



A Newsletter for the BCIT Community

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## Open House for children

This year, Open House will include more activities and events for children. Research clearly shows that children start developing an interest in science as early as grade 4. Open House can introduce youngsters to the fascination of science and technology.

Janice Mah, Director of children's programs for Open House '92, has put together an exciting program that includes:

- Lon Mandrake, the science magician
- Science World Road Show
- Imagination Market
- Ronald McDonald Safety Show

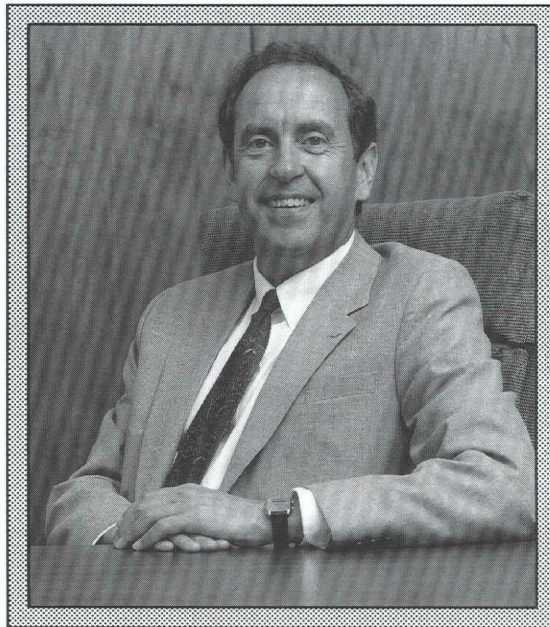
There'll be a wall painting competition between children from various Burnaby schools, face painting, egg parachuting, cartoon portraits by Dave Best and Wormsworth.

Bring your kids to Open House '92, April 10, 11 & 12.

From Paula Pick  
Library



## Message from the President



**A**s president of BCIT, I am very enthusiastic about Open House '92. Open House plays a vital role in creating awareness of the Institute's many diverse programs as well as providing students with the opportunity to apply and strengthen some of the skills they are presently learning.

Open House '92 is a collaborative effort between students, faculty and administration. This year will be especially challenging as the semester recovery plan places extra demands on students and faculty. Students will be creating displays in the areas of business, health sciences, engineering technology and trades with the objective being to attract, educate and entertain visitors of all age levels and interests.

The three-day event is expected to attract up to 50 thousand visitors who represent potential students, prospective employers, and members of the community.

We are proud that our quality graduates are job ready and eager to meet the demands of business and industry. Your support of Open House helps to ensure that our students will continue to fulfil and exceed the expectations of employers. Please help students **"Discover their Future"** at Open House '92 by taking an active role.

I welcome your participation in Open House '92 and hope to see you and your family this coming April 10, 11, 12.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Watson".

John Watson



**F**lying saucers, hot air balloons, logger sports, sky divers and over 100 student displays will be just a few of the highlights at Open House '92, on April 10, 11, and 12.

Every two years BCIT's Burnaby campus opens its doors to over 50,000 guests. The student organized event features student displays, jugglers, clowns, musicians, a business and industry career fair, a dynamic regional science fair, the Science World road show, Imagination Market and the Planetarium show. Parking and admission are free.

"Open House is going to be excellent this year," says coordinator Jennifer Comyns. "Everything is really coming together right now. It's going to be a very exciting event. We have a lot of participation from students, a high level of participation from industry through the career fair and a strong response from the public inquiring about attending Open House."

The 14-member student organizing committee has been hard at work since September organizing the event while carrying full school workloads.

"They have attended committee meetings every week, done a lot of volunteer work such as stuff-a-thons, dances and fundraisers," said Jennifer. "It does take a lot of time but they all have got so much out of it so far and I know everyone has learned a lot from the experience."

## OPEN HOUSE HIGHLIGHTS

### • Opening Ceremony

Friday April 10 beginning at 4 pm in the new campus square.

### • Student Displays

Created by students in Health Sciences, Business, Engineering Technology and Trades Training. The displays include helicopters, automotive diagnostics, Broadcast Communications, human resource management, EEG labs and mechanical design equipment.

### • Career Fair

In the Town Square Cafeteria featuring various companies and associations.

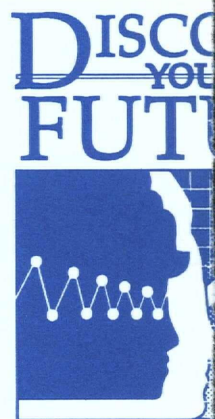
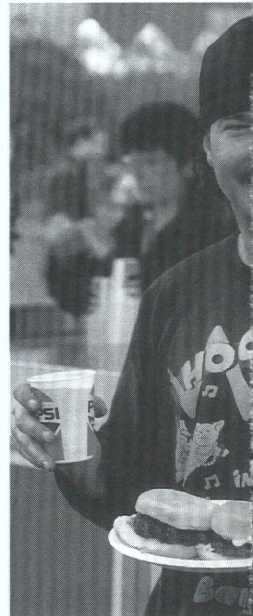
### • Regional Science Fair

Top students from throughout the Lower Mainland compete for awards with their innovative science projects.

### • Skydiving and Hot Air Balloons

Keep your eyes on the skies on Saturday and Sunday.

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# APRIL 10, 11, 12



# OPEN HOUSE



## OPEN HOUSE HIGHLIGHTS

- **Logger Sports Show**  
Forestry students demonstrate their skills at the logger sports field.
- **Children's Events**  
Imagination Market, Ronald McDonald Safety Show, Science World, clowns and storytelling.
- **Police and Fire displays**  
The Burnaby RCMP and the Burnaby Fire Department's Old Pumper will be on display.
- **Burnaby Centennial Celebration**  
Check out Burnaby's 100th Birthday display and float.

## Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek and Vernon students win trip to Open House

**A**nd it's not just BCIT students who will benefit from Open House. Students from Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek and Vernon have won trips to Vancouver to attend the event.

Thousands of grade 11 students from around the province submitted letters explaining why they wanted to attend BCIT's Open House. The contest was publicized through Shoppers' Drug Mart stores. Winners will be flown to Vancouver by Air B.C.; accommodation will be provided by Holiday Inn.

"I think that Vancouver could also enrich my culture as I have always lived in a small town," wrote student winner Naomi Sime of Fort Nelson, B.C. "The campus offers sporting facilities, a childcare centre, and much more."

Winner Matt Campbell of Dawson Creek wrote that he wanted to continue his education in the province. "Watching what is happening in the world today with all the people who are being laid off from their jobs, I feel the best thing I can do for myself is to further my education."

Daron Rutter of Vernon, the third student winner, said he wants to attend BCIT to learn about science and technology. "I think by visiting this Open House I will learn something about post-secondary education in our province and what it has to offer."

All three students are arriving at BCIT where a chaperon will meet them on Friday April 10.

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## MEX FEST

March 25, 11:30 am - 2 pm, in the SAC

Student Association raises money for student assistance.

**O**n Wednesday March 25, the SA will host MEX-FEST a one-day carnival to raise money for the Student Assistance Fund. Games, prizes, dunk tank, food and drink specials will be courtesy of Taps and the Legendary Grill.

### Top Ten Reasons for Attending MEX-FEST

10. Chance to wear your new sombrero.
9. Take out your frustrations with school on a pinata.
8. Dunk Student Executives in freezing cold water.
7. NACHOS !!!!
6. Funky Mexican Music.
5. More exciting than your communications class.
4. TEQUILA !!!!
3. A chance to score two nights free accommodation courtesy of Marriott Corporation of Canada Ltd. and Canadian Holidays.
2. TEQUILA !!!!
1. You can help other students at BCIT.

Every year the SA holds a fundraiser for students at BCIT who need financial assistance. The money raised is matched dollar for dollar by the provincial government.

The Student Assistance Fund is available to all students who demonstrate extreme financial need, and have exhausted all available funds. Students considering applying for funds should have already applied for a bursary this term, and for financial assistance through the Financial Aid office.

MEX-FEST is a chance for students and staff to have some fun and help our students. So, Wednesday March 25th come down to the SAC and whoop it up at MEX-FEST! OLE!

From *Tracie Clark*  
Student organizer

## Did you know ... ?

Anne Walton in Finance turned 60! Happy Birthday Anne!



## Appointments...

**Eunice Carvajal**, clerical assistant, Wordprocessing; **Gary Grass**, instructor, Avionics; **Luigi Fontana**, instructor, Carpentry; **Ed Bosman**, instructor, Electrical Trades; **Bill Johnston**, instructor, Piping; **Kerry Neilson**, instructor, Welding; **Donna Burns**, assistant manager, Computer Operations/Production Services; **Mary Filippelli**, instructor, Medical Radiography

## Leaves...

**Jerry Cox**, instructor, Sheet Metal; **Harry Evans**, instructor, Autobody/Autoframe; **Robert Nicholson**, instructor, Machinist Group; **Hilary Hannigan**, faculty, Operations Management; **Patrick McSorley**, faculty, Operations Management

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"Nothing could be finer, than to be in Carolina..." in the springtime! 31 golf courses, 3 private tennis courts, pool, 12 miles of sandy beach and a beautiful townhouse on the lagoon at Hilton Head Island.

Call 434-7184 or 432-8218 for more words... and get humming!

## CITEC on campus

The Colleges and Institutes Technology in Education Committee (CITEC), comprised of educators and instructional developers from colleges and educational institutes around the province and the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training, will meet via teleconferencing on Friday March 27.

For information on CITEC and teleconference topics and speakers, please contact:

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## Association of Women in Post-Secondary Education

April 1, 1992

Dinner Meeting

Guest Speaker

**Wendy Waite**  
Director, Employment Equity  
B.C. Institute of Technology

Location: BCIT, Town Square  
Conference Room A&B

No Host Bar: 6:00 pm  
Dinner: 6:30 pm

Cost:  
Members: \$15  
Others: \$20

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Wendy Waite

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