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Alumni Association launches onto the Web www.bcitalumni.org

Web site provides communication, networking and information to BCIT Alumni worldwide!

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BCIT Alumni Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, May 27
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: BCIT BBY Campus Building SE2 Town Square D

The mission of the BCIT Alumni Association is to build and maintain relationships between graduates and the BCIT community, and to support the Institute in fulfilling its mission

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Lost track of a good college friend? Wondering what happened to all those great people you graduated with? Looking for fellow grads that live in your area or work in your industry? In search of current news concerning BCIT and the Alumni Association? Curious if there are any alumni events that might be of interest to you? No Problem!

The answers are a simple click away on a powerful and exciting new Web site launched by the BCIT Alumni Association:

www.bcitalumni.org

In today's highly competitive global environment, alumni associations are in constant search of effective and leading edge tools to keep their membership involved, in touch, and informed. To meet this challenge, the BCIT Alumni Association in partnership with Xceedx Technologies Inc. has taken a leading role and developed a state-of-the-art Web site and online directory.

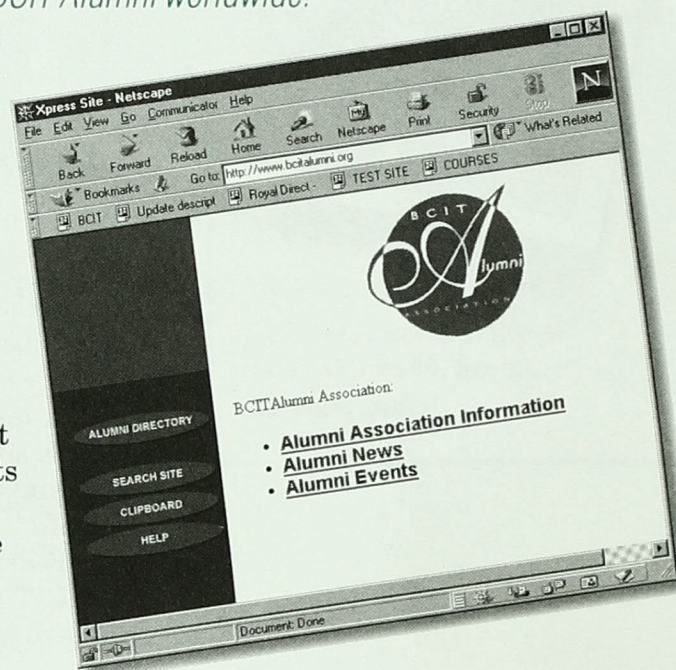
The Web site allows members to publish personal information online, network, stay informed, and have

easy access to association services. The BCIT Alumni Association is confident the Web site will go a long way in helping achieve its mission to "build and maintain relationships between graduates and the BCIT community, and to support the Institute in fulfilling its mission."

The Web site, one of the first of its kind in B.C., consists of an information site and a comprehensive directory containing basic information, including the name, program and year graduated, of every BCIT graduate since the inception of the institution.

One of the Web site's most impressive features is that it allows alumni to access the directory with a specially assigned user ID and password allowing graduates to update their own personal profile. This listing contains fields where members can

The web site will ... "build and maintain relationships between graduates and the BCIT community."



Check out the BCIT Alumni Ambassador web site at <http://www.bcitalumni.org>

volunteer further information about themselves, submit it and see the information immediately reflected in the Web site. This includes a field for e-mail addresses that can be instantly utilized with a click of a mouse opening new communication channels to lost or distant friends. (see page six for instructions)

Only BCIT Alumni will be able to view the detailed information provided by members in the directory. Non-BCIT Alumni visitors will only see the basic information described above. Utilized properly, the directory has the potential to become a powerful and highly effective networking tool for BCIT alumni and the envy of alumni associations across the country.

The directory is categorized by year graduated and contains a powerful search function which enables quick and easy navigation of the large alumni data base.

Year 2000 Reunion

In celebration of the millennium, BCIT is in the midst of planning its biggest reunion EVER! The date is April 8, 2000 in conjunction with BCIT Open House 2000. The event will be held at GM Place, and a Keynote Speaker will be named at a later date.

The reunion will be an opportunity for all BCIT

Alumni to re-unite under one roof. More details will be posted on the web at **www.bcitalumni.org**. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee please contact the alumni office at alumni@bcit.bc.ca or call the Alumni Association office at (604) 432-8847.

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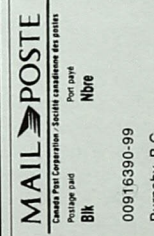
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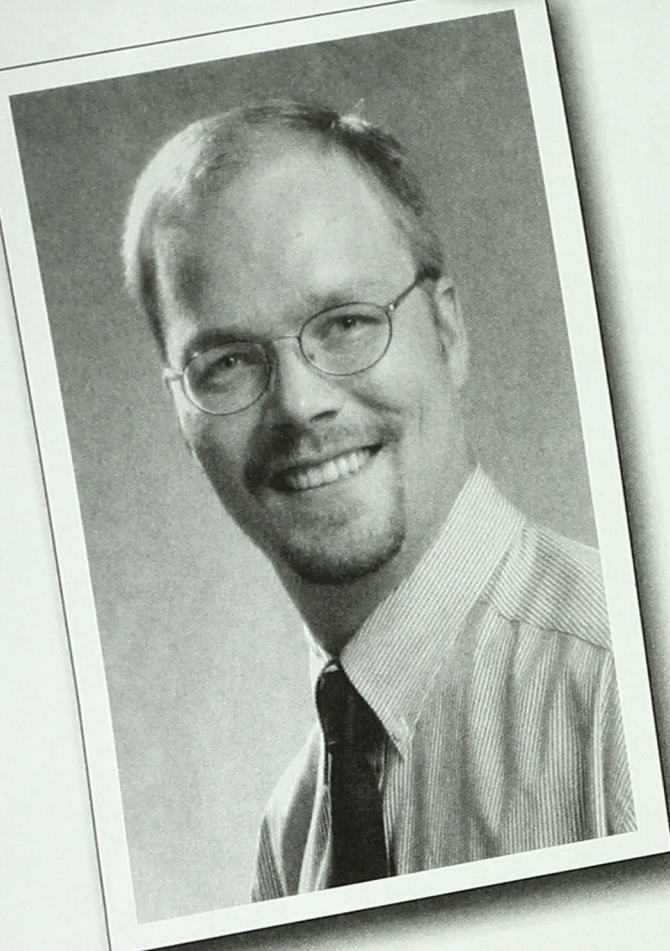
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President's message

It's been an exciting year for the Alumni Association. I am pleased to announce that we have secured General Motors Place for the Reunion 2000 celebration, on April 8, 2000, as part of the BCIT bi-annual Home Coming Weekend. The Reunion 2000 committee wants each and every year represented, and for you to get together with former classmates and have some fun. One way to get your class reunion started,

is to provide contact information to alumni friends and former classmates in the alumni directory of the new Alumni Association Web site. I recommend the Web site instructions article (page six) to find out how to access this site.

In February, 669 graduates joined the BCIT alumni, bringing our total ranks to just fewer than 68,000.

I offer congratulations on behalf of the Alumni Association to alumnus Dal Richards, a well-known band leader in Vancouver, who was also given an Honorary Doctor of Technology at the convocation (see page four).

Your Board of Directors participated at the winter graduation ceremony by selling flowers to grads and their proud parents. The money we raise is used to provide funds for students through the Student Association as well as to bring programs and services to you and other alumni.

One of these services is the Alumni Ambassador Card, which can be purchased through the Alumni Relations Office for \$25. This card entitles you to a 20 per cent reduction on part-time courses as well as a discount at the BCIT library. The Services Committee is looking into other valuable services and products to offer you. Have you seen the sweatshirts with our new logo? We have sold out our first inventory but we have more on order. They will also be for sale in the Alumni Relations Office and at the Annual General Meeting.

This year's Annual General Meeting is on May 27 at 6 p.m., in SE2, Town Square D, at the Burnaby campus. I invite you to come and meet your Board of Directors and take part in the Silent Auction, an annual fundraiser for the Alumni Association.

It's been a privilege to work as president on your behalf over the past year and I look forward to the second year of my first term. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. You can contact me through the Alumni Relations Office, (604) 432-8847, or please call (604) 727-6988.

Sincerely,

Kazimir L. Falconbridge
President, BCIT Alumni Association

Volunteering with the Alumni Association — free sandwiches and more!

Volunteering is an act made by free will without monetary considerations.

"Yeah, so what?" is a question you may ask yourself. Another thought that may come into your head is, "I would really like to help out, but I can barely attend to all my other obligations and responsibilities, and you want me to volunteer!"

Yes! No touchy-feely language needed. No beating around the bush, here. That is exactly what we want you to do. Read on for some reasons why.

The BCIT Alumni Association is built on the time and efforts of graduates from various

programs and graduation dates who are dedicated to fostering the mission of the Alumni Association. The mission of building and maintaining relationships between graduates and the BCIT community is a key component to the products and services you can expect. What part-time courses would benefit your job, your future employment or your children's? Have your views known by running for a position on the Alumni Board of Directors. They meet only four times per year, and you get free sandwiches at all the meetings. How can you refuse?

In addition to free sandwiches, the diversity of the Association gives you an opportunity to network with

all sorts of people who can help you pursue career opportunities. It is also a chance to affect your profession by supporting the other mission of the Alumni Association, which is to help the Institute in fulfilling its mission.

Another benefit to volunteering is the chance to develop and enhance your skills, without having to take a course. Do you want to learn event planning? Join the social or Reunion 2000 committee. Increase your writing or design skills? Help out the Editorial Committee. Want to learn how to fund-raise? Come on board, we'll show you.

OK, that sounds good, but I live in Edmonton. Good point. Other

university and college alumni associations have branches across the country, where grads in major centres come together and fund-raise, network and vote by proxy. Why don't we? Let's do it. We would love to see a healthy competition between BCIT Alumni Associations in Toronto, Calgary, and Moncton.

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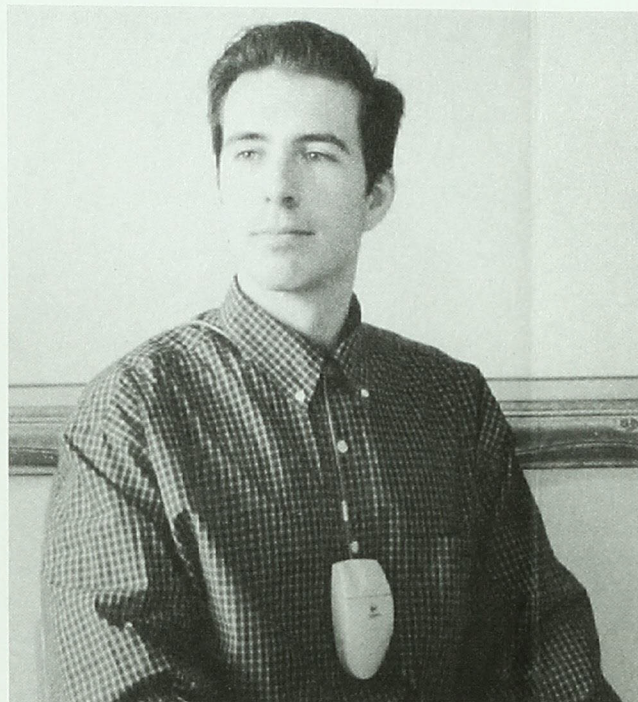
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Dressing like boss gets grad hired!

On his first interview at Guillevin International Inc., the interviewer told Scott McKenzie, Robotics and Automation 1994, "I can tell from your resumé you are who we are looking for." He landed the job, but was it because of his first interview or the fact that he arrived to the second one wearing the same shirt and pants as the company manager?

What images come to mind when you think of robotics and automation? Possibly a room full of nerdy scientists in white lab coats assembling the perfect robot to save us from our tedious tasks.

McKenzie is an alumnus whose enthusiasm for his work parallels his knowledge in the field.



Scott McKenzie is building his career as a marketing representative for Guillevin Inc.

"...as with most grads an ideal career takes time to build."

While speaking with McKenzie, I asked him how he would explain the field. "It could be as narrow in focus as a robotic arm, or as broad as any mechanical activity that is controlled by a computer," he said.

Now a marketing representative at Guillevin, Mackenzie says, "It is a

challenging and rewarding position, but as with most grads an ideal career takes time to build."

He started out, in 1994, working for his family's business. He took his BCIT final project, an automated steel cutting table, and applied it there. The improvements that ensued were significant, and forced the company to change the way they did

business. The results were a quadrupling of sales, increased profits, and efficiency. After three years he had attained his goals and decided to work for a larger company. An entry-level position at a battery factory included night shifts and limited creative freedom. He quickly realized this was not his intended career path.

Over time McKenzie has become an expert in control techniques variable frequency drives (VFDS) and modicon PLCs. One of Scott's most satisfying days was when his former BCIT teacher and mentor

Paulos Paleologous was a participant in one of his training seminars. The respect is obvious, Scott stated, "Paulos taught me how to learn."

As often occurs, in this modern scenario, "The student has become the teacher."

— from *Christian Fletcher, Venture '94*

Nominations for Alumni Association Awards

The Alumni Achievement Award is for a BCIT graduate who has distinguished themselves in their field or made a substantial contribution to the community.

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BCIT grad receives Honorary Doctor of Technology

Former Gold Medal winner and music legend, Dal Richards, was recently awarded BCIT's Doctor of Technology for his relentless enthusiasm towards the Institute and for BCIT's contributions to his own success in the Vancouver hotel industry.

At the age of 48, Richards, now 80, graduated in 1970 at the top of his class in the Hotel Management program. For more than 25 years he played Hotel Vancouver's Panorama Roof, but in 1965, as rock and roll music gained popularity, Richards turned to BCIT for a new career.

"The Big Band movement was a large part of the social fabric in Vancouver. It (the Hotel Vancouver) was the place to go. We were broadcasting on the CBC (radio) coast to coast, but in 1965 it all came to a crashing halt as rock (music) became the preferred entertainment," says Richards.

Confronted with the challenge of making a living to support his family, Richards began to look around for alternative opportunities and he enrolled in BCIT's Hotel Management program.

"BCIT was a tough row for me. I hadn't been in school for over 35 years or up before ten in 25!" says Richards.

After graduation, he held a variety of positions over 15 years working at the Century Plaza, Georgia and Devonshire Hotels. But, during the early 1980's Richards started recording music again, and now divides his time between playing dances in Vancouver's major hotels, shows at the Orpheum and Stanley



Dal Richards receiving his Diploma, Hotel Management in 1970. The legendary musician was recently awarded with a Doctor of Technology from BCIT.

theatres, the PNE, Big Band Cruises to such places as the Caribbean, the Volgan in Russia, and Alaska. He also has his own radio program "Dal's Place" on the Bridge 600 AM. At the age of 80, 1998 was his best year ever!

On being awarded BCIT's Doctor of Technology, Richards says, "I'm proud of this award because it was such a labour. Studying music has always been my passion, but BCIT was such a challenge, and I remember being the oldest guy on campus and

telling myself somehow you've got to make it through this."

Richards was awarded the Doctor of Technology alongside First Nations Elder Bob George at the convocation ceremony on February 18. Tom Simons, former President of Simons International, will receive the Doctor of Technology at the June convocation.

Honorary degrees are awarded to individuals who are widely recognized for outstanding and sustained achievements in their areas of expertise.

Toastmasters



Does the thought of public speaking make your knees go weak? If so, you're not alone: many people say that they'd actually rather die than give a speech in public. Overcome one of your worst fears!

In its first year the BCIT Alumni Toastmasters Club has already helped a number of people overcome the nervousness of giving a speech. They can help you too. You may have earned your diploma or certificate saying that you've got the necessary skills for today's job market, but if you can't communicate clearly and effectively you may not succeed. The BCIT Alumni Toastmasters Club can provide you with the opportunity to deliver a message to a large crowd or for those comfortable with public speaking. This opportunity can help you master your communication skills. The club has also just received charter status. Congratulations!

For information about the Club please contact Irene Evans at (604) 274-3794 or email at evans@direct.ca or view us on the web at <http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Olympus/8530>

— from Pam Fraser, Class of '97.

So long and good luck Jennifer!

Alumni Relations Officer Jennifer Ingham, took maternity leave from her position last June. In July 1998, Jennifer and her husband, Jim, 1995 Diploma of Technology, Operations Management, had their first child, a daughter, Jessica.

In her new role as mother, Jennifer chose to delay her return to work full-time and has taken a part-time position, working out of her home, with the Arthritis Society.

Jennifer worked with the alumni Board of Directors to develop a distinct logo and colour for the BCIT Alumni Association and a new format for the Alumni Ambassador. In addition, Jennifer set

up an editorial committee of alumni volunteers who play a major role in the content of the Ambassador.

Both BCIT and the Board of Directors of the BCIT Alumni Association thank Jennifer for the outstanding work she did in the alumni relations office. Good luck in your new position.



Pictured above, former alumni relations officer Jennifer Ingham with her husband Jim, and baby Jessica.

Attention: BCIT Part-Time

Did you know that if you are enrolled for courses at BCIT you can avail yourselves of the services provided by the Student Association?

Some of the services provided are:

- ❖ Tutoring
- ❖ Self Serve Copiers
- ❖ Problems with Course or Faculty
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- ❖ Free Pass to Science World/Omnimax
- ❖ BCIT Crested Clothing
- ❖ TNT School Supplies
- ❖ Convenience Store

For more info give us a call.



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Machinist finds life work as BCIT instructor

Fourteen years ago, Owen Collings had no idea what his first Saturday refresher class would lead to. It was during this machinist course that his instructor pointed out to him that he should consider teaching. Not even a year later Collings found himself as an instructor at BCIT.

Collings has been a faculty member at the Institute for the last 13 years and currently teaches Industrial Maintenance Mechanics. Although he is based in the Millwright program, he began in the machine shop. Collings describes the machine shop as a busy, exciting, dynamic place. He enjoys returning three months of every year to teach there.

What makes all of the difficult aspects of teaching worthwhile to Collings?

"Once, a wife of a student phoned to tell me that her husband, taking his class, was happier and more enthusiastic than he had been in years," says Collings.

The knowledge that his class benefitted someone makes the tougher times bearable.

He expressed that the success of the Trades program area can be



BCIT Instructor Owen Collings demonstrating industrial maintenance to mechanics students.

attributed to the diversity of backgrounds and life experiences that each staff member brings to their training area.

Collings modestly describes his background as ordinary in comparison to that of his fellow colleagues. He has taken a variety of postings throughout Latin America. In Northern Chile, he helped set up a trades training

college for the mining industry with BCIT International, and has worked with a refinery in Burnaby to set up a Vibration Analysis program.

With such extraordinary teachers it is no wonder BCIT has a remarkable Trades program area.

— from Megan Simms-Beatty, Marketing/Communications '96

Volunteering cont'd

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Outside of networking, acquiring new job skills and assisting the Alumni Association reach its goals, there is a chance to have some fun. Pub nights, casinos and the upcoming Reunion 2000 are opportunities to volunteer your time and have fun doing it. If you feel that you really don't have much spare time, there are numerous opportunities for a one-time commitment. Phone the Alumni office at (604) 432-8847 and they can let you know what they are.

All of this information illustrates how your commitment to volunteering with the Alumni Association is a chance to affect change, put initiatives into action and develop relationships which will enhance your life and career. If none of these arguments convinces you, there's another reason: it will make you feel good.

— from Mary Kirkland, Marketing Communication 1996



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BCIT Alumni Web Site Instructions

The new BCIT Alumni Web site is easy to use. Follow these instructions and you will be on your way to contacting fellow alumni, updating your personal profile, and keeping up-to-date with alumni news, events and services.

1. The BCIT Alumni Web site is located at **www.bcitalumni.org**. It is best viewed with **Microsoft Explorer 4.0** or **Netscape Navigator 4.0**.
2. Once you have reached the homepage you will be guided into the alumni information site. This site can be viewed by anyone and includes information on the BCIT Alumni Association, its services, contact information, current news, current events and a downloadable version of the BCIT Alumni Ambassador.
3. To reach the Directory you will need to click on the **Alumni Directory Button** on the left side bar menu. This will take you to a disclaimer page. Please read the disclaimer carefully and click on the link at the bottom of the page to enter the **Alumni Directory**.
4. You will now find yourself on the directory login page. You will need to enter a specially assigned **user ID** and **password** into the appropriate fields to enter the site.
5. Your **user ID** and **password** can be found on the mailing label of your copy of the Alumni Ambassador. Your **user ID** is your **Alumni ID Number** and your **password** is your last name. *Remember to type these in exactly as they are displayed on the mailing label taking into regard spacing and case.*
6. Once in the site simply click on the **user entries button** on the side menu. Your personal listing will be displayed.
7. To edit or add information to your personal listing click on the **edit button** on the top left hand corner of your listing form.
8. When you have finished entering your information click on the **submit button** at the bottom of the page and the information you have provided will be immediately reflected on the Web site.
9. To browse the directory and locate fellow alumni it is best to go to your year of graduation in the main menu and then use the search functionality by clicking on the **Search button** on the side bar menu.
10. Enter as much information as possible into the fields provided in the Search Form. Once you have entered your search terms click on search any fields — then click **submit**. This will give you your best chance of locating the Alumni member that you are looking for.
11. **HAVE FUN!**

If you require further information on how to use the BCIT Alumni Web site, please contact the BCIT Alumni Office at (604) 432-8847.

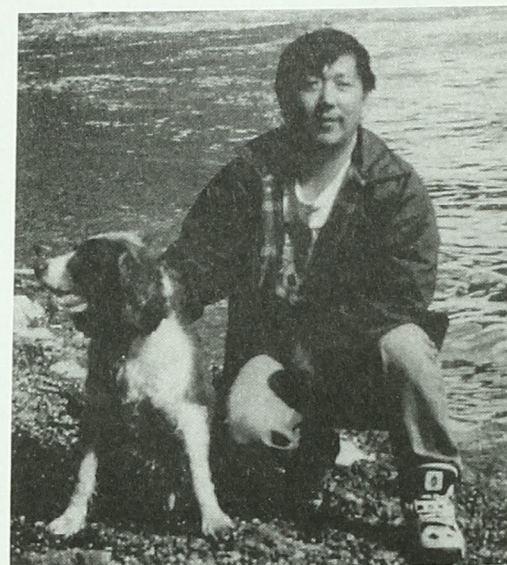
Family establishes memorial fund for BCIT alumnus

The Hamaguchi family have established a Memorial Award to honour the memory of Jiro Hamaguchi. This endowment provides entrance awards for students entering any BCIT program and achievement awards for graduates of the Electronic Engineering Technology (EET) program.

Hamaguchi's brother, Ted, says, "Our family has established this award because of Jiro's generous nature, recognition of the institution that helped him gain a successful and enjoyable profession, and his contributions to the BCIT Alumni Fund."

Hamaguchi, died at age 50 last fall from the result of a traffic accident while returning home from a hunting trip. He graduated from BCIT's EET program in 1970 and relocated to northern B.C. Throughout his career, Hamaguchi worked in the electronic communication field for the B.C. Department of Forestry, National Interior Transceivers Ltd., and BC Rail.

A nature-lover, Hamaguchi participated in a search and rescue organization, and a Nelson outdoor



Enjoying nature with his dog, Jiro Hamaguchi is sadly missed by many friends and family.

club. He worked on projects to provide outdoor facilities and the preservation of nature in the Nelson area.

Contributions may be added to the fund by sending a cheque payable to the BCIT Jiro Hamaguchi Fund at the Development Office, 3700 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., V5G 3H2, or call (604) 432-8868.

Web site cont'd

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The Web site also contains an "information" section that enables the BCIT Alumni Association to easily enter up-to-date information about current news and events. This will ensure BCIT Alumni are the most informed and in touch alumni in the country, and provide access to services and programs that they may not have previously been aware of.

It is hoped that the new BCIT Alumni Web site with its ease of use,

unique features and services will foster the type of growth, communication and knowledge base that will ensure BCIT Alumni continue to lead the way in their respective industries and communities long after they have graduated. Get online and visit www.bcitalumni.org today.

— from Rob McMahon
Marketing 1998

Stay in Touch!

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Enter the Grapevine

Do you have a new job or child? Have you moved or married? Let us know! DON'T FORGET to send us your wedding, baby or family photos. (Please Print. Max. 30 words.)

The Alumni Association is currently recruiting members for the following committees. Please check the box(es) to indicate where you'd like to get involved:

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Grapevine

1968

Tanner, Frederick

William Wood Products, Lumber and Plywood

Fred has a new job as a Technical Director since September 1998.

Gilbert, Karen

Diane (Beck) Computer Systems

Presently Karen is in her fifth year of the CGA program. She was a stay-at-home mom raising her two children, Dean, 26, and Teril Lynn 23. Deciding she needed to do something for herself, she entered the CGA program.

1970

Jarvis, William

Windsor Mining

His youngest son Kevin is studying and working for his PhD at UBC in Engineering, Geology. William is looking for a West Coast Salmon in exchange for breakfast, lunch or dinner, so if any classmates are heading toward Saskatoon, William would like to see you!

1973

Hardy, Ronald Gordon

Hospitality Administration

After graduating Ron worked in the hotel business for several years. Since 1977 he has been employed with Scotia Bank and is working toward a certified Financial Planner designation. Married to wife June for 22 years, they have two teenagers, and he has less hair.

1974

Christian, Kenneth Lorne

Environmental Health

Ken is the manager of Environmental Health at Thompson Health Region and Chairman of the Kamloops Thompson School Board. He coaches basketball and has three children: Nicholas, 10; Jonathan, 8; and Taryn, 4.

1977

Nagy, John J.

Financial Management

He has recently been honoured by CGA-Canada with their "Fellow" designation, their highest award. John has also been elected president of CGA-B.C. for 1999.

1979

Folinsbee, John Allen

Mining

John's new job has brought him back to the big city, after twelve years of living in small mining towns (mostly in Ontario). John and his wife Susan are slowly adjusting. Susan remains home with son Jamie, 3. John would like to hear from old classmates at jfolinsb@msn.com.

1982

Wilson, Nancy June (Eden)

Computer Systems

Nancy just moved to Calgary from New Westminster. She has three children: Melisa, 7; John, 4; and Kevin nine months old.

1984

Maidens, Jeffrey

Electronic Engineering Tech

Jeff and Feiza have three sons, Paul, 5; Mark, 3; and Robert, 1. He is currently an instructor within the Automation and Instrumentation option, Electronics Engineering Technology.

1986

Makalai, Karim

Computer Systems

I have worked in the software industry, have climbed the corporate ladder, decided that the air was too thin up there and in the last year, have opened my own consulting company. I would like to say hi to my fellow grads.

1988

Kilborn, Ursula M. (Jofenig)

Mktg Mgt-Tourism Mgmt

Ursula has been working for Canadian Pacific Hotels since 1989 and has worked her way across the country starting at Chateau Whistler in B.C., to Moncton N.B. at the Global Reservation Centre and currently at the National Sales Office based in Ottawa, Ontario. She has been married since 1991 to Doug.

1989

Frymire, Ange

Broadcast Communications

Life is as exciting as ever. Besides working diligently for musicians and artists Ange is now entering the wild world of writing. Her column Ange-Thology appears in the (North and West) Voice and centre on A&E. She also does A&E television reporting for Ar3 Alive and publishers Clearance House has told her for the past year that she's about to be \$1 million richer!

Leach, Steven John

Building Engineering Technology

Steven started a new business in 1996 and now employees 30 people. He also has a one year old son Duncan.

Faye, Jefferey Eric

Electronic Engineering Technology

Moved to Okotoks, Alberta, August 1998. Jeff and Carol were married in August 1995 and have a son Devon, 2 and a daughter Sophie, six-months old. He started a new job with Shaw Fiberlink in March 1998.

1990

Craig, Laurie Anne (Innes)

Medical Laboratory

We have two children; Kaylee, 4; and Tessa, 2.

1991

Clayton, Kevin Wayne

Mktg Mgt-Adv and Sales Promotion

Was promoted to VP of Cellular & Sales. Kevin and Debora have a new baby born November 1998 and a welcome addition to two sons Chase, 4 and Kyle, 2.

1992

Gerein, Cory

Aircraft Structures

Has two wonderful children. Madison, 3 and Jerrod, 11 months. He received a promotion in October 1998. He is really happy with all the responsibilities of his new job. He would like to send his thanks to BCIT for providing him with the training to become a successful graduate in the aviation field. He and his wife have just bought a house in Kelowna.

Kristmanson, Nicole Lynn

Mktg Mgt-Adv & Sales Promotion

Nikki is currently working as the Marketing Coordinator for Prince Rupert City Tel, western Canada's only independant phone company. She would love to hear from former schoolmates at nikki@citytel.net.

Aiken, Lisa

Bio Sc. Landscape Horticulture

Lisa and Brad are enjoying their new son Jack who came into the world June, 24, 1998. Lisa is on maternity leave but will be going back to work as an Estate Gardener in the spring of '99.

1993

Gannon, Patrick

Aircraft Maintenance Avionics

Employed immediately upon graduation by Pacific Aviation, then to Canadian Airlines, and then on to additional technical training. He is now on contract with BCIT to develop and deliver a new component overhaul course at Sea Island campus where he is presently teaching his first term.

1994

Quadros, Pamela-Jane

Mktg Mgt-Tech Sales/Prof Sales

Pamela has been hired by Obie Media, a new American company who has moved into Canada. Obie Media obtained the BC Transit outdoor and indoor bus advertising in July 1998. She has joined the team to focus on the Fraser Valley, where she lives with her two cats Samosa and Savannah.

Pion, Adam G.

Fin Mgt - Finance

Recently married and bought a condo in Surrey. Adam qualified for CA in 1997 and CFP in 1998. Currently enrolled in the CICA in-depth tax course and working towards CFA Charter. Thanks BCIT.

1995

Gerace, Ryan

Mktg Mgt-Mktg Communication

After three years in the advertising industry in Vancouver, Ryan has decided to change careers. He moved to Edmonton in May 1998 and is currently studying to become a paramedic.

1996

Scott, Colin

Computer Systems

Colin and Sonja (Pronger) have a new baby boy named Carson. They will be sending

him off to the Chris and Sean Pronger Hockey School in a few years so he can learn how to play in the NHL like his Uncle Sean (Pittsburgh Penguins) and Uncle Chris (Captain of the St. Louis Blues)!

Chrisp, Darcy

Environmental Health

Darcy is set to get married in July 1999. Since graduating in 1996 he has been employed as an Environment Officer and Public Health Inspector with Manitoba Environment in Flin Flon.

Saufferer, Michael

Operations Management

Michael left Knelson Concentrators in mid-summer and is currently working at Creo Products as an Engineering Change Coordinator. His role is to ensure that engineering changes mesh smoothly with production on the floor. Amy and Michael were married on May 30 of last year and reside in Port Moody.

1998

Phan, Nam

Comp Sys-Information Systems

After graduating from the Computer Systems Technology program, Nam found a job at a Web developing company, Habanero Studios, working as a technical developer.

Choy, Florence

Mktg Mgt-Mktg Communication

She is working towards finishing her BBA and is planning on expanding her business.

McMahon, Rob

Mktg Mgt-Mktg Communication

Rob has been with Rogers Cablesystems for three years and in October 1998 accepted the position of Community Relations Coordinator. Rob has also decided to join our editorial committee right here at BCIT. Welcome aboard, Rob.

Cherniwchan, David

Broadcast - Journalism

Dave and Sharon are expecting a new baby in February 1999.



Ken McLean

The first Student Council President at BCIT who graduated in 1966, Building Engineering, passed away on December 21, 1998.

In memorium — The Alumni Association Remembers

**Christine Shwaikoski
(nee Walsh)**

Biological Sciences

Married to Ross (Biological Sciences, 1970). Chris passed away in October 1998 after a brief battle with cancer. She had two sons, Paul, 22, a financial planner and Brain 19, first year Broadcast Communications, BCIT. Chris was a senior buyer at BC Hydro, Power Supply. She recently obtained an Associate Certificate from BCIT in Financial Planning in April 1998.

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