

BCIT UPDATE

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WCB to fine BCIT for safety violations

A Workers' Compensation Board health and safety audit at the Burnaby Campus discovered several violations that could result in over \$15,000 in fines.

Two violations involved failure to lock out electrical power on table saws during repairs, which could result in a \$15,000 penalty. Other violations involved failure to wear protective footwear in shops, which could result in an additional penalty of between \$1,500 and \$3,000.

In a letter to all staff, BCIT President John Watson urged everyone to ensure that safe work procedures are followed at all times. He also announced that appropriate action will be taken against repeat offenders.

Neal Chadwick, manager of Safety and Security, said everyone needs to be reminded of the many hazards in the workplace. "I think generally speaking we have a good record. We have had very few injuries to staff and students considering the amount of dangerous equipment and the numbers using it but I think it is time that we are reminded to keep vigilant," he said. "The bottom line is that we don't want anyone hurt or suffering from health problems."



Premier Mike Harcourt (right) arrives at the summit and is greeted by Aviation Associate Dean Bill Foyle in front of one of the many displays.

Premier's summit draws diverse participants

Over 120 of the province's leaders in business, education, labour, community groups and government filled the new IBM Technology Building June 23-25 to brainstorm and develop recommendations for a new vision of skills development and training.

Invited by Premier Michael Harcourt, delegates and observers attended a variety of plenary sessions, keynote addresses, workshops and campus tours.

"I have a broader vision of education and training... one that puts more emphasis on encouraging British Columbians to be thinking, critical, independent decision-making citizens... while at the same time providing them with a globally competitive education, excellent job skills and training opportunities," said Harcourt in his opening remarks June 23.

Some of those in attendance included cabinet ministers Anita Hagen, Tom Petter, Andrew Petter, Dan Miller,

Moe Sihota and Penny Priddy. Educational representatives included former SFU President Bill Saywell as the summit moderator and Open Learning Agency President Glen Farrell. B.C. Federation of Labour President Ken Georgetti and IBM Canada Vice President Clark Quintin were among other notables.

BCIT staff and students assembled numerous displays for delegates, including demonstrations in the fire simulation theatre, neuro imaging, driving tests by computer, the logic analyzer, and an automated window blind cutter. Outside in the parking lot there was Sea Island's Cut-away Bell 206 Helicopter and the Industry Services Training Trailer.

Other highlights included an overview of provincial economic trends presented by Roslyn Kunin, long-time chief economist for Canada Employment and Immigration, and a keynote address by author and syndicated economic affairs columnist Robert Kuttner.

CONSTRUCTION BOOM LEAVES NO

From the Inglis Building to Moscrop Avenue and from the Connector building to the Electrical Training Centre, the Burnaby Campus is taking on a new refurbished face.

Never before in BCIT's recent history have there been so many construction projects occurring simultaneously.

Besides the major construction projects such as the Connector Building and seismic upgrading to the SW1, most staff are unclear on exactly what all the construction is all about. Some of it — like the installation of fibre optic cables — occurs underground and out of sight. Other projects are on roof tops or inside the walls like the ventilation work in the Inglis Building.

For Walter Watkins, director of Physical Plant, the construction boom creates both an exciting time and a taxing time for all staff.

"Any assistance staff and faculty can provide to help us get this job done would be appreciated," he said.

The construction activity is an outcome of the Campus Master Plan developed three years ago. The plan provided for renovation of existing buildings, construction of new buildings, improvements to the infrastructure and a new system of signage and walkways.

This fiscal year over \$20 million in major construction and renovation projects are taking place and the Institute is expecting a similar level of construction over the next few years.

"Although some of the activity can be disruptive, the final result will be an improved campus that benefits all staff and students," said Clayton McKinley, vice president of Finance and Administration.

• **NE1 J.W. Inglis**
Upgrade ventilation, re-roof, disabled access upgrades and exterior landscape improvements

• **NE8 Welding**
Replace ceiling insulation

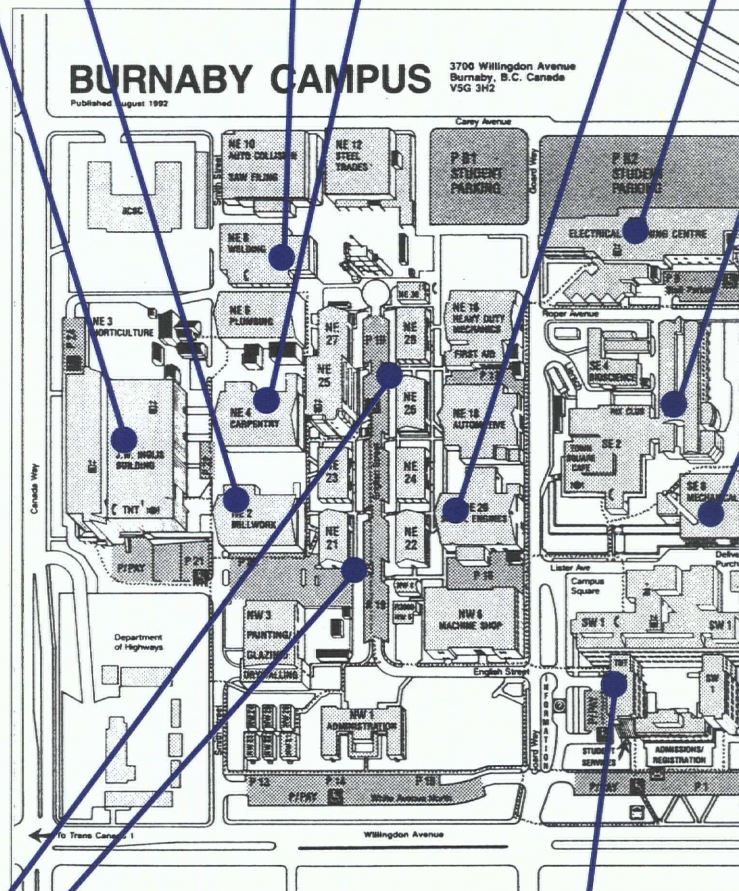
• **NE2 Millwork**
Seismic upgrade, asbestos removal and recladding

• **NE4 (Carpentry), NE6 (Plumbing) and NE18 (Automotive)**
Upgrade fire safety

• **NE20 Small Engines**
Complete recladding

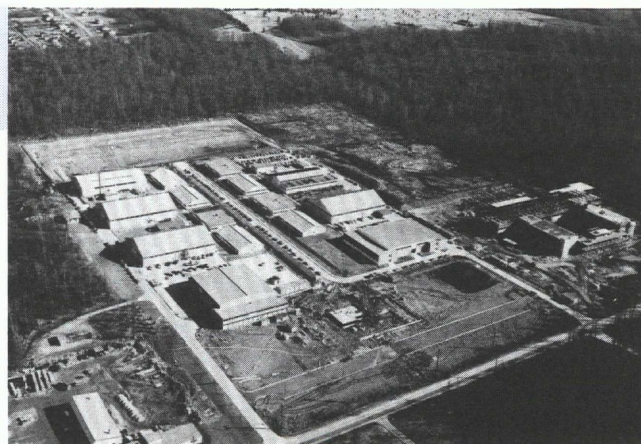
• **Install wheelchair ramps**

• **SW1**
Seismic upgrade



SE1 Electrical Training Centre

Disabled Access upgrade



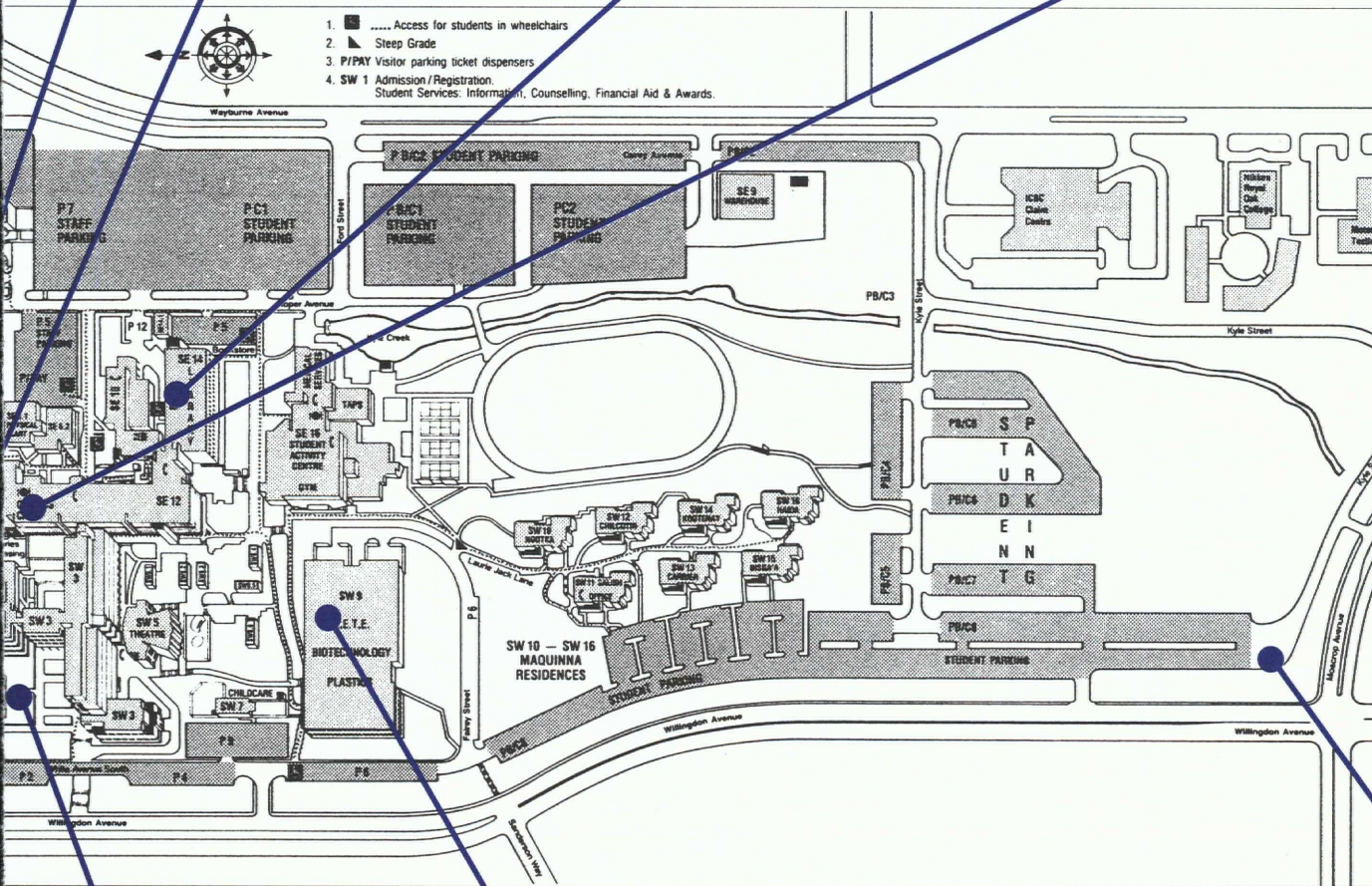
Looking back... BCIT and PVI as they appeared in 1962.

- **SE6 IBM Technology Building**
Construction complete

- **SE8 Mechanical**
Complete heating plant upgrade

- **SE14 Library**
Re-roof and renovate interior

- **SE2 Town Square Cafe**
Renovate cafeteria and begin Student Centre



- Construction of Connector Building

- **SW9 IETE, Biotechnology and Plastics**
Re-roof, re-tile floors, office conversions, air-conditioning

- Willingdon and Moscrop corner
Upgrade landscaping

Family Campaign creates healthy student endowment fund

When the Family Campaign ended this spring it had raised almost \$55,000, including matching funds, for the creation of an Endowment Fund for Student Awards.

It was the culmination of two years of burger bashes, lotteries, flower sales, a barn dance and plenty of fun. In addition to raising \$54,157, prize money totalling \$32,100 was paid out through the Drive For 500 pay day draw. The purpose of the Family Campaign was to demonstrate to potential High Tech, High Promise Capital Campaign donors that support for BCIT was strong internally among employees as well as externally in business and industry.

The Student Awards Endowment Fund created the BCIT Staff — High Tech, High Promise Capital Campaign Achievement Award. The award will be presented annually on a rotating basis through BCIT's five schools. In addition, bursaries will be presented to trades and technology students annually. Only interest income from the endowment fund will be distributed, creating a permanent legacy.

Jim Mitchell, the campaign's chairman, thanked all who participated in the activities, particularly those who helped organize and implement the activities.



Shirley Conder, Tom Neilson and Joyce Muscroft prepare for the barn dance.

"The staff at BCIT has created a memorable legacy that will assist students," he said. "People helping people — that's what BCIT is all about."

Many thanks to the Family Campaign Committee members: Carol Dion, Phyllis Johnson, Jan Wadsworth, Gary Clifton, Elaine Gibson, Ash Dutta, Brock Hilliard, Kelly Beatty, Mark Angelo, Marsh Heinekey, Ros Yamashita, Gordon Handford, Carla Brittain, Keith Errington, Dawna MacKay, Lorri Ekeli, Jim Mitchell.

Wally Quarry passes

Wally Quarry, an early BCIT graduate, a former chairman of the Staff Society and long-time Civil and Structural instructor, passed away in Victoria June 9. He was 48.

After graduating from Civil and Structural Technology in 1966, Wally joined the staff of BCIT in October 1968 as an assistant instructor in Civil and Structural Technology. He stopped teaching at BCIT in 1980 but continued on contract before joining provincial government in 1981. He was also involved with the Institute as a member of the Transystems advisory committee and various

training programs for ministry staff.

Wally visited BCIT's Burnaby campus regularly as the ministry's main contact concerning staff development. Most recently he was a staff development officer in Personnel Services Branch in the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.

Long time friend Marsh Heinekey remembers him as being personable, active in the ASTTBC, an excellent organizer and a perfectionist. He is survived by a new wife, a six-month old son and two step children. A funeral service was held in Victoria on June 15.

BCIT this Week

Tuesday, June 29: Physicist Stephen Hawking, Orpheum Theatre, 2000.

Wednesday, June 30: Human Rights Workshop, Admin. Brdrm, 0830-1200.

July 5-23: Multimedia Instructional Materials Workshop, SW5 2875.

If you would like your event in Update's calendar contact Ronaye Ireland by telephone at 8738, by PROFS RIRELAND or internal mail. Deadline is one week prior to publication.

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For Sale: 1981 Mazda B-2000 p.u., 170,000 km. v.g. shape. \$2,400 O.B.O. Michael 8962.

For Sale: 1983 Chevette hatchback, good condition, good tires, \$950. Call Judy 8423.

For Rent: Pender Island Get Away, one bdrm plus loft, A-frame cabin near Shingle Bay. Fully furnished. Ideal week long get away. \$400 per week. Call Catherine at 469-1731.

For Rent: Whistler Get Away, cosy furnished condo, sleeps 7, close to park, trails and lakes. Children and small pet welcome. Cost is \$95 per night or \$600 per week. Marnie 439-4091 (w) or 987-2297 (h).

For Rent: Penticton cabin, partly furnished, two blocks from OK lake beach and marina. \$325 per week. Ernie 8253 or 435-5700.

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