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### **Alumni Association News**

## President's Message

From Robert Wells, Alumni President

Over the past several years, your Board has been evolving into a very strong and cohesive unit representing Alumni. Again this year we have a dedicated and hard working Board of Directors, and the continued support of BCIT President John Watson and his staff.

What does your Board want to accomplish over the coming year?

We have three major themes we want to concentrate on:

#### 1. Communications/Service

Based on the survey we did last year through the Alumni News, we are planning changes to the format and content to better communicate with you. We will also be accepting paid advertising, so if you have a message to deliver to over 20,000 fellow graduates there is no better place than this newsletter.

By the way, if you change your address, please let us know!

We want you to come back to the Campus!

The Campus Masterplan is very exciting. Construction has begun on the new \$8 million Technology Block, and groundbreaking for the new student centre is expected in the spring. The Association will have an office in the student centre, as well as full use of the facilities.

All Alumni now belong to the Rix Club, aluxurious lounge and dining room established by staff. It is available day and night, and is a great



place to dine prior to night school classes. It is also perfect for set or technology reunions. The menu is reasonably priced.

There are many new programs in place or coming up at BCIT, so we have established a **Professional Development Committee** to keep track of post-diploma opportunities and to keep you informed through this newsletter. One should never stop learning.

#### 2. Friendraising

This is a term that is used often in BCIT circles. We have started with future grads - current BCIT students - by working with the SA on various projects. One project is the Student/Alumni Mentoring program - where students look to us to guide them on their career paths. I encourage you to call the SA and sign up as a volunteer (432-8602).

Networking is extremely important for BCIT graduates, and we want to see more Alumni helping each other, thereby helping themselves. Have you thought about getting together with your set? We have Alumni names and addresses to help you reunite with former classmates. You may even wish to set up a Technology or Regional Chapter of the Alumni Association - what better way to keep informed of new developments in your industry or maybe even job opprtunities than through networking at this level.

Since joining the Board I have met with many industry representatives to discuss what they think of our school and it's graduates. Let me say that the comments are always favourable - graduates really are BCIT Ambassadors and should be proud of graduating from a highly regarded institute. We give the Institute a positive image and inspire prospective students to come to BCIT.

#### 3. Fundraising

As at any other college or university, an important function of the Association is to help the school with scholarships and bursaries. We are no exception.

We have two campaigns on the go. First, we have committed to the SA to help build the new student campus centre, and are approaching corporations for donations to this worthy project.

Second, we continue to support students facing the high cost of education by asking graduates to contribute to our student aid endowment fund. If you don't hear from us, give us a call! The wonderful feature of this fund is that money donated by grads is fully matched by the provincial government.

As you can see, we have well defined goals, but we need your help to accomplish them. More important than your money we want your time, and have established several standing and ad hoc committees that can use your participation. Give something back to the institution that educated you by getting

involved in the Alumni Association.

On the back cover is the Alumni Newsline, this time with a special area listing committee opportunities. Remember WE NEED YOU to make this year and the years following a success, so check off your interests and send the back page into the Alumni Office. You will network with other interesting Alumni, these tasks will not take a lot of time, and you will have fun accomplishing your goals.

SIGN UP TODAY!

## Charity golf tourney a great success

The first-ever BCIT Alumni Association Charity Golf Classic, held on June 20th, has been rated a great success by tournament organizers.

The turnout was tremendous, with almost 100 enthusiastic golfers taking on the challenging Mayfair Lakes golf course in Richmond. A little rain fell through the day, filling the course with even more water for golfers to struggle through. But a great steak barbeque and prize distribution followed the competition and gave eveyone a chance to dry off.

The Alumni Board was very pleased with how well the first tournament went, and with the \$5,200 raised for the Campus Centre. This will be matched by the provincial government.

"We wish to thank everyone who participated," says organizer and Alumni VP Kurt Louie. "To those members who didn't get out to the first tournament, we missed you. Hopefully we'll see your smiling faces at the first tee next year!"

The second annual BCIT Alumni Association Charity Golf Classic is set to go September 17, 1992, again at Mayfair Lakes. It is sure to be another successful event, full of fun and good golfing, and fundraising. Space will be limited so don't be disappointed.

To register please call the Alumni office.

### **BCIT Developments**

### Staff News

#### Honoured

Associate dean of Nursing, Margaret Neylan, was chosen last Spring to receive the Lieutenant-Governor's Award of Recognition for Women in British Columbia.

In announcing the award, Carol Gran, minister responsible for women's programs, said Neylan had made "outstanding contributions to increasing economic opportunities for women."

"In particular, this award acknowledges the distinctive nature of your work in the nursing field. The instrumental role you have played in designing and implementing remote access and accreditation programs for nurses demonstrates a high level of commitment, leadership and creativity. As a devoted health care professional and educator, your efforts to improve training opportunities for women will continue to have a lasting and positive effect in many communities throughout the province."

#### **Staff Moves**

Keith Holden, an instructor in the Computer Systems program for the past 25 years retired in January, 1991.

Gerry Berkenpas, senior instructor, retired last June after 27 years in the Building Technology Program.

Fred Bailey, an Electronic Trades instructor, also retired last June. He had worked at BCIT for 27 years.

Alan Nichols, instructor, Biomedical Engineering, is off to the United Arab Emirates to teach and supervise at the College of Higher Technology, Electronics Department at Al Ain campus.

John Hicks, program head of Real Estate Studies, Marketing Management, retired last summer. He had been program head for the past 10 years, and was awarded the Excellence in Teaching Award in 1991.

Bob Buntain, the sawfiling instructor in the Industrial Mechanical Group, retired during the summer after seven years with BCIT.

#### In Memoriam

Former television head **Ken Hughes** died August 13, 1991, at the age of 72 following a long illness. Ken retired from BCIT in 1983 after 16 years. He started as an instructor for television and within four months became head of the department.

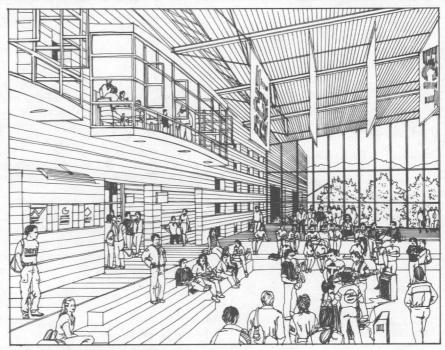
## Capital campaign a winner for BCIT

By Cathy Daminato

The High Tech, High Promise - The Drive for BCIT capital campaign is destined to be a winner, says campaign chair Clark Quintin, Vice President, IBM Canada Ltd.

With the help of his Leadership Committee, which reads like a who's who of B.C. business leaders, Quintin plans to raise \$10 million for BCIT. This figure includes \$5 million from an approved B.C. government fund to match private donations to the campaign.

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## Construction begins on the new face of BCIT

For the first time in over a decade there is a major construction and building program taking place on the Burnaby campus.

There are new buildings, sidewalks, roadways, a central square, lecture theatres, classrooms. Plans are being made now for improved social and recreational facilities. Construction began in May and in September an \$8 million state of the art technology block project began which will greatly expand classroom and office space on campus.

The 4,500-square-metre three-storey building will contain a mixture of lecture/classroom facilities, computer labs and faculty offices. Specific features include a 300-seat lecture theatre and an integrated media presentation facility. The building will also be equipped for computer/communications networks.

The technology block, which is expected to be completed by the fall of 1992, provides space for 1,050 students and 114 faculty and support staff.

The project is part of the Campus Master Plan, adopted by BCIT in 1989. The master plan envisions creating a vibrant social and educational heart for the Burnaby campus as part of the major redevelopment of the campus. The campus square is already nearing completion and plans are set for a Campus Centre Complex which includes the new technology block, student centre (see separate story on page four) and food pavilion.

Over the next several years, an estimated \$60 million is planned to be spent on expansion and modernization.

### **Alumni Association News**

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## Alumni establish student mentoring program

By Don Wright

When you are up to your neck in readings, assignments, exams and term projects, it is rather like the classic tale of the person working in the swamp. It is impossible to think about the original objective of draining the swamp when the alligators are circling and closing in. (Honestly, I'm not thinking of any instructors in particular!)

Most students, and as graduates we have all been there, arrive at BCIT with a specific career goal. However, once course work starts to pile up it becomes more and more difficult to focus on career goals and how they might be achieved, beyond earning that coveted diploma.

It is with this dilemma in mind that the Alumni Association got together with the Student Association to develop the Alumni Mentor Program.

Guy Steeves is a member of the Alumni board of directors and the one who has worked the hardest to establish mentoring at BCIT. He says the program is designed to "make use of the school's greatest resource, graduates!"

"We have gone through it all, some of us more than once," says Guy. "We can guide students through the latter part of their program, and help them focus on achieving their initial career goal: placement in their field of studies."

The program matches individual second-year students with alumni volunteers who will meet with them for about an hour, once a month through the school year. Time could be spent on reviewing the student's career expectations and ways of targeting appropriate companies, as well as assistance with tailoring resumes and preparing for interviews.

"The Alumni Mentor Program will help students tap into business and industry and make important contacts before graduation," says Guy, "better preparing them and giving them a jump on students graduating from other schools."

Graduates interested in investing a few hours mentoring one or more students are invited to call the SA at 432-8602 for more information or to register.

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## GO B.C. gives \$1 million for student building

How many of us have ever been handed a cheque for \$1 million? On September 5 SA president Jason Veltch was handed such a cheque, and although it wasn't made out to him he was happy to receive it nonetheless. The \$1 million is a grant from GO B.C. towards building the new Student Centre, part of the Campus Centre Complex now under construction at BCIT.

"We've been working towards this day for more than two years... this grant is just the boost we need to make the longtime dream of BCIT students a reality," says Veitch.

The cheque was presented to the SA by the Honourable Elwood Veitch, Provincial Secretary, who said the facility will "provide an important focal point, not only for BCIT students and staff, but for the entire community of Burnaby. The new complex provides an attractive new meeting place for business and community activities."

Dr. Don Rix, who chairs the fundraising campaign for the new building, is also pleased with the grant.

"With this provincial government grant we are now \$1 million closer to our goal," says Rix. A further \$2 million is required to see the Student Centre built.

Bob Wells, Alumni Association president, notes that the new building will house Alumni Association offices and boardroom, and adds he will be "calling on alumni to support this exciting project."

The Student Centre will also house new SA offices, retail space, a new campus pub, study rooms, a copy/publishing centre and a new bookstore.

## **GRAD GOSSIP**

#### 1966

MUNRO, Judy (nee MONK, Hotel/Motel) has been promoted to Manager, Facilities Division, Metro Washington Park Zoo, (Oregon) with responsibility for a staff

of more than 50, all buildings and grounds, and a railway!

LIM, Don (Medical Laboratory) is head of Lab Services at the Canadian Forces Hospital at CF Base Halifax. A Captain, Lim is also Laboratory Officer for the Atlantic region. Fellow grads are invited to drop in for a tour (902) 427-8761).



Don Lim

#### 1967

SINGER, Robert (Chemical & Metalurgy) is a paramedic with the B.C. Ambulance Service in the Garibaldi area and active with the Provincial Emergency Program and Search and Rescue.

#### 1968

CASSIDY, Brian (Hotel/Motel) is a commercial real estate consultant with the Regional Group in Calgary. Call him at (403) 234-9581 to invest in commercial real estate in Calgary.

WOUTS, Rudy (Civil & Structural) is a Senior Project Engineer with Water Environment Resources Engineering Ltd. in Calgary. After graduating Rudy worked on transportation projects in New Guinea, Australia, and the Philippines before returning to B.C. and earning a degree in Civil Engineering at UBC. Recently he returned from 1-1/2 years on assignment in Tanzania.

SOON, Harvey (Marketing) is partner/operater of a new sporting goods store in Park Royal South called Bladerunner Sport.

#### 1969

RIMMER, Dennis (Broadcast) is news director with KPUG/KAFE in Bellingham, Washington. Dennis is looking for more contact between all Broadcast grads and full academic credit for BCIT work "everywhere in the world." Give him a call at (206) 734-1170.

ATHERTON, Murray (Hotel/Motel) has started his own company: The Hospitality Group (435-8989). He is involved in marketing consulting for the hospitality industry and teaches Hospitality Marketing at the new Tourism Centre at VCC. He is also chairman of the Marketing Committee of the B.C. and Yukon Hotel Association.

#### 1970

BALLARD, Ken (Forestry) is President of Hart Towing Ltd. in Prince George. He remembers the interesting field trips and the emphasis on "being businesslike... we wore jackets and ties." He also remembers meeting many good friends through the Varsity Christian Fellowship Club at BCIT.

PHILLIPSON, Margaret Cathie (nee SHEPHARD, Computer Programming, Business Option) and Jim (Computer Programming, Science Option) own and operate Tymac Launch Service Ltd., a water taxi service. Jim is president and general manager and Cathie is v.p. of admin and finance: "We use all the skills we learned at BCIT, including marketing, accounting, computers and administration," says Cathie.

MATTHEWS, Richard (Hospitality, and Building, 1984) is self-employed offering MacIntosh computer design services and consulting to architects in Australia. Richard says "G'Day, and thanks for sending the Alumni News to me in sunny Australia." He adds that business has been good despite the Aussie recession.

#### 1970

PILLOW, Michael Tony (Marketing) is a stockbroker with Scotia McLeod (531-3500). He spent ten years in pharmaceutical sales and then six years with his own business before joining the White Rock office of Scotia McLeod.

STARR, Rob (Business Management) was National Products Manager, Marketing with Weldwood for 18 years but has moved into estate sales and investment with Realty World in Victoria (384-1333).

KIRSTIUK, Terry (Building/Environmental) is an estimator with Ridge Sheet Metal Ltd. in Coquitlam (942-0244). His son Mike, born during his second year at BCIT, graduated from BCIT himself (Building/Architecture) in 1989, and now works for DEC Design, a mechanical consulting firm. Terry would like to hear from fellow 1970 Building grads.

#### 1972

SHIPPAM, Terry (Broadcast) is a firefighter with the Vancouver Fire Department and has returned to BCIT part-time to study business administration. Terry wonders what happened to all his classmates.

MAINGARD, Nora Lee (nee SKELTON, Financial Management) reports she is now living in Illawong, Australia and "enjoying the beaches and striving to live in the manner I would like to become accustomed to."

PHIPPS, Jay Lawrence (Broadcast) is Regional Training Manager with JI Case Canada in Regina. He sold his graphic design business in Calgary in 1989 to take this position with Case early in 1990.

#### 1973

MILNER, Bruce and Lea (nee NIKRUS, both Marketing) were in Toronto for five years before moving to Denver to take the Real Estate Construction Management graduate program at the University of Denver.

MALM, Phil (Instrumentation) is General Electronics Foreman with the Southern Peru Copper Corp, in Ilo, Peru. "If you ever have a chance to work overseas, take it!" says Phil, "you will see the world in a new dimension."

COLLIER, Brian (Broadcast) was with the CBC for 15 years before earning a BSc in Computing Science at SFU in 1990. He is now a Progammer Analyst with the B.C. Systems Corporation in Vancouver.

LEESE, Lorna (Forestry, FWR option) is a Doctor of Chiropractic in Orlanda, Florida. Lorna reports that she "doesn't miss winter at all," but does miss Leslie, Susan and Patricia. She is halfway through a post-doctoral residency program in Chiropractic Neurology. . . "it keeps me busy!"

BRADBURY, Robert (Environmental Health) is Manager of Health Protection and Environmental Programs for the Capital Regional District in Victoria. "Keep up the good work," says Robert.

MATHESON, J. Gordon (Electrical, and Business Admin 1982) is a Senior Marketing Manager for Northern Telecom Inc., a job that has taken him to Alberta, Manitoba, Wisconsin and Georgia, where he just graduated with an MBA.

#### 1974

BISSCHOP, John (Building) is the CAD System Administrator with Christenson Engineering Corporation in Bellingham, recently working at the ARCO refinery updating the CAD software for greater productivity in drafting.

#### 1975

BRAITHWAITE, Lyle (Forestry) is in commercial sales with David Burr Ltd., Commercial Division, in Victoria (384-9335). Previously he was Senior Real Estate Analyst with BC Buildings Corporation. Spouse Marilyn (nee MATIETS, Medical Laboratory, 1974) is a Tech with Island Medical Labs in Duncan.

PALM, Valerie (Medical Radiography) is an x-ray technician at Penticton Regional Hospital, She acquired Advanced Certification in Radiography in 1988 and is President 92/93 of the B.C. Association of Medical Radiation Technologists. Valerie is also a member of the CAMRT Advanced Certification Committee.

#### 1976

IRONSIDE, Robert (Broadcast) is a Security Services Officer with B.C. Hydro in Vancouver.

MILLER, Ian (Forestry) is Supervisor, Resource Analysis Systems with the B.C. Forest Service Integrated Resources Branch in Victoria.

#### 1977

McDONNELL, George (Mechnical) built, owns and operates the B.X. neighbourhood pub in Prince George (at 5th and Carney!).

LeSAGE, Brian (Hotel/Motel) has a Tim Horton franchise in Prince George, with two stores and more on the way.

NORBERG, Susan (nee DANIELSON) earned her CMA designation in 1985. Spouse Eric (Accounting, 1978) is a semi-truck driver with Johnston Terminals.

#### 1979

KONKIN, Conn (nee PRANGLEY, Nursing) is an R.N. at the Windermere District Hospital while spouse Doug (Forestry, 1979) is operations manager with the B.C. Forest Service and a member of the School Board.

FOLINSBEE, John (Mining) is Mill Superintendent for Placer Dome Inc, Dome Mine, near South Porcupine, Ontario. In the winter he cross-country skiis to work. Married to Susan (nee BABINGTON, Psych Nursing, 1981). Susan is working as a general nurse and is "absolutely amazed" it's been ten years since she graduated, and wants to get in touch with classmates.

ROBERTSON, Cal (Admin Man) is a Registered Massage Therapist, self-employed with the Minoru Aquatic Centre.

RULLO, George (Agriculture, and Business Admin, 1984) is self employed and Managing Director, B.C. Farm Free Trade Association.

#### 1980

TUCKER, Jim (Admin Man) is president of Hot Hit Mobile Music Video Services in Vancouver. Anyone planning a party or getting married can call Jim at 224-7083.

MacDONALD, Glen (Hospitality/Tourism) is self-employed as a Chiropractor in Vancouver (737-4305) after graduating from the Canadian Chiropractic College in Toronto.

MANWEILER, Donna (Business Admin) is Controller for Westin Hotels in Edmonton. Spouse Bob McGIL-LIVRAY (Surveying, 1980) is an accountant with Lockerbie and Hole Company.

CASHER, Tom (Civil & Structural) is a project engineer with an engineering firm in Vancouver after earning a BSc in Ontario.

WEGER, Gary (Electrical) is Director of Registrations with the Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of B.C.

#### 1981

FREWIN, Cindy (nee MAXIM, Admin Man) is Contorller for Hagensborg Resources Ltd. in Vancouver.

BURK, Kevin (Broadcast) is manager of Charlie's Wine Celler at Eaton Centre, Metrotown, Burnaby. Kevin is still active in radio, writing environmental PSA's for the Earth Communications Office.

#### 1982

MORRISON, Sheri (nee AINSWORTH, Business Admin) and John (Forestry, 1981) both went to UBC after graduating from BCIT. Sheri is now a grade 10 teacher at L.V. Rogers High School in Nelson and John is with Slocan Forest Products.

ENGLESON, Bruce (Marketing) is a sales rep with Harlan Fairbanks Co. Ltd. "I hope there will be a ten year reunion so I can get reacquainted with my classmates."

#### 1983

DiLORENZO, Lino (Marketing) is an account manager with Sun Rype Products Ltd. in Burnaby.

ROELEVELD, John (Mining) graduated from the University of Toronto (Mineral Process Engineering), acquiring a P.Eng. in 1989 while working for a division of Falconbridge. In late 1990 he started his own company: Telex-by-Fax.

MACKLON, Charles (Chem & Met) is a Research Technician with Cominco and living in Montrose, B.C. (near Trail). Charles says "Hi to everyone and thanks to my instructors for my eductaion and making it possible for me to work at Cominco for the rest of my life!"

ZITA, Rudolf (Computer Systems) is president of Knowledge House in Vancouver.

McQILLAN, Dan (Electrical Instrumentation) is an instrument fitter with Highland Valley Copper at Logan Lake, B.C.

## WILDLIFE ALERT!

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For more information contact:

Patricia (Riley) Hoffos 841 Canterbury Rd., Victoria, B.C. V8X 3E5 SIDHU, Dilrat (Marketing) worked for DHL International Express as Sales Co-ordinator and for Canadian Airlines as a flight attendent before joining ICBC as a Market Researcher in Traffic Safety.

#### 1984

STACKHOUSE, Sherry Ann (nee RUPCICH, General Nursing) is a staff nurse in the coronary care unit at Lions Gate Hospital.

GEORGE, Doug (E&E Control, and Telcomm, 1985) is Product Development Manager with Video technology Engineering Ltd in Hong Kong. He is currently working on development and production of satellite receivers for the Eurpean and Asian markets and enjoying life in Hong Kong.

#### 1985

CHAN, Cary (Marketing) is Marketing Manager at Promark Software.

PFLIEGER, Lisa (Financial Managament) is Assistant Marketing Manager, Guaranteed and Group Products, Investors Group Inc. in Winnipeg.

RANDALL, Susan (Financial Management) is an accountant with D.A. Roset CA Ltd. in Campbell River. Susan recently completed the CGA program.

#### 1986

DOUGLAS, Scott (C&S) is an estimator with B.A. Blacktop in Kamloops.

MOODY, Kim (Hospitality/Tourism) is an advertising representative with B.C. Woman to Woman magazine.

GOLDSTONE, Denise (Marketing) is Office/Circulation Manager for the Castlegar Sun.

SIMON, Peter (Wood Products) is Quality Contorl Supervisor with Sundance Forest Industries Ltd. in Edson, Alberta.

#### 1987

SAMPSON, Owen (Mechanical) went to VCC in 1989 and is now involved in autobody work as an apprentice with Dueck GM on Marine in Vancouver.

SWAIN, Diana (Broadcast) is a reporter with CBC television news in Winnipeg. Diana likes Winnipeg but misses the mountains and fresh seafood.

ARMISTEAD, Wayne (Financial Management) is an investigator with the B.C. Securities Commission. in Vancouver.

RAINEY, David (Survey) works in programming and development for Lynx Mining Consultants in Queensland, Australia. Says David: "Keep up the good work, I enjoy reading the Alumni News!"

GAY, Craig (C&S) is studying engineering at Lakehead in Thunder Bay after working as a consulting engineer with SRK-Robinson. Craig recently married a New Zealander and plans to live in New Zealand after graduation, "near the beach so we can pursue a secondary career in surfing!"

PLECAS, Lorilei (Med Lab) is a Med Tech I at BC Children's Hospital - Clinical Biochemsitry Dept. "Working with children is extremely rewarding. It is not as morbid as people think, because even if you lose a child you know you have done everything that is possible."

#### 1988

RODRIGUES, Craig (Mechnical) is working on a degree in Mechanical Engineering at UBC.

ATKIN, Graham (Hospitality Administration) is Front Office Supervisor for the Coast Royal Anne Hotel in Kelowna.

CHIN, Randy (Operations Management) is a loans officer with the Surrey Credit Unoin specializing in residential mortgages and personal loans.

BALICANTA, "Rene" Irineo (Spatial Information Systems) is a Mining Engineer, Planning and Pit Control with PF Kaltim Prima Coal in Jakarta, Indonesia. Rene thanks the <u>Alumni News</u> for keeping him up to date on his classmates.

BEST, Linda (Broadcast) is computer graphics designer/programmer for Shaw Television Networks in Nanaimo.

MARRINGTON, Ross (CAD?CAM) is owner of Caddversion Graphics in New Westminster (524-0871), which offers scanning, digitizing, drafting and design.

#### 1989

LUCK, Michele (nee STEVENSON, Tourism Marketing) is Marketing Secretary with the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre. New spouse Marvin (Electronics/Control, 1989) works for B.C. Tel.

CORRIN, Suzanne (Marketing/Advertising) is a Marketing Analyst with B.C. Tel. Says "Hi" to fellow marketing and advertising types.

HUCULAK, Christi (Marketing/Tourism) is a realtor with Royal LePage Oakridge (266-3333) Says to give her a call if you are interested in selling or investing in real estate.

FRYMIRE, Angie (Broadcast/Radio) is Traffic Reporter and Promotions Co-ordinator with CFVR/850 and STAR FM in Abbotsford, "an exhilerating, challenging job with great stimulation and a wonderful bunch of guys and gals," says Angie.

#### 1990

YEE, Sherman (C&S) is an Engineering Assistant 1 with the City of Vancouver Engineering Department.

BEDI, Manjit (Computer Systems'Microcomputers) is a software designer with Digital Electronics Corp. Currently he is in Osaka, Japan using C++ and Sun workstations. Likes Japanese food but misses nachos.

CHAN, Sharon (Marketing/Advertising) is Promotions Assistant for Pacific Press. Sharon says BCIT fulfilled its mandate of teaching students practical skills but should add a stress management course.

#### **Births and Adoptions**

To Dagmar (nee HOFFMAN, Computer Systems, 1990) and Geraro Morin of Abbotsford their first child, Brandon, on May 2, 1991.

Julie (nee SOMMERS, Med Lab 1969) and James of Aldergrove have adopted a baby boy, Joshua Alin, born January 26, 1991 in Romania.

#### In Memoriam

The Reverand John Peter BURCHILL (Accounting 1966), a Priest with the Anglican Church of Canada, Diocese of Fredericton. Survived by wife Joan.

#### Corrections

Andy Veltmeyer (Mining, 1986) is a Metallurgical Technician for Cominco Metals, SNIP Operation, contrary to what was printed in the last issue of <u>Alumni</u> News.

Grad Gossip compiled by Don Wright

### **Professional Development**

## Business diploma grads can complete a degree through BCIT and BCOU

More and more BCIT Business Diploma graduates are taking advantage of an opportunity to earn a degree in Administrative Studies. The degree, a Bachelor of Administrative Studies Business Option, is granted by the B.C. Open University (BCOU) and is presented in cooperation with BCIT. The program was established in the Spring of 1990 and the first class commenced full-time studies in September 1991 resulting in 25 degrees being granted in April 1991. Part-time enrolments also commenced in 1990 and early 1991 with about 100 students now in the program. The September '91 full-time class of 27 is well underway.

Business Diploma grads may take the program on a full or part-time basis. Applications for January 1992 and September 1992 part-time enrolment, and for the September 1992 full-time program are now being accepted. Applicants should have a strong academic standing in their diploma work, with a cumulative average over 65 per cent.

BCIT Business Diploma graduates may receive up to 84 transfer credits, leaving as few as 12 courses (36 credits) to be completed for the degree. Diplomas and courses are assessed on an individual basis and credit is granted by BCOU. Further credits may be forthcoming based on previous college/university first-year courses in arts and sciences.

Michael Harrison, Dean of Business, says this degree program will "produce a well-rounded professional who has flourished under what I call a continuously intermittent education, periods of study alternated with periods of work."

Harrison adds that the program features a specially designed Computer/Communications lab that is equipped with the latest technology.

"It will simulate the nerve centre of a large corporation," says Harrison, "where different corporate activities can be presented using the latest in high-tech presentation tech-

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nology."

"We hope students will learn to prepare and present information in its most effective form and to integrate all aspects of a firm's functions: marketing, human resources, financial, and strategic planning," explains Harrison.

Interested Business Diploma graduates may apply now by contacting Counselling (432-8247) or the Dean's Office (432-8581).

#### Volunteers wanted

The Alumni Association is looking for volunteers to serve on a variety of committees and to help with events through the year.

"We want as many as 250 alumni involved in committee and events work," says Alumni President **Bob Wells**. Alumni can participate in one of several standing committees, on an ad hoc committee, or during an alumni event, adds Wells.

Standing committees looking for greater alumni involvement include: Fundraising/Awards, Volunteer Management, and Communications. Ad hoc committees alumni can get involved with include: Mentoring, Charity Golf Tournament, Annual General Meeting, Convocation and Open House.

Open House '92 is the next big event the Association plans to participate in. Open House is set for April, and graduates are needed to plan and participate in an Alumni display on campus (article below).

To volunteer for committee or event work give the Association a call at 432-8847 and leave your name and phone number, and state your area of interest. The appropriate committee chairperson will get back to you as soon as possible to get you on board!

### Open House in April

Mark April 10th, 11th and 12th on your calendar and plan to take your family and friends to Open House '92 which will showcase over 100 BCIT programs through information displays and hands-on activities in engineering technology, business, health sciences and trades training.

The Open House committee is laying the groundwork and looking for corporate spon-



members at \$43.00 each.

Proceeds to the Campus Centre.

sorships and donations; call Sharon Butterfield at 986-0570 or 432-8272 for more information. Grads interested in helping out with an Alumni Association display should call the Alumni office at 432-8847 and leave their name and number.

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Funds are being raised for equipment and labs, the Campus Centre, scholarships and bursaries and the President's Enterprise Fund for faculty development.

Already, the campaign is halfway to its goal and Quintin expects to reach the 80 per cent mark this fall.

"There's tremendous support for BCIT in the business community," he notes. "BCIT grads are renowned, not only for their educational training, but for their attitude and drive to succeed. My commitment is to ensure that BCIT gets the resources it needs to continue to produce first class graduates."

With the help of Bob Wells, Alumni President, who also sits on the Campus Centre Campaign Committee, Quintin hopes to provide opportunities for alumni to support the campaign. As Wells notes, "It's an opportunity to give back to BCTT."

#### Former BCIT student needs help

The BCIT Student Association has established a fundraising campaign to support a former BCIT student who suffered a personal tragedy last summer.

Briton Amos was shot by a group of young men with machine guns and permanently paralyzed on August 21 in California. Brit, as most people call him, was transferred to Shaughnessy Hospital in Vancouver, but the financial burden has been quite overwhelming. BCIT students, staff and alumni are being asked to contribute to the "Briton Amos Trust Fund." Brit was a Survey student between 1988 and 1990.

For more information or to contribute to the trust fund contact S.A. director Stephen Miller at 432-8602.



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Do you have a new job? Are you moving? Have you been married recently? Do you have a new child? Let us know that we may update our records and pass the word along to classmates.

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