newspaper; advertise and encourage participation in recreation activities.

v) Obtain input from student body on recommended leagues, events, etc.

vi) Work with Campus Recreation Committee and Department to schedule recreation programs and to disburse fund for different activities where necessary.

vii) Present the budget for Campus recreation events to the Treasurer for inclusion in the Association budget, no later than the first week in May.

viii) Assist the Campus Recreation Co-ordinator in the publicity and promotion of extramural activities.

ix) Serve as a trustee of the Racquets Courts as specified in the Racquet Courts Management Agreement.

Section 3d xvii: 'Prepare budget statements and ledger sheets for each Executive's cost centre and assist each member of the Executive in the maintenance of the same.'

Bylaw 6 (Elections and Appointments)

Section 1a: 'The elections of the Student Association Executive shall be conducted on the first Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of the month of April.'

Section 1f: 'The candidate who receives the largest number of votes, or, in the case of a candidate being uncontested for a position, receives a majority of 'yes' votes, shall be declared elected.'

Section 3g: 'The number of posters or signs displayed by a candidate shall be limited to a maximum of 25 (twenty-five).'

Section 3h: 'All campaign posters and signs displayed by a candidate must be removed by the morning of the first Monday following the close of the elections.'

Section 4b: 'Candidates' names shall be placed on the ballots in the order received, and rotated every 100 (one hundred) ballots.'

Section 5c iii: be deleted.

Section 5d: 'The results of the elections shall be made available to the members of the Association through posting on the Student Association bulletin board no later than the first Monday following the close of the elections, and through publication in the student newspaper.'

Moved by:
Cliff LeSargent

Summer Student Painters

Experience in outside work and some supervisory capabilities

Apply at S.A. Office in the SAC

Deadline for BOG Rep applications/ nominations is MONDAY MAY 2nd at 5 pm

See Bonnie Milne at the Student Association Office
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