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A Newsletter for the BCIT Community

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# BCIT Budget Slashed

The Minister of Education advised all colleges and provincial institutes July 30 that their budget grants for the 1982/83 fiscal year were to be reduced effective August 1, 1982.

The budgets had been previously approved.

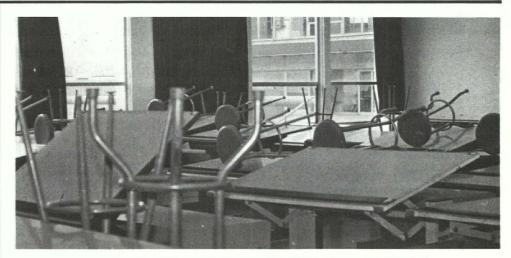
BCIT's capital equipment was cut by \$319,000 down from \$1,226,900 to \$907,900.

Operating was cut \$905,000, from \$40,424,700 to \$39,519,700.

BCIT was also advised that next year's budget would be at the reduced rate effective August 1982 as though it had been applied throughout the year.

Alternative ways to implement the reduction for the current year are being reviewed and where possible, will be put into effect without delay.

Staff will be kept informed of the implications of these cuts.



Welcome back! No one needs a vacation as much, When all is said and done, As the person who has just Returned to work from one!



## Just one day's pay . . .

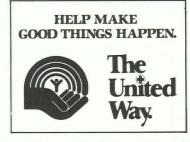
It is part of Canadian tradition and character that, when times get tough, neighbour turns to neighbour and is not refused help if help can be given.

In this spirit of neighbourliness the United Way enters into its 1982 campaign with the projected goal of \$8.6 million.

Today, more than ever before, people are turning to the United Way's various agencies for help in coping with tough economic conditions brought on by ever-increasing unemployment. United Way funded agencies such as the Crisis Centre have reported that calls from people in personal crisis have recently increased in volume by 30%. Family Service Centres are dealing with increased stress within families resulting from unemployment and financial burdens.

Campaign organizers feel that it is well within the capacity of our community to meet and even go beyond the 1982 goal. If each working person were to contribute just one day's pay, spread weekly throughout the year, help would be ensured to the people who need it.

BCIT's United Way Campaign coordi-



nator this year is Dave Jones of the Public Relations Department. He will be mailing out contribution forms in the next couple of weeks and is hoping that staff members will pledge one day's pay to the United Way and push BCIT's contribution over last year's amount of \$14,500.

# Bob Mason going to Ottawa

Bob Mason, Dean of Engineering, has been seconded by the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission to serve as Senior Project Co-ordinator on a five member task force that will look into establishing a national policy on paid education leave.

This policy will eventually become part of a new National Training Act under Education minister Lloyd Axworthy.

He leaves for Ottawa September 13 for approximately 10 months.

"I'm extremely interested in working on the project," says Mason.

In June he represented President Gordon Thom at a colloquium that dealt with the National Training Act.

"I talked with the people involved in the planning and they expressed an interest in contacting me at a later date. However, the appointment came much earlier than I had expected."

Mason learned of the Ottawa appointment while in Kenya in August serving on a five person study team. The group was sent by the Association of Canadian Colleges to visit 15 colleges under Haramba Colleges in Kenya. Their task was to study and make recommendations on Canadian aid to the African colleges through funds from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA). The team travelled five thousand kilometres by car visiting the colleges. "We crossed the equator 10 times," says Mason. "Kenya is a very beautiful country, an ideal place to live."

Mason was in Kenya during the recent political unrest in that country.

"I never felt that we were in any real danger," he says. "We were checked by military roadblocks but the soldiers were very courteous and, upon learning who we were, waved us through."

Recommendations of this three-week study will be made to the International Bureau of the Association of Canadian Colleges by the end of September with the final recommendations to be made to CIDA shortly thereafter.

The recommendations, with an emphasis on agriculture and water programs, will be considered for a project that is to start next April for a five year period. Canadian faculty members will spend five two-year stints at the 15 Kenya colleges. It is hoped that BCIT will have an involvement in the project.

Mason is Chairman of International Education on campus and a member of the National Advisory Committee to the International Bureau of the Association of Canadian Community Colleges.



BOB MASON 'Project interests me.'

## EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL NEWS

The Educational Council is gearing up for the coming school year with a 2nd annual orientation workshop Thursday, September 16 at 4 p.m. in the Staff Dining Room.

The 55 members of the Council will break into four groups representative of the structure of the four major Council committees: Committee to Review Educational Programs and Priorities, Educational Planning and Policy Committee, Educational Standards Committee and the Student Services Committee. Each group will be guided by a neutral facilitator who is experienced in the Interaction Method. The four facilitators are Bill Stuart, Art Hives and Steve Berry from Industry Services and Pat McSherry, Council Committee Coordinator.

Four veteran recorders will put the group's thoughts on large sheets of paper for all the members to see and follow. The recorders are Kathleen Bach, Secretary to the Dean of Health, Lynn Lounsbury, Secretary to the Vice-President of Administration, Judi



Donald, Secretary to the Dean of Business and Shirley Weldon, Secretary to the Vice-President of Education.

A teleconference demonstration will be held during the dinner break in the

### Tell us!

BCIT's happening. And it's happening all over BCIT. But we won't know unless YOU tell us.

Someone new on staff? Someone had a baby? Someone has a new program, project - or problem?

Let us know and Developments will spread the word. Send submissions to Louise Goff, acting editor, Trailer 2V, Room 102 or phone Jocal 738. Staff Lounge to explain to the members how the 10 off-campus Council members can contribute to Committee meetings from their offices or homes.

The first meeting of the Educational Council, open to all interested members of the BCIT community, will be held Thursday, September 30, in the Staff Lounge. At this meeting a new Vice-Chairperson will be elected by Council from its members.

Throughout the year the agenda for all meetings will be posted on the bulletin boards in the mail room and outside the Council office one week prior to the meetings. All the agenda materials and Committee reports will be made available to non-members and can be obtained from the library's circulation desk or the Staff Society Office.

Anyone who wishes to have an issue placed before the Council is urged to contact the agenda committee through the Educational Council office.

For information on the Educational Council contact Pat McSherry on local 865.

### THAT UNFINISHED LOOK

The best laid plans can often go awry especially when a labour dispute is involved.

Construction on campus ground to a halt on August 6 when construction workers went on strike.

The new television centre that was scheduled for completion in November may now not be ready until late December or January.

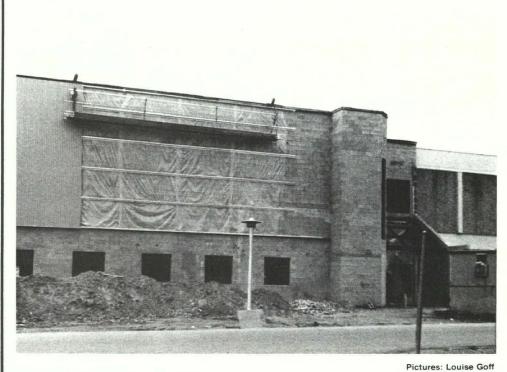
The mound of dirt opposite the Food Training Centre marks the start of construction on the mechanical thermal laboratory. It was to have been completed by the end of October. If workers vote to go back to their jobs it may be in place by late November.

It may now be January before the squash and racquetball courts can be put to use in the new Student Association Activity Centre.

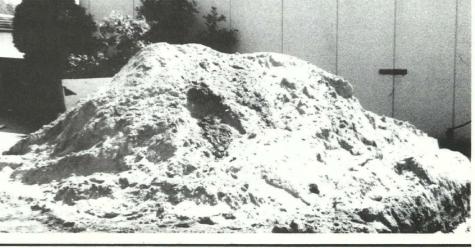
Other projects affected by the dispute are the four new student residences and the warehouse.

It is hoped that at this reading, construction crews will be back and we can look forward to all of these new facilities.









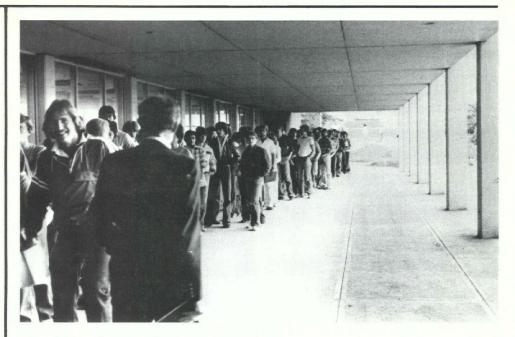
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## REGISTRATION There's one way in

An idea that has been talked about for many years became fact on July 15, 1982, when the information and admissions sections for both part-time and full-time students amalgamated under the BCIT Office of the Registrar.

Gordon Kenyon, formerly with CE & IS, has been appointed Acting Associate Registrar, and points out that now the public, potential students, the 35,000 part-time and 4,000 full-time students, and faculty will be 'presented with a single BCIT face'.

To accommodate the inevitable difficulties in melding two distinct systems and two groups of people the amalgamation will be done in stages. These were initiated with an informal staff gathering arranged by the President, Gordon Thom; the V.P. Resources and Student Services, Ken MacKeracher; and the Dean of Development and CE, Dave Bousson. Unification of front-line



Registration Day, 1981

information, fees, admissions, registration and finally student records will comfortably follow.

It is expected, in this age of fingertip technology, that this development will ultimately offer immediate on-line registration for all full- and part-time programs through the Burnaby Campus and the Downtown Education Centre.

Elaine Del Gobbo, Registrar, feels that this is definitely a positive step towards

the best in service and that the inevitable increased future demands for this service can be most efficiently handled through this amalgamation.

The Office of the Registrar will distribute a Services Guide detailing the entire range of service and in the interim any questions are invited to be directed to Gordon Kenyon, Associate Registrar, or Elaine Del Gobbo, Registrar.

## EIC: questions . . . questions . . . questions

How do I complete my grade 12? Can I enter university if I didn't graduate from high school? What courses can I take by correspondence?

I want to take some courses but need some career counselling – where can I go?

These are just a few of the questions that can be answered at the Education Information Centre located at the Downtown Education Centre, 549 Howe Street, Vancouver.

The Centre, first of its kind in Canada, has been in operation since May 1981. It

has helped more than 5,000 people seeking information and advice on educational opportunities.

The EIC provides information on the courses, programs and student services offered by provincially funded educational institutions. Calendars, catalogues, brochures and pamphlets are readily available.

The Centre is operated and governed by a consortium of member institutions who each appoint a representative to sit on the consortium's board of management. Members include BCIT, UBC, Simon Fraser University, PVI, Vancouver Community College, Capilano College, Douglas College, the Open Learning Institute, the Greater Vancouver School Districts and the Ministry of Education.

The Education Information Centre is a proven success. It continues to meet the obvious demands of people who need easy access to information on what's available in education, it is centrally located and the member institutions work together to supply the information required.

### Women's mentors subject of talk

General Nursing's Alison Taylor spoke on Mentors, the new resource for women: how to be one; how to find one at the first National Women's Network Conference held in Vancouver, June 3-5.

The conference provided a stimulating environment for Network delegates from across Canada to explore concerns shared by all career directed women. Taylor has been studying the occurrence and use of mentor-protege relationships in business, education and nursing. She has worked as a critical care nurse in Lower Mainland hospitals, nurse practitioner and consultant in West Africa, instructor at the UBC School of Nursing and administrator for community health nursing programs in Vancouver.



Al Willcox, Department Head, Engineering and Core for Continuing Education took an early retirement in August to work on his house in Ladysmith.

Allan Williams takes over as Acting Department Head.

# Parking rules changed

The BCIT Board of Governors has determined that starting September everyone parking a vehicle on campus, day and night, will be required to have it registered with Parking Control and display a valid permit after paying the fee.

Lots one through 11 are for the exclusive use of staff during the day and zones A, B, C, D are for students only.

Staff arranging visits of special guests or resource people should ensure that special permits are provided for them. A "request for visitor parking permit", available from Parking Control Officer, Helen Cartmill in portable 2Q, should be completed and returned to her. To ensure that visitors are not inconvenienced and the permit system is not abused staff should follow this procedure. This will eliminate time spent by Parking Control in an attempt to determine who should receive complimentary permits and who should use the metered spaces.

Drivers should note that due to budget cuts and reduced manpower the only entrance into Lot 7 is now off Roper Avenue. The East Carey entrance is blocked off and is now an exit only.



#### SEPTEMBER MEANS SHINERAMA

Put a shine on your new back to school shoes, Wednesday September 29.

That's the Student Association's Shinerama Day.

Soo Sheung Wong, Shinerama Coordinator, urges staff and students to participate in this annual event which raises money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. She and her directors have spent the summer getting donations for supplies and prizes and generally planning the events.

Mark September 29 on your calendar and put a shine in your life.

## Feeling flabby? Sign up

Take time out from your busy fall schedule to have fun and tone up those muscles.

Wally Rowan of Campus Recreation invites staff to participate in the many sporting events being organized now.

Hockey is back and a team is being formed to compete in the Intramural

### Clip these telephone numbers

Do you have a question for someone in the Personnel and Employee Relations Services Department?

The following is a list of all employees in the department with their titles and telephone locals.

Eileen Stewart, Director. Julie Matthes, Secretary to the Director Henry Arthur, Employee Relations Manager Staff Society Deb Walton, Secretary to Employee Relations Manager, Staff Society Jose Stockdale, Employee Relations Manager, BCGEU Elsbet Loran, Secretary to Employee Relations Manager, BCGEU Rami Sela, Compensation Analyst Linda Jamieson, Personnel Assistant Bonda Bitzer, Labour Relations Assistant Colleen Fostvelt, Records Assistant Fern Storey, Benefits Assistant. Jean MacDonald Receptionist	
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Wednesday Hockey League. Games are played at Burnaby's 4 Rinks. Registration fee is \$30 and covers the first league game this fall and the league game beginning in January.

Super Hockey League is planned for Friday nights at 4 Rinks from 8:05 to 11:15 p.m. Full equipment and qualified officials are provided for the 17 sessions. Registration fee is \$60.

Indoor soccer, basketball and flag football all require players.

Staff members may wish to take part in fitness, Kung-fu, glasscutting, dance, self defence or weight training courses, all of which are being planned for this year.

For more information on all Campus Recreation activities contact Wally Rowan at local 782.

#### ALUMNI TO MEET

The annual general meeting of the BCIT Alumni will be held Thursday, September 23 at 7 p.m. in the Staff Dining Room of the Food Training Centre.

The Alumni will be seeking nominations for the president's position and all executive positions as well as nominations to the Alumni Board.

The Alumni are looking forward to an active 1982/83 season.

## BCIT educator shares a 'first'

Patricia Wolczuk, Department Head of Health for Continuing Education and Jane Ayer, Nutrition Consultant with the B.C. Ministry of Health, were honored recently at a reception in Victoria.

They were the first British Columbians to receive the General Foods Award for Excellence in Nutrition Communication. The award was the result of their popular television production, The Senior Chef.

The nutrition series is aimed at improving the eating habits of senior citizens across Canada.

Judges praised The Senior Chef series as "an innovative and thoroughly professional response to a timely social need . . . a delight to watch, projecting real warmth and empathy for its audience." Wolczuk developed the idea in 1972 after the Nutrition Canada Survey reported that senior citizens were among the worst nourished groups in Canada. Then Senior Nutritionist with the B.C. Ministry of Health, she began a series of 10 minute guest appearances on Victoria's CHEK-TV to talk about nutrition for seniors.

In 1973 Ayer joined the Ministry as a Nutrition Consultant and together she and Wolczuk developed the new 30-minute program which runs on commercial and cable television.

"From the start we tried to be practical and realistic, keeping in mind the physical and financial capabilities of most seniors," says Wolczuk. "We chose recipes that were easy, simple and inexpensive. We kept emphasizing nutrition – eating regular meals and choosing from each of the four food groups."

The impact the series has had on its viewers has resulted in thousands of letters to the two producers. The letter writers tell of increased awareness of the importance of nutrition and better eating habits and plead for a Senior Chef cookbook.

Wolczuk, who came to BCIT in 1981, has a Bachelor of Home Economics degree and a Master of Science degree in Nutrition and Sociology from the University of Manitoba. She is a Doctoral candidate in Nutrition and Epidemiology at UBC.

BCIT librarian Tony Kelly was elected fourth Director-At-Large for the BCIT Staff Society at the special byelection held May 17-18. He defeated Glen Murray of Operations Management, Charles Saunders of Audio/Visual and Jack Say Yee of the Counselling Department.

Senior administrators from BCIT and Simon Fraser University recently met to discuss ways and means of achieving joint co-operation on ventures of benefit to both institutions.

A number of areas for further collaboration were identified. While no specific actions were taken, it was agreed that senior administrative and academic staff at BCIT would continue discussions with their counterparts at SFU for the purpose of identifying in more detail possible areas for joint collaboration and co-operation.

BCIT will play host to the next meeting with SFU.

Gene Kerns, two years in the position of the BCIT/College of New Caledonia liaison officer in Prince George, is leaving to take up the duties as Distance Education Director at Northwest Community College in Terrace.

"I wish to extend my regards to all those I came in contact with at BCIT. It has been my pleasure to have had a very amiable association with many fine people at the Institute," said Kerns.

Brian Leslie will carry on the BCIT liaison with the college.

## AROUND CAMPUS

Personnel's Linda Jamieson walks down the aisle of West Point Grey United Church Saturday, September 11 at 2 p.m. to become Mrs. Peter Gibbs. Following a reception at the Arbutus Club the couple will honeymoon in Maui where "I hope to get a tan," says Linda. Friends and colleagues wish them a happy future.

A baby boy was born to Trisha Mason, Editor of Developments, and her husband Kevin. Trelawny Merlin Mason Bell weighed in at a whopping 8 lbs. 13 oz. on Monday, August 23 at 1:20 p.m. in Lions Gate Hospital. Congratulations to all three.

Best wishes to Louise Benjamin of the Library, and her husband Randy, on the birth of their son. Blair was born Tuesday, July 13 at 10:37 a.m. in Langley Memorial Hospital. Mom is enjoying her time at home with the little fellow.

#### DEVELOPMENTS

#### Acting Editor Louise Goff

This newsletter is published every second Thursday by the Public Relations Department at BCIT. We invite your letters to the editor, which may be edited for brevity, clarity or libel. Story ideas and tips are also welcome. Deadline for all submissions is **Wednesday**, the week preceding publication. Russ Curtis of the Financial Management Department is back on campus after a year's leave of absence.

He spent his time as an Associate Tutor at Coombes Lodge in England.

The Lodge is a management development centre which serves the United Kingdom and parts of Europe.

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The office of Ken MacKeracher, Vice-President, Resources and Student Services, has been moved from the library to the Administration building 1A, Room 204 (the old Budget and Analyses office).

Budget and Analyses employees can now be found in Trailer 2V.

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Staff members will be saddened to learn of the deaths of two co-workers this past summer.

Bill Herbert, co-ordinator for Materials Handling and Transportation, passed away on July 22. He joined the Institute Nov. 1, 1973 and had been an active member of BCGEU.

Funeral services were held July 27 at Corpus Christi Church.

Patrick McCoach who worked at BCIT from September 16, 1981 as a plumber in Operations and Maintenance, died July 31.

Funeral services were held August 5 at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Maple Ridge.

Mr. Herbert and Mr. McCoach will be missed by their friends and co-workers at the Institute.