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BCIT STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Editor's Note:

A week ago today Gunter Schlieper, the V.P. External, and a professed interested candidate for the position of president in the 1977-78 student executive, circulated a letter around campus (reproduced below) defending the full-time paid president's position which Sharon McElroy has been occupying this year. The letter he refers to at the beginning of his letter was actually sent from Dale Michaels, the Executive Director of Student Services, Personnel and Information Services, to McElroy, who distributed copies of it to other members of the executive. Its text is basically what Schlieper describes in the first paragraph of his letter. McElroy reacted the same day to Schlieper's open letter in an interview with the LINK; Schlieper responded to HER shortly thereafter. Please note: by the time you read this (Wednesday Morning) a decision will already have been reached on the president's status (either full-time paid or full-time student volunteer-president) at a Council meeting held last night (Tuesday). We are thus presenting this information to you more as an awareness thing for the upcoming (April 14 and 15) elections than for anything else. Students interested in last night's decision are advised to contact Neville Millar, Chief Returning Officer, at local 604 or in the SA offices in the SAC building.

Schlieper —

Keep the full time president

Fellow Students:

Today I got a letter from Dale Michaels, of Student Services. In essence it stated that the Executive Committee had endorsed the Student Association and Student Service Department recommendations to re-establish the position of S.A. President as a position for a student on a full course workload. The question of exemptions to be referred to the Tech Ed Committee.

It may be of interest to note that the S.A. Council at no time endorsed this recommendation, let alone discussed it at a council

meeting. In fact when during the past year were the students as a whole asked what they felt on the issue? The closest to it was the \$35 question which most, though not all students got. The results: 55% FOR a full-time president, 25% against, and 20% undecided. A good deal of the opposition was not against the position, but against the person in it.

Last week, Sharon passed out a memo on her views on the question. They were against retaining the position. An interesting about-face, as last year she helped create the position. Some of the points she made:

- limits the number of interested candidates
- limits effectiveness of the Executive
- appears that the students would prefer a full-time student as president
- most strongly motivated students would hesitate to sacrifice a full year
- a weak or lazy full-time president would be far more detrimental than a full-time student as president.

Answers to these points:

- three people ran for office last year, as many as in other years and more than ran for most other council positions.
- effectiveness of the executive is only limited if they are not properly informed or supported in the manner they are supposed to be.
- students were never asked what they would prefer (the \$35 question was the only time the question came up).
- a motivated student would not look at it as a sacrifice, but rather as valuable experience. (How did last year's candidates look at it? Or is it possible that none of them were motivated students? Why not ask John Nagy or Pat Tibando?)
- would a weak or lazy full-time student as president be any less a detriment than a weak or lazy full-time president. It would seem that with exemptions we would be more likely to get someone who is lazier than we would without. As to exemptions, would someone in each of the health or engineering techs like to try for exemption? Re-instatement of exemptions would pretty well limit candidates to business division students.

The S.A. has to deal with people both in and out of the school who keep business hours, which usually clash with school hours. Someone in the council should be in a position to deal with these people. That someone should be a full-time president. I spoke to many of you during Open House—students, staff and administration. Most were in favour of a FULL-TIME president. I urge you to make your feelings known, pro or con, and do it NOW, before a decision is made for you; a decision you had no say in; a decision which could be a detriment to future councils. Please act NOW!

Gunter Schlieper
V.P. External

350 attend nurses' grad

On Wednesday, March 23 the nurses of BCIT had their graduation ceremonies. About 350 people showed up for the festivities.

These graduates are now going to go for a one-year practicum in the various hospitals of Canada. Miss Karen Robinson received

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McElroy —

Letter shows he's uninformed

Many of Gunter Schlieper's arguments in favour of a full-time president's position for the SA are a result of him not keeping up with Council and Executive matters, said SA President Sharon McElroy last week.

Schlieper, the current V.P. External, has circulated a letter around campus last Wednesday refuting McElroy's recommendation (published in last week's LINK) that the president's position revert to a full-time student. That letter is reproduced in full elsewhere on this page.

McElroy told the LINK that the LINK was in error when it claimed that the decision to make the president's job full-time was her's. "It was last year's Council's decision totally," she said. "As I wasn't on Council last year, I had nothing to do with it. The only member of the current Executive who was on last year's Council was (Forestry rep) Rob Slavik."

Schlieper also mentioned that McElroy's brief to Council was an "about face, as last year she helped create the position." Schlieper disagrees: "She was on the Constitution Change Committee last year — she had input



SHARON MCELROY
STUDENT PRESIDENT

Elroy's comments about him leaving meetings are "haywire. I'll be at a meeting, make my reports, answer any questions about my activities and stay until such time as I have to leave," he said. "Some people have to work their way through school."

Schlieper quoted the "\$35 Question," distributed by the Engineering Society early last month, stating that the survey

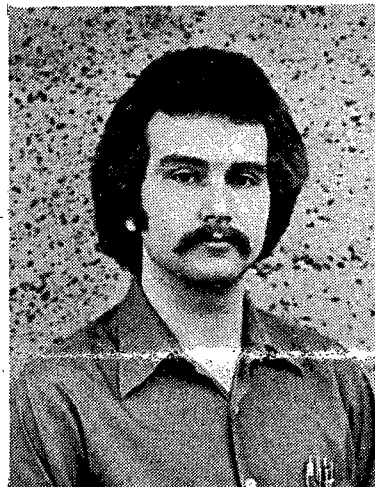
recommendation to continue to put out between \$8,400 and \$9,600 a year for a position which can be held by a dedicated individual carrying a full course load."

As for Schlieper's claim that at least as many people are interested in the job if it's full time, McElroy said that she hadn't heard of anyone, except Schlieper himself, who's interested in it as a full-time position. "It doesn't make any difference to me if we have a full-time president for the SA or not, but I do feel it's in the best interests of the SA to revert the position to a full-time student," she said.

It was understood by last year's Executive, when they proposed the full-time president plan to the Administration, that the Administration would rubber-stamp it for one year only, but reserved the right to take another look at it this March. The Executive Committee of the school is in full agreement with the Student Association and Student Services recommendation to re-establish the position under its old format. How the Executive Committee interpreted the discussions within the Student Association as an endorsement of the full-time-student-as-president concept is anybody's guess; regardless, the feeling on the Student Executive appears to be running solidly in favour of it.

McElroy, said Schlieper, is the rep to the Executive Committee. "Maybe you should ask them," he said, "how they got that interpretation."

Schlieper raised the point in his letter that the SA has to deal with people both in and out of school during normal business hours, which clash with class time, and that someone on the council should be in a position to deal with these people. McElroy



GUNTER SCHLIEPER
V.P. EXTERNAL

But, Ombudsman Graham Fane told the LINK that "if course exemptions were granted in the spirit with which they were originally intended, Engineering and Health students could qualify for them as well." Second-year Engineering and Health students also take courses in Human Relations and Communications, in the same way that Business students do.

McElroy pointed out to the LINK that course exemptions are an option. "Graham Fane (student president in 1973-74, currently Ombudsman) was a Business student, but took a full course load. Steve Brown (last year's president) was in second-year Finance and took three course exemptions and still graduated. I'm taking four courses - three during the day and one at night - and because of my status as a full-time president, I won't be able to graduate," she said.

Fane, said Schlieper, did have an exemption and also had two credits carried over from university. Blaine Kennedy (74-75 president) took three exemptions and Tony Schelling (72-73) took a few as well, he said.

McElroy feels that the Administration and Victoria have been very receptive to seeing her during hours convenient to her. Most of the work on the residence issue took place in the months of June through November, when course loads weren't so bad. Since then, the Housing Coordinator (Val Karpinsky) and the Administration have picked up the slack and are doing a lot of the preparation work for the actual construction.

McElroy stated in her brief to Council, that the effectiveness of the Executive had been limited by the full-time presidency because, in some cases, or a "let her do it" attitude. Duties on the executive

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McElroy: 'I had nothing to do with creating the job'

into that — which then went to Council."

McElroy pointed out that Schlieper's claim that the matter of a full-time president had never been discussed was erroneous. "The SA Council did discuss the matter at a meeting held March 16," she said. "Although it was clearly stated on the agenda, Schlieper had walked out of that meeting before it was discussed."

"His (Schlieper's) habit has been to stay at a meeting long enough to be counted and then walk out. He has been absent from six of the eleven council meetings held since June," she said.

Schlieper denies that the March 16 meeting was actually a meeting. "There wasn't a quorum," he said. "Besides, it was the middle of Open House week and I left to do work on Open House."

But, V.P. Internal Neville Millar, who chaired the March 16 meeting, said that there would have been a quorum had Schlieper not left. Rob Slavik arrived for the meeting about twenty minutes after Schlieper had walked out.

Schlieper contends that Mc-

had found that a majority of students were in favour of a full-time president. He said the petition stated that a good deal of the opposition to a full-time president was due to its present occupant, not to the job itself.

McElroy told the LINK that "the results of the \$35 Question have never been made available to the Executive or Council, and

Schlieper: 'majority of students are in favour of a paid president'

we haven't been able to examine its validity."

Referring to that, Schlieper says that if McElroy had wanted to see the results of the \$35 Question, she had simply to ask Slavik.

Schlieper wonders just how far the Administration is willing to bend to accommodate students with full course loads, especially with the Institute growing all the time and the problems of managing it increasing.

Regardless, McElroy states: "I just don't feel I can justify a

retorted that "the Administration is quite available to the Executive; executive members carrying full-course loads have been very effective due to the Administration's policy of bending over backward to accommodate their reduced available hours."

Schlieper contended that course exemptions (granted to executive members who are learning the same skills in their student role as they would in classes) pretty well limits the candidates for the president's job to Business students.

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Take a hard look at who's running

are delegated by the complex job descriptions for each position and, she feels, this is the first year in the history of the SA that those job descriptions have not been closely adhered to.

Schlieper feels that the "let her do it" attitude is more a case of "Goddamit! I've had enough, I can't deal with her." He claimed that the problems of dealing with her made people dump work on her shoulders and that executive members have stuck to their job descriptions as closely as was possible under the circumstances. McElroy emphatically denies this.

As for course loads and pressures on part-time student executive members, McElroy feels that "the teachers have always been good about extending deadlines to students involved in executive work. They recognize the value of the experience executive members are getting."

Defending his lobbying for the retention of a full-time paid presidency, Schlieper told the LINK that he was interested in coming back for Marketing or Business Administration (he will be graduating in Hotel-Motel this spring). "I can't come back for a third year and qualify for any grants or loans," he said.

"How many students are in the position to take on the job without worrying about their course load - their main worry is their schoolwork, not the presidency."

Being in that position, he continued, the president next year could work on the presidency — "the mistakes made this year could be corrected" — and after a year "maybe it could be in the position of being palatable to a full-time student. Maybe it should be a two-year position unless the president is completely incompetent." The mistakes he referred to "were for everybody to judge". He didn't specify further.

Talking in general terms about the election, McElroy told the LINK that she hoped students will really take this election seriously; "Take a good hard look at the candidates who come to the lecture halls and make sure you vote!"

"It's really important to have people who can relate to students

and their fellow executive members. The SA is very well thought of by the BCIT Administration, Victoria and other student unions around B.C. Give some serious thought to this so that we can retain our eminence."

Schlieper states that the status

of the presidency is too important an issue to be decided on strictly by the Executive. "The whole thing should be presented to the student body as a referendum — let them make the decision," he says. "They're the ones who are paying for it."



Principal Gordon Thom is pictured signing a contract that will provide summer jobs for 104 students on BCIT campus through the Youth Employment Program of the provincial Ministry of Labour. Witnessing the agreement is Dale Michaels, Executive Director of Personnel, Information and Student Services and Gerry Lloyd, Coordinator of Student Services.

"In recent times," he says, "there's never been a president who's taken a full course load. Can we judge?"

"A lot of students seem to be uninformed about what has been going on in the executive and the SA. As well as taking a hard look

at the candidates, take a good hard look at the SA as a whole. Find out what they're supposed to be doing and, in that light, take a look at the candidates.

"It's no use voting for people if you don't know what their jobs are."

\$200,000 given BCIT for summer work

The Ministry of Labour, Province of British Columbia has announced that BCIT and the community colleges have received a grant of money for the summer employment program.

The Ministry, by letter to the Principal, Gordon Thom, indicated that there would be \$195,624 available to employ approximately 104 students for the three summer months.

The money is to fund students to work on projects either designed by themselves, their departments or groups of individuals from several departments.

Projects should be submitted to G.N. (Jerry) Lloyd, Co-ordinator

of Student Services and a campus committee will sit and adjudicate the projects and send them to the Ministry of Labour for approval.

Any student or staff member requiring further clarification should contact Jerry Lloyd at Local 215.

\$5 referendum on ballot

Be on the lookout when you are voting because the student council is going to have a referendum on raising the student association fees by \$5.00 to go to the SAC expansion fund. This extra money received would go to the proposed expansion of the facilities for the students in the SAC. This is a very important referendum because the money is desperately needed and without an OK it can't be undertaken. When in the polling booth, remember that whatever you decided it will have long-reaching consequences.

NICK

Free driver-training course offered

The BCIT Student Services Department, in conjunction with the British Columbia Safety Council, is undertaking a pilot project in defensive driver training.

This program is free to students who sign up at Graham Fane's office in the SAC building on April 6, 13, 30 and 27 — four consecutive Wednesday noon hours and each noon hour consisting of a 2-hour session.

The modus operandi is attitude modification. The present situation in British Columbia is that when a driver receives 9 points he is advised that he should take the

defensive driver course. If he received 12 points, it is mandatory that he take the course. Therefore, the course itself receives negative criticism when in fact the course content is excellent.

Statistically the highest risk group is the populus of 18 - 25 years which in this province has resulted in young people paying extremely high rates for insurance.

It is intended, if this program is successful, to convince the Minister to give the same discount on insurance that students receive if

they have taken professional driver training.

There are several other programs that Student Services is interested in developing in this area, one is the hazard avoidance course and high speed driving held at Boundary Bay Airport. The third is the Class 6 licensing for motorcycles also held at Boundary Bay. These programs may be instituted this fall.

If you are interested in signing up for the defensive driver program, please contact Graham Fane, Student Liaison, in the SAC building.

Mr. Peanut swiped — please return

WANTED: MR. PEANUT which was on loan to B.C.I.T. for Open House. Would the person/persons involved in removing the costume please return it. Any information as to the whereabouts

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No war in Tank

In reply to Rochelle Van Halm's complaint about the tank game in the SAC (published in the LINK, March 23rd):

I have just finished playing a relaxing game of tank and my 3rd division tank commander has brought to my attention your complaint about "young men" crowded around a tank game that have a so-called "appetite for war". We believe that if Ms. Van Halm would take the time to investigate the personalities of the people involved in the game, I'm sure she would find that we are not bloodthirsty or miniature General Pattons. But, if she remains to be so narrow-minded

to think that by us playing a game called 'Tank', we are supporting war and killing, then I suggest that she stay upstairs on her fourth floor. It seems incredible that a person who is in journalism can write something without collecting all the facts on the issue. However, is Ms. Van Halm would identify herself to us, we will be happy to present her with a pair of genuine U.S. ARMY TANK GOGGLES AND EAR-MUFFS.

Ian Robertson
4th Division Tank Commander
1st year Marketing

P.S. Thumbs up!

On friends & leaving

In less than four months, we quick witted girls and our guys will be unleashed on the world faced with total and complete responsibility for our actions. God willing, our guys will be around to make life all that much more enjoyable and easy, and we'll do the same for them. We won't have to account to anyone but ourselves and each other. These are dissimilar to parental ties in that they are enforced by ourselves, not anyone else. Our friendship with our roommates will strengthen and flourish with the passage of time. We'll grow closer to each other every day as friends, companions and even lovers. Friends are forever, not for one fleeting moment in a day, month or year. Sure, we'll have our problems: bills to pay, food to buy and prepare, a house to keep, 'family' quarrels and all the rest of the troubles facing young independents. In that respect, we're no different from anyone else. We'll have our problems, but they are dwarfed by the relative capacity of our desire and

ability to co-exist. When all seems bleak and dismal, we do have the undying and overpowering friendship and love of our friends to carry us along and enable us to "make it". We'll work because we want to.

Anonymous



Karen Robinson received the Serve and Solve Award from the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at her graduation in the SAC last Thursday night. The award was presented to her by SA Charities Coordinator Glen Braathen, for her tremendous fundraising efforts with last September's Shinerama. RHO photo.

Exit, jungle-mouth

How to have the brightest smile in town!

HEALTH SERVICE'S LAST HEALTH FAIR FOR THE YEAR!

This time the topic will be Dental Hygiene and Nutrition. A team of hygienists from the Faculty of Dentistry at U.B.C. and hygienists from Lakeview Dental Clinic on Edmonds Street will be giving a display of information on topics such as X-rays, fluoride, head and neck cancer, myofunctional therapy, homecare, crown and bridge and root canals. There will also be slides in Room 129 and an orthodontic display. There will even be free dental floss! Nutrition information will be given by the Burnaby Health Unit Nutritionist. So, come and enjoy the Fair - it is open to the public as well and is free.

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E. Fenner
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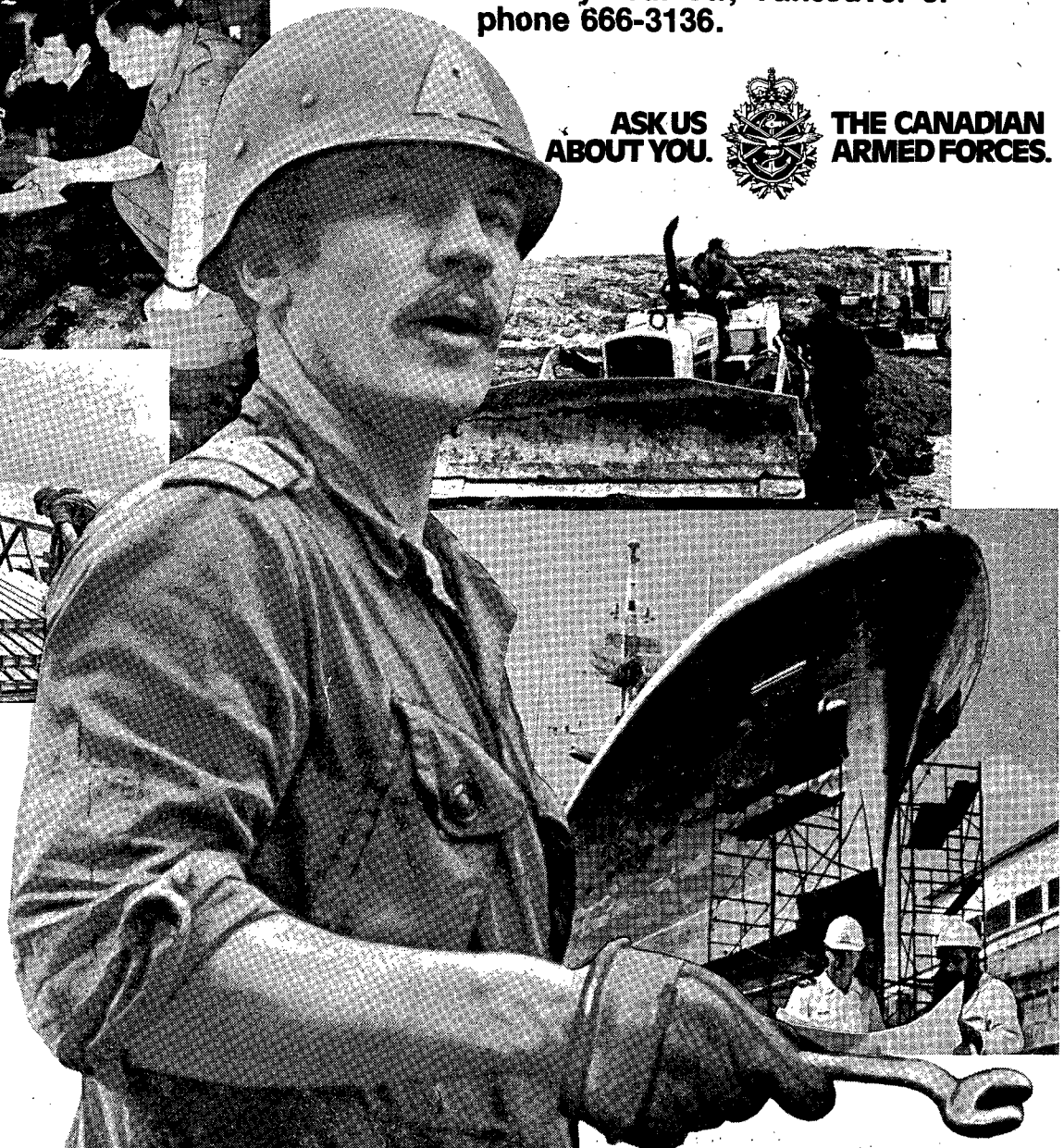
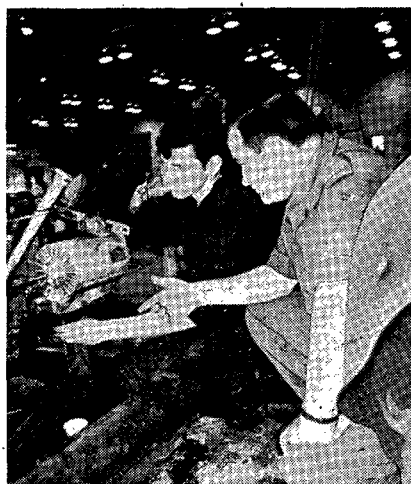
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I refer to the letter in the March 23rd edition of the LINK entitled, "Beware, Thieves", and signed by one, "Pissed Off". It would appear that the writer was indeed one of the unfortunate people who left his or her wallet in an unlocked locker. Now, while I sympathize with the person, I also think that it was very unwise of them to put their wallet in a locker period! If the locker is left unlocked, then what do they expect? I suggest in future that the writer carry their wallet in their pocket, where it surely belongs.

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The executive and their jobs—

SHARON MCELROY PRESIDENT

Sharon feels that the qualities needed for the President of the Student Association are perseverance, a clear and quick thinking mind, an ability to know when and how to delegate responsibility, a sense of humour, and most important, a sense of responsibility.

The problems she has encountered over the last year have been varied, to say the least, from trying to get a better food service for the students, to improving the availability of photocopying machines. The biggest 'problem' which has been an on-going one for a few years has finally been solved. Through Sharon's con-



Sharon McElroy
tinal efforts, the final go-ahead for a student residence was given this year. Construction is slated

to begin in September with a completion date set for July 1978.

To those students who are still unaware of what the job of President of the S.A. entails, Sharon says the main criterion is to continually build a good rapport between students and the staff of the institute. Also, this rapport should extend to the provincial government in Victoria and any other external body that could be of mutual benefit.

The benefits derived from being President of the S.A. are numerous. Sharon believes, of course, that the job itself is an exceptional learning experience. She has had a greater opportunity to learn than she would have had just being in a classroom. In her travels across Canada, Sharon has found that B.C.I.T. has a respected name as a post-secondary institute. It is hoped that the students of B.C.I.T. will acknowledge this and help to maintain this position.

NEVILLE MILLAR V.P. INTERNAL

The position of V.P. Internal is quite a lucrative one; it entails the chairmanship of the Council meetings which are held twice a month and the Executive meetings, the chairing of the Constitution Change Committee, Institute Standards Committee, acting as a unifying agent within the Council, having a stronger rapport with the Student Services, trying to keep people together, having the guts to accept a strong lobby, and patting people on the backs even if it goes against what you truly believe. It is mainly a liaison between the



Neville Millar

students and the Council. Neville also said that it was a "nebulous" job which one could be slack at and get away with it.

In order to run for this position, he suggests that one should possess these qualities:

- 1) Be receptive to new ideas;
- 2) Be able to accept criticism;
- 3) Have a high energy level;
- 4) Have a genuine desire to contribute time and energy;
- 5) Have a "DO list" (most important of all). One may ask, "What is a 'DO list'?" Neville says that it is a list of all the things that must be accomplished for the week, without which one would be lost. With this, comes a high tolerance for sticky situations. Finally, one should have a very diplomatic style, which will inevitably be required.

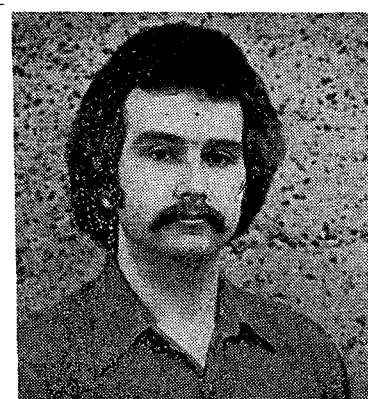
Neville's problems are large, as one would expect with such a high position. He has been having trouble with all the gossip that is going on around campus. If one keeps a careful ear out, he will realize that there is a great deal of criticism about each member on Council. Usually it is very hard to put a finger on the source. Administration is constantly playing games with the setup and is involved with stagnant double-talk. The SAC needs something stronger to help students appreciate the more aesthetic and fine quality entertainment. Neville says that there is a definite need for a more balanced lifestyle program for the students and was quoted in saying, "If the SA does not get its act together in providing socially active function within the next year, it will be like losing our right leg." He was referring to the apparent takeover of jobs that are traditionally done by students, by the Student Services which is run by Jerry Lloyd. He suggests that the SA move away from the political side and give some of the cash back to the students in the way of more and better activities for them. The biggest problem that he has had was in the beginning of the year when the SA was not working together and it was a tough job putting them back on the right track.

The benefits of the job are many, but Neville in his usual manner gave me a few and more.

He says that it puts you on a different level and gives you an opportunity to play a role as a contributing member of society. It also takes you out of being just a student, to being a somebody. He thinks that Council is grossly overpaid and that one should run for the honour of it all.

GUNTHER SCHLIEPER V.P. EXTERNAL

What does the job entail, and what did I do with it in the past year? A good question; and as I sit here writing this I wonder if I can answer it. It is March 14th and the biggest part of what the job this year is about is still ahead—namely, Open House '77. When that is over, then I'll be able to really say what I did or didn't do. Also, before the end of the year, several other things should have reached some kind of resolution, i.e. the crosswalk issue. So far, the Municipality of Burnaby has recommended an overpass to the Provincial government. Concrete results I don't know. I sat on the Financial



Gunter Schlieper

Awards Committee and through it managed to get something done that I had talked about in my campaign; namely, that we try to increase the number of bursaries, etc. available to BCIT students by going to service clubs, companies, etc. in the communities from which many of the students come. Since the committee is an ongoing thing and the membership, with the exception of the student rep, is constant, they will follow up on the original proposal. The idea of getting the Alumni more involved turned into a dud. The majority of those I was able to

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advice for next year's candidates

talk to couldn't spare the time or be bothered to spare the time to get involved in the school again, except as it might benefit them.

My fellow Council members: Well, I can't say it was a bed of roses, except maybe for the thorny part of the rose. There were problems, especially in the early part of the term. With the majority of the Council these things straightened out; however, a spark of it is still there with at least one or two members. For those who are planning to run for Council next year, I would like to offer a bit of advice. Don't try to be an idealist or a realist. Try to be a little of both if you want to do justice to the job. There will be enough of both on the Council and somebody has to sit in there and be the troublemaker, the peace-maker, the person that levels or tips the scales depending on where he/she feels is right or best. Some of the results of your actions are not too obvious and, in many cases, you don't want them to be. Sometimes all that is needed is a couple of words, an attitude, an action, or just ignoring something or someone, to get something done.

On the whole, what does the job entail and what did I do with it? It entails being able to deal with your fellow students, some of whom you like, some who you can't stand. You should be able to compromise, yet push for what you feel is right, be ready to back down if wrong, or for the good of the majority, and during the whole thing, remember that you are not a professional. You are doing it, hopefully, because you do give beep for the school and your fellow students, and somehow, someone will benefit by what you do or by the very fact of your being there while they can't be. If you are looking at the Council as a way of getting publicity for yourself, as an image booster, a power trip, or for what you can get out of it other than experience, please don't. That's not what it's all about. For those of you who will be on Council next year, good luck and remember, a lot of the problems look bigger than they really are.

For all the grads this year, good luck as you head into the REAL WORLD. It's been a pleasure going to BCIT with you and hopefully, as you head up the ladder of success, you'll remember those who are going through the same thing you have left behind.

DON MACKAY—TREASURER

This position involves a good deal of accounting. The person who will be elected to it will be responsible for managing and accounting for the student association fees. You will be required to attend all the meetings that the association holds and give the report of the treasurer at the meetings. The position requires a good mathematical ability as well as a feel for financial statements and the budgeting process. Last year, Don was elected by acclamation and hopefully this year will be a bit different, for it is no fun if one doesn't have an opponent to run against.

LIANNE KOS—BUSINESS REP.

Lianne is a very dynamic person and should be commended on the fine job that she has done.



Lianne Kos

Her job is to help elect tech reps and to hold meetings for them once a month. She is on the Constitution Change Committee and sits on the Tech Sub Committee. She is involved with Tech Job Briefs for the reps. This year she travelled to Victoria to participate in the lobbying for the student housing. She is also very heavily involved in Exposure for the students. She acts as a liaison officer for the business students and gets contacts who are willing to come to school activities.

The problems that she faced this year are the familiar ones that nearly everyone faces. The

biggest problem is that no one is exactly sure of what they are to do. The constitution gives a brief outline, but it does not give it all. Her task was to sort it out and give an outline. She feels that she has expanded a resource bank that was not there in the previous years. In her files are many important names that the business students can rely upon to get information and assistance from. She has had to miss a lot of classes and this has been especially hard on her, but she has been able to come up with invariable ease. She has had to reorganize her priorities and in

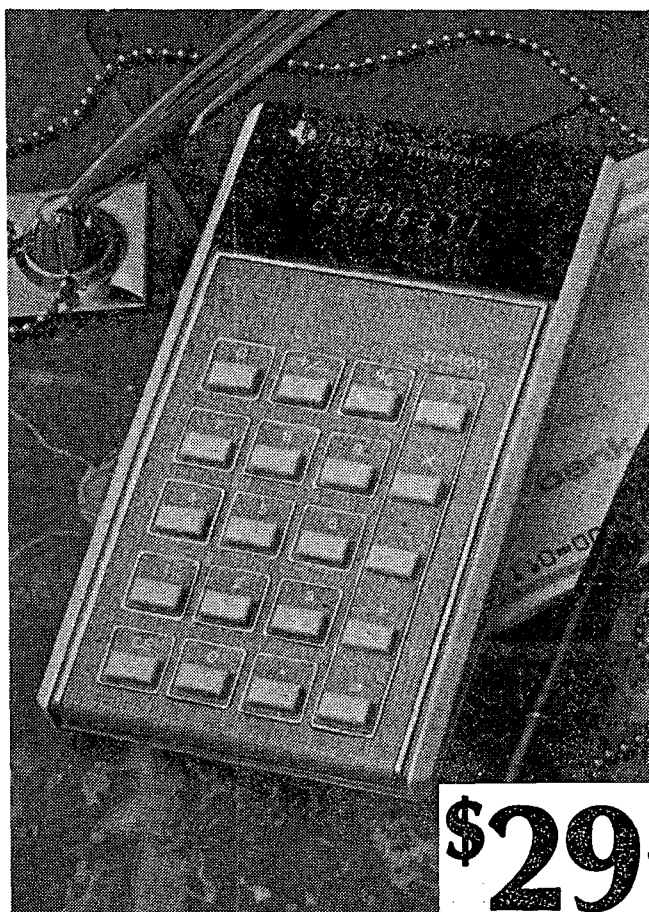
some way her train of thought as well.

If you are running for this position, be ready for a heck of a lot of work. Without the ambition, drive and determination that Lianne has, one will never make it in this position. It is a job that has an awful amount of responsibility without a lot of praise. One finds oneself left with very little time for themselves and spends most of the time organizing and contacting people.

The biggest advantage of this job is the tremendous number of people and contacts that one can

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Two great calculator buys from Texas Instruments



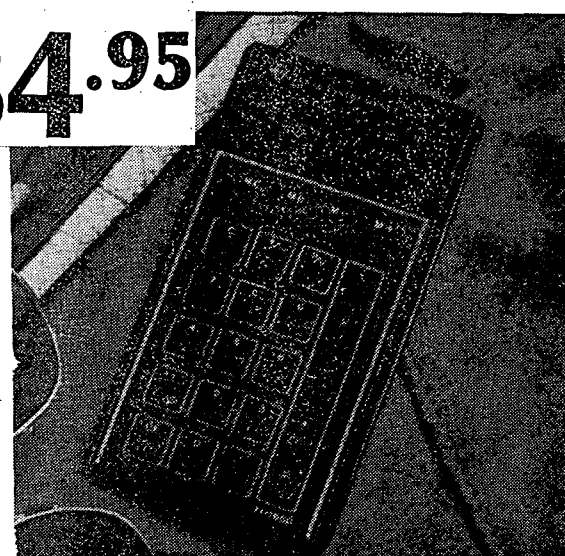
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TI-1600

A slimly styled calculator featuring four-function capability plus percent key, automatic constant in all four functions, and easy-to-read 8-digit vacuum fluorescent display. A change-sign key helps solve complex problems. The handsome new slim styling gives you all this capability in a truly portable pocket calculator. And, it's easy to use. Solve problems by simply pressing the keys just as the problem is stated.

The fully portable TI-1600 operates from a fast charge battery providing 3 to 5 hours of continuous use before recharging and operates from standard house current. AC adapter/charger and carrying case included with the calculator.

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Attractive slim styling plus powerful memory and large easy-to-read 8-digit vacuum fluorescent display. Adds, subtracts, multiplies, divides and has a percent key to calculate percentages, taxes, and discounts. A change-sign key helps solve complex problems. Simply press the keys the way the problem is stated.

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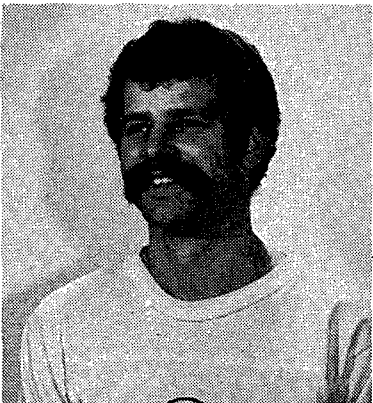
The New Cave will be featuring
THE ASSOCIATION
 Wednesday, March 30—Saturday, April 2 (tickets \$3)
 Starting April 4th for two weeks **THE VENTURES**
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meet. You will learn how to delegate authority or else end up doing everything yourself. You will get involved with interesting people that are willing to help. To sum it all up, one has to say that it is mainly a people-oriented job and there is nothing more satisfying than working with people.

ROBERT SLAVIK ENGINEERING DIVISION REP

The position of Engineering Division Rep is a job that can be very fulfilling to an individual. It involves communication with your division. It will demand that you organize meetings for techs, solve different little problems that might arise, and generally have a good understanding of what makes engineers tick.



Rob Slavik

Rob also had a few problems in his year in office. He told the LINK that this year's Council was not united, but rather split up. He said, "The world ends outside the SAC doors", in reference to

the Council. He also showed a fear of one or two executives who do not share the workload and thought that the executives were totally business oriented and profit-mind, not knowing the difference between spending money for the good of the students and losing money. He suggests that the next year's rep push a lot more for activities that are not centered directly around the SAC.

In this position, you will receive a lot of learning outside the classroom. You will learn how to deal with people and start making decisions and new projects. The major benefit which you will receive is in discovering the many different types of people out in the world, and learning that what you learn in school will only be used 40% of the time while the learning you receive in this position will last a lifetime.



Marg McKinney
HEALTH REP:

Marg McKinney was out of

town on a practicum for the past couple of weeks; we weren't able to contact her for an interview on her views as Health Rep.

TRACEY PRIMEAU ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON

The Activities Chairperson is a very interesting job. It involves such things as scheduling entertainment for the techs that are putting on the pubs, dances, and discos, and co-ordinating graduation dances. It also involves sitting on some committees such as the Exam committee, which decides on where the exams should be set up, as well as the Constitution Change Committee.

Tracey feels that she has done the best job that she could have under the circumstances. There have been a few problems, like the constant pressure of the eight courses in school, lack of volunteers and the lack of organization. The school activities that she has been involved in have been very successful (that is, they have not



Tracy Primeau

lost any money) as compared to previous years when they brought in acts such as Ike and Tina Turner and Pat Paulsen. The activities have usually broken even with the Nurses bringing in the most money.

If you think that you would like this job, Tracey suggests that you should possess a few specific qualities. She feels that the person should be well organized and not scraping by in school, interested in the entertainment field and how it works, have good rapport with the students as well

as management leadership. The most important quality that you should possess is to be able to handle a lot of pressure and be able to meet strict deadlines.

The benefits that you will receive in this job are numerous. It will definitely put you in a situation to make you organized. You will learn to manage things by the main objectives. Your time will be well worth it as you will ultimately obtain a lot of exposure to the media and, who knows, maybe even a job offer!

The Rock Pile— Bad Co.'s 'Burning Shy'

A new Bad Company record has just hit the streets. Recorded in France in August 1976, it is the fourth Bad Company record in 3 years. Their first release, 'Bad Co.' was a top selling album containing the two hits, "Can't Get Enough of Your Love" and "Ready for Love" (a Mott the Hoople song). Their next two records each contained a hit.

Their latest album, 'Burnin' Shy', contains 50 solid minutes of typical Bad Company music, except for one lemon—a terrible sounding piece called "Everything I Need". A couple of the songs sound the same as some of their previous work, notably "Too Bad You're Gonna Cry", which sound the same as "Movin' On" from their first album. Otherwise, strong vocals and a good steady beat combine with some tight guitar playing to make this a good album to listen to.

So any of you who liked any of

Bad Company's previous records will not be disappointed when you grab yourself a copy of their latest.

Concert Calendar

April 2 - Genesis in the Coliseum
April 3 - Pablo Cruise will be the first contemporary rock band to appear in the newly renovated Orpheum Theatre.

April 14 - Bim—right here at BCIT.

April 22 - Supertramp breaks into the Coliseum.

May 18 - Bonnie Raitt—don't know where yet.

Bottom of the Rock Pile

For those of you who missed the Pink Floyd show at the H.R. MacMillan Planetarium last February which continually sold out of the 250 seats each night it was on, it is quite possible they'll be showing it again in the fall. Stay tuned for further news.

Donald Wright
1st year E&E

More ravings

Photocopy system 'useless'

Regarding the photocopy machines throughout the BCIT campus. One or more of the following conditions usually apply:

- 1) copy is too light to be of value,
- 2) machine doesn't work, so a half hour or more is wasted running around the school,
- 3) no refund is available,
- 4) U.B.C. machines are only 5 cents.

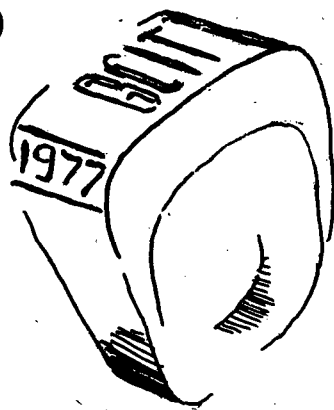
It would be appreciated if this could be rectified on a sustained yield basis.

Picked Forestry student

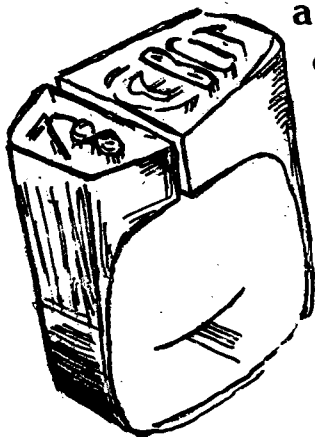
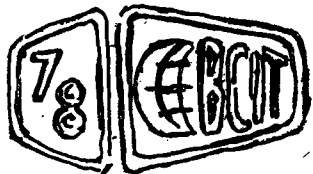
The Student Association has been responsible for the operation of the copiers on campus. We realize there are problems due to lack of personnel to service the machines. We are attempting to have the administration of BCIT take over the operation of these vend copiers. The Pitney-Bowes machines are 5 cents vend, but due to the low volume at BCIT, Xerox copies must be at 10 cents - they cost the SA 7.5 cents before other expenses are added on. We hope next term the vend copiers will be better for the students.

NICK.

Is this idea worth its weight in gold?



Grassie Firbanks has designed an **exclusive, original grad ring** for the class of '77. Cast in 10K gold, 10-19 orders of either style cost \$195. 20 or more orders cost \$185 each. If you are interested, contact Gail in this 'n that, SAC building about setting up a Grad Ring committee. The prices quoted above are **at cost** — the SA is making **no profit** at all on these rings.



The minimum number of orders is ten.

Chinese Students' Association General Meeting

TODAY, APRIL 6

12-1:30 pm.

Room 126

Nominations for next year's executive positions are taken up. Also, come join us at the 'pre-election disco' April 9 in the SAC.

Intramural finals approaching soon

TEAM HANDBALL: Game results: Bio-Science lost to Survey 21-11. Building won over Hotel-Motel by default.

Finals will be played Monday, April 4. 7 pm — 2 losing teams in semi-finals. 8 pm — 2 winning teams in semi-finals for championship.

INDOOR SOCCER: Game results: C & S II beat Survey A 3-1; Finance II tied Building I with one apiece; Finance I beat Survey B 4-0.

League Leaders: Forestry with 7 points followed by C & S II, Finance I, Bio-Sciences and Building II with points.

Playoffs start April 12 (top 4 teams). Consolation and championship games will be played on Tuesday, April 19.

BASKETBALL: Game results: Admin. defeated Survey; Gas & Oil won by default over I & S. Forestry and Broadcasting both defaulted.

Playoffs. Due to a gym Rental on Sunday April 3rd: 1st and 4th place teams, 2nd and 3rd place teams will arrange a game time prior to April 1. Two winners will play off at a mutual time between 4th and 7th of April. Gym time available 5:30—7:00 pm daily. Let Athletic Department know arrangements for referees.

INDOOR SOCCER: Forestry and C & S are tied for the lead with seven points apiece. Bio-Science and Finance I are tied for second place with 6 points each. Forest Products and Building II are tied for 3rd with 5 points apiece. Finance II and Survey A



The women's flag football team, with Sports rep Roger Blum. They were soundly trounced in a recent outing against SFU, but their spirit is impossible to beat. RHO photo.

are tied for fourth with four points each, and Building I and Survey B bring up the rear with three points each. For more detailed standings, including goals for and against, contact Wally Rowan in the Athletic office.

These standings are up to, and including, March 22, 1977.

ICE HOCKEY: Game results. Forestry by default over C & S II. Survey by default over C & S I. Admin. beat Hotel Motel 7-1. Forest Products squeaked by E & E I 4-3; Finance beat Bio-Science 4-2.

On March 16 an unpleasant incident happened in an intra-

mural hockey game. A team used ineligible players who didn't even go to our institute.

During the heat of the action a fight developed and players were ejected from the game. One of the players from our institute was involved in further roughness outside the rink. Is this fun?

The Intramural constitution states that we play under BCAHA rules and the administration of local amendments as we require in our activities. Therefore, on reviewing the statements of team reps, referees and witnesses the committee consisting of the student activity organizer, student

association sports rep and the referee in chief of the league declared the student from our institute suspended for the balance of the league schedule and playoffs.

I sincerely hope that officials, team managers, and players pass this information on to all participants. We don't need this kind of violence in intramurals.

In a tight race for the top, Admin. is leading the league with 18 points, with Building I & II in a close second with 17. Survey is in third with 15 points and Forestry A and Mech. Eng. are in fourth with 14 points each. Bringing up the rear are Op. Man/Hot. Mot. with 12, Finance with 12, I & S, BioScience with 11, Mining and with 11, Forestry B with 10, Marketing with 7, Forest Products and C & S II with 4 each, E & E I with 3 and C & S I with 2.

For complete standings, including all statistics, contact the Athletic office. These standings are valid up till March 25. Don't forget: defaults or games not played can be rescheduled by the teams involved. Officials will be provided if you give the recreation department sufficient time.

VOLLEYBALL: Game Results: Series I: Admin Man over Nuc. Med 3-0; Survey A whipped Med Lab 3-0. Hotel Motel beat C & S 2-1. In Series II action, Survey B beat E & E I 2-1. Finance II clobbered Building 3-0 and Finance I beat Forestry by default.

Today is the final round of the schedule. Playoffs will be held on Wednesday, April 16. at 12:00, the top 2 teams from Division I on Court I. At 12 also, the top 2 teams from Division II on Court II. At 1 pm, the 1977 Intramural championship game.

The playoffs are best of three games. The finals are the best of five games.

Prior to these upcoming last games, the top teams in Series I were Survey A with 13 points and

Hotel Motel and Admin. Man with 12 each.

In Series II top teams were Finance II with 13 points, Building I with 12 and Survey B and E & E I tied with 11 points.

*** This is not an April Fool's trick. There will be an Intramural Sports Council Meeting Friday, April 1 at 7:45 am.

Technology reps — send your new prospects for the 1977-78 year. Come one, come all, get your sports facts straight so you can vote the right person into office. The agenda is:

- duties of sports rep.
- ticket sales to banquet
- nominations for persons (one male and one female who contributed the most to Intramurals.
- review of constitution and committee.
- 77-78 program.

Help us to keep it fun with your input into the program.

OFFICIALS: Some payments for referees still remain in the recreation office. If you have money coming to you, get it before you leave the Institute. Any fees not collected by June 1 will be returned to the Student Association General Account.

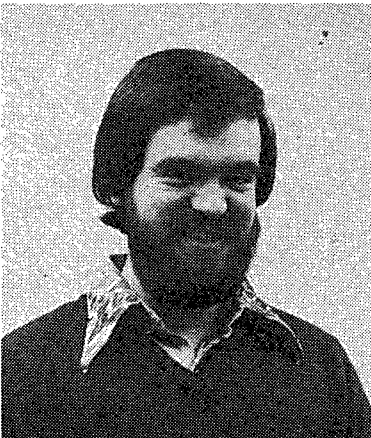
*** **FIRST YEAR STUDENTS:** If you intend to participate or work in the Intramural program next year, drop in and talk to Wally Rowan, the Student Activities Organizer. He doesn't bite or kick. He wants you input to improve the program.

*** **INTRAMURALS BANQUET:** Friday, April 29. Tickets going fast. Get them at the Athletic office or TNT shop. Bring your guy-gal. To the Royal Towers for a classy dinner and a wild night of disco-fun-awards-prizes. All for \$4 per person. Student Association funds are invested so make it a big night!

Karpinsky: start looking early

Our personality of the week is Mr. Val Karpinsky.

Val has been with us since January '76. For those of you who do not know who Val is and what he does, stick around and let me tell you. In previous years, there was a great need for student housing; students found it difficult to find suitable accommodation. The cry of the students reached none other than Student Services. They decided to do something to relieve the situa-



Val Karpinsky

tion.

Val is the product of this mixture of problems. He is the vital link between the students and the outside world. Val looks after all the housing requirements at BCIT and is there if and whenever the student gets into rather sticky situations. He is deeply involved with the proposed student residences and is ready to take complete control when it is completed.

I asked him what the students can do to help him so that he can better help us, and what came out of the conversation is revealed to you now: He suggests that first year students start looking for accommodation before the mad rush in September, and for second year students to look and get things settled before they leave at the end of first year. In that way, there will be no worries when they get back. One major problem that is happening is that there are not many people who have been helped by him who come back and give him more details of what the outcome of his help was. Without this feedback from the students, he is limited in his knowledge. He suggests that the wise student set up a budget

so that he knows ahead of time what the total expenditure will be for food, rent and transportation. With these figures, the person can go apartment hunting with total confidence and a knowledge of what he is going to spend and how much he can afford.

The most important thing when it comes to apartments, is to discuss each and every point of standards of occupancy. Val has sheets in his office, located in the SAC building, that have a checklist of accommodations which deal in such things as guests, paid deposits, broken windows, noise limitations, and a host of other problems that may rise up with your landlord. This list must be signed by both of the renters and will be used as evidence if a problem should arise.

If you have any problems concerning housing or even how to get to your house, then by all means go and see Val. He is there for your benefit and is most willing to help anyone that is in need. He doesn't cost anything so you certainly get your money's worth.



Bim

is coming to BCIT!

In concert
Thursday, April 14
in the SAC gym.

Tickets will go on sale soon at all this 'n that locations

The Link unclassifieds

"RELIGION and Science walk hand in hand." For more information on the Baha'i World Faith please phone 526-9088.

\$85 PER MONTH. 1106 Dublin St. Room for rent. Share kitchen and bathroom with other girl. See Lee in TNT. Available April 1st.

DRESS MAKING and alterations by student. See Wanda, 525-9161.

UPCOMING EVENT: There will be an introductory talk on Transcendental Meditation for all BCIT Students, Wed. March 30, 1:30 in Room 324. Everyone welcome.

PUCCINI'S ladies Sr B Softball team is looking for players. Practices are being held weekly. For info. call 325-6095.

IF YOU ARE A drummer, have your own equipment & would like to jam with other musicians, phone Dean at 433-4769.

MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT during summer holidays. Sincerely looking for school mates with the following hobbies: Palmistry and/or hypnosis (meditation) and/or martial arts for mutual improvement during summer holidays. Interested persons please drop note into locker # 3-466 or call 299-6179 (evenings before 8:30 pm) for Wayne.

71 VOLKS FASTBACK (for sale). Good condition. Phone 294-0040 after 6:00 pm.

CLASSIC 1965 Dodge Town Panel Van for sale. New paint, rebuilt V8 318 and 4 speed, city tested. In great shape. 524-8405

ROOM IN SHARED HOUSE with 2 BCIT students. Surrey area. \$100 plus 1/3 utilities. Phone 526-6237.

ONE OR TWO ROOMMATES needed for the month of May. \$103 or \$155 plus utilities. Phone 294-1040 and ask for Cathy.

Bowser Moon



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**April Fool's
Costume
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Prizes for best costumes
Tickets \$2 at this 'n that

NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there will be an election to fill the following positions of the Executive Committee of the BCIT Students' Association on Thursday April 14 and Friday April 15, 1977

1. President★
2. Vice-President Internal
3. Vice-President External
4. Treasurer
5. Business Society Rep
6. Engineering Society Rep.
7. Health Society Rep.
8. Activities Rep.
9. Sports Rep.
10. Board of Governors Rep.★★

Eligibility: A CANDIDATE

- must be a BCITSA member in good standing
- must have a 1st year academic standing of no less than 65%, or a letter of recommendation from the Dept. head of the nominee

Nominations: ● are now open ● close 4:30 pm Friday, April 11, 1977

Forms: ARE AVAILABLE FROM SA offices, Student Activities Centre
Neville Millar — chief returning officer.

Campaigning: ● may commence at 5:30 pm Friday, April 1, 1977 ● must cease by 5 pm, Wednesday, April 13, 1977 ● all regulations, as specified by the CRO, must be strictly adhered to.

Campaign speeches: Wednesday, April 13, 1977 from 12 am to 1 pm in the cafeteria of the SAC building

Balloting Method: ● election shall be a secret ballot and the single 'X' shall be the system of voting employed ● any irrelevant mark shall render the ballot spoiled

Balloting Schedule: Thursday, April 14, Friday April 15, 9:00—4:00

Polling locations: ● South Foyer ● SAC lobby
● Note: all times quoted above are Pacific Standard times

Referendum: will be included on the ballot on raising SA fee by \$5.00 to go towards the Building Fund.

★ the status of the President's position will be decided by today

For more details, see Neville Millar, SA offices

★★ the B.O.G. rep will be appointed by the Student Council on Wed., April 13, 1977. All applicants must submit resumes and be interviewed by Council on April 13.



GOD SAVE THE KING!

**Issued for the BCITSA
by Neville Millar,
Chief Returning Officer**