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Chief Engineer Hopes to Instruct



Joy Thomson

Moments before the Royal Victorian ferry pulled away from the dock in front of Canada Place on Easter weekend, PMTC (Pacific Marine Training Campus) graduate **Joy Thomson** transferred control to the ship's captain. Thomson works as relief chief engineer aboard the 30-year-old vessel, previously known as the Queen of Burnaby.

Although the regular season does not begin until May 18, the ferry did three charter cruises over the long weekend, with approximately 800 passengers per sailing. "When the season begins I work in two-week stints," explains Thomson. "Two weeks on the boat and two weeks at home in North Vancouver. We sail

from Victoria to Seattle and back again each day, but down in the control console the focus is on the job at hand and not the outside."

Thomson began training for her marine career at the Canadian Coast Guard Institute in Sidney, Nova Scotia. "By the end of the three-year program I completed a fourth class combined ticket in motor and steam vessels," she says.

Following graduation, Thomson spent three years working as a junior engineer with the Coast Guard in the Quebec Laurentian region, then a year with B.C. Ferries as a second/ chief engineer. After that, she was a chief engineer for Royal Sealink

1995 Annual General Meeting

Become an involved grad! Join us on Wednesday, May 24th at 6:00 p.m. for our Annual General Meeting.

Come, relax and have fun learning how you are influenced by The Power of Colour and Humour. Jollean McFarlen will tell us how to understand colours and how they affect our lives. This free, informative session with Jollean will be followed by the Alumni Association's Annual General Meeting.

Call the Alumni office for details at 432-8847.

Express, while taking the Shipping Marine Operations program at PMTC (then PMTI).

"I really enjoyed my time at PMTI, the men I worked with readily accepted me into the trade, so being a woman in a non-traditional role didn't present any real obstacles," she says.

Thomson says that her goal aboard the Royal Victorian is to become chief engineer, but off the water her goal is to return to PMTC as an instructor next winter.

— from Sheila Rees

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President's Message

from Guy Steeves
(Marketing '89)



A farewell to John Watson is in order for this edition of the Ambassador. Before I talk about the new leader that will be announced shortly, I need to pay tribute to a man who has taken BCIT to the top once again. I am sure many of you are aware that John is leaving BCIT in the next couple of months. On behalf of all the graduates out in the "world", thank you John - we appreciate all that you have done. Good luck in your new endeavour.

Once again, I feel fortunate to represent one of the stakeholders at BCIT by being a member of the search committee that recommends a short list of candidates for President to the Board of Governors. (Last time was 1989, when I represented the BCIT students on the committee.) I can only tell you that the short list of potential CEO's has some excellent candidates and a new leader will be selected by the end of May.

Also, a personal thank you to all the Alumni annual fund raising committee who gave of their valuable time to help us raise a substantial amount of money for our goals. We have not undertaken a fund raising endeavour for over 6 years and we really appreciated the support shown by the grads who gave back to the Institute for the education and experience that they received. Thank you for your contributions.

Once again, I ask for your support at the Board of Directors level or for any graduates that want to volunteer their time on committees and projects undertaken by the Alumni Association. Call Jackie at the Alumni office at 432-8847 and ask how you can get involved.



Board of Directors '95 (from left): Jackie Azar, Bill MacPherson, Lori DeCou, Guy Steeves, Jollean McFarlen, Jamie Mason, Colleen Brennan, Derek Bell, Jennifer Comyns.
(Not shown: Peter Broerken, Brian Brooke, Grace Tsang.)

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Watching Out For the Rivers

New Dean of Business Appointed

Mark Angelo, one of Burnaby's best known-environmentalists, has been appointed head of a new organization charges with protection of key BC rivers. He is BCIT program head in Fish, Wildlife & Recreation, a member of Burnaby city hall's environment committee and head of the Outdoor Recreation Council.

Angelo will chair the BC Heritage Rivers board, which will make recommendations direct to cabinet in order to protect BC's rivers. He has successfully lobbied for protection of the Tatsenshini and Nechako rivers as head of the Outdoor Recreation Council. He is a member of Burnaby's environment and waste management committee and is founder of the Burnaby Lakes Systems Project, an attempt to bring Burnaby's creeks and lakes back to life.

The BC Heritage Rivers Board will pick approximately 20 provincially significant rivers within the next several years for protection as BC's "heritage rivers system" based on their ecological, historical, recreational or cultural value. While congratulating the government on its record of river protection, Angelo says two further measures are required to protect BC waterways: an urban rivers initiative to protect small rivers and creeks from rapid population growth, and specific laws to protect the Fraser River and its tributaries from future dams and other threats.

When Gordon Farrell enrolled as a BCIT student in 1964, he didn't suspect that being on campus would become a permanent way of life for him. Now, 31 years later, he has accepted the appointment of Dean of the School of Business.

After graduation, Mr. Farrell was an engineering assistant, instructor, and for the past nine years head of the Financial Management program. He holds an MBA, is a Fellow of the Society of Management Accountants of Canada, and a member of the Financial Executives Institute.

Mr. Farrell will oversee programs for the 1,500 full-time and 18,000 part time students who attend School of Business courses and expects to continue his dedication to BCIT students by keeping partnerships with industry high on the priority list. He says



Gordon Farrell

"I intend to work closely with faculty, staff and other constituents to bring forward a vision for the School of Business that meets the challenges, opportunities and changes of the 21st century."

— from Ruth Raymond

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As well you will be using environmentally-friendly products from a 100% Western Canadian and employee-owned company.

A credit card application form is available from the Alumni Office. Sign up today and benefit the students with the BCIT Scholarship and Awards program.



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The Healing Power of Colour in Interior Decorating

1995 is a year of responsibility - for you, for me, and for the world. Make your home the centre of your life, clean closets, drawers, get rid of clutter. Make time for refreshing plants and flowers. Choose the colours you love. Recycle, give away, make space, it's time for major changes.

So says **Jollean McFarlen** (Marketing '80), an interior decorator and colour therapist. Jollean just received full membership (MIACT) from Colour Institute in London, England. She was 1994 national winner for Window Designs on a Budget.

Jollean has released new audio tapes, the **Power of Colour I and II**, has a new book in early summer. She enjoys inspiring others to surround themselves in colours that work for them, use the influence of colour to ease stress and achieve goals, and have fun in their busy lives.



Jollean McFarlen

Jollean will be presenting "The Power of Colour and Humour" at the Alumni Association's AGM on Wednesday, May 24 (see cover to register) and is doing evening seminars at local book stores and a special workshop is planned for Sunday, June 11th. Call Jollean at Jadore & Associates, phone/fax (604)530-6864.

Succeeding in Business

The dream of owning your own business is being made a reality for graduates of BCIT's Venture Program.

Among the latest group of graduates who received their program certificates this winter was Burnaby resident, Jim Andrews, a 20-year veteran of building management. The Venture Program helped him solidify his dream of starting his own correspondence course on commercial business management.

After being laid off work last May, Mr. Andrews wanted to make his knowledge

available to people just starting out. He sometimes found himself working an 80-hour week during the three-month full-time program, but he said he learned that "you just don't quit until the job is done. It makes you become focused and realistic. It's just as real as you want to make it."

Since graduation, he has begun writing the course, which he envisions as an 80-hour package with information on tenant and property safety issues as well as discussions on fire alarms, elevators, air conditioning and plumbing.

Are you planning on coming back to school?

An endowment established by the BCIT Alumni Association provides entrance awards for students who are coming to BCIT after taking one or more years since high school for activities such as work or attending another post-secondary institution.

Up to seven awards equivalent to one-year's tuition will be available for Technology students, and up to five awards for students entering Trades programs. Applicants should have good standing in secondary school and any post-secondary taken, and be involved in school/community activities.

Application forms and information can be obtained from the BCIT Alumni office at 432-8847. Application deadline is August 1st.

Some participants in the program started a business on their own, then realized they needed help and some come to create a business plan. Although many run home-based businesses, Peter Thomson, Managing Director of the program, says graduates of his program now employ 123 full-time and 110 part-time employees. Now in its eighth year, BCIT's three month Venture Program has never had a grad go bankrupt.

Call the Venture Program at 432-8372 for more information.

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Grads Support Fundraising Campaign

The first Alumni Annual Fund campaign is well on the way to success, thanks to the generosity and commitment of BCIT alumni. "I'm overwhelmed with the response we've received so far," noted campaign chair John Leech (Survey '70/Photogrammetry '71). "BCIT graduates are really digging deep to support the Institute."

The campaign has raised nearly \$18,000 to date. More than half of these funds have been designated to the area of greatest need. The new Downtown Campus Library is also an area of high priority for alumni donors.

BCIT Board Chair Wynne Powell (Administrative Management '68), Alumni Association President Guy Steeves (Marketing '89) and BCIT President John Watson were among the volunteers who called previous

donors the week of March 13. Pledges totalling over \$9,000 were taken by our dedicated and hard-working volunteers.

Gifts have arrived from across the country and as far away as Hong Kong. This fall we will publish a special edition of the Ambassador that will include an Honour Roll of all contributors to the campaign (with the exception of donors who wish to remain anonymous). We will also detail how the funds raised are being used to support BCIT.

We still have a way to go to reach our \$30,000 goal. If you haven't sent in your tax creditable gift, please do so today. Your gift will make a difference.

For further information, please call Jackie Azar, Alumni Relations Office, at 432-8847.

— from Cathy Daminato

Careers Night '95

The 4th Annual Professional Sales Option Careers Night was held in the Rix Club on Tuesday, February 7th. Thirty-four grads attended and mingled with this year's class to tell them about their careers.

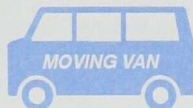
Among those attending were: from class of '86 Sonny Sun (Sepp's Gourmet Foods); from class of '89 Weldon Wong (Cadex), Roger Teja (Data File), Jeff Gruban (Antec); from class of '91 John Martin (Hardwood/Sauder Ind.), Melanie Nikiforuk (Dominion Directory), Al Nikiforuk (ID Foods), Michelle Weinrauch (Unitel), Jennifer Wong (Kraft) and Colin Hoodspith (C.M. Oliver); from '92 Delynn Riddell (Versatech Products), Silvano Todesco (Finning), Benson Chin (Colourworks), Shonna Rankin (Ashley-Kauffman), Darren Turik (Versa Services), Brad Hussack (Stanco Projects), Christine Empey (Great Little Box Company), Caron Thibeault (Olivieri Foods); from '93 Glen Mulcahy (Costco), Ashley McKinnon (United Shipping Supplies), Lyle Boivin (PBB Group), Michael Tarczy (Active Chemicals), Jason Wynne (Columbia Valve and Fitting), John Thiele (Seaside Paper), Sym Thiele (Neilson Cadbury) and from '94 Cam McGarvey (Montgomery Kone Elevator), Anne Ceolin (Neptune Foods), Derek Walton (Gainers), Ian Grantham (Hoffman-LaRoche), Christina Howton (Digitel Systems), Janet Hale (Loomis Courier), Karla de Vries (Stanchem), Dean Harris (Apex Communication) and Nawaz Jiواني (Pitney Bowes).

Dean Retires This Spring

Michael Harrison retires this spring after six years at BCIT as Dean of the School of Business. He has overseen the department through a period of continuous expansion and program development.

Mr. Harrison began as Dean in 1989, bringing 35 years of experience in business, most recently as president of Management Consultants International Inc. Before that, he was executive director of the Canadian Bankers Association and vice-president of computers/communications with Southam Inc.

BCIT Employment Placement Services Moving!



BCIT's EPS has moved to a new location, SW1 Room 1100 (across from the entrance to Admissions/Registration). Drop in and see Amanda Hill, Manager or Phillipa Dermott, Employment Assistant for job information, resume and letter writing. Hours of operation are Monday to Thursday, 09:30 to 16:00, on Friday 09:30 to 15:00. Telephone 432-8666 or fax 435-3122.

KEEP US UP TO DATE!

Use the form on page 12 for change of address and your news.

Grad Gossip

1966

Ediss, Barry (Civil & Structural) lives in Redmond, Washington. He is owner of Noremac, Inc. and has built over 250 homes in the Puget Sound area since 1978. Barry won the Seattle Master Builders 1994 Environmental MAME Award. He plays slo-pitch in Richmond and White Rock during the spring and summer.

Munro, Judy (Monk) (Hotel/Restaurant Management) lives in Tigard, Oregon with her family, spouse Jim Albaugh, daughter Stacey (21) has just returned from a year's study in Australia and will rejoin her sister Paige (19) at Oregon State University. Judy recently became a Certified Facility Manager, one of only eight in Oregon and is Facility Manager at the Metro Washington Park Zoo.

Rousseau, Gordon Ray (Electrical/Electronics) lives in Calgary, Alberta. Gordon was disabled in a car accident in December of 1987. Prior to that, he worked in mining exploration in B.C., the N.W.T. and Australia, then with EDO Canada Ltd. (GPS Electronics) as an Electronics Technician on Global Positioning Systems.

1967

Bergholz, Larry (Mechanical) is a Designer with Fluor Daniel Wright in Vancouver, and lives in North Delta.

Hinchliffe, James M. (Broadcast) is an Electronic Systems Technician with Transport Canada and works at the Kelowna Airport, maintaining all the electronic, communication, security, navigation and radar systems. James and Donna live in Winfield and have two children, Erin and Lindsay.

Phillips, Andrew (Hotel/Restaurant Management) and Rita live in Markham, Ontario. Andrew is National Course Director with the Toronto School of Business, Hotel and Restaurant Operations.

1968

Prinsenberg, Hendrik and Cheryl (nee Fairs) (Chemical/Metallurgical) live in Kelowna. Henk has been a pharmacist for the last 17 years, is with Dyck's Drugs in Kelowna. Cheryl was a mining lab technician for 10 years in Vancouver before retiring in Kelowna to manage their small farm with their children, Leanne 13 and Kory 10.

Richards, Dallas (Dal) (Hotel Management) is President of Dal Richards Orchestra in Vancouver. Dal has just been awarded membership in the Order of Canada with the presentation ceremony taking place this spring at Rideau Hall in Ottawa. Congratulations!

1969

Hemsley, J. Wayne (Forest Products) is General Manager with Sundance Forest Industries. Wayne moved from Cranbrook to Edson, Alberta in 1991 and recently married an "old" girlfriend.

Simpson, David H. (Building) and Doreen live in White Rock. David is a Principal in the architectural firm of Davidson Yuen Simpson.

1970

Andony, Susanne (Bent/Calvert) (Medical Laboratory) is Assistant Head Technologist, Lab Reception at Vancouver Hospital and Health Science Center. Susanne and Sloan live in Port Moody.

Lance, Lorraine (Broadcast), husband Eric and two sons, Bremner 18 and Lars 11 live in Hedley. Lorraine

is presently compiling the B.C. Textile Directory with the assistance of the Sheila Hugh-MacKay Foundation; as well as other museum-related and heritage restoration volunteer work in the Similkameen Valley. Lorraine was very kind to comment that we're doing a great job with the newsletter, it enlives a typical "country life" (log house, chickens, sheep & kids)....thanks, Lorraine.
In memorium Lupton, Sharon Rose (Porter) (Nursing) who died in August 1994 after several months' illness. Sharon's husband Brock lives in Oliver, with their four children Rebecca 13, Hannah 11, Jessica 10 and Matthew 9.

1971

Redfern, Richard T. (Surveying) has moved from Richmond to Qualicum Beach with his family, Cathy and three sons, 10, 15 and 19. Richard Jr. will be entering BCIT's Automotive Service Technician program in April this year. Richard was commissioned as a BC Land Surveyor in 1975 and had his own practice in Richmond until last August. He is now partnering with **Ken Kyler**, a BCIT Survey grad of '91. The new company name is Kyler Redfern Land Surveying located in Parksville.

Searle, Bonnie (Pickwell) (Medical Laboratory) and her family, husband Bob and son Michael live in Surrey. Michael is attending BCIT in Computer Science. Bonnie is Lab Technologist at Surrey Memorial Hospital.

1972

Watson, Gerry (Building) is Manager of Hejo Industries. In September 1994, he and Pat were married, some 25 years after going together in high school. They live in Burnaby.

1973

Bootsman, Vincent G. (Administrative Management) is with Esko Industries in North Vancouver in Field Sales and Service. Vincent and Grace live in Surrey, after 22 years in the cold Prairies, they came back to God's country, all green and wet.

MacKenzie, Kenna (Biological Sciences) and **Gordon Mowat** (Environmental Health '76) live in Kentville, Nova Scotia. Kenna completed her PhD from Cornell University in October 1993 and has settled into research duties in the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada in Berry Crop Entomology at the Kentville Research Centre. Gordon has not been able to find employment in Kentville and now stays busy being the house-spouse in their new home.

Monaghan, J. Patrick (Building) is President and Owner of Talcure Walls and Ceilings Ltd., a steel stud/gypsum wallboard contractor. Patrick and Linda have twin sons born in 1975, both at BCIT in Building and in Surveying, Keith and William.

1974

Alford, David (Business Administration) lives in Langley and is Operations Manager with Canada Maritime.

1975

Grimm, Roland (Rolly) (Chemical/Metallurgical) After a three year stint in Cassiar (now a ghost town) after graduation, Rolly moved back to Cranbrook where he has been with the BC Ministry of Environment for the past nearly 16 years. After 13 years of marriage, he is now experiencing PMS (post-marriage syndrome) but says he seems to be handling things quite well. Rolly is into woodworking and skiing in the winter and motorcycling in the spring,

summer and fall. He still fondly remembers those "care free" student days back in the mid '70's (Jurassic period). Says hi to R. Neil McC. (lab partner extraordinaire) and the rest of the Pollution Treatment Option guys back then.

1976

Joe, Lawrence (Larry) is Scientific Technical Officer with the Ministry of Highways in Victoria. He is involved in design and implementation of Radio Communications Network (voice and data). Hobbies include amateur packet radio. Larry and his wife Iris have moved to a new house with their son, 13.

Shaw, Ken (Broadcast/TV) and Yvette (grad of Ryerson) are enjoying their fourth year in sunny California. They live in Menlo Park and in between a busy schedule as Director of Marketing for Chyron (CMX and Aurora products) they try to fit in a little yacht racing on San Francisco Bay.

Williams, Wendy (Muir) (Computer Systems), husband Gerry and two sons Kyle 8 and Dale 6 live in Coquitlam. Wendy is a Systems Analyst with Weldwood of Canada, has been there for 12 years. Gerry recently moved from Canadian Airlines to American Airlines as a Field Communication representative. They keep busy with scouting these days.

1977

Sale, David J. (Financial Management/Accounting) lives in White Rock and is an Instructor at Kwantlen College. In 1994 he was conferred his MBA in International Business at Asia Pacific International University in New Zealand.

1979

Holt, Judith Jeanne (Medical Radiograph) and Wayne live in Queensland, Australia with their children Jesse, 11, and Hannah, 9. Judith is Senior Radiographer at the Northern Queensland Breast Screening Clinic. This means travelling around and getting paid to see the sights. She would like to say hello to any Radiographers out there and although she can't play volleyball due to all the travelling, says hi to all those volleyball players from 1978-79.

Ladouceur, Michael (General Nursing '79) and spouse Kendyll Woodman live in Hamilton, Ontario. Michael is an Assistant Professor in the School of Nursing at McMaster University in Hamilton. Since graduating from BCIT, Michael has worked in Vancouver, Southern Africa, Victoria, the Canadian Arctic and Hamilton. He got his start at BCIT and often remembers the good education he received.

Moy, Paul (Control Electronics) lives in Coquitlam with wife Debbie and Gregory, 6 and Adrienne 2. Paul is an Engineer in Network Planning with BC Tel. He received his B.Eng. at Lakehead University in 1982.

Olafsen, Dan (Computer Systems) is Manager, Systems Integration with Unisys Corporation. He was employed for 13 years with SHL Systemhouse as Director of Technology and left in September 1994 to join Unisys to help them start their Systems Integration Public Sector Practice. Dan and wife Helen and their two children, Corinne Francis 4, and Colin Daniel 2 live in Rocklin, California.

Veniot, Jeff (Broadcast/Radio) is Operations Manager with West Coast City & Nature Sightseeing in Vancouver. Jeff says hello to all his fellow grads and wants to let them know he's returned full time to the tourist industry. 1995 is Jeff's 20th year working

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full or part time with tourists. Give him a call (451-5581) if you have guests in town!

1980

Bolin, Patrick A. (Civil & Structural) and Ruth live in Terrace. Patrick is Manager at McElhanney Consulting.

Flaten, Chris (Electronics/Control) and spouse Jan recently moved back to "lotus land" to Mission after 9 years in Calgary. Their first baby (a boy Rhys) was born in November 1994. Chris is an Area Supervisor with Concurrent Computers Canada, Inc. He and Jan have had a busy time with transferring, house purchase and baby.

1981

Anderson, Jerry Mark (Computers) and Sheri have relocated from Maple Ridge to Marietta, Georgia. Jerry is a Technical Implementation Consultant with E3 Associates.

1982

Judas, Walt (Broadcast) is Communications Manager at B.C. Pavilion Corporation. Walt and Debbie (Collins) were married in 1986 and live in Surrey. Debbie is a full time mom helping to raise Brittany 5, Clay 3 and Derek born September 1994. Walt has been with B.C. Pavilion since 1989 and graduated in spring of '94 with a Marketing certificate from BCIT's night school program.

Stark, Lauri (Condon)(General Nursing) and **Kevin** (Electronics/Telecommunications) write from Winnipeg. Kevin's employment flying for the RCMP took them to Winnipeg in December 1994. Feels rather chilly but they look forward to 3 to 5 years there.

Stephen, Geri Lynn (Broadcast/Radio) lives in North Vancouver and is a Word Processor at Lang Michener Lawrence & Shaw. Geri is doing great but is looking for her radio buddy, Dan Caverly (last seen in Nelson working for BCTV).

1983

In memorium Epp, Walter G. (Electronics) passed away in 1994. His sister-in-law wrote us to say his years at BCIT not only led to a fulfilling career but to many friendships.

Green, Tim David (Electronics) lives in Burnaby. He is an Electronics Technician with Hughes Aircraft of Canada Ltd. Systems Division, a new job currently installing Air Traffic Control Systems in Switzerland, Indonesia and China.

Robinson, Bret Andrew (Computer systems) and wife Kim have been back in Canada for a year and a half after living in Melbourne, Australia where Bret worked for Bull HN Information Systems. They live in Aldergrove, Bret is Network Administrator for the City of Abbotsford.

1984

McNeil, Ron (Building) is self-employed, owner of Peninsula Drafting, doing architectural design and rezoning, located in Victoria. Ron and Maureen (Campbell) will be married on April 8th. Maureen manages Tot's N Toys Daycare in Colwood, and Ron runs his business from their home. Ron says hi to all '84 Building grads.

Sidey, Gordon A. (Millwright) and wife Noreen live in North Vancouver. Gordon is self-employed as a Millwright under contract to the North Vancouver School District.

Watson, Kenneth E. (Marketing) and Karen have moved back to the Lower Mainland from Nanaimo and now live in Coquitlam. Ken is an Accounts Representative with Ford Credit Canada Ltd.

White, Norman Glenn (Hospitality & Tourism) is in Accounts Payable and FOB Cost Controller at the Delta Place Hotel. He recently moved back into Burnaby via the west end, Whistler and Victoria.

1985

Darche, Crystal (Etifier) and Dan live in Victoria. Crystal is with Rogers Broadcasting as a Radio Announcer on the GTO (Good Time Oldies) radio.

Evans, John (Marketing Management) is Broker/Owner of Re/Max of Terrace. John can be reached at 638-1400.

Fancy, James Duncan (Computer Programming) is a Systems Specialist at AT&T Capital Canada Inc. where he has worked for the past nine years. Laurie (a PVI grad of 1984 Accounting) works as an Insurance Broker. They have two children, Rachel 7 and Adam 4.

Northrup, Ken (Operations Management) is Manager of Versacold Group at their Corpak Plant in Richmond. Ken and Adele live in Surrey with their children Graeme 4+ and April 2. Ken's father very kindly updated his address for us.

1986

Goldstone, Denise (Sheridan), (Marketing Management) is still in Castlegar working as a bookkeeper for Plaza IDA Pharmacy who keep her busy. She and Greg are expecting their first child in May. Denise says hello to Randy C. (Forestry '85) and asks any Marketing '86 grads in the Kootenays to look her up.

McGilvery, Roxane Norma (Medical Laboratory) is a Constable with the RCMP since 1990 in Fort Vermilion, Alberta. Although she is no longer working in the laboratory field, Roxane enjoyed her training and the wonderful friends she met during that time.

Pidwerbeski, Sandi (Kirschner)(Medical Radiography) and husband Norm live in Kelowna. Sandi is an X-Ray Technologist at Kelowna General Hospital.

Szakacs, Thomas William (Structural Aircraft Engineering) lives in North Vancouver and is an Aircraft Structural Mechanic with Canadian Airlines.

1987

Douglas, Sean (Building) has been employed with OHA Consulting for 7 years, specializing in Health, Safety and Environmental consulting. Sean and Lorraine were married in December 1994 and live in Surrey.

Freitag, George (Hospitality & Tourism) is Front Desk Manager at Manning Park Resort. George and his baby sister leave in May to cycle the Pacific Rim on a tandem bike and will finish the down under adventure in March 1996.

Grant, Robb D. S. (Occupational Health & Safety) and Marianne live in Kitimat. Robb is an I.H. Technician with Alcan Smelters & Chemicals Ltd and Marianne is a C.G.A., working for an Electrical Contractor. They have a son, Duncan 2+. Thanks to Robb's father, we now have his new address.

Iandiorio, Gina (Marketing/Advertising) is

Advertising Officer with the B.C. Lottery Corporation. Gina offers her time to the Marketing Management Division, and can be contacted through the Alumni Office.

Mesiano, Billie (Bjorkes) (Marketing/Advertising) lives in Calgary. We were updated on her location by Barb (Giles).

Sherk, Glen A. (Administrative Management) is National Logistics Manager at Gourmet Baker, part of Multi Foods. Glen lives in North Vancouver.

Skapinder, Barb (Giles) (Marketing/Advertising) lives in Kamloops. She is now a happy housewife and she and Ronjeet announce the birth of their daughter Karbinder December 17, 1993.

1988

Chan, Anita M. (Operations Management 1988, Financial Management 1989) is a Realtor with the Sussex Group. Her message - "if you are thinking or know of anybody who is considering to buy or sell real estate, call her at 984-9711. A professional really makes a difference."

Huliganga, Joe (Financial Management) is Manager of Boston's at 1333 Broadway, a new location. He invites fellow BCIT Fin.Man. '88 grads as well as all BCIT grads to come on down and say hello.

Lum, Florence (Marketing/Professional Sales) lives in Burnaby and is in Outside Sales with Cantel Communications. Florence found the prospecting and sales courses to be very beneficial in her job. She invites all present students and BCIT alumni to contact her at 657-5700 and she will offer a special deal to anyone who has cellular and paging enquiries.

Mikalauskas, Dean (Marketing/Small Business) and Georgina live in Burnaby. Dean is the proud father of Katie Annette 5-1/2 and Claire Renee 7 months. Dean was appointed Regional Sales Manager for Draeger Canada Ltd. for the BC/Yukon Territory.

Swadden, John (Landscape Horticulture) and Wendy live in Abbotsford where John is Manager/ Grower at West Coast Growers.

1989

Chow, Fung (Food & Hospitality) lives in New Westminster and is an Assistant at a Great Canadian Superstore.

In memorium Sauvé, Debbie Janet (Marketing) who died last July of cancer.

1990

Chan, Tommy (Financial Management) is a cruise consultant for CruiseShipCenters, a professional group of travel agents specializing in cruise holidays. Contact Tommy at 540-8705. Tommy donates an achievement award in his name each year to a Financial Management student who has held the position of BCIT Technology, Set or Sports representative.

Hamilton, Sheri (Schaffrick)(Marketing) is a Vocational Specialist with McNaughton Vocational and Rehabilitation Services in Penticton. Sheri assists individuals with re-employment efforts. **Victor** (Marketing '88) is a Realtor with Homelife Real Estate. Last year they purchased their first home, a condo in Penticton - no kids, but a dog named Riley.

Huffman, Jennifer (Pakkala)(Chemical Sciences) and **Keven** (Wood Products '93) were married in July

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1993. They live in Terrace where Jennifer is a Ship Inspector with SGS Supervision and Keven works for Skeena Cellulose Inc. in Quality Control.

Johnston, Diane (Marketing/Real Estate) lives in Calgary, has been a Properties Coordinator at Canadian Airlines since 1992 and was promoted to Business Analyst, Canadian Plus Marketing in February this year. Diane credits her entry into the work force to BCIT's excellent program.

Jones, Simon J. (Aircraft Maintenance) is an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer with Canadian Regional Airlines (formerly Time Air). He is also upgrading licensing for various aircraft on a continuing basis. Simon lives in Surrey.

Phillips, Sandra (Morin) (Marketing/Tourism) was married in September 1993 to Bruce Phillips. They live in Powell River. Sandra is Marketing Coordinator/Administrator employed by the Powell River Visitors Bureau to externally market the community domestically and internationally.

Suen, Roger (Medical Laboratory '90) lives in West Vancouver and is employed in the St. Paul's Hospital Laboratory.

1991

Balinowski, Damian (Broadcast Journalism) and Honora live in Burnaby. Damian has recently accepted a position with Resort Systems in North Vancouver. R.S.I. is a software distributor for the hotel industry. Most recently, he worked as an audio/wire editor for Standard Broadcast News, which was recently sold to Broadcast News.

Colpitts, Sherrie (Horne) (Human Resource Management) is Employee Relations Coordinator with MacMillan Bloedel and continuing to increase her experience in Human Relations. Sherrie and Keith recently purchased a new home in New Westminster.

Jensen, Neil (Fish, Wildlife, Recreation) lives in Salmon Arm and is employed with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans in Madeira Park as a Fishery Officer. Neil went to Lethbridge Community College in 1991-92 taking Conservation Enforcement, 3rd year specialization. He served as a Fisher Officer in Salmon Arm during 1993 and 94 and is now posted to Madeira Park (Pender Harbour) on the Sunshine Coast.

Moulder, Shari Lee (Broadcast/Radio) lives in Vernon. She is employed at Radio Station CJIB composing commercials, etc.

Myers, Sheldan (ELTT Machinist Apprentice) is currently attending a local college in Williams Lake, hopes to major in Biology. Sheldan works for the Ministry of Forests, Cariboo Region as an assistant to a Soil Scientist/Biologist in Research during the summer. Sheldan would like to hear from classmates - he can be reached in Williams Lake, call the Alumni Office for his address and phone number.

Sandhu, Hargurpreet (Bill) (Financial Management) is employed in Accounting at International Plastics Ltd. He and wife Baljinder live in Vancouver.

1992

Altrows, Jessica (Computer Systems) has moved to Victoria and set up her own consulting business. **Conner, Kerri Lee** (Johansen) (Broadcast Journalism) and husband James live in Calgary. Kerri

is self-employed in Communications and Computer Consulting.

Farrell, Philip Mark (Forestry) and Larissa (Ehrstien) were married July 30, 1994 and are living in New Minas, Nova Scotia. Philip's position is PH1 with the Nova Scotia Government Department of Health.

Iwanciwski, Ryan (Process Automation & Instrumentation) and Sheila were married in May 1994 and are expecting their first child in June. They live in Chetwynd. Ryan is an Electrical and Instrumentation Technician with Westcoast Energy Inc.

Lauridsen, Bo (CAD/CAM '92) and Karen live in Langley, they were married in 1994. Bo is a CAD Programmer starting a home business doing CAD work. He would appreciate a call from anyone needing CAD drawings. Call him at 533-7879.

Simpson, Sandra Lee (Wood Products) and **Michael Neilson** (Wood Products '94) were married in October 1994. They live in New Westminster. Michael is working for Interfor doing Quality Control for the Heli-logging Division and Sandra left Weldwood in Hinton and is now seeking employment in the lower mainland.

Winterburn, Pamela A. (Building/Architectural) is employed with the City of Burnaby Building Department as a Plan Checker. She is hoping to expand her residential design business and is always looking for new clients for renovations and new construction. You can call Pamela at 435-3395.

1993

Bjorkes, Jim (Marketing/Sales), is attending Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, Ontario to earn his BBA, and plans to move to Ottawa this summer.

Egelstad, Pamela (Tourism) In the Fall '94 issue you may have read that Pamela was announcing her engagement to Stav Adler, a grad of Sales '93. Apparently this "misinformation" was sent to us by Jim, a classmate of Stav, and with apologies to Pam and Stav, Jim retracts his failed attempt at humour.

Gordon, Dave (Fish, Wildlife, Recreation) and **Ester (Brisch)** (Nursing '79) live in Vancouver. Dave is a Fisheries Technical Specialist with Triton Environmental Consultants.

Mufford, Tracey (Buck) (Nursing) was married in August, 1993 to Glen Mufford. Tracey lives in Milner and is employed at Langley Memorial Hospital.

Parker, Sharon and Dave (Marketing) write to say that Sharon has been promoted to Manager, Corporate Communications at MacDonald Dettwiler located in Richmond.

Polydore, Brian (Computer/Expert Systems) and Gillian Dew have been married for a year, they live in Richmond. Brian moved back to Canada from Dominica in the Caribbean and is a Computer Programmer with Jesco Automated Services Inc. in Langley.

Reid, Gary (Aircraft Maintenance) is an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Apprenticing with Canadian Air Crane. He is also starting his own business this year, developing specialized software applications for the helicopter logging industry.

Simpson, Daryl (Marketing/Real Estate) has relocated to Coquitlam and is Marketing Coordinator with Fifth Avenue Real Estate Marketing.

Sloan, William S. (Millwright) and Joyce live in Merritt. William is self-employed.

In memorium **Stewart, Aaron Michael** (Plumbing ELTT) who died suddenly March 26, 1995. After graduation from high school, Aaron travelled for a year with school friends and came to BCIT. He was employed in Comox for a year and returned to Langley to start a new job in North Vancouver. A memorial service was held on April 1st.

1994

Farquhar, Thomson C. (Building) and Laura moved from Squamish to North Vancouver. Thomson is an Architectural Technologist with Tomizo Yamamoto Architects in North Van, also has his own design and build company, Farquhar Computer Services, doing CAD and project management. They also breed Bullmastiffs and plan on starting a kennel.

Grantham, Ian (Marketing/Sales) and **Alison (Walker)** (Advertising/Sales '93) were married on October 1, 1994. Alison is Ticket Operations Coordinator with the Vancouver Grizzlies and Ian is an Account Executive, Advertising Sales with Entertainment Publications.

Hall, Ryan James (Marketing/Real Estate) lives in Pitt Meadows. Ryan is with Goddard & Smith International Realty Inc. as Leasing Negotiator specializing in Retail and Office leasing.

Hill, Michael Alan (Electronics/Power) and Tracey live in Vernon. Michael is a Protection and Control Technologist in training, employed with B.C. Hydro.

Kwok, Henry Wai Chiu (Marketing Management) lives in Richmond and is Manager with Stentor Resource Center Inc.

Luk, John (CST/Data Communication) is employed at Aardvark Consulting, his position is Lotus Notes Developer.

Mellet, Robert (Environmental Health) and Bev have moved to Burns Lake from Chilliwack. Robert is a Health Inspector (E.H.O.) with the Ministry of Health.

Nordli, Chris Marie (Marketing) is a Business Education Teacher at Magee Secondary School in Vancouver. Marie and Alfred live in Coquitlam.

Pierce, Cheryl V. (Cardiology) lives in North Vancouver.

Shaw, Madeleine (Venture Program) lives in Vancouver and is owner of Everyware Designs. Everyware Designs commenced sales of LUNA, reusable feminine hygiene products in March, with excellent results.

Are your parents picking up after you?? Use the back cover of this issue and send us your address change and your news to pass along to classmates.

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Plan Ahead — the Future is Now

Graduating from BCIT was an important step in your plan for the future. That future has become the present, so *now* what plans do you make for the years ahead?

The secret to effectively planning for the future is to bring it into the present. Sound like a riddle? Maybe so, but you've already proven that the strategy works. Cast your memory back to the day you decided to attend BCIT. You had an idea of what career path you wanted to follow, but you didn't wait to see if an employer would scoop you up, thinking, "Gee, this person might be able to handle this kind of work, once we provide enough on-the-job training." Instead, you took the future into your own hands, into the present, and armed yourself with all the training and knowledge necessary to walk up to that same employer and say, "I can do the job. Now."

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What if you die without a will? How will grieving loved ones know what your

wishes were? How will they make the decisions that have to be made, when they are already faced with a difficult, traumatic situation? Especially when death comes suddenly, or unexpectedly, perhaps as a result of an accident.

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When you are thinking about estate planning, which should be part of your ongoing financial planning, you may want to consider providing a gift that will leave a lasting legacy for future generations. Many BCIT grads feel a special fondness for the school that helped them realize their career goals, and now there is a way to express that fondness in a practical manner—investing in the education of future generations of BCIT students.

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People On the Move

Kate Pelletier, Coordinator Women in Trades, has been promoted to a one-year position as Associate Dean, School of Trades Training, effective October 1994. Kate will be assisting the Dean, Ray Walton with a wide range of administrative duties, releasing him for planning and establishing new campuses in Maple Ridge and Richmond as well as the transfer of programs and facilities from the Pacific Marine Training Institute.

Robert W. Deverall (Chemical Sciences '76), is a senior partner in **Analytical Service Laboratories**. Last month, Allan Maynard, also senior partner of ASL, flew to Toronto to collect an award for being chosen as one of Canada's 50 Best Managed Private Companies. The 12 year-old company was the only Vancouver-based firm to receive the prestigious *Financial Post* award.

The most important questions concerned how they managed their growth, their clients, their employees, their business development practices, their training and the changes they experience. According to a profile in the *Financial Post*, ASL does 850,000 tests a year across a wide range of environmental, chemical and toxicology needs for clients such as PlacerDome, Petro Canada and MacMillan Bloedel, as well as for foreign governments and agencies such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ASL has 87 employees and annual sales of \$7 million. Five percent of sales are to export markets.

Bill MacPherson, AScT (Business Administration '88 and Mechanical Systems '91), current Alumni board Vice-President is a professional technical sales person with **Johnson Controls**, a Fortune 100 company with annual worldwide sales of \$6.7 billion. Bill is winner of the 1994 Johnson Controls Club

D'Excellence Award for top sales in Canada in the HVAC and building controls market.

Dr. David Chowdhury, BCIT's Dean of Engineering Technology, has been appointed Project Coordinator for the Applied Academics Pilot project as part of BC's Skills Now initiative. In the interim **Doug Deans** will be Acting Dean of Engineering and **Tony Barren** moves to Associate Dean for the Civil Technology program.

Marsh Heinekey, (C & S '75) Civil & Structural Instructor/C.E. Coordinator at BCIT has taken on the task of Coordinator of Workplace Based Training for the BC Labour Force Development Board.

Alumni Board President **Guy Steeves** (Marketing Management '89) is Vice President, Marketing of **Enterprise Automation Group**. The company is a merger of five previously independent consultants, developers and trainers and provides complete enterprise-wide contact management systems for forward-thinking companies. Enterprise Automation Group is a certified *Maximizer* Authorized Integrator and Training Centre. *Maximizer* is the highest rated contact management software. EAG will go into your office and work with you to design and install a complete sales automation system tailored to your exact business needs. Call them at 664-7575 or fax 664-7570.

Patrick Dennett (Building '68) is President of **Landmark Glass & Aluminum Inc.** of Coquitlam. A trade contractor for the past 27 years, Mr. Dennett's contribution to the construction industry has also included work at the local, provincial and national level. He is a past Chairman of the Amalgamated Construction Association of BC, the British Columbia Construction Association and the Glazing Contractors Association of BC. Mr. Dennett was recently recognized at the Canadian Construction Association's 77th annual conference in San Diego with a special

award for his contribution to the industry. The award is CCA's Ernest Dobbeltsteyn Memorial Trophy, donated to the Canadian Construction Association by the Dobbeltsteyn family in honour of Ernest Dobbeltsteyn, a former Chairman and strong supporter of the CCA Trade Contractors Section.

Suzanne Bandick (Clapp) (Marketing Management 1982) found herself going through a number of retail management positions without any real personal or financial satisfaction. In 1992 she looked at the direct selling MLM market. After researching plans of many companies, Suzanne discovered Watkins. The opportunity to build a business of her own using her BCIT and retail background encouraged her to quit her full time job one month after she started her Watkins business and she has never looked back. If you are interested in a marketing business of your own, call Suzanne in Vernon at (604)545-6053 or for toll-free information (604)975-9634.

Rebecca Fasihi (Broadcast '94) is currently pursuing her career in radio and TV at Shaw Cable in Victoria, while maintaining her interest in music composition and performance. Hearing her music accompanying the movement of whales was quite a spectacular moment for Rebecca. When the Institute of Open Sciences presented a video at their open house, it was her new age composition that provided the background. A cassette of her music has been available on campus since its release in November 1993 and this past Christmas she released it on CD and plans a second CD.

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