

## New officers elected

### President 'confident'

by Rick Weldon

The BCIT Alumni Association elected a new slate of executive officers at its 1982 annual general meeting Thursday, September 23.

Michael Dean, a 1981 graduate from administrative management who served as vice-president last year, was elected president.

Other executive members include: Vinod Chandra, vice-president; Pam Dean, treasurer; and Blaine Kennedy, secretary. Engineering representatives are Guy Foyle and Phil Whyte; business reps, Linda Bell and Grant Crittenden; health reps, Debbie Mitchell plus one yet to be elected. Past-president Robert Fawcett will also serve on the executive.

Deane was the BCIT Student Association president in his graduating year, during which time the campus centre, now under construction, was initiated; in his first year he was an SA member-at-large.

The new president said he was confident about taking the position. "I feel I am well acquainted with the operations of BCIT.

"During a time of economic restraint BCIT needs all the friends it can get and some of its greatest friends are alumni," Deane commented.

The role alumni members can take to aid the institute was a prime topic of discussion among members.

Gordon Thom, BCIT president, explained BCIT was looking to sources other than government for funding.

"This is one area where alumni can be of great assistance," he said, "not so much in terms of dollars but in leadership in soliciting funds from corporations."

Thom also explained the formal procedure for members of the alumni to get involved was through the Educational



**Back row left to right: Vinod Chandra, Debra Mitchell, Pamela Deane, Michael Dean, Grant Crittenden.**

**Front row left to right: Phil Whyte, Blaine Kennedy, Robert Fawcett, Guy Foyle.**

Council, on which alumni have two seats.

Robert Simons, a member of the BCIT Board of Governors, was presented with the annual alumni award "in recognition of perseverance and dedication displayed in ensuring that BCIT would stand out as a learning institute."

Simons was an alumni representative on the Board during 1979 and 1980, during which time he chaired the finance committee, and currently holds the status of a government appointee to the Board.

He graduated from BCIT in 1972 and has been employed with the BC Telephone Company for the past nine years.

Simons, too, addressed the aspect of fund-raising by members of the alumni, detailing the bursary fund which has been established through BCIT's vice-president of finance.

"It's a hip pocket approach but it's been successful and I recommend this be a prime goal of the alumni," Simons said.

Other discussion at the meeting noted the advantages of purchasing Alumni Association identification cards for five dollars.

Robert Fawcett pointed out that while membership in the association is by virtue of having graduated, it is useful for on-campus services.

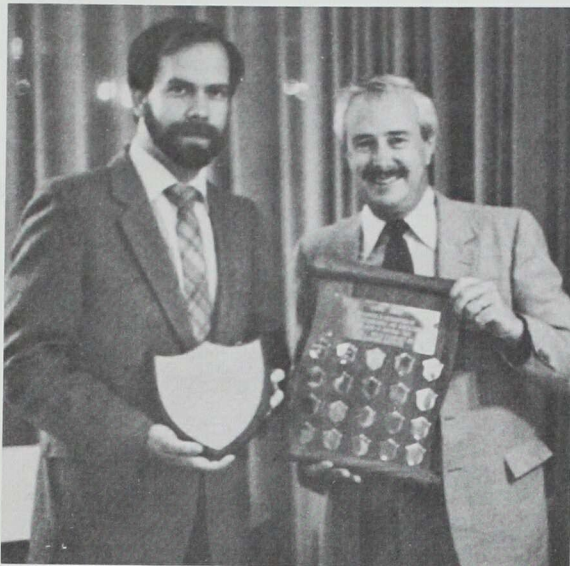
Deane of Students Jerry Lloyd, who acts as a liaison between the institute and alumni, cited the fact the BCIT library is increasing its fee for external users from \$10 to \$25. "But the fee is waived for card holders," he said.

Fawcett said the association will investigate reduced fees for other services which could be made available to alumni.

Members were also told at the meeting that the Alumni Association's office is now located within the campus life trailer and were urged to visit.

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**Robert Simons, a member of the BCIT Board of Governors, receives the annual Alumni award from President Gordon Thom at the first annual general meeting of the BCIT Alumni Association.**

# 'Alumni face a challenge'

by Michael Deane

Over the coming year both BCIT and the Alumni Association will face many challenges. As the new Alumni Association President, I see before us a period of growth, adjustment and opportunity. In a time of budget restraints and an uncertain economic future, great strength can be achieved by numbers.

Your Alumni Association is relatively young in years and development, but the commitment of a few dedicated individuals has been strong. The association now represents approximately 18,000 people, and the membership is growing quickly.

All of us have our own personal memories of the time we invested in the institute. Some thoughts may be good, and some may be bad or indifferent. Some memories are of more recent times than others.

Despite our different impressions, however, we all share a common experience. It is because of our common background that we, the alumni, can speak with authority on the past achievements of, and the future direction of our school.

As you already know, education in B.C. is facing severe budgetary restraints. Restricting the resources allocated to

## Grads have something at stake

technological education makes little sense in my mind when technology itself is expanding so rapidly. Short term savings in education can have very expensive longer term consequences for ourselves, our families and our society.

Nevertheless, budget cuts and other forms of restraint are facts of life, and BCIT must learn to cope with them.

But wait. Don't the graduates of BCIT have something personal at stake here? Didn't we invest our time to earn our credentials?

Now that we have left the institute, do we no longer care what will happen?

Will we be content with a diploma that

came from a school that used to be among the best? I don't believe that anyone who has worked as hard as you have to succeed at BCIT could honestly not care.

The Alumni Association, with your support, can help the institute not just survive, but grow and prosper, and BCIT can help your Alumni Association grow and prosper so that we can help you. It is a spirit of co-operation and support between the Alumni and BCIT that will enable both to grow, rather than fade.

Historically, BCIT has not given much consideration to the concerns of its past students, but that is now changing. We are a valuable resource, and we owe it to ourselves to care. It may sound somewhat idealistic to some, but if you help the Alumni we can help BCIT. The Institute can help us, and we can serve you.

It's easy. Just let us know who you are, what you are doing and where you are, and you have already begun to help. In turn, we will endeavour to keep you informed, and provide the services you want.

Keep in touch. The best is yet to come.

*Michael Dean is the new president of the Alumni Association.*

# WHAT'S NEW ON CAMPUS

Construction on some new campus facilities is now in full swing.

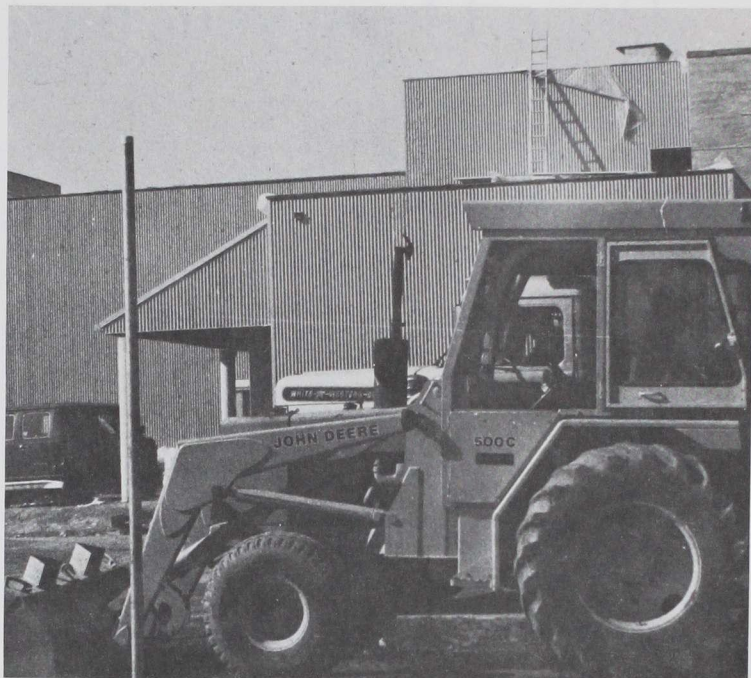
A summer strike by construction workers slowed progress a little however, we can look forward to completion in the near future.

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

The mechanical thermal laboratory, opposite the Food Training Centre should be in place by late November.

January is now the projected date for the opening of the squash and racquet-ball courts in the new Student Association Activity Centre.

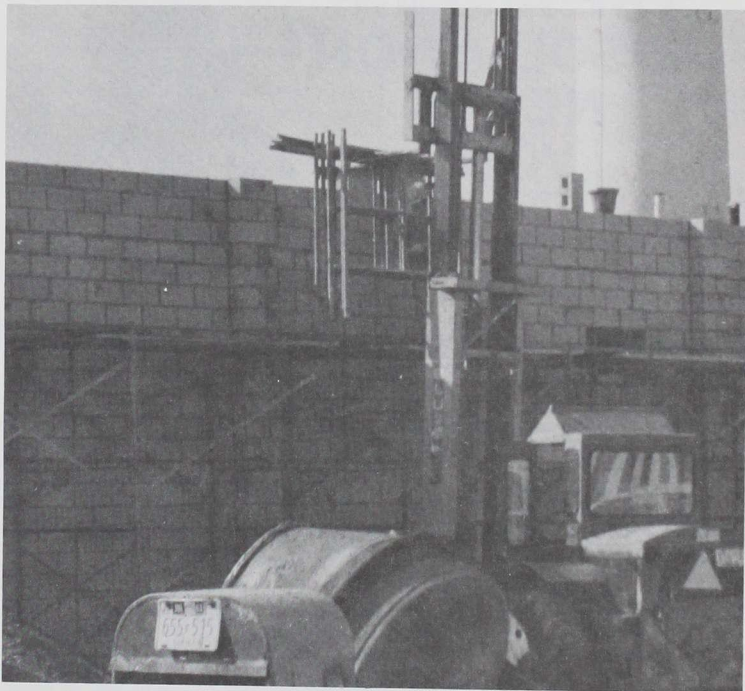
Other projects affected by the dispute are the four new student residences and the warehouse.



**Television Centre**



**Student Activity Centre**



**Mechanical Thermal Lab**



# Report from your past president

by Robert Fawcett

It seems hard to believe that ten months have passed since last year's annual general meeting at which I was made President of the Association. I feel that a number of significant things have happened during those months and I would like to take this opportunity to review them with you.

At our first meeting, a Constitutional Review Committee was formed with a view to updating the constitution. Although the Committee did not come up with any concrete revisions, I am mentioning it as I feel that it is one area that the incoming board should take a look at with a specific view to increasing the size of the Alumni Board.

By New Year, we had held two meetings and had been able to place Al Bishop as the engineering representative to the Educational Council. In January, the Alumni office was moved from the Student Activity Centre to the Campus Life trailer. As we no longer had an Alumni Co-ordinator, this was an appropriate move so that alumni inquiries

could be handled through the Campus Life trailer and the BCIT switchboard.

In February, Jerry Lloyd, then Dean of Students, was made the institute liaison with the Alumni Association. This has been, in my opinion, one of the best things that has happened to the Association. It reflects a change in the approach the administration of BCIT has shown towards the Alumni Association. Jerry has really been the driving force behind the Association together with his secretary, Joyce Payton.

In the Spring, an alumni newsletter was distributed to all alumni, Administration Advisory Committee members and the Board of Governors to let them know that the Association is alive and well and also as a means of up-dating our mailing list.

In May the Association donated two \$25.00 gift certificates to the Computer Technology's ten year reunion which, co-ordinator Frank Wegner advised, was a great success. Frank sent us a list of all who attended, which will aid in up-dating our mailing list.

On May 29th, the Association held an

Alumni Workshop to develop objectives and to plan strategies for creating a more effective link between the Association and the Institute.

In July, the Association re-appointed Henry Bow, who is the Vice President, International, for the Bank of B.C. as the Alumni representative to the Board of Governors.

Also in July, Jerry Lloyd and I travelled to Toronto to attend the Council for Advancement and Support of Education Conference. The Conference was divided into three functional area workshops - Alumni Administration, Educational Fund Raising and Institutional Relations.

It was an extremely worthwhile conference for both Jerry and I. We had the opportunity to meet with other Alumni officials from practically every college and university in the United States as well as many from Canada including: U.B.C., S.A.I.T., University of Saskatchewan, University of Toronto, Dalhousie, etc. - the list goes on!

*Robert Fawcett is the past president of the Alumni Association.*

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU!



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Fill out and mail, together with \$5 to: Alumni Office, Trailer 2P  
3700 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 3H2



# Computer tech '72 reunion

A ten year reunion of the BCIT Computer Technology Class of 1972 was held on May 1, 1982 in the Richmond Inn's Elm Room.

The event was a great success with a turnout of over 60%. Dinner, dancing and door prizes valued at over \$130 were featured. The prizes were provided by the BCIT Alumni Association, Data General (Canada) Ltd., and Control Data Canada Ltd.

Each graduate received a class re-

union photograph and an engraved marble memento to commemorate the occasion.

Some information about the class, ten years after graduation, broke down as follows:

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| 1. Still employed within the computer industry | 75% |
| No longer employed in the computer industry    | 25% |
| 2. Resident in British Columbia                | 90% |
| Resident outside of British Columbia           | 5%  |

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| Resident outside of Canada                           | 5%  |
| 3. Still employed with same company as ten years ago | 15% |
| Employed with up to three different companies        | 65% |
| Employed with more than three companies              | 20% |
- The Association would like to thank Frank Wegner (Computer 72) President of Richmond Data for all his time and effort in making the reunion possible and a great success.

## Other reunion news

Randy Vandermark, Dept. Head, Marketing Management started the wheel rolling for a reunion for all marketing alumni. The reunion was held October 15 at the Delta River Inn, Sea Island Ballroom. Cocktails, Dinner and Dancing.

The purpose of the reunion was to have fun, catch up on news and old friends and to establish a current Alumni list of each graduating class since 1967.

"Interest in the reunion was overwhelming," says Vandermark. "Alumni from Alberta, Ottawa and California attended."

Marketing may have a second reunion and yearly reunions will be planned in future.

A Committee of BCIT Cougar Alumni has been meeting to plan a reunion for the Spring of 1983. Once they have decided on the date, all ex-players on Cougar teams will be contacted. For more information write "Cougar Reunion", BCIT Alumni Association, 3700 Willingdon Ave., Burnaby, B.C. V5G 3H2.

Do you want to plan a reunion? Contact the Alumni office. The Alumni office can assist you with planning, organization, meeting space, mailouts, clerical support. The Alumni office wants to hear about your reunions.

The Alumni Association membership fee is a nominal annual fee of \$5.00. It is used for administrative costs, organizing reunions, publications, mailing costs, etc.

We need you to support your Alumni.

We ask that you submit your \$5.00 which will enable the Alumni Association to continue to provide services for you and to develop and grow.

For those of you who previously sent in your fees after the last issue of the Newsletter, we thank you, and DO NOT submit the fee until August, 1983.

Thank you for your continued support.



# Who the new officers are

## Robert Fawcett

Past President of the Alumni Association, Fawcett graduated from BCIT in 1979 from the Administrative Management technology.

He has served as the Business representative on the Board of the Alumni Association and as Vice-President on the Board.

He was on the Advisory Committee for the Public Option of Administrative Management from 1979 to 1982.

Fawcett is presently an assistant secretary to the Real Estate Council of B.C.

## Pamela Deane

A Graduate of the Marketing Management Technology in 1982, Deane has been a very active member of the BCIT community.

In 1981-82 she sat on the Student Association Executive as the Business Society Chairperson. She also served as

off-campus publicity co-ordinator for that year's Shinerama.

In 1981-82 she represented the Business Society on the Education Council and was a member of the Task Force on Student Research papers.

## Michael Deane

Deane graduated in 1981 from Administrative Management with first class honours.

While at BCIT he was President of the Student Association for 1980-81.

He has been a member of the Educational Council since 1980.

In 1981-82 he was a member of the Continuing Education Student Committee and a member of the BCIT Business Division Task Force.

## Grant Crittenden

A Marketing graduate of 1972, Crittenden is a past president of the Alumni Association and a past president of the American Marketing Association,

British Columbia chapter.

While at BCIT he was Vice President of the Marketing technology, was Open House publications chairman and Vice President External, BCIT Student Association.

He won the Principal's (President's) Award in 1972.

Crittenden is an account supervisor with Traders Group.

## Guy Foyle

An Engineering representative on the Alumni Board for 1981 and 1982 Foyle graduated from Instrumentation 1979.

He has been working at H.A. Simons International since graduation in the Control Systems Department.

**Biographies of the remaining executive members of the BCIT Alumni Association were unavailable at press time.**

**They will appear in BCIT ALUMNI NEWS in the Winter edition.**

David R. Summers (Forestry 72-73) would like to know if there is any interest in a 10 year reunion.

If there is, let your Alumni office know - we'd be pleased to help.

And, David, congratulations on your promotion to Camp Superintendent.

Congratulations to Jim Saunders (Broadcast 80) and his wife Christine on the birth of their first child on April 13/82 - a bouncing baby boy.

Bob Vincent (Fin. Man. 77) has been busy: Chairman of South Okanagan Chapter of CGA Assoc., assisting in the organization of the 84 CGA Provincial convention, to be held in Penticton, and in between assisting in the "production" of an addition to the family.

Michael Peladeau (E & E Telecom. 77) would like to hear about his classmates - Any great successes?

Ronald LeClair (C & M 76) has been travelling extensively throughout Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific Islands.

There are some glamorous jobs out there!

Walter Klassen (Mining 70) went on to the Colorado School of Mines where he graduated with a degree in Mine Engineering in 72.

He now works in Alberta at the largest coal mine in the province in charge of

## HERE AND THERE

Engineering, Environment, Surveying & Geology.

Wedding Bells rang for Amy L. Jang (Fin. Man. 79) and Russell Greenall (Elect. Instr. 79) on May 15/82. All the best!

Ron Good (Admin. Man. 80) has been busy. He graduated from Western Washington University with a BA in Bus. Admin. (82), started a new job and married on Sept. 4/82.

BCIT's hectic pace must have stayed with Ron!

Andrew Davis (Building 76) has concentrated on residential & restaurant design. His stamp is on several fine dining establishments in Vancouver.

He and his wife Helga are expecting their first child in October.

John F. Dance (C & S 69) is presently working in Jakarta, Indonesia. He has spent the last 12 years in Australia, Papua, New Guinea & Indonesia.

He would like to know what is new with past grads.

Russ N. Petch (Tech. Man. 71) current-

ly working and residing in Terrace, B.C., is a CET in SET B.C. He would love to hear from former classmates.

Don A. Goodlad (grad Computer Program 69 & Honours/Bio Sciences 79) is working and residing in Toronto as Manager, Human Resources, for Quasar Systems. In his spare time he teaches adults at Sheridan Community College - a very diverse fellow!

Ann Stewart (nee Harper) (Bio. Scien. 73) has had many responsible and interesting jobs. Unfortunately for industry she took an early retirement to become a mother in 81.

Sheila Cairno (Gen. Nsg. 78) is currently employed as an RN in the Newborn Nursery, Campbell River Hospital. She will be returning to school in Birmingham, England (May 83) to take Midwifery.

We wish you success in your new endeavors, Sheila.

Pete Blake (Adm. Man. 81) is attending school at the University of Alberta working towards a B.Comm. He hopes to graduate in Dec. of 83 and then continue on towards his C.A.

**We want to hear from you - new position, promotion, addition to the family, getting married, won a million! Keep in touch - write the Alumni office.**