



A Newsletter for the BCIT Community

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Ugandan family in need

Len Arychuk, an instructor in Heavy Equipment Group, needs your help.

Last December Len's colleague and friend Francis Bagoole, died from head injuries after falling in his home in Jinja, Uganda. He was 37 years old and leaves behind a wife and seven children.

Arychuk has set up an education fund to assist Bagoole's children. Len will be leaving for Africa on September 28 and plans to visit the family.

Bagoole was a training officer with the Ministry of Labour, Directorate of Industrial Training in Uganda and honorary board member of the Association for Education, Communications & Technology in Washington, D.C. In 1989-90 he spent a year at BCIT on an International Labour Office sponsored Fellowship for Advanced Training. While here he enhanced his skills in industrial training including needs analysis, training planning, cost effects, budgeting and financial strategies. In Uganda, plans were to establish a vocation training centre. Francis developed close ties with BCIT after working with a number of staff and students.

If you are interested in donating to the fund contact Len at local 8241 or mail your cheque to the "Francis Bagoole Education Fund" c/o Len Arychuk or Don Eklof, Chief Instructor, Heavy Equipment Group.

*From Marianne Gottfried
International Education*



Development's Marilyn Wright sitting on the bumper of the Lincoln Sedan.

Luxury automobile establishes bursary endowment

In the backwoods of the Burnaby campus, near the logger sports field, there is a warehouse. And in the back of that warehouse, among the discarded typewriters and barber chairs, there sits a car.

Not just any car but a 1979 Lincoln Sedan, collector's series no less. It's long and white and spotless inside and out. And the amazing fact about it is that it has been driven only 10 kilometres.

Former School of Business instructor Bert Sproule bought the car new from the dealer and drove it to his North Vancouver home and

there it stayed for the past 14 years. "He just liked to collect cars," is the only explanation Bert's wife Jean offers.

The Lincoln features power everything. Dark navy blue leather interior, a rear seat that has never been sat in, sun roof, no chips, and a perfect pearl white paint job.

As many know, Bert died of a heart attack last December. But what many did not know was that he had left the Lincoln and two other vehicles to BCIT in his will. He wanted a bursary or scholarship to be established for deserving health and business students.

Marilyn Wright, director of Development, now has a tough job on her hands. Should she sell the car for the assessed value of around \$11,500 or hold on to it for the next 10 years until it achieves antique status where it could be worth up to \$100,000.

On the other hand, maybe there is some rich Texan out there who can't live without a Lincoln like this to add to the collection.

*Terry Jorden
Media Relations*

ACCC calls for award nominations

The Association of Canadian Community Colleges is calling for nominations for its annual awards program.

Individual and institutional achievements will be honored in Teaching Excellence, Leadership, Program/Service Excellence, Partnership and Literacy Program/

Service Excellence.

ACCC member institutions may submit one nomination per category. Deadline for nominations is November 30.

For more information or to pick up the nomination forms, contact Susan Ney in Personnel.



International Education lands two Tanzanian projects

Rhett Wade

BCIT Securities Course now recognized by the Canadian Securities Institute

A new agreement between the Canadian Securities Institute and the British Columbia Institute of Technology will assist those interested in working in the securities industry in Canada.

BCIT has redesigned its Security Analysis course to articulate directly with the CSI's Canadian Securities Course. Now all students who choose the finance option within BCIT's Financial Management Technology program will take this course. These students, upon successful completion of their diploma program, may also gain accreditation with CSI.

CSI is the national education body of the securities industry. It develops and administers courses and exams required for licensing, registration and professional development. Since 1964, 130,000 people have enrolled in the Canadian Securities Course which covers stocks, bonds, mutual funds, taxation, derivatives and portfolio management.

A special news conference and reception to mark the agreement was held on September 3 at the Waterfront Centre Hotel in Vancouver.

BCIT's International Education department has landed two World Bank contracts worth \$2.2 million to provide training assistance in East Africa. Both contracts were won through TTA Technology Training Associates Ltd., a corporation jointly owned by BCIT and ND Lea International Ltd., a Vancouver based transportation engineering company.

The first project valued at \$1.5 million is based in Dar es Salaam, the capital city on the coast of Tanzania. The projects will attempt to strengthen training in the transportation and automotive sectors.

Rhett Wade, BCIT's representative with TTA, says that in the past the National Institute of Transport, a Tanzanian Institute offering courses similar to those of BCIT's automotive department and transportation logistics program was producing graduates that did not meet the needs of the sector. Because of the lack of qualified instructors and shop facilities, the institute's program was academic rather than practical. It was easier to teach from a textbook than in a well equipped workshop and as a result graduates were not employable.

TTA will provide technical assistance to the National Institute of Transportation to help improve its programs, upgrade management, and develop curriculum.

"We're not dictating what NIT will do," says Wade. "We are just facilitators. Helping the Institute evolve into one which better meets the national needs within Tanzania."

Wade, who was involved in the design and marketing of the project will assist in the development of a

long-term association between the two institutes. Len Arychuk, a BCIT heavy equipment instructor, will assist in the redesign of the automotive program and Glen Johnson, former instructor in BCIT's Transportation and Logistics, will assist in the redesign of the transportation management program.

The second project valued at \$700,000 is based in Morogoro, an agricultural region 140 kilometres inland from Dar es Salaam. This project will help the Morogoro Works Training Institute strengthen its part-time trade programs in heavy equipment operation and maintenance. In this project retired associate dean Roy Strang will provide technical assistance to the Institute in Tanzania.

Wade said these two contracts are part of a \$1 billion World Bank initiative in Tanzania to rehabilitate the road infrastructure.

Terry Jorden
Media Relations



United Way
of the Lower Mainland
The way to help the most.



From left: John Watson, Hon. Dr. Tom Perry, Minister Advanced Education Training & Technology, Wynne Powell, BCIT Chairman, Frank Doyle, CSI President

Growing B.C. plastics industry seeks more skilled technicians

You hear a lot about the negative impact of the Canada-US free trade agreement. But what about those positive benefits we heard would come our way. Well, one of those industries doing well these days is the plastics industry.

The free trade agreement, steady immigration and increasing investment from Pacific Rim countries are fuelling the rapid expansion of B.C.'s plastics industry. Many entrepreneurs and companies throughout Asia are selecting B.C. as a location for their plastic injection molding facilities because of the province's standard of living, Pacific Rim location, accessibility to the vast U.S. and international markets, and its supply of qualified plastics technicians.

The two-year BCIT plastics program is experiencing increasing pressure to graduate top quality plastics technicians. Don Wilson, program head of the plastics program, predicts a steady growth in demand for the program's graduates. As of August there was still space available for the September term.

One of the program's graduates is Kevin Chan, quality assurance manager for CardioWest Technologies. His company manufactures the Total Artificial Heart.

"Plastics can be found in many industries and have many forms," said Kevin. "I obtained my current position by combining my own knowledge with the training I received from BCIT's plastics program. We use plastics extensively in our devices. The technical knowledge and organizational skills I learned at BCIT were practical experiences I continue to draw from. To make the Total Artificial Heart requires electrical, mechanical, chemical and medical knowledge. Without my training I wouldn't have this job!"

William Campbell, vice president of Wellfund Audio Visual Ltd., said that his parent company based in Hong

The Welder



Kong carried out two years of careful research before choosing to locate to B.C. The influencing factors included the support of the federal and provincial governments, the availability of suppliers, ease of transportation, the closeness to the U.S. market and reduced trade barriers from the Free Trade Agreement.

"Also important in our decision to locate to B.C. was the cooperation of BCIT's plastics program and engineering schools in developing training programs for the technicians that we will require for our production facility," said William Campbell.

E.L.I.T.E. '93
Enhancing Learning In a Technological Environment

Coming Soon

Up until now, little notice has been given to welders, skilled craftsmen who deserve more credit because of their contribution to our vast and complicated industrial system.

These joiners of metals are a hardy breed.

Some fifty years ago, when the need for welders took a sudden upward swing, the prophets of doom (busy as ever) predicted all sorts of evils for any one who chose this trade.

Within this group little thought is given to a person's ancestry; he/she need only "weld and weld good." The ordinary welder is not known for his or her literary achievements.

Welders are not interested in the classics, yet some day these craftsmen will put together the rockets and spaceships which will carry our scientists to the universe and beyond. The most complicated piece of equipment or machinery conceived in our laboratories will eventually end up in the

hands of some welder for its completion.

The welder takes great pride in his work and the worst insult one welder can offer another is to inform them that his/her work is not of the best.

Once the welder has tipped his hood down he is alone, with his thoughts and his God, and borrowing from the Rubaiyat, "all men's piety and all men's wit" will have little effect on the end result except within the realm of the welder's own capabilities. Welding, unlike law, cannot be learned from books. It must, like surgery, be practised and the welders who follow closely the molten puddle across miles of unfriendly metal deserve some credit, because even the firmament was not completed until it had been joined together.

*From Eric Sukkel
Welding Department*

The Quack-a-thon is on!



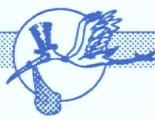
Let's get Quacking!

The Quack-a-Thon will be taking a place this year on Wednesday, September 30 from 11:30 to 13:00. Please get involved!

For further information about the event, contact Glenn Millar at 8540, or Dawna MacKay at 8496.

We hope to see you there!

Diapers!



It's a girl! 6 lbs 14 oz, 21 inches long, blond hair/blue eyes, born at 9:47 am to Regina Trineer, School of Business Part-time Studies. Mom & baby are fine! Dad's a little excited!!!

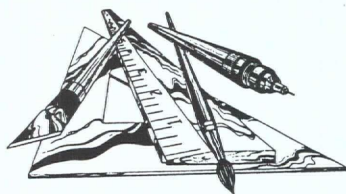
Update...

We need your input!

The Update will be published on a weekly basis on Mondays starting October 5.

We would like your input for articles, stories, classifieds, births, etc.. Anything you can think of.

Forward your contribution to Mary Bacon, Communications.



Moves...

Terry Suen has been appointed as Administrative Officer of the School of Engineering Technology. Until this appointment, Terry had been acting as the Marketing Systems Assistant for the School.

Reduced rates fitness membership

If you are a staff member who can't find the time to use the fitness facilities at BCIT, then Fitness World has a special offer for you. From now until November 30, 1992, you can join Fitness World at any of their eight locations at special reduced rates. Fitness World has put BCIT on their corporate list, which entitles all employees to \$250.00 of the regular initiation PLUS reduced monthly dues. Details are contained in the following announcement from Fitness World:

We are pleased to announce that Fitness World is now offering their corporate rate to all employees at BCIT. The regular initiation is \$699.00 with monthly dues of \$14.00 per month.

The corporate initiation is \$449.00 with dues of only \$11 per month. You can start for as little as \$49 down. Just come into any one of eight locations or call Pam Wilson at 876-4222 for more information.

1992 Annual BCIT Retirement Dinner

Tuesday, November 17, 1992

6:30 - 11 pm

The Rix Staff Club, BCIT

1992 BCIT Retirees

The following employees have or will be retiring by December 31, 1992. If you are retiring or know of someone who is retiring that is not on this list please call Special Events at 8398.

G.E. Bissell	Management Systems	1973-92
George Buchan	Renewable Resources	1969-92
Robert Buntain	Sawfiling	1985-92
Eunice Carvajal	Wordprocessing	1991-92
Tudor Davies	Millwright	1978-92
Max Fersti	Custodial Services	1971-92
Richard George	Heavy Duty	1978-92
Glenn Hardie	Building Technology	1967-92
Philip Harrison	Operations Management	1979-92
Alice Kucy	Acquisitions	1982-92
Patrick McSorely	Operations Management	1982-92
George Milne	Plumbing	1981-92
Norma Morris	Accounts Payable	1978-92
Barney Morrow	Administrative Systems	1964-92
Peter Munoz	Broadcast Communications	1978-92
Joyce Owen-Reece	Print Services	1981-92
Charles Roberts	Aircraft Maintenance	1964-92
Shirley Smith	Library	1980-92

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"Nothing could be finer, than to be in Carolina..." in October! 31 golf courses, 3 private tennis courts, pool, 12 miles of sandy beach and a beautiful townhouse on the lagoon at Hilton Head Island. Call 434-7184 or 432-8218 for more words... and get humming!

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