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SA reacts to Federal proposals

Executives ponder ramifications for post-secondary education

by Damascus Roy

It has only been three weeks since Canada's Minister for Human Resources unveiled his stunning proposals for funding of post secondary education. *The Link* asked two Student Association Executives what the implications were for students.

Chris Lee, SA President, was more reserved in his criticism of Axworthy's proposals. He wanted more time to study them and was adamant in stating he was expressing his opinion and not speaking for the entire council.

Peter Odynsky, VP of Marketing and Public Relations, was more vocal with his criticism. He felt Axworthy's proposal would be detrimental to the Canadian vision of post secondary education.

LINK: What do you like about Axworthy's policy paper?

Peter Odynsky: It's a proactive response to the debt, they're [the federal government] doing something.

Also, they're moving the educational norm up, it could empower more students to go to school. Only if they don't mind the debt load.

It might also enable smaller schools to offer specialized programs. Increased tuition will make private technical colleges as attractive as say BCIT since the cost won't be very different.

LINK: What do you think will happen if the proposals are adopted?

Odynsky: Short term, I see a trend towards part-time and distance studies because of the cost. Long term: lots of capital pro-

jects designed to entice more students to come to a particular campus.

It will probably encourage students to go to two year BCIT's than five year SFU's.

LINK: What's wrong with that?

Odynsky: It will give students apprehensions to pursue a more academic career. It will make it more feasible to be an accountant than a philosophy teacher. I'm afraid of some bureaucrat in Ottawa saying *this* career path is more valuable than that one.

LINK: Is Revenue Canada well suited to collecting student debt?

Odynsky: I have grave apprehensions about using Revenue Canada as a collection agency. It would be very undemocratic. Debt collection would be arbitrary and dehumanizing.

LINK: Of course the most important result of the proposals would be a doubling of tuition.

Odynsky: No, there going triple. More importantly tuitions might not rise across the board. Some programs viewed as more desirable could have a lower tuition than programs viewed as less valuable.

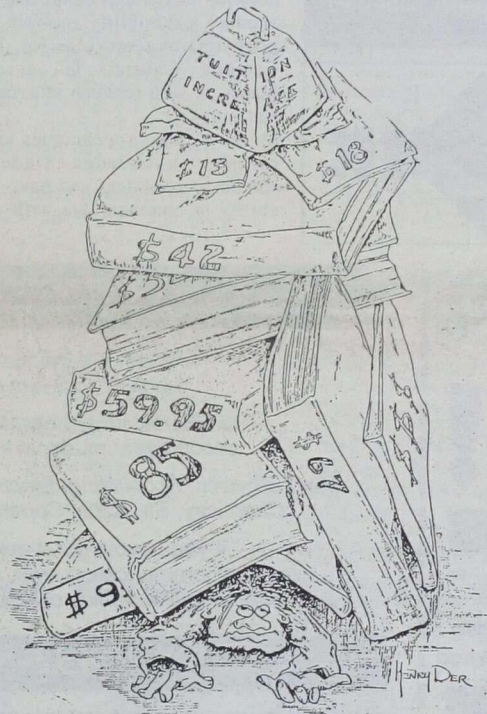
LINK: Any last apprehensions?

Odynsky: I can see schools spending massively on Public Relations to attract students. They'll waste millions on advertising.

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LINK: Has council met and talked about the policy paper?

Chris Lee: No, not yet. I've put



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in an application to talk to the standing committee that's traveling across the country. I'm also trying to research what is happening. The [SA] council will have to come to an agreement on how to respond.

LINK: The CFS said the government is unloading the deficit problem on students.

Lee: That's a predictable reply. My opinion is if society says I can't fund your education, but I'll lend you the money and you pay me back, that seems OK to me.

But I'm middle class and single. From a broader perspective I have to see whether that's a valid stance to take.

LINK: What to you like about

the proposal?

Lee: It's addressing the issue of reducing the deficit. If that means a better future for all of us, that's a god thing.

I think it will make schools more accountable. If they don't serve students well, they'll take their money and go elsewhere.

I also like the fact it's still open for discussion.

LINK: What do you dislike?

Lee: There's so much change suggested, all to be done in one fell swoop. I wonder if the details have been taken care of.

I wonder if this will discourage students from studying. Isn't this defeating what we are trying to do in education?

If you graduate with so much debt I wonder if the economy will be held up. If we're all paying for our education, will we have the money to buy the cars and homes that keep the economy going. I know in my case, when I graduated from university, the first thing I did was buy a car.

LINK: What are possible outcomes of this proposal?

Lee: The [BCIT] administration believes we are moving to a voucher system. The government could control what is being taught by refusing vouchers to certain programs.

LINK: Any final comments?

Lee: One advantage is schools would become more market driven, we won't have the problem of schools being behind the times.

CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

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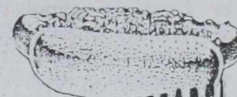
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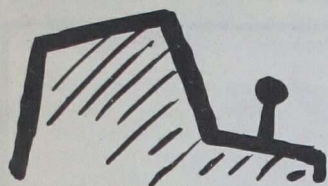
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Video break-ins a problem for SA

Free video games were for the taking last week after machines were vandalized. The vandals not only stole all the change in the machines, they wired them so patrons could play for free.

The theft occurred either Friday evening or Saturday, according to Recreation desk staffer, Dave Rapchuck. "They [the machines] were all open on Sunday", according to Rapchuck. "They busted all the wires", he added.

The machines are in an enclave beside Taps Pub. They have been vandalized at least three times this year, according to SA Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations, Peter Odynsky. "We probably lost \$1200 in change plus about \$600 in damage to the machines."

The arcade area was crammed on Monday and Tuesday with students playing free games courtesy of the generous vandals. An electronics student, playing a free round of kick boxing, speculated the vandalism was in retaliation for what he felt were high prices and the impossible level of difficulty of some games. "What do you expect people to do when they're getting ripped off?"

Odynsky said the SA was considering installing a video camera to protect the machines. Gordon McClean, BCIT's Head of Security, was more skeptical of the benefits of close circuit cameras.

"It's the first thing people suggest when confronted with a security problem", said McClean. He felt they were not the deterrent people think they are.

McClean also pointed out that since the SA was moving into a new building, any measures taken should be temporary.

The security head was reluctant to point at anyone directly. He did say security had observed "four youths kicking a desk down the street" the last time the machines were vandalized. He would not say where the youths were from and admitted there was no way of connecting the incidents.

He concluded the SA could have security remove youths from the building, though he felt it might not remove the problem. "The building is vulnerable; it's open to the public."

The SA will have to decide whether the profits made from the machines are worth the aggravation.

Exec retreat sets council's priorities

Student Association (SA) executive have made improving the quality of education and student life the focus of their initiatives this year.

Student politicians had their annual executive retreat on Galiano Island during the first weekend of October. The retreat is meant to be an orientation session for the new student council.

The cost of sending SA executives to the Gulf Islands for a weekend may seem indulgent to some. However Peter Odynsky,

Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations felt the retreat was valuable to SA execs.

The orientation sessions were conducted by Stephen Miller, SA Executive Director, and Anna-Lisa Jones, Support Programs and Environmental Education Coordinator.

Odynsky said Jones and Miller acted as a "sounding board" for ideas. He also felt they gave execs a "familiarity with the procedures of getting things done at BCIT."

Will the fact that council has no returning members hurt the Student Association? Odynsky conceded the council is somewhat inexperienced. However he pointed to the fact that both he and Joanna Banks, Business Chair, had previous student council experience.

Eilleen Fitzpatrick, Recreation and Athletics Chair, also felt a rookie council was not a problem. She felt the retreat gave the executive a chance to "get to know one another as peo-

Tutoring program up, running

Despite numerous pleas in The Link, and via PROFFS, we still have a shortage of Tutors registered with our Tutoring Program. This has caused a serious delay in getting help to those who have registered for assistance through our Voice Mail System.

If you have already registered, we apologize for the delay! For those who are realizing their need for help, still register as all tutor matched are on a first come, first served basis. In the mean time, please try to set up an alternate means of assistance.

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If you know of someone who has excellent marks, has good communication skills and would like to earn some extra money, while helping students succeed, please call Anna-Lisa Jones at 432-8549. Also note that we still have Work study Positions available for Tutoring (students would have applied for a BC Student Loan to qualify).

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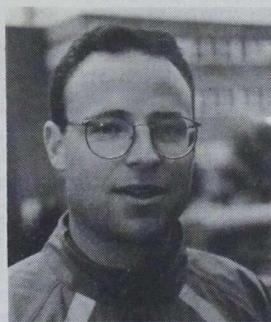
Anna-Lisa Jones
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What facilities should the new Campus Centre have?



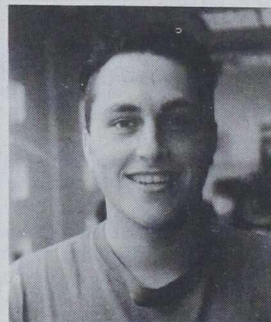
Belinda Fisher
First year Broadcast Journalism

"I think there should be a ban on video games in the new building. It should contain a quiet area for sleeping and resting, also a Women's Resource Centre and a computer lab."



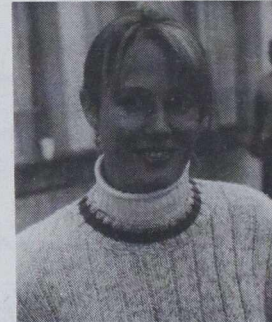
Bruce Jensen
Human Resource Management

"I think there is no need in the Centre for a computer store the current book store has good prices on software."



Antony Ferino
First Year Management Systems

"There isn't enough demand for a computer store, it wouldn't be an effective use of space."



Tracy Dixon
Human Resource Management

"The new Campus Centre should have a licensed lounge area that is quiet and serves coffee, like UBC's Gallery. I would also like to see another bank machine."

EDITORIAL

It's time to wake up...

If you are still not aware that AIDS is not a gay disease, or disease of intravenous drug users, you must have slept through the last decade. There are risk activities, not risk groups.

To put it bluntly, AIDS can affect ANYONE and that means YOU.

Students must have been asleep, however. We are now seen as a group very much at risk of contracting AIDS.

Students tend to be younger and fall into the 20 to 25 age group—the most sexually active. Of this age group, those attending post-secondary institutions are the most active.

They are also among the least likely to practice safe sex.

Instead of providing students with the knowledge to take preventative action, it seems education has given us a false sense of security and immortality.

There is Taps, the clubs downtown and the ever present student parties. Many of us have a good time, a few drinks, listen to music and enjoy the company of friends.

This has its hazards as well as its thrills; sometimes the thrills are the hazards. Often we meet people on these occasions. Sometimes we "get lucky." But alcohol can make you do stupid things and in the spontaneous heat of passion how many forget to practice safer sex?

Educate yourselves on safer sex, not just your course materials. If you want to survive to practice and enjoy what you have learned here at BCIT:

- practice safer sex
- talk about it with your partner, or partners: ALL of them.
- be prepared for safer sex and carry condoms or dental dams for those unforeseen occasions
- if your partner of choice refuses to practice safer sex, think about your choice again

Have fun, enjoy your sex life, but do it carefully. Play it safe.

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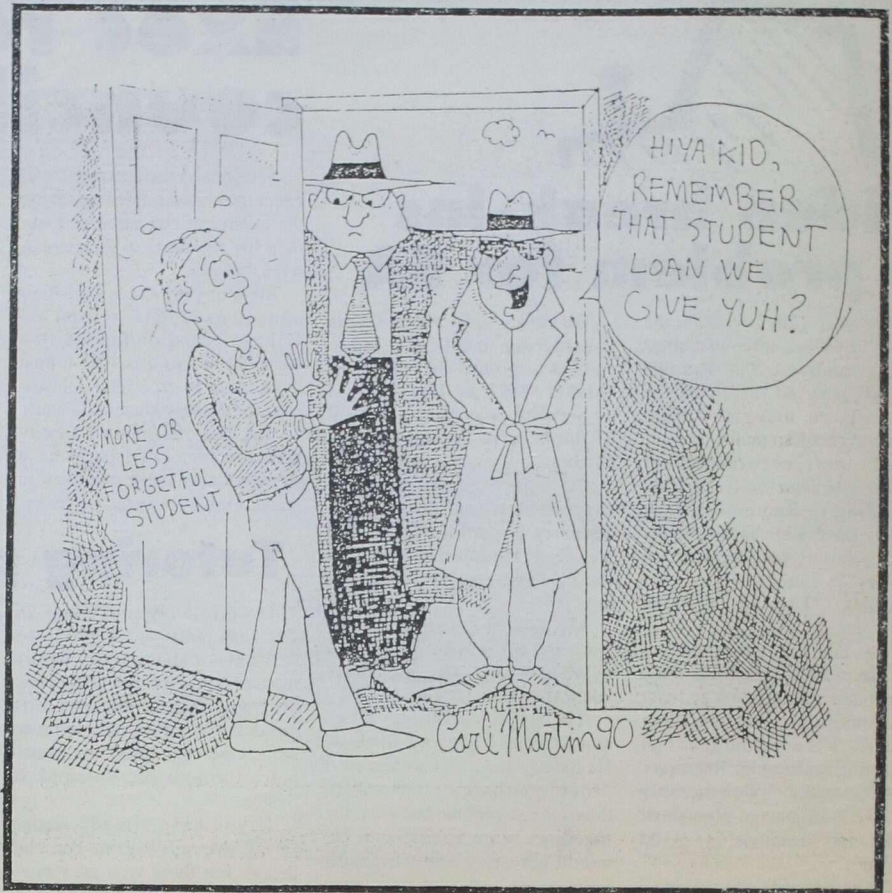
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OPINION

Quebec separatists, students could save Canada from tuition hikes

by Damascus Roy

In September Quebec elected, much to the chagrin of the Rest of Canada (ROC), a Parti Quebecois government. Surprisingly, the election of a PQ Government may be the best thing for the country's student population.

Quebec's student movement is considerably more active than their ROC counterparts, one of the reasons why Quebec's tuition is the lowest in the country. The student movement is also politically active, something both sides of the referendum campaign are well aware of.

Thus the PQ will enlist the support of separatists in the student movement to help carry the referendum. The smart money says they're not going double tuition when they need the help of Quebec students.

The effect of this courtship may benefit stu-

dents in ROC, sparing them a steep tuition increase.

The Human Resources Ministry of the federal government is considering changing the way they fund post secondary education (PSE). The proposed reforms could double or triple tuition.

The Reform Party would likely support any policy calling for students to pay more for PSE. The Bloc Quebecois, aligned tightly with the PQ, would have to oppose vigorously any federal policy that could impose a larger burden on students.

Political biases aside, the Bloc is a more effective opposition than the neophyte Reformers. The federal Liberals can easily be swayed when significant pressure is applied. Their about face on NAFTA is a perfect example.

Simply put, if the feder-

al government faces enormous pressure from Quebec students and politicians while attempting to restructure PSE funding the federal government will probably back down. Chretien can ill afford to alienate Quebec youth in the upcoming referendum.

This explains the vagueness with which Human Resources Minister Lloyd Axworthy unveiled plans to reform social programs and PSE funding. In true Liberal style, Axworthy's long awaited policy statement on PSE referred to a 'bunch of suggestions' that were not 'cast in stone yet'. Translation: whoever makes the most political noise gets to see their 'suggestions' become policy.

Quebec students, who are being courted by both the Bloc and the PQ, have the potential to make a lot of noise.

However, the Quebec student movement has a habit of rattling off flutulent intellectual rhetoric that can turn the stomach of even the most supportive political ally.

Will the student leaders be able to bury their sometimes petty political differences and form a common front? English and allophone students are likely to be more reluctant than their francophone counterparts to join forces with the Bloc and the PQ.

However, if Quebec students can muster enough political momentum they may be able to single-handedly intimidate the federal government from adopting any policy that significantly increases the cost of Post Secondary Education.

If they succeed ROC students may become grateful Quebecers elected a separatist government.

LETTERS

Phone, talk to group; not the liason

I would rather talk to these people directly. I really would! but for unexplained reasons I've not been given the chance. Instead people have felt fine about dropping in on, phoning, asking others to phone, leaving unsettling, anonymous voice mail for the Student Association employee who coordinates Student Support Programs, Anna-Lisa Jones. True, one of her responsibilities is for Take Pride, the support/action group for lesbian, gay, bisexual (ie the "unstraight") students, staff and faculty on campus. But if you have a problem with Take Pride, shouldn't you raise it directly with the organization? People with a positive interest in the group (e.g. *Prism* of Rogers Cable Vision, the BCIT TV *Newsmagazine*) have no trouble getting a hold of me. Why have the people who ar snarling?

And what were our sins? Well, existing appears to be one. Once agin the gentle readers of *The Link* and the *BCIT Update* were reminded that there is a support/action group for lesbians, gays bisexuals, etc. on campus. This may have led the astute (or suspicious) reader to the conclusion that there may also be some actual gays and lesbians. A second sin was being hopeful. Mark

Miller submitted a brief "what-we-want-to-do-this-year" list to *Update*. Nestled among the proposed activities was a request for ideas for a BCIT presence in next summer's Gay Pride Parade. This idea had *not been cleared with the administration!* Of course I *thought* about using a different laundry detergent last night and I didn't clear that either. Hmm.

So why was Anna-Lisa contacted instead of me? As noted, Take Pride is one of Anna-Lisa's responsibilities. and, in my admittedly biased opinion, she has done an excellent job. She has even done so far in support of this fledgling group to give her number as a contact person. I am not jealous that she has gotten all the calls. Honest! what has disturbed me, actually gotten me quite angry, is the nature of the stuff which Anna-Lisa has had to deal with and the inappropriateness of her being the person put on the spot.

What do I mean? First, the nature of the calls: frank statements that the Student Association shouldn't tolerate this group let alone actively support it; worried calls that Take Pride may, without official sanction, display the BCIT banner in the next Gay Pride March; nervous calls from BCIT functionaries calling inresponse to inquiries of other functionaries; assertions that homosexuality is wrong, sinful, an abomination;

and most disturbing to me, two incidents of anonymous voice-mail recordings of the Philadelphia theme song ("gay" equals "AIDS" equals "death"?!).

And what's wrong with Anna-Lisa fielding these calls? At a superficial level, the issues have nothing to do with her responsibilities as Support Programs Coordinator, except indirectly, in that she may be doing too good a job. If you don't want the Student Association to support this group, confront the Student Association. If you wish the Administration to reverse its position of accepting and nurturing diversity at BCIT, then call John Watson. If you have something to share with Take Pride, then call me and I'll pass it on.

What sorts of things should you direct to Take Pride? Any member of our group is a resident expert on the experience of being queer in a straight society. If you have earned their trust and confidence, it would probably be OK to ask them about that. On the other hand, not all of us are into PR and politics. If you simply wish gay people didn't exist, I suggest that, at a minimum, you keep this dark secret to yourself. We do and we aren't going away! If you're disturbed by expression or experience that's off that mythical heterosexual straight and narrow but are prepared to tolerate the exis-

tance of that you don't accept, then maybe we should talk. If you're amongst the great mass that see issues gay as irrelevant, then "have a nice day!" And to those who see diversity of sexual interst and expression as intrinsically evaluable to the perspective and energy of our culture, come on aboard! We would love your support.

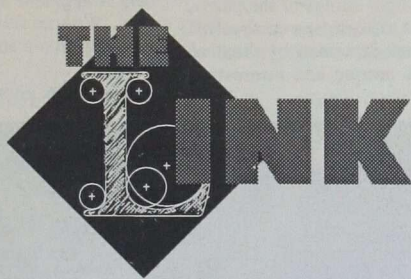
I gave a superficial, administrative sort of explanation of why it was inappropriate for Ms. Jones to recieve these calls. A more socially signifigant reason comes out of my natural paranoia. My voice mail was functioning perfectly during the time in question. Why did she get an onslaught while I recieved not a whisper of negativity? The only conclusion that I can come to is that people choose to pick on the person who was probably less likely to pick on the person who was probably less likely to give *them* a hard time. An understandable human weakness, but still not acceptable. If you want to pick a fight, or vent your spleen, please address our group directly. I am overjoyed to recieve your calls (451-6922), your correspondence (c/o the BCIT mailroom), your faxes (435-5153), or your visits (SW3-3083).

A last word then I'll stop. "Well I hope this converstaion

doesn't lead to me being charged with harrassment!" joked the faculty member who called about the Gay Pride Parade. Some joke! Let's make explicit what's implicit here. (1.) somehow its the secure, middle class man making the call who is at risk in this scenario. Give me a break! (2.) Take Pride has been vexatious or at least frivolous about laying formal harrassment charges in the past. (3.) The mechanisms in place for processing charges here at BCIT are easily manipulated and not fair. If there's a whisper of truth in any of these allegations, then we're in serious trouble. And what if BCIT *did* officially sponsor a float in the parade? Does it say "Everybody at BCIT is gay, what's wrong with you?" How about "You have a choice about being gay. If you say yes you're setting yourself and those who associate with you on a slippery slope of ever deepening commitment to the *gay lifestyle*, sin, and distance from God!" No. It simply says "Ther are gay people at BCIT, and that's OK with the Administration." I believe both those assertions to be true. What's the big deal?

Respectfully,

Gordon Hanford
Member of Take Pride



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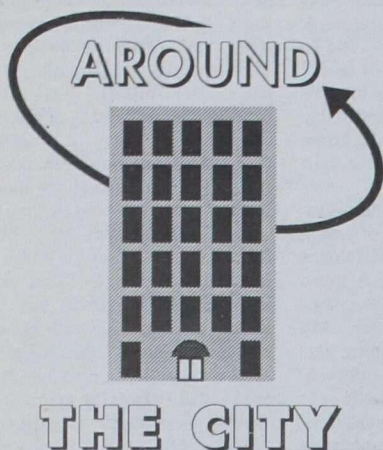
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The Spinanes.

BRIAN RICE PHOTO

Women plugging selves into power, rock room

by Brian Rice

Fifth Column caught my interest as they plugged in their instruments. The lineup across the stage of four women backed by a drummer suggested something out of the norm. The main vocalist and keyboard / guitar player greeted the crowd by saying how much they liked Vancouver and were especially impressed by their tour of 'Butch-ard' gardens. The music was a combination of catchy melodies backed by solid crunch guitar. The lyrics seemed to have a constant empowerment of women theme. Unfortunately they started late resulting in a short set.

CONCERT

Fifth Column/ Spinanes
Starfish Room
October 13

The Spinanes. A band consisting of only a guitarist / vocalist and drummer captured moods and textures unique to rock / pop music. The openness and freedom of expression available with such an uncluttered band sets the foundation for the Spinanes. Droning bass lines on the bottom strings of the guitar, chording and soloing over top, all accentuated and expanded by creative drumming. A unique and interesting show.

Bob Dylan never did play with a raunch, Giant Sand does ...

by Brian Rice

Being slightly familiar with the music of Giant Sand, and very curious of a band that can put out 17 + albums, I was eager to see the show Wednesday night at the Pump.

CONCERT

Giant Sand
Town Pump
October 18

One of my friends described the band as a sort of "Fucked up country Bob Dylan". The show proved he was right, with added bursts of raunch Bob would probably not intentionally play. The focal point of the band Howe Gelb plays guitar (usually overdriven acoustic), sings, plays keyboard, and graciously slams tequila shots from the audience.

Actually this is the first band I've seen that actually will pass around a shot for sharing from member to member. The comradery between members is apparent by their musical tightness. Without set lists they just played. Jamming into a song, wandering out of a song.

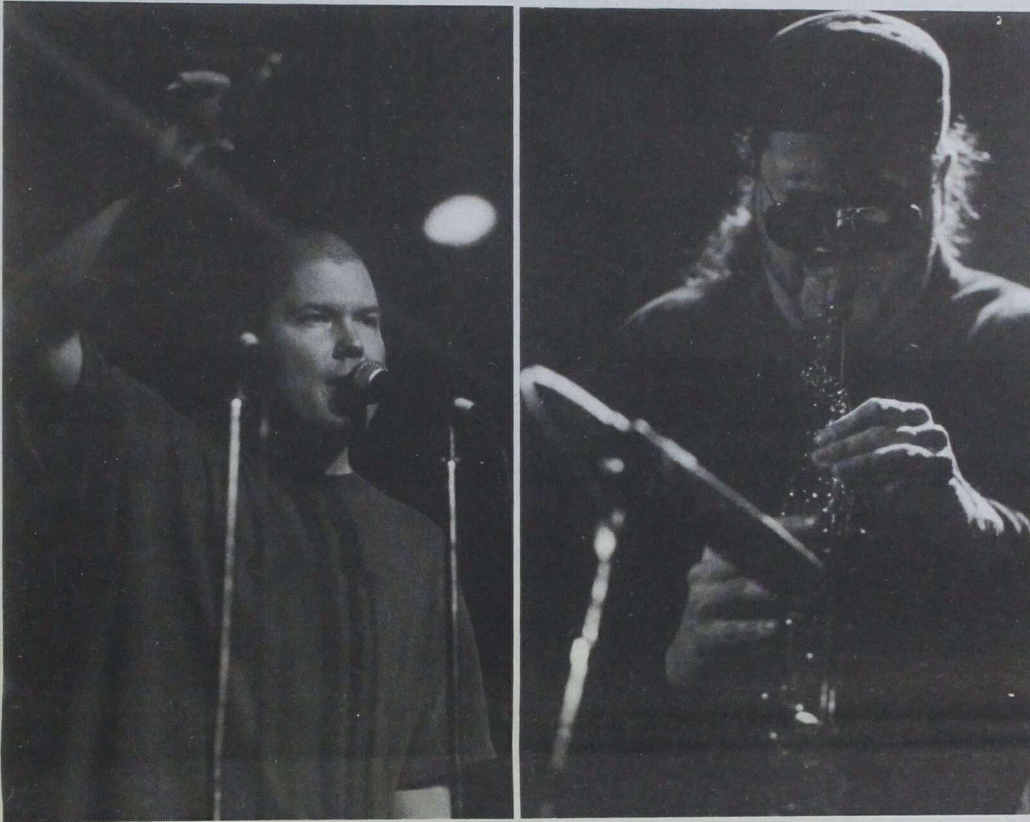
They were good.



Fifth Column: Ontario butch infiltrates the Vancouver music world

BRIAN RICE PHOTO

MC 900 FT JESUS CONSOLIDATED



Mark Griffin (left) and MC 900 FT JESUS' sax player lay down their groove of socio-political music

JAMES 'BIZI' DITTIGER PHOTOS

by James 'Bizi' Dittiger

The show started with Artist the Spoonman, who spoke of his street life experiences. All the poetry and songs he sang were based on his vagabond lifestyle. Now in his mid-forties, he was eager to share his opinions about life, death, family, love and freedom. His spoon playing was definitely the most interesting part of his performance.

MUSIC

CONCERT
MC 900 Ft Jesus, Consolidated
The Commodore Ballroom
October 18

Consolidated, from San Francisco, have very strong political influences. The three male musicians used drum machines and sequencers as a vehicle for their views on life and a slew of very controversial subjects. Issues the band highlighted were male-domination of the world, the Holocaust, AIDS, homosexuality, crime, animal

rights, choice regarding abortion, and the environment. Four TV sets facing the audience played footage that made very strong statements supporting the subject matter. It was a brutally truthful, uncensored chain of very disturbing images that greatly affected the audience, resulting in one person actually fainting. The band's intent to shock people also awoke people: at the end of their set, an open discussion was staged, with the audience invited to speak out. Very powerful.

MC 900 Ft Jesus is an eight-piece band led by Mark Griffin, who surrounded himself with players of very different backgrounds. His spoken words were tales of life carefully fitted into a combination of hip-hop, jazz and ethnic music. The piano and saxophone players shared most of the solo sections with free jazz forms, while the turntable player, drummer,

bassist and DJ were holding a powerful, hip-hop funk groove. The songs were delivered strongly, but the sound mix didn't allow some of the instruments to be heard as much as they deserved.

POLITICS

Despite the fact Griffin is the leader of the band and creative force behind them, his singing and talking was the weakest link in the band's performance. Still, it was a very good show and definitely worth seeing for those who are into political and social-oriented music. The Commodore was packed. Such attendance numbers show the strong interest young people have in music today.

+ PARTICIPATION

Timecop: worth the five bux on a Tuesday night

by ©am

After avoiding the bullet for some time, I decided that it was time to take my "significant other" someplace other than Taps for a night out. Great, I thought, go on cheap night, get out and see some mindless action, and keep everyone happy. Perusing the local movie listings, my eye fell on TIMECOP.

FILM

Timecop

Jean-Claude Van Damme

I have to admit, I was expecting another "typical" Van Damme flick, but was pleasantly surprised by this one. The obligatory sex scene was

within the first 15 minutes or so, and was fairly low key. There was enough high tech action and (fairly predictable) plot twists to keep me alert throughout. Local scenery and faces were nice to see, and made me wonder ; is Vancouver becoming the hollywood of the north?

In a nutshell, time travel is perfected, and a secret government agency is set up to police it. Someone is making changes in the past, that cause "Ripples" in the future. Guess who is sent back to save the world from the evil boss? That's right, our hero Jean Claude. Without giving too much away, he saves his wife, the world and his job... All in one day. What a guy! In all, I really enjoyed this movie, and would recommend it to anyone with a spare five bux and nothing to do on a Tuesday evening.

"Sonic monster" King Cobb Steelie not to be missed

by ©am

Winnipeg is not called the Windy City for nothing. After negotiating the pitfalls of a recent university newspaper conference there, we were rewarded to a show at the Spectrum. If you ever get a chance to check out this place, I recommend it. With it's high ceilings, street lights, and huge carved bar, this place seemed like a movie prop storage house. However, after the lights lit the stage, and the house began to rock, no-one cared any more.

CONCERT

King Cobb Steelie

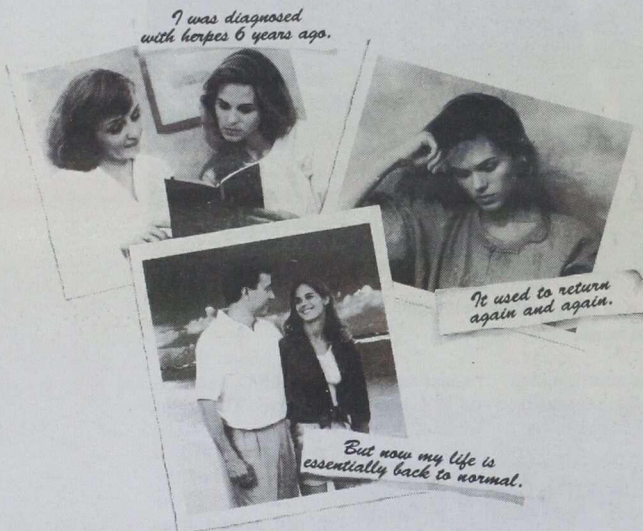
at the Spectrum, Winnipeg

The opening band, Skingerbread Man, were very tight and funky. Obviously heavily influenced by such mind altering bass maniacs as Les Claypool and Flea, this trio soon had people bopping and hopping on the dance floor. The singer bedecked in a kilt and boots opened the show with a blood curdling scream that captured everyones attention. Skingerbread Man have been playing together for three years and sound like it. With a tight, rockin' groove, look for these guys on an indie label soon.

The headliners, King Cobb Steelie, brought the house down on an already hyped crowd. This six piece sonic monster hails from Guelph, with members from all over, including Vancouver. They launched into their first number and immediately filled the dance floor. Speaking to the lead guitar/vocalist before the show, he mentioned that they were "going to jam and have fun." And did they ever. Cheered to an encore, the band would have played on if the club hadn't closed.

King Cobb Steelie has a very funky, and at times, dissonant sound. Two guitars, a psycho bass, and two percussionists all backed by a mystery man flipping disks in a sample deck, turn this ensemble into an aural assault unit. If you ever get a chance to experience these guys live, forget that mid-term, and get out to see them.

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BCIT Pub Night in Taps

The capacity crowd of 255 people enjoyed last Thursday's second weekly PUB NIGHT....Well it would have been capacity if 238 more people had showed up. The band was good. Their friends seemed to like them.

Someday, Thursday nights maybe a fine BCIT tradition.

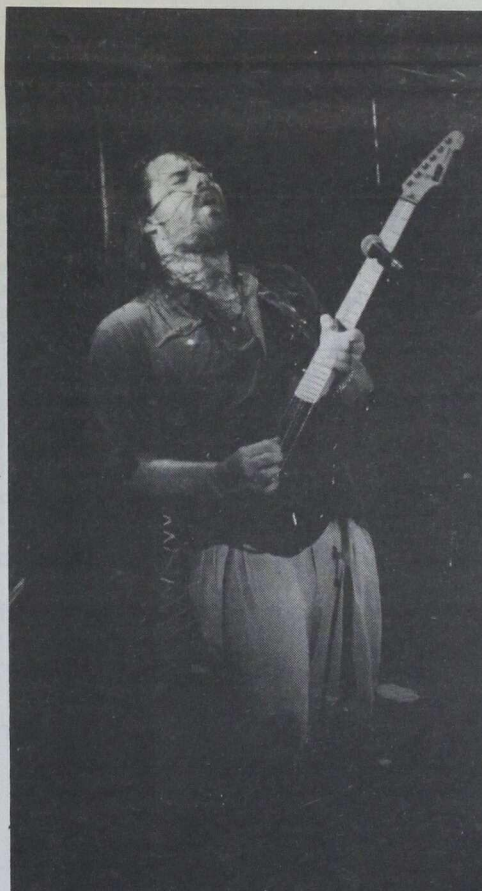


BRIAN RICE PHOTO

Blues Traveler's music moves dancing crowd



Blues Traveler's blues influenced rock shakes the Vogue.



JAMES 'BIZI' DITTIGER PHOTOS

by James 'Bizi' Dittiger

Blues Traveler is a New York-based band I first saw in the big apple three years ago. Catching two of their three shows in Vancouver since then I have always enjoyed their performances.

CONCERT
Blues Traveler
The Vogue Theatre
October 21

Despite the name, this is a band I couldn't categorize in the blues section—rather, they are a rock band with a strong blues influence.

The four musicians are very talented—truly capable of playing and writing their own music—with John Popper on vocals and harmonica, as the trademark of their sound. Without him Blues Traveler would become merely Traveler.

Taking centre stage the big figure of Popper sang, played harp, acoustic and electric guitar with passion and conviction... a truly dedicated musician.

Most of the material played was originals, but they also touched covers such as "Low Rider", that melted into a jam with a different direction.

The show was enjoyable, with occasional long stretches of jamming that left the audience hanging out and waiting for more familiar melodies and grooves.

The Vogue was jammed and general admission seating resulted in people packing the aisles and front of the stage. The audience was receptive, dancing to the music for most of the performance. The end of the show had many faces leaving the theatre with sweat dripping off their foreheads.

The Enviro-Line (432-8288 Option 2)

Environmental Education is a new and exciting program that the Student Association is proud to offer. This year, the focus of the program will be on Reduction in Consumption. Enviro-Line is your source of weekly action tips to help you analyze the real impact of your daily activities on the environment. Discover how you can make a difference, and learn more about key environmental issues!

Save energy; money with lights

by Brian Nelson
Environmental Education Assistant
Workstudy Program

Did you know the average household in BC spends over \$500 a year in lighting? Or more importantly, more than half of that use is wasteful?

One of the easiest ways to reduce this waste is to turn the lights out whenever you aren't using them. Contrary to common belief, turning out when you leave a room, even for a short time, can significantly reduce power consumption.

There are many other ways to reduce your lighting bill as well:

- Install dimmers in rooms or areas where full lighting is often not needed,
- Use of automated motion detectors for out-

door lighting instead of leaving a light on all night,

- Use of more efficient bulbs—one 15-watt compact fluorescent bulb produces about the same light as a 60-watt incandescent bulb
- Keep your lamps and fixtures clean, they will produce brighter light

ENVIRO-TIP

- When redecorating, keep in mind that a brightly coloured

room requires less lighting than a darkly coloured one

Remember, turning your lights out when they are not in use is the easiest and best way to reduce your lighting bill. Also, don't forget to take this habit with you to class and the office.

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Compost to reduce your waste

by Monique Schweitzer

Did you know that food and yard waste compose a third of all residential solid waste?

GVRD residents throw away 2.4 million tonnes of garbage each year—enough to fill BC Place stadium twice. By composting, your family can prevent 250kg of waste from going to landfill sites each year.

In the future, you can expect to pay for garbage disposal based on the number of cans that you put on the curb as part of the GVRD's Solid Waste Management Strategy is to introduce a User-Pay system for residential garbage disposal.

However, there are two types of composters that will "gobble up" your garbage. Choose the composter that best suits your needs.

There are a large variety of backyard composters available, starting at just \$75.00. These composters require both food and yard waste to be effective.

For those who find themselves landless in the '90s, a smaller indoor alternative such as a Vermi-Composter (or worm-bin) may be the best choice. Let worms and other microorganisms transform your food waste into compost. These models are discreet and can be used at home,

work or school.

Both types of composters can be made from scratch, worm bins for as little as \$30. A visit to a local Compost Demonstration Garden will help you with your choice and you will be able to see many models in action. (Check out the Vancouver Compost Demonstration Garden at 2150 Maple St. in Kitsilano, 736-2250, or the GVRD Compost Demonstration Garden, open until the end of October, at 4856 Still Creek, here in Burnaby, 299-0659)

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Within three months to a year, depending upon the type of composter that you choose, you will be able to harvest your first bucket full of "black gold." Use it as mulch, lawn conditioner, soil enricher, or with sand as potting soil.

Challenge your colleges at BCIT to start composting. Feel great about reducing waste and giving nutrients back to the earth.

For a complete guide to composting and retail information, drop by the Environmental Education office in room 221 in the JW Inglis building (NE1) or call us at 432-8549.

Clip out the quick reference guide for compostable materials below.

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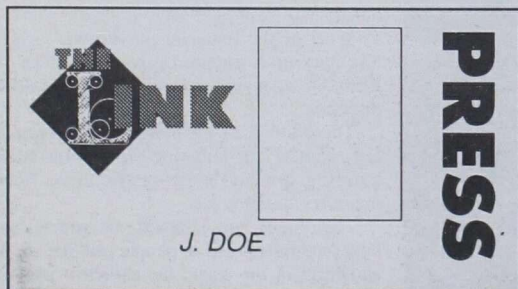
- Alfalfa
- Banana skins
- Blood/bone meal
- Citrus waste
- Coffee grinds
- Food wastes
- Hair (non-chemically treated)
- Hay/straw
- Leaves
- Manure
- Newspaper
- Sawdust/wood shavings
- Weeds (not seeding)
- Wood ashes

Materials NOT for Composting

- Barbecue ashes/coal
- Cooked food waste
- Crab grass/morning glory
- Dairy products
- dishwater
- Dog/cat feces
- Fat/greases/oils-ie salad dressing
- Bread or grains
- Kitty litter
- Meat/bones
- Peanut butter (peanut hulls ok)

If in doubt, leave it out or call the Compost Hotline: 736-2250

Membership has its privileges...



Cougars defeated by Langara after victory over Okanagan

The weekend of October 15th and 16th BCIT's Cougars intercollegiate soccer team defeated Okanagan College, at the foot of the league, only to go down to defeat at the hands of Langara—the national champions.

Against Okanagan College, the Cougars came out strong with plenty of pressure but the first blood was drawn by the opposition with a goal after 18 minutes.

But the shook up Cougars soon recovered and Rob Teves and Robert Irio sent the team to 2-1 by the end of the first half.

The second half saw the Cougars unable to get things

going—the midfield full of stray passes and no aggression—creating a game of ups and downs without threats of scoring by either team.

A substitution brought some more penetrating runs and Cougar's Steve Tomasi was brought down in the penalty area. Rob Teves made it 3-1, the final score.

The Cougars came out fighting trying to tie up the middle of the field and prevent Langara strikers from penetrating their zone. Within 18 minutes Langara had scored due to an error by the BCIT keeper who allowed the ball to slip through his hands. In the first

half the Cougars had two chances at scoring but poor finishing produced no goals.

Trying to stop the Langara players the Cougars were constantly under pressure and unable to move the ball from one player to another without interception. A reorganized back line did not do the trick for BCIT and the Cougars making several errors went down to a 4-0 defeat.

The Cougars playing was "not a good team effort," according to BCIT coach Alan Ross. "Lack of aggression in tackles and [poor] team work meant a dismal performance."

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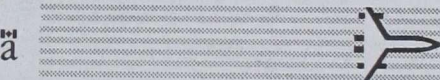
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The Environment: How far have we really come?

by Jane Sobol

MONTREAL (CUP) — It's 1994: 23 years after Greenpeace launched its first campaign protesting American nuclear testing off the coast of Alaska, 11 years after the Green Party won several parliamentary seats in West Germany's federal elections, and two years after environmental activists and world leaders met at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro.

If these events prove anything, it is that there has been a significant increase in awareness and interest in environmental issues over the years. Where waste management once meant incineration, we now have recycling.

When it was once virtually impossible to find organic produce, we can now go to neighbourhood markets that specialize in pesticide-free fruits and vegetables.

There is no doubt that an active environmental movement has made the public more aware of the challenges we face, but the question remains: are people still committed to change? Or was the environment just a fad,

like the famine in Ethiopia?

Most activists insist the movement is very much alive.

"We deeply believe that the environment is an issue and will be an issue for a long time because it is a matter of survival and a matter of life," says Johanne Fillion of the Montreal chapter of Greenpeace. "There is plenty of work happening in the environmental field."

Some environmentalists, however, feel that interest in the movement has declined, mainly due to the economic recession. Unemployment, poverty, and government cuts to social services have all contributed to the public's decreasing involvement.

Even Fillion concedes that her organization has not been left unaffected. "Contributions are down. People are more concerned with getting food on their tables and paycheques in their pocketbooks," she says.

"When you feel for your future, for your job, you are less concerned with social issues."

Some say people may also be suffering from a case of media fatigue. After years of hearing about the issues they are less willing to get involved, wanting to move on to other areas of concern.

Tim Gray, executive director of the Wildlands League, a conservation organization based in Toronto, says interest in the movement tends to fluctuate.

"Media flavour-of-the-week syndrome has been a major factor over the past few years," says Gray. "The environment was really big and then everyone collectively decided it was boring and the recession came along and people had to focus on other stuff. But I think it will change back."

Bruce Thomson of the Westmount Environmental Action Group in Montreal agrees. He conducted a study showing that after climbing steadily during the eighties, media coverage of environmental issues peaked during the early nineties and has been on the decline ever since.

However, the study, which calculates the frequency of the words "environmental," "recycling," and "ecology" in three major American newspapers, shows that the words still appear more often than 10 years ago.

To Thomson, this indicates that the environment is not nearly as newsworthy as it once was, but that it remains near the top of

the media agenda.

Ultimately, however, most environmentalists will agree that because today's population is more aware of the issues, they are already doing more than their predecessors.

A large percentage of Canadians participate in neighbourhood recycling programs, compost and are trying to lead healthier, more environmentally-sound lives.

It is also easier today to "do the right thing."

"Acts like refusing a bag, which only a few years ago seemed quite radical, are now second nature and go completely unnoticed," says Eliane Kinsley, an eco-friendly Montreal resident.

But is that good enough? There is a growing fear among environmentalists that society has become too complacent when dealing with environmental issues, and that promises made by government and industry during the last few years have obscured the larger issues at hand.

"They [government and industry] set up committees and inquiries. Now a lot of these things are coming to an end and what people are realizing is that

the reports are in but they have been largely buried and not acted on," Gray says.

"The public will find out that they were largely smoke and mirrors to divert people from the real issues. They gave them some slack to improve things and if it doesn't change things, then people are going to get mad again."

If political posturing is any gauge of the current level of interest, than the environment is still very much on people's minds. In the upcoming Montreal municipal elections, three of the four major parties are using the environment as a key plank in their platforms.

All of these parties are hoping that their commitment to green issues, from transportation to waste management will get them elected.

But environmentalists are hoping the environment isn't considered a "luxury" cause, to be dropped if a better one comes along.

If the quality of the air, water and soil drops below a certain level, then it won't really matter how bad a recession we are going through. It will become a matter of pure survival.



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