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The mission of BCIT is to provide British Columbians with world-class, job-ready skills for career success.

A newsletter for the BCIT community.

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coming up

Services Day

Wednesday, Sept. 23,
1100 - 1330
Great Hall in Town Square,
Burnaby Campus
A highly recommended event for staff and students alike. Find out the range of services available to your students and how to access them.

President's All Staff Barbecue

Wednesday, Sept. 23,
1100 - 1400
SE-16 Recreational Services Building (future Weight Room)
Come enjoy a burger and get reacquainted with your peers. Get a sneak preview of the new and improved weight room facilities!

Real Food, Real Fashion for Real People

Friday, Sept. 25, 1998, 1900-2200, BCIT Downtown Campus. The Bay and BCIT present this fundraising event for the Food Bank. Real people — all shapes and sizes — will model ready to wear fashions, accessories and footwear. Taste delicious food samplings. Have your skin type assessed with Clinique Cyberface Computer Lab 371. Art and Photography Show. Interior design and Multimedia displays. Wine and refreshments will be served. This event is getting bigger every year! Tickets are \$25, available at the downtown campus, through Safety and Security (Burnaby campus), and Clinique counters at The Bay. Info: 412-7779.

BCIT Retirees Association Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 30
1200, Town Square Salon C
Lunch at noon, meeting to follow. Info: 451-6716

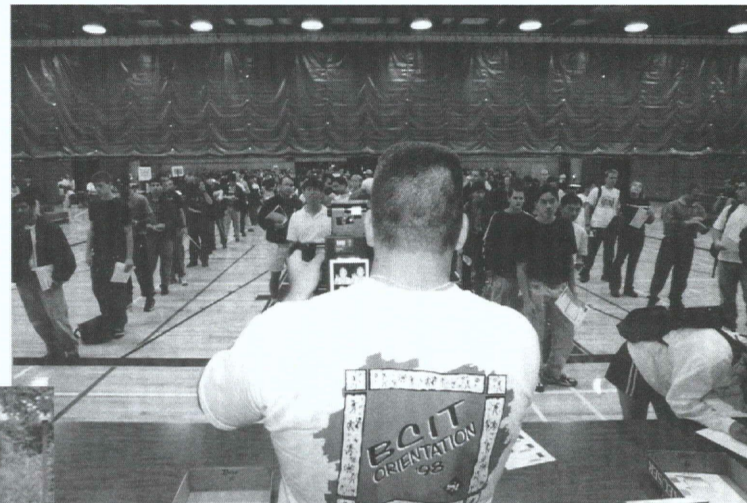
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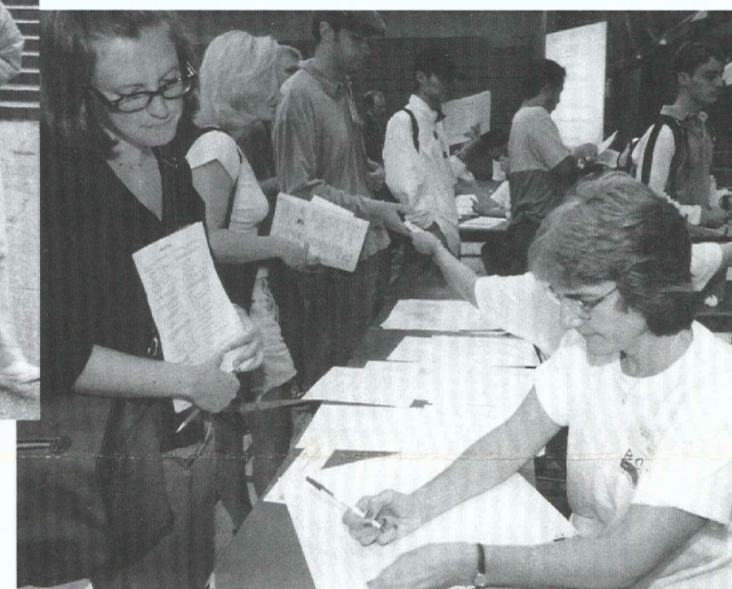
BCIT's future grads check out the campus, their programs, and each other.



Above: First year students, finding their way around campus.



Above: Line 'em up and shoot 'em. Students wait for their photo IDs.



Right: A first year student gets registered for her program.



Aviation student collects Lieutenant Governor Award

Aviation convocation ceremony yields talented graduates for a growing industry

On August 12, 44 proud, jubilant Aviation students collected their diplomas and certificates at the bright, cavernous Sea Island Campus air hangar. Among them was Dawn Patterson, 30, the recipient of the prestigious Lieutenant Governor's Award for Trades/Vocational studies. The award is presented annually to a BCIT student who has been registered in a pre-employment or apprenticeship program, and who has achieved a high academic standing, as well as contributed positively to the BCIT community.

"I was stunned when they told me I had won," Patterson said. The award was truly an honor (one of many she has collected during her studies at BCIT), but it was the icing on the cake. "All my hard work had finally paid off; I worked hard to make this course everything that I could, and everything just panned out."

After attending university, as

well as working in restaurants and bars for 10 years, Patterson's interest in Aviation began when she took the Women in Trades program at BCIT in the fall of '96. "I liked the industry because it was so specialized. Also, not a lot of women were in this field and I wanted to get a foot in it."

Patterson, the mother of a five-year old daughter (who is an aspiring pilot), has found the challenge of managing parenting, school, and work a "big juggling act." But she is clearly thrilled to be working in aviation. "It's definitely a growing industry and it's something I can look forward to working hard in for the next 20 years." Her next step is to continue working at Air BC as a Structures Learner, and then write her engineering license in 3 years.

Patterson, who has written a Structures Technician Course Study Guide is now collaborating with BCIT instructor Malcolm Sterling in producing a



Dawn Patterson is presented with the highest of honors by Gerry Moss, VP Student Services and Educational Support.

Structures Technician Course textbook.

Dawn Patterson is not alone in high calibre Aviation graduates. Other award winners in Aviation included Top Students Christopher Boyd, Scott Gilmore, and Surinder Jhalli, as well as Best All Around Students Jagroop Gill, Aiaz Mohammed, and Shawn Braiden.

During the award ceremony, students tipped their hats (and bestowed honorary gifts of beer as thanks) to instructors, John Edwards, Jim Heinke and Ed Gunn. The honors were definitely appreciated in the hot August weather. Lori Pederson, Library, was also thanked. A final tribute and round of applause went to supportive family and friends who were present.

take note!

A reminder from the parking office

Staff members who bring an alternate/courtesy car on campus must pick up a courtesy parking pass from the Parking Office (or, if closed, from the Security Desk in SW1, 1001). Failure to do so may result in your vehicle being ticketed by Impark. Should this occur, and you wish to contest the ticket, please contact Imperial Parking Ltd. directly at 331-7200. Also: all visitors, guest lecturers, advisory members, service personnel, consultants, etc., must have a current courtesy parking permit when parking on campus. Thank you for your cooperation.

kudos

Satisfied Molecular Biology students

A group of Molecular Biology upgrade students recently commended program head Fred Bauder and expressed their satisfaction with the training they received at BCIT.

In a letter to George Eisler, Dean, Health Sciences, the eight students said they "found the courses informative, intensive and very hands-on.... Having the courses held at various sites and taught by experts currently working in the field gave [them] wide exposure to current and future applications of molecular biology. Fred deserves special recognition for his adeptness and flexibility in the design and set-up of the program."

Skills Canada Provincial and National Competitions' Winners

Chris Fraser, Joinery, has been awarded a Bronze Medal in Cabinetmaking at the Skills Canada British Columbia Provincial Competition, and a Bronze Medal in Cabinetmaking at the Skills Canada National Competition, held in May 1998, in Vancouver. Larry Nohr, Heating Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, won Silver in the Provincial competition, and a Bronze in the National. The best technology and trades students compete in this event which attracts more than 1000 competitors, annually. The 1999 World Skills Competition will be held in Montreal. Web site: www.skillscanada.com

Motivation the key for award-winning nursing student

For Coral Tipton, winner of this year's Dean's Prize of Excellence in Clinical Nursing, motivation came a little later in life, but once found, things really took off.

Growing up in Squamish, B.C., Tipton was never really excited about academics. "I dropped out of high school at 15, got pregnant, and found myself as a single mom collecting welfare," says Tipton.

It was this experience that motivated Tipton to do something about her situation. She enrolled back in high school, achieved a 96 per cent average, and was awarded a \$150 Provincial Bursary and \$500 Shriner's Scholarship.

After she graduated from high school, Tipton met her husband Marty.

"My husband was my main motivation; he encouraged me to continue my education for

myself, but I wanted to prove to him my potential," Tipton says.

Shortly after meeting her husband, Tipton began to research career options. "After my research, it was clear to me that BCIT was the most practical choice for entering the work force." She applied to the BCIT Nursing Diploma Program.

In her first year at BCIT Tipton found it tough being with younger people and was a self-described "nervous wreck", but she knew that for the well-being of her child getting an education was the only way to support her family.

On her BCIT experience, Tipton says, "I never accepted mediocrity and always reached for the top denominator," and adds, "The teachers at BCIT really supported me."

One of Tipton's biggest supporters was the Associate Dean, Health Sciences, Bernadet Ratsoy. "I put her name forward (for the Prize of Excellence) because she overcame adversity, demonstrated conviction, and

focused on achieving her goals," says Ratsoy.

The Associate Dean's Prize of Excellence recognizes graduates in Nursing who demonstrate the synthesis of theory and practice in the application of their nursing skills to patient care. Nursing faculty recommend the award's recipient. "She (Tipton) obviously impressed a lot of other faculty members," says Ratsoy.

Tipton is a modest individual, and downplays the excitement of her award, but you can tell she is very happy about being recognized. She is currently working at Vancouver Hospital and Health Sciences Centre in the Reconstructing Orthopedics Ward. After completing her Preceptorship at VGH, the head nurse of her ward invited her to apply to the hospital.

As for the future, "I plan to continue my education and become a really well-rounded hospital nurse with a broad knowledge base," says Tipton.

— from Harold Simons



Coral Tipton and her son, Nolan, receive the Associate Dean's Prize of Excellence from Bernadet Ratsoy

Confederate Air Force visits BCIT

The Confederate Air Force is a not for profit society that is dedicated to the preservation of military aircraft. Each year, a volunteer group flies around the United States and Canada displaying some of their collection. This year, this group came to Canada with a Boeing B17 and a Heinkel 111. BCIT hosted the group in Vancouver for their display. During the August long weekend, several thousand Vancouverites came to visit the display and board the aircraft for a closer look.

One of the highlights for students was when they were

pressed into working on the Heinkel. It had suffered a flat tire, so BCIT students came to the rescue and changed the tire for them the "old fashioned" way. One of the more interesting aspects of having people visit the aircraft is the number of seniors hanging around reminiscing about the war years. Judging by the accents and the camaraderie, it was plain that one's origins didn't matter; what was important was there were plenty of yarns to be told, and listened to.

— from Dave Mitchell



BCIT students ham it up in front of the B17, complete with WWII era poster girl. Boeing built more B17s than any other aircraft to date. Many of these aircraft were originally built by women at the Boeing plant near Seattle.

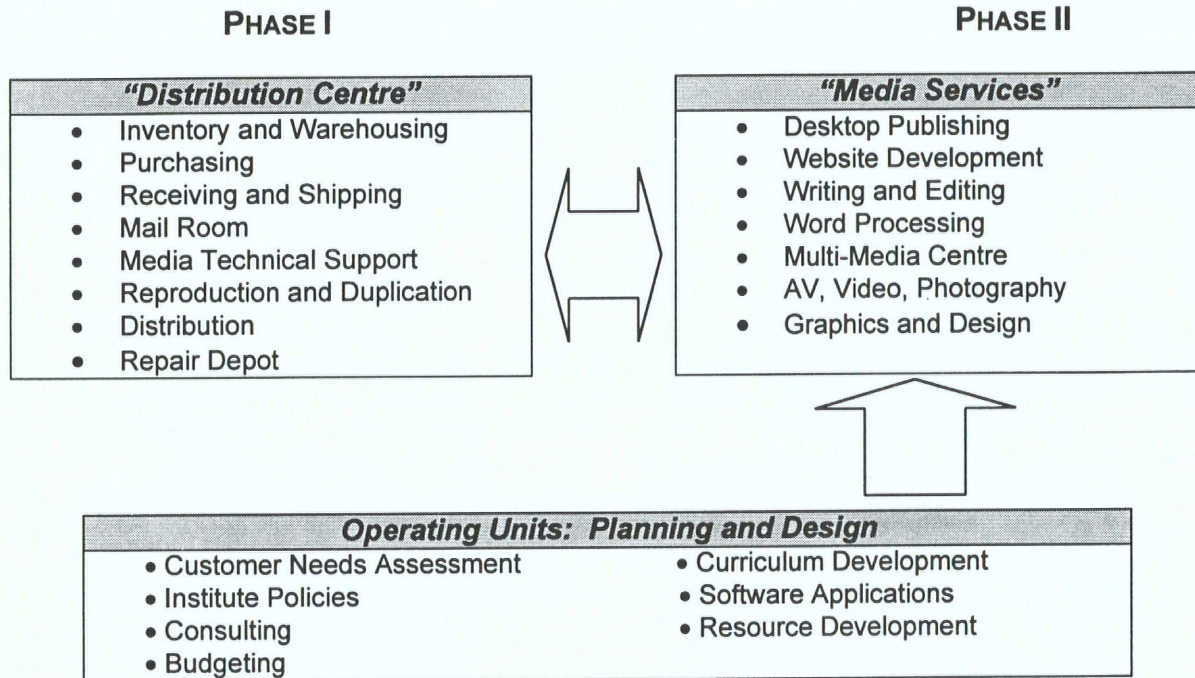
Hanging up their hats

The Annual BCIT Retirement Dinner will held on November 19, 1998 in the Town Square A & B at 1800. The following employees have retired or will be retiring in 1998 and will be honoured at the dinner. If you should be included on this list or know someone that should be, please contact the Special Events office at 432-8398.

George Abbott	Marketing Management	1966-98	John Millette	Operations Management	1969-98
Ed Baye	Safety & Security	1986-98	Kenneth Mitchell	Broadcast Communications	1974-98
Maria Bojadziev	Mathematics	1975-98	Eric Morse	Mechanical	1968-98
Jack Brown	Mathematics	1965-98	Vincent Murray	Avionics	1986-98
Clayton Copping	Mathematics	1967-98	Keiko Negoro	Nursing	1969-98
D'Anne Davis	Management Systems	1978-98	Charles Priestler	Financial Management	1979-98
Paul Ehni	Heavy Duty	1979-98	Jane Promnitz	Learning Resources Unit	1990-98
John Fairley	Mining	1972-98	Nino Romaniin	Iron Worker	1977-98
Patricia Fingarson	Centre for Applied Academics	1977-98	Murray Sharp	Management Systems	1968-98
Clarence Heppner	Auto Collision	1990-98	Ron Sterne	Education	1964-98
Peter Hobbins	Mathematics	1967-98	Chris Trunkfield	Financial Management	1976-98
Elif Iversen	Welding	1968-98	Randy Vandermark	Marketing Management	1969-98
George Jacob	Marketing	1969-98	Ron Venne	Marketing Management	1974-98
Mike Jervis	Electrical/Electronic Technology	1990-98	Zdenek Vintr	Arcs Lab	1993-98
Tony Juzkow	Management Systems	1975-98	Keith Walker	Physical Plant	1991-98
Nancy Kadonaga	Institutional Research & Planning	1970-98	Howard Westfall	Heavy Duty	1978-98
Richard Long	Computer Systems	1967-98	Sonia Williams	Health Part-time Studies	1967-98
Dave Martin	Basic Health Sciences	1967-98	Frank Williams	Management Systems	1969-98
Walter Miklas	Electrical/Electronics Technology	1965-98			

Recommendations

The recommendations of the working group covered the broad spectrum of planning and design, production and distribution, and included a proposed framework for examining these areas in greater detail as shown below:



As a first phase in the process of transforming media services, the group recommended the establishment of a "Distribution Centre". This centre would hold centralized inventory control, warehousing and distribution for a number of media-related functions such as AV equipment, DE warehouse, publications and promotions/displays, and would also provide a central resource to integrate synergistic functions such as purchasing, shipping and receiving, and printing.

It was the opinion of the working group that a collaborative environment existed among the departments concerned in Phase I to support moving to implementation. The Executive agreed with this assessment and asked Terry Milligan to lead a small group to begin this implementation process. Terry's group will consult with managers, staff, and unions who are impacted by the services and functions that would take place in the "Distribution Centre". The goal would be to have the plan finalized by April 1, 1999.

In addition, other groups will examine opportunities for integration and convergence of media creation, design and production functions throughout the Institute (Phase II in the diagram above). Considerable thought will need to be given as to how improvements in the coordination and streamlining of this area can be realized.

Contributed by Members of the Working Group

A TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE IN MEDIA SERVICES AT BCIT

For the past four months a working group comprising several service departments ⁽¹⁾ has been exploring opportunities for bringing together processes and functions for BCIT media and production services where common interests and goals prevail.

Scope of the Project

These media services embrace a wide range of functions from the planning and design of curriculum, websites, and software applications, to the production of printed and electronic communications, and finally to warehousing and inventory control of materials for distance education, A/V equipment and promotional displays.

Because the Institute has grown in size and complexity, many of these functions reside in different departments, often resulting in overlapping and duplication of effort. For example, support for desktop publishing, multi-media, and website development flourishes throughout the Institute. Storage and distribution functions for media and promotional items occur in a number of departments. In addition, the growth of technology has meant that many service areas provide real time customer service, on demand, and often through remote access. This creates a need for better integration and coordination of the services.

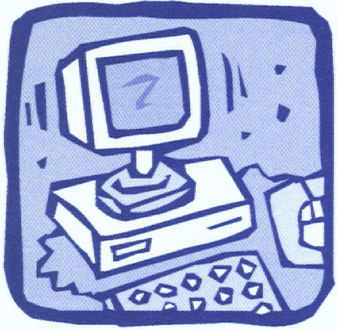
Principles and Outcomes

In its investigation the working group was guided by a set of principles and desired outcomes:

- alignment with, and support for, Institute goals and strategic directions.
- enhanced learning opportunities for students and BCIT faculty and staff.
- enhanced communications and interactions among students and with faculty and staff.
- creation of synergies among departments and greater group interactivity that would lead to new ideas and improved ways of doing things.
- improved processes and systems that enable people to do complicated tasks more easily.
- the emergence of a "centre of excellence" where convergence of media and production services would deliver improved quality and customer service.

Above all, the group searched for ways in which the needs and expectations of customers for media and production services could be better served by improved coordination and access. From an Institute perspective there was a need to ensure utilization of facilities and equipment was improved, overlapping of function minimized, and service enhanced with the same or less resources. It was especially important to ensure that any integration of functions occurred in a spirit of collaboration and cooperation.

(1) Learning Resources, Community Relations, Ancillary Services, Audio-Visual, Materials Management.



Computer Technology Rollout

Project Update for September 1998 — We are nearing the end of the Computer Technology Rollout (Phase 1) project and it is on target to be completed by the end of the year. The areas listed below represent the last remaining groups to be serviced. The computer standards have all been increased to reflect the new available technology and increasing requirements with planning for the future. The desktop operating system remains as Windows 95 but is under review with a new standard targeted for January 1999.

Date	Area	Contact	Status
August 98	Learning Resources Unit	Dixie Stockmayer, 8312	Completed
	BCIT International	Karen Wantke, 8966	Completed
	Electrical & Electronics	Holly Stanley, 6740	Completed
	Construction	Sherry Lipp, 7485	Completed
	P.E.N.R.	Terry Suen, 8855	Completed
September 98 - October 98	Manufacturing	Guy Ellis, 7501	Completed
	PMTC	Sam Mulligan, 8570	In-progress
	Technology Centre	Peggy Maher, 8373	In-progress
September 21	Library	Frank Knorr, 8508	In-progress
	Sea Island	John MacGillivray, 278-4831	
October 98 - November 98	Ancillary Services	Bob McKenzie, 8409	
	Audio Visual	Ian Cameron, 8300	
December 99	Downtown Campus Cleanup		

Minimum Upgrade Standard - Revised

The minimum standard for an upgradable computer has been increased to a Pentium-75Mhz. Any computer at or above this level will be upgraded to 32MB of RAM and a 2.5 GB drive.

New Desktop Standard

Our new desktop standard has been upgraded to a Pentium II

300Mhz MMX, 160MB of RAM, 3.2GB drive, 24x CD-ROM, and multimedia support. Our current brand until the end of the year will be a Digital PC3500. Please note that due to the Digital/Compaq merger, we will be evaluating several manufacturers and deciding upon a new desktop computer standard.

Unsupported Computers

Computers remaining in a department that fall below the Minimum Standard for the Technology Rollout are not supported by CR (i.e. HelpDesk). This means that once the team has completed all departments by the end of the year, anything on campus at the level of

486/33 (and some 486/66) or below will not be supported by Computer Resources and may NOT be connected to the network "backbone" (i.e. Internet, Notes, Banner, etc.).

— from Brian Hosier, local 8480
Computer Resources, Manager -
Desktop Solutions & Services

take note

Professional Development Workshops

Workshops are funded through the Instructional Development Fund established in 1989 through an agreement between BCIT and its Faculty and Staff Association. Any BCIT staff member may attend. To register, please call Karen at 432-8927, profs develop, or e-mail develop@bcit.bc.ca.

The Straight Goods on Flexible Delivery of Learning

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1200-1400, Town Square B
Expanding your classroom to include home or office? Adding distance or new media to your program? This panel discussion will focus on the educational and administrative aspects of developing or converting curriculum for flexible delivery. The discussion is intended to shed some light on the development and delivery systems and resources at BCIT. It will include an overview of the process, some helpful hints and road maps specific to BCIT, and examples of how flexible programming has helped meet goals of access and student success. Bring your questions.

Facilitators: Kathleen Bach, Manager, Centre for Distance Education and Dixie Stockmeyer, Director, Learning Resources Unit.
BCIT staff: no charge.
Non-BCIT: \$10.00

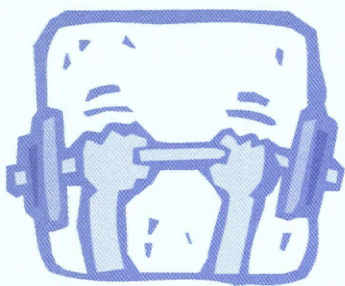
The ABCs of On-line Learning

Thursday, Oct. 15, 1400-1600,
Thursday, Oct. 29, 1400-1500, and
Thursday, Nov. 5, 1400-1600,
SE6 Room 230 (AMT Lab)
Explore the ABCs — Appropriateness, Benefits and Challenges — of on-line learning. Experience the benefits and challenges of on-line learning first hand while participating as a student using e-mail, conferencing, chat, and on-line evaluation. Determine the appropriateness of on-line learning and how it can be incorporated into your course.

Basic working knowledge of the Web, including e-mail, internet browsers and search engines is required. All participants must have access to a computer and a web browser (Netscape 3.0 or equivalent) for independent work and the chat session. No previous knowledge of CMC is required.

Participants need to plan for two face-to-face sessions (Oct. 15 and Nov. 5), and at least one scheduled live on-line chat (Oct. 29). Independent readings, assignments and tests are also required. Plan to commit at least 12 hours of your time to this workshop.

Facilitators: Michelle Kearns, Barbara Davis and Marian Snapp, Instructional Development Consultants, Learning Resources Unit.
BCIT staff: no charge.
Non-BCIT: \$165.00



No more excuses...

Recreation and Athletic Services wants BCIT staff to get in shape.

And they're offering plenty of incentive to do it. Register with the BCIT Fitness Incentive program and earn rewards for your efforts. Registration fee is based on the incentive prize you choose. Call the Recreation and Athletic Services office at 432-8282 for more information.

Aerobics

Step Classes: Mondays, 0705-0750 and 1640-1725, Tuesdays, 1725-1825, Wednesdays, 1140-1210, and Fridays, 0705-0750 and 1140-1210.

Low Impact Aerobics: Wednesdays, 0705-0750

High/Low Class: Wednesdays, 1740-1825

Boxercise: Tuesdays, 1140-1210

Step and Strength

Training: Tuesdays, 1640-1725

Strength Class: Thursdays, 1140-1210

Sport Training: Thursdays, 1640-1725

Aerobics begin on Monday, Sept. 21, and end on Thursday, Dec. 3.

All aerobics are free to staff, and it's on campus. Now there is no excuse.



Intramural Leagues

Registration

week: Monday, Sept. 21 to Friday, Sept. 25

League Play: Monday, Sept. 28 to Thursday, Dec. 3
Fees vary depending on the sport. Choose from: Volleyball, Wallyball, Flag Football, Non-Contact Ice Hockey, and Non-Contact Floor Hockey.

Tai Chi Beginners

9 sessions. Wednesdays, Sept. 23 to Dec. 2, 1230-1330.
Fee: \$20 before Sept. 18 or \$22 afterwards. Non-BCIT fee: \$23 and \$25.



Co-ed Drop-in Programs

Non-Contact

Floor Hockey: Sundays, 1400-1645 (1/2 gym)

Indoor Soccer: Fridays, 1630-1830 (1/2 gym)

Basketball: Saturdays and Sundays, 1400-1645; Wednesdays, 0800-1045

Volleyball: Mondays, 0800-1045

Badminton: Saturdays & Sundays, 0900-1400; Tuesdays & Thursdays, 0800-1045.

Register a half hour before play starts.

Introduction to Archery

Mondays, Sept. 28 and Oct. 5
Fee: \$12 before Sept. 21, \$14 afterwards. Non-BCIT fee \$15 and \$17



Dance

Beginners Swing/Jive:

Thursdays, Oct. 8 to Nov. 26, 1830-2030

Latin: Wednesdays, Oct. 7 to Dec. 2, 1200-1400

Ballroom: Tuesdays, Oct. 6 to Nov. 24, 1830-2030

All dance fees: \$30 for 8 sessions. Non-BCIT fee: \$35

Women's Self Defense and Awareness

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1800-2200

Fee: Only \$11 before Sept. 24, \$15 afterwards.

Non-BCIT fee: \$15 and \$19

For more information on these and other programs, call the Recreation and Athletic Services Office at 432-8282.

classy finds

For Sale — 1986 Dodge Colt, 2 dr hatchback, 139,000 kms, good running condition, winter tires, new battery. \$1,200 or best offer. Call 461-3888

For Sale — 1986 BMW 325, 214,000 kms, 5 sp, 2 dr, immaculate. Call Gisela 432-8743 or 986-2872.

For Sale — 1983 Olds Cutlass Supreme Brougham, V8, 186,000 kms, 4 dr, loaded. Call Gisela 432-8743 or 986-2872.

For Sale — Moving, and must sell! Elegant, near-new home furnishing in glass, brass and marble. 5-pc dining suite \$700; 3-pc china cabinet/wall unit \$350; matching coffee table and side table \$200; Other smaller items, too. Call 980-9830 (h) or 432-8445 (w).

For Sale — Husqvarna Optima 620 electronic sewing machine. 7 yrs old. Many stitches and accessories. \$250 (over \$800, new). Call 941-5316.

Looking to rent — 2 BR suite or townhome near BCIT for college instructor. Yard or garden access preferred. \$750 to \$900 range. Oct. 23 or sooner. Call 980-9830 (h) or 432-8445 (w).

coming up

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Blood Pressure Clinic

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 0900-1600 Medical Services in the SAC, Building SE16
Have you checked your blood pressure lately? Healthy adults should have their blood pressure checked at least every two years. Drop by Medical Services on Oct. 7 and check yours out.

staff news

New Associate Dean — Verna Magee Shepherd has been selected as Associate Dean, Office of the Vice President Education. Verna has been at BCIT for seven years.

Another booming baby — Michelle Morrison, systems analyst in Client Services, and Paul Morrison, program head of Mechanical Design and Manufacturing have a new daughter, Brooke Aisling (pronounced Ashleen). Born Friday, Sept. 4, 1998. 6 lbs, 6 oz. Congratulations to Michelle and Paul.

United Way Round-Up '98 Campaign



Howdy Partners! Thanks for making last year's BCIT United Way campaign such a success. A record-breaking total of \$86,000 was raised through pledges and special events, the Downtown Campus Fashion Show, and Shinerama.

So...who will win the showdown as this year's "Best School in the West"? BCIT, of course! We hope you'll help us prove it by joinin' us on the trail of our "United Way Round-Up '98 Campaign", Oct. 1 to 30. We're goin' for another "sharp shooter" record this year of \$93,000! Shinerama and the Downtown Campus Fashion Show are already well on their way to raising more money than they did last year — so the rest is up to us. If everyone at BCIT donated just \$1/week, the total in pledges would be \$75,000!

Here's what's happening:

- United Way Round-Up Breakfast — Can't be roundin' up donations without a hearty cowboy style breakfast! The United Way Round-Up Breakfast will be held at the Town Square Cafeteria on Thursday, Oct. 1, from 0700 — 0900. BCIT "Exec-type" dudes will be dishin' out the grub — pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, ham or sausage, juice, coffee, or tea. Breakfast is just \$3.75. Western duds encouraged!
- Real Food, Real Fashion for Real People — Gotta look good on the trail! This 2nd annual fashion show takes place on Friday, September 25, at the downtown campus. Tickets are

\$25. Call 412-7779. Proceeds directed to the Food Bank through the United Way.

- Entertainment '99 Books — Don't leave the ranch without it! Lots of coupons for discounts on dining, movies, special attractions, sports, and more. Cost is \$46 with \$8 of this purchase going directly to the United Way. Call Karen Wantke at 432-8674 to order your book today.
- United Way Show-down Party — We're plannin' a hoe-down on the last day of our campaign, Friday, Oct. 30. Stay tuned for more details...
- Pledge for Prizes — It's your pledge that makes the difference! The payroll deduction plan allows you to spread your donation throughout the year, and will appear on your T4 slip for a tax deduction. A little each pay day goes a long way in assisting the 105 member agencies that the United Way funds each year.

For \$10 donation, your name goes in "the draw" for some fantastic prizes (maximum of 10 entries per person). To get in on the goods, get your pledge card in for the Early Bird draws taking place Oct. 12 and Oct. 26.

Don't forget — all Fridays in October have been officially declared Western Duds Days with departmental approval. Put on your best Western gear and hop on the bandwagon as we raise awareness — and funds — for this year's BCIT United Way campaign.

Happy Trails!

— from Sheriff Gord McLean and Deputy Jodie Wilson



BCIT library launches new on-line catalogue system

Over the summer BCIT implemented a new web-based library catalogue system, and you are invited to come check it out!

Join us in celebrations at the following locations and times:

Burnaby Campus Library
September 30, 1130 to 1330
Staff Lounge - Upper Floor

PMTCL Library
October 1, 1015

Sea Island Campus Library
October 2, 1130

RSVP by calling 432-8361

The new system is accessible over the Internet (www.lib.bcit.bc.ca).

"Since many students and staff at BCIT are familiar with web browsers like Netscape and Explorer, this familiarity will lend itself to ease of use with the new system," says BCIT Librarian, Tony O'Kelly.

Here's what you can do on BCIT's new web-based library catalogue system:

- Search periodical titles
- Limit searches by date and material type
- Search other libraries
- Search the reserve collection by course number
- Search by instructor's name
- View your own library record

"We hope that the new system will benefit both students and staff in terms of greater access to library materials and a greater use of them," says O'Kelly.

— from Harold Simons

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