# **SALUMNI NEWS**

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THE LENGTH OF THREE FOOTBALL FIELDS — PLUS! . . . Canada Place, anchored by the luxury \$140 million Pan Pacific Vancouver and World Trade Centre Office Complex, reaches a whopping 335 metres out from the city shoreline. Under the five soaring sails is the \$144.8 million Canada Pavilion for Expo 86 — later to become the British Columbia Trade and Convention Centre, capable of accommodating 7000 for luncheon or dinner.

The beautiful new Pan Pacific Hotel at Canada Place will be the rendezvous for the next Alumni Association Annual General Meeting on May 23. All Alumni are cordially invited to attend this function and meet new BCIT president, Mr. Roy Murray.

#### **Program**

- 6:30 p.m.
- -Reception starts in Pier B. Refreshments will be served.
  - -Special guest speaker Mr. Roy Murray, president, BCIT
  - -Meeting commences: agenda highlights include BCIT/PVI merger and election of officers (nominations for the BCIT Alumni Association Board of Directors are now open (see page 3)
  - -Meeting adjourns, followed by no host bar social in the Cascades Lobby.
- · Address: Pan Pacific Hotel, Pier B-C, 300 999 Canada Place
- · The Canadian Pavilion will be open to EXPO pass holders.
- There is a Skytrain station right beside Pan Pacific Hotel. Ample underground parking also available.
- All alumni (including graduates of the former PVI) are invited to attend free of charge.
   Non-alumni \$10 per person. Tickets available in advance from the Alumni office or in limited quantities at the door.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: THE BCIT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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# TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS COME TOGETHER UNDER NEW BCIT

We'll ring out the old and ring in the new – officially – on April 1.

That's the day when the PVI/BCIT merger becomes effective following legislation introduced by former education minister lack Heinrich.

To celebrate the occasion, students and staff members have been invited to attend a dedication day presentation at the main entrance to the campus beginning at 11 a.m. The invitation is also extended to our alumni.

Special guests from the provincial and municipal governments, from professional associations and the private sector, will join President Roy Murray and Chairman Malcolm Wickson in the ceremonies.

Everyone will receive Dedication Day buttons and slices of a giant cake created for the event by director of Food and Hospitality Services, John Bateman. The Staff Social Club will add a further dimension to the event with a special 'Tuesday at Four' gettogether in the dining facility.

Dedication Day is April 1 – no fooling!



Trades and technology programs come together under new BCIT.

## Alumni News Update...by Nicki Magnolo

A striking new logo has been chosen for BCIT. The winning design by administrative assistant Keith Inkster, was selected from 85 entries. From now on you will see the new bright blue and silver logo appearing on all BCIT's stationery, advertising, publications and merchandise.

**BCIT/PVI** Merger

We have made excellent progress in the merging of the PVI Alumni Association and the BCIT Alumni Association. New membership categories for graduates of vocational, trades and apprenticeship programs and holders of certificates of technology from Continuing Education have been recommended. We are also recommending that representatives from each of these areas are included on the Alumni Board of Directors.

Alumni Association members can vote on these recommendations for merging the two associations at the Annual General Meeting in May (see page one for more details.)

If you are interested in running as a representative in any of the new membership categories, or serving in existing board positions please contact the alumni office for nomination forms. Our new, more powerful association will need energetic and enthusiastic grads like you.

### Alumni Reception in Kelowna

BCIT President Roy Murray recently visited the Okanagan. While in Kelowna, he was guest speaker at a special alumni reception. The reception was held at Carmelles Restaurant, owned and operated by 1966 Hospitality grad, Mr. Dale Lindgren. Thanks go to 1974 grad Jacquie Jones for publicizing and organizing the event.

**Alumni Survey** 

We've experienced a slight delay with our Alumni Survey, but hope to include it in the summer issue of Alumni News. The information that we can gather from you will be extremely valuable in building our association so please watch for it, fill it out and send it back to us. Your input will help us plan for the future and become more responsive to your needs as an Alumni Association member.

Touch The Magic books

It is our pleasure to offer you this beautiful picture book on Greater Vancouver. The book will make a lovely keepsake for EXPO visitors and commemorate Vancouver's Centennial for Lower Mainland residents. Look for the mail order form on this page or buy directly from the alumni office and save postage and handling charges.

#### **BCIT Trivia Contest Winner**

Congratulations Diana Wedge! You answered all but one of the 20 questions in our Trivia Contest which appeared in the last issue of Alumni News. Diana received a \$50 gift certificate courtesy of the campus This 'N That Emporium. For the correct answers, see page 5.

**January Convocation** 

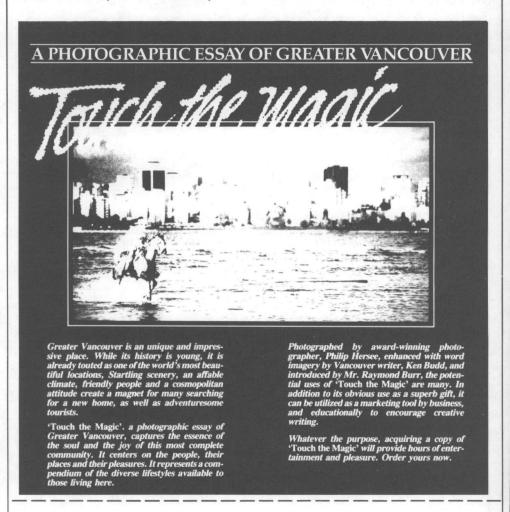
Graduation ceremonies for 158 Nursing, Psychiatric Nursing, and Electrical/Electronics students were held at the Centennial Theatre in North Vancouver on January 10, 1986. We welcome you as the newest members of our Alumni Association.

#### **CASE Conference**

ADDRESS: \_\_

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education, an American organization which offers professional development

seminars for people working in education and alumni affairs, held their Annual District VII conference in Tacoma recently. As one of four representatives from BCIT, I participated in all the workshops dealing with alumni administration in the hope of learning how other, more established alumni associations do things. I was not disappointed. Session leaders and fellow alumni administrators were more than willing to share their knowledge, and I can hardly wait to start applying what I've learned to our association.



#### ORDER FORM

Please send \_\_\_\_\_ copies of **TOUCH THE MAGIC**Total cost, including shipping: \$35.95 Willingdon Club Members or \$39.95 regular

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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## NOTICE OF ELECTION BCIT Alumni Association Board of Directors

New membership categories and board positions are being created as a result of the merger between BCIT and PVI. Acceptance of the by-law amendments that will allow for these changes will be the first item on the agenda. If approved, the new by-laws will take effect immediately and permit the election of directors to the newly created positions.

The new Alumni Board of Directors will consist of 18 members. The following terms of office are available:

Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Health Representative
Vocational/Trades Representative
Certificate of Technology
Representative
-2 year term
-1 year term
-1 year term
-1 year term
-1 year term

Representative -1 year term
Engineering Representative -1 year term
Business Representative -1 year term
Director-At-Large - 2 positions -1 year term

Terms of office commence following the Annual General Meeting. The Board of Directors meets monthly to deal with both the current issues and long range plans of the Alumni Association. The work, which is done on a voluntary basis, is both interesting and rewarding.

In order to stand for a position, candidates must fill out the nomination form below and return it to the alumni office by April 30,1986. The nominee must be supported by two members of the alumni.

Elections will take place at the Annual General Meeting of the Alumni Association on Friday, May 23, 1986 at 6:30 p.m. in the Pier C room of the Pan Pacific Hotel.

### NOMINATION FORM

NAME:	PHONE: Home:
ADDRESS:	Work:
·	POSTAL CODE:
TECHNOLOGY:	GRAD YEAR:
POSITION DESIRED:	LENGTH OF TERM:
SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE:	
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If you cannot attend the Annual General Meeting but wish to vote in the election, please write and request a ballot form from the alumni office. Be sure to include your name, address, phone number, technology and year of graduation. Ballot requests must be made by May 16, 1986 and completed ballots must be received by the alumni office no later than midnight, Thursday, May 22 in order to be counted.

# Grad contributions swell fund to \$771,000

THE ALUMNI FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN IS ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FIRST TIME ALUMNI FUNDRAISING EFFORTS IN THE PROVINCE.

It was first conceived during the summer of 1984 when former dean of Development David Brousson realized that the time had come to encourage alumni to support the goals of fundraising for the Institute.

It was decided that calling would begin in November but before that could happen many hours had to be spent in preparation. This intense period involved many hours of overtime and some seemingly insurmountable hurdles but on the evening of November 7 emotions ran high with excitement, nervousness, and pride as 13 alumni donors pledged the first donations – \$4,180.00 to be exact. The student callers recall that first evening as being one of the most memorable in their lives.

A year later the campaign boasts some \$771,000.00 in pledges from over 3500 donors (\$90,000.00 in cash has been re-

ceived to date).

The campaign started with only 8000 addresses and telephone numbers. Today the list contains over 17,000 – a tribute to the perseverance and "honed" skills of the student researchers. The funds, designed to benefit financially needy students, are distributed through bursaries and scholarships. Some funding is available for special student projects. The many students who have benefitted have increased their understanding and support of the Alumni Association as a result.

Each of the donors, and indeed all of those graduates who have demonstrated support, financial or otherwise, should feel proud. They can take pride in the establishment of a permanent source of financial aid to students, in the commitment to the Institute during difficult times and in the ability, once again, to work together as a team towards a common goal.

The Alumni Board of Directors would like to take the opportunity to express appreciation to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause and extend their congratulations for making the effort a success. They would also like to acknowledge the unfailing dedication of those staff members involved in the campaign, for it is their direction that has ensured a successful campaign. The next goal on the horizon is to raise \$1 million dollars. This may sound ambitious but, with less than \$300,000.00 to go, we feel sure it can be achieved.

Our BCIT alumni have made a truly remarkable statement to BCIT and the B.C. community at large. Their dedication and financial support shows a clear commitment: BCIT Graduates believe in the worth, future and integrity of BCIT education.

For further information contact Mrs. Melanie Wheating at 433-0548.

## Letters from student award winners

regret that this letter has taken me so long to write, but I have been very busy with my studies. I found the Alumni Breakfast to be an excellent affair and I enjoyed it very much. Receiving my award from Mr. Heinrich was a thrill. I assure you that the money will help me greatly. If there is any possible way, I would enjoy reading the letters that were submitted with my award application. Once again I thank the Alumni Association.

Doug Forsdick

This award is greatly appreciated and will help me out a lot in completing my payments for my first year at BCIT. With special thanks.

Roselie Randazzo



Alumni Fund Raising Campaign office staff: Melanie Wheating (left), Leun Meissl (right), Mahboob Mesgaran (seated)

## NOTICE BOAR

#### **B.C.** Lions ticket offer

Join the excitement with fellow alumni and cheer on the Lions to a new winning season. A special 2-for-1 offer is now available through the Alumni Association in the \$12 ticket category only. To avoid disappointment, order your tickets early by calling the alumni office at 432-8847. There is no limit on how many tickets can be purchased but all must be pre-

**B.C. LIONS EXHIBITION GAME JUNE** 17, 1986 AT B.C. PLACE STADIUM, B.C. VS CALGARY.

#### **Building tech** yearbooks

Building Technology 1982-1985 Yearbooks are now available from Paul Nowarre (Building '84) 321-3901 or 683-1622 or from Heather McNairn (Building '85) 263-0608.

The yearbooks are very reasonably priced at \$5 each. \$8 for each additional copy. Supplies are limited, so order yours now.

#### **Answers to the Trivia Contest**

- 1. Cec Roper
- 2. Terry Field
- 3. Graham Fane
- 4. Dal Richards
- 5. Grace Verrier
- 6. Tina Turner
- 7. Laurie Jack 8. Dick Melville
- 9. Toto Miller, Mayor of Sparwood
- 10. Xaviera Hollander, The Happy Hooker
- 11. Eileen Dailly
- 12. Jack Smugler
- 13. Gail Tretheway
- 14. Chrysler (or Lincoln) big old luxury Detroit made car
- 15. Holly Cottage
- 16. Elaine del Gobbo
- 17. W.A.C. Bennett, Dean Goard & P.E. Trudeau
- 18. Total Image
- 19. John Leech and Bob Simons
- 20. Dave Brousson

#### Dean Goard

Many of our alumni will remember Dean Goard, who passed away January 5 at the age of 76.

Mr. Goard was a pioneer of both PVI and BCIT. He was founding principal of PVI back in 1956 when it started as an offshoot of VVI in the grounds of the PNE, and later served as BCIT's second principal from 1967 to 1974.

One of BCIT's most popular principals, Dean Goard created a reputation for easy

going accessibility, making it a tradition never to miss an athletic event or daily coffee with staff. "He really and truly loved the students," recalled Jerry Lloyd, BCIT's dean of students during Goard's

#### **BCIT** offers Advice for would be **Entrepreneurs**

The Business Information Centre in the SAC Building offers free information and counselling to any BCIT alumnus, student or staff member interested in starting a small business.

The BCIT BIC was established in January, 1985, by the Ministry of Industry and Small Business, one of 80 such centres set up across the province in the last seven years. Most of the BICs - unlike BCIT's – are operated by local Chambers of Commerce, although they are funded by the provincial government and run according to its guidelines.

The Centre can help the budding entrepreneur get started with a business plan and provide handbooks and brochures on retail, wholesale, manufacturing or service operations, among others. Information on possible sources of funding is also available. When the would-be business owner has completed a business plan, one of the BCIT BIC staffers will look it over to make sure the plan seems basically feasible before sending the interested party downtown to the Ministry of Industry and Small Business for one-on-one free professional counselling.

The Business Information Centre is run out of the Student Association by student Len Hartley. Call 432-8623 for more infor-



#### WILLINGDON CLUB

### Why should you become a member?

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- 2. **RECREATION SERVICES** members are entitled to student rates for all on-campus recreation services, including use of racquetball/squash courts.
- 3. **CAREER LISTING SERVICE** beginning in April, members will have access to listings of career opportunities Canada wide. Updated lists will be available on a weekly basis.
- 4. **STUDENT SERVICES** as a member you get reduced rates for advertising in the Alumni News and The Link, student rates on printing, binding, laminating and photo-copying.
- 5. CAREER DEVELOPMENT Non-credit summer courses offered through Continuing Education will now be available to club members at reduced rates.

Join now and start enjoying these benefits immediately. Just fill out the application form and mail it or bring it in to the BCIT Alumni Association office.

#### WILLINGDON CLUB APPLICATION FORM

NAME	
ADDRESS	
	POSTAL CODE
TECHNOLOGY	GRAD YEAR PHONE

Mail to: BCIT Alumni Association, 3700 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 3H2 Phone: 432-8847.

## Grad Gossip

1985

**BRYDE**, Leslie, Broadcast Journalism '85, is working as a radio reporter at CJOK in Fort McMurray, Alberta and claims to be having a terrific, but cold, time in the Tar Sands capital of the world.

MASSONG, Marilyn, General Nursing '85, says she has been working at the B.C. Children's Hospital since she graduated last spring and is loving her job.

KNAUFF, Larry, Marketing Management '85, is now living in Calgary and working as a sales rep for William Neilson Ltd., where he is very happy. Larry reports that there are four other BCIT Marketing grads working for William Neilson, as well.

PISTAWKA, Tami, Marketing Management '85, is working for Ralston Purina Inc. as a sales rep. She reports that her boyfriend Andy CASWELL, also an '85 Marketing grad, has just moved to Edmonton to accept a sales position with Travis Chemicals Ltd.

RIEDER, Gertraud, General Nursing '85, is working at the Burns Lake and District Hospital as a staff nurse and living in Houston (not the one in Texas). And congratulations are in order for Gertraud – she's getting married in the merry month of May!

**ROBERTSON**, Elizabeth, (nee Hiebert), Computer Systems '85, has just gotten married to Duncan. She is working as a computer programmer at the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

#### 1984

BOSECKER, Susan, Business Administration '84, has a new job with Decade Industries in Richmond as office manager. She describes her position with the high tech firm as a very challenging one.

**ROBINSON**, Margaret, (nee Stafford), '85, is living with husband Curtis in Redmond, Washington, and working as the sales manager for the Red Lion Inn in Bellevue.

#### 1983

ROBERTSON, lan, Surveying '83, is working as a survey party chief for the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.

**REARDON,** Brian, Civil and Structural '83, is now living in Abbotsford and working for the Minister of Transportation and Highways as an engineering aide.

1981

**BLAKE**, Richard, Marketing Management 81, says life is great: he is the marketing manager for the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, has just bought his first home, and is happily married to his bride of three years, Kathy.

## ALUMNI PROFILE



Robin Williams, Chemical and Metallurgy '81, Administrative Management '82, is the owner of Ashley Fraser Technologies Inc., a software packaging company with its offices at Discovery Park.

Robin served as both vice president and president of the BCIT Student Association and was instrumental in getting the raquetball courts built. After graduating from BCIT, Robin worked as executive assistant to the Premier's principal secretary briefly before moving to Prince Rupert as a project manager for the coal port facilities. A year later he returned to Vancouver to complete his bachelors degree at SFU. In 1984, Robin and fellow BCIT grad, Hal Shand, began researching to start up a software packaging company and in 1985 they incorporated. Robin became the sole owner of Ashley Fraser in February of this year.

1980

GOOD, Ron, Administrative Management '80, has just received his CA designation. He is working as an accountant for the accountancy firm of McKnight and Johnson and is living in Chilliwack with wife, Sue.

JOW, Kim, Marketing Management '80, is a partner in the firm of Re/Max Realty Associates and would welcome any inquiries regarding real estate at 874-5339.

MARTIN, Chris, (nee Bell), Hospitality and Tourism '80, with husband, Greg, and children, Ryan and Alexis, recently moved to Edmonton, where Chris works for the Klondike Days Association.

MARTIN, Gregory, Hospitality and Tourism '80, recently moved with wife Chris (see above) and kids to Edmonton where he works as manager of events for the Klondike Days Association.

1979

BAGAN, Gordon, Hospitality and Tourism '79, is the director of marketing for the Westin Hotel in Winnipeg, where he lives with wife, Mary, and children, Rebecca and James.

BARDACH, Michael, Marketing Management '79, is the president and owner of Barton Souvenirs, one of Canada's largest souvenir companies, he says. Michael has also had time to obtain his pilot's license and to become engaged!

KINCH, Ron, Marketing Management '79, has received a two-year assignment in Haiti where he will assist in the computer communication accounting of a child care office where over 3000 children are educated through individual sponsorship from North America and Europe. He will be accompanied by wife, Joan, and children, Julie and John.

1978

BAINS, Sandy, (nee Arnold), Medical Radiology '78, now lives in Edmonton with her husband Paul and son Derek. She works at the University of Alberta Hospital as a supervisor and is expecting another child in June.

**BILLINGS**, Raymond, Forest Resources '78, is working as a hatchery supervisor for the Ministry of Environment's Vancouver Island Hatchery in Duncan. He is married to Susan (nee Powell), also a grad of the same option, the same year.

**SMALL**, Bruce, Marketing Management '78, is a sales rep in the wholesale lumber industry, working for Harwoods, Inc. in San Francisco, where he lives with wife, Hisako.

1976

KILBACK, Andrew, Forest Products '76, is a process analyst for MacMillan Bloedel in its Environmental Control department. He works and lives in Powell River, with wife, Shona, and his four children, and says he and his family enjoy the stunning scenery and outdoors lifestyle of the Powell River area.

DAVIS, Karen (nee Ward), Medical Laboratory '76 and husband, Russ DAVIS, Forestry '76, recently married and moved to Vancouver Island to the Comox Valley area, where Russ works as an ambulance driver.

#### 1974

FORD, Alan, '74, sadly died in a car accident in Castlegar on December 6, 1985. Alan had been working as a health inspector for the West Kootenay Health Unit before his untimely death.

#### 1973

SCHULTZ, Hilary, (nee Plowman), Hotel/ Motel '73, is living with husband, Dave, and son in Prince George, where she is thoroughly enjoying her new job as a dental receptionist.

**PILGRIM**, Bevan, Chemical and Metallurgical '73, lives in Portland, Oregon, with wife, Helen, and sons, Darren and David. Bevan is the owner of AAA Precious Metals, Inc. and the vice president of the Portland Active 20-30 Association.

#### 1972

**NORTH,** John, Civil and Structural '72, is a partner in the firm of Nordic Woodwork Design and Supervision. He lives in Prince George with wife, Carolyn.

#### 1970

**PARKER,** Carol, (nee Dodds), Nursing '70, works at St. Mary's Hospital in New Westminster, where she has worked for the past 11 years.

#### 1966

LOUKIANOFF, John, Forest Products '66, works as a shift superintendent for Weyerhauser Canada in Kamloops, where he lives with wife Sharon.

ALLAN, Barry, Surveying '66, is vice president of Nelsen-Allan Inc. in Scottsdale, Arizona, where he lives with wife Katherine. He is also president of the National Association of Sales and Marketing Professionals.

#### 1971

MORRISSEY, Eddy, Hotel and Restaurant Management '71, was recently appointed catering manager for the luxurious new 505-room Pan Pacific Hotel on Vancouver's harbour front. Eddy had previously worked for 17 years at the Hotel Vancouver.

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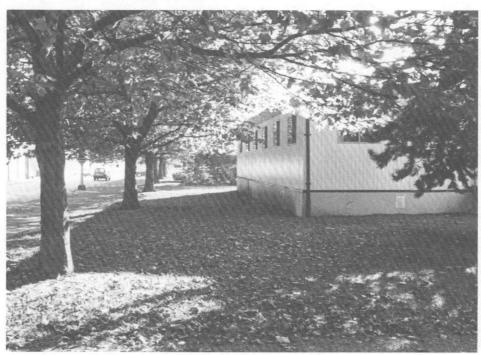
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- Ron Kinch, '79 Marketing Management

#### **Judy Stringer**

From a story in the Kamloops News we know that BCIT alumnus Judy Stringer (nee Fleming) recently became a registered member of the Society of Management Accountants of B.C. at recent convocation ceremonies in Vancouver. Judy had also received a Bachelor of Business Administration from SFU in 1983, after completing her studies here. She is employed as deputy internal auditor at Yorkshire Trust. Our records are unable to provide us, unfortunately, with Judy's specialty and year of graduation here . . . so if you're reading this Judy – let us know.



- Trailer 1B on the BCIT campus, former home of the Alumni Association, which is now located in Trailer 1C, close by. The phone number remains the same.



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# Students learn from BCIT Hospitality Grads

Another successful industry day was held at the Westin Bayshore Inn on Friday, February 14, 1986. For the third year in a row, the Westin Hotel Corporation again sponsored the entire day for BCIT students and industry participants.

Students were able to attend seminars on various hospitality/tourism topics including sales and marketing; computers; bed & breakfast operation; women in management; personnel management; food services in department stores; airlines; travel destination; private club management; commercial catering; convention and in-house catering.

Among the 42 industry seminar leaders were 15 alumni members Cam McIntosh

('80) owner operator, P.J. Burger (Coquitlam), Delrene Karkabe ('85) Whitespot, Kathy Graves ('79) Pan Pacific Hotel, Ed McKeown ('85) Burnaby Mountain Golf Course, Frank Romanelli ('81) Richards on Richards, Bent Jensen ('66) Cara Operations, Julie Burke ('79) Everything Done Right, John Nick ('83) Hazelmere Golf Club, Gary Leaman ('81) Vancouver Golf and Country Club, Michael Weichel ('78) EECO Computer Systems, Ilver Fabbri ('80) Postsech, Sue Seabrook ('79) Hudson Bay Food Services, Cheryl Morningstar ('82) Delta Mountain Inn, Glenda Monts ('82) Burger Haven, Dave Massie ('77) Sandwich Tree Restaurants, Gerry McCann ('82) Cypress Mountain Lodge.

Attending the Hospitality Industry Day were approximately 100 second year hospitality students, 7 first year hospitality set reps, 20 hospitality students from Camosun College in Victoria, and approximately 60 leading industry people representing hotels, restaurants, airlines, tour companies, computer companies, private clubs and department stores.

Presentations were made by various industry leaders: Ms. Virginia Greene, Deputy Assistant, Minister responsible for marketing, Tourism B.C., Steve Halliday, G.M. Pan Pacific Hotel, Art Jones, Greater Vancouver Convention and Visitors Bureau, Cam McIntosh, owner/operator, P.J. Burger & Sons Coquitlam, Delrene Karkabe, White Spot Assistant Manager, Expo Site, and John Bateman, Director Hospitality & Food Services, BCIT. The panel moderator was Denis Forristal, G.M. Westin Bayshore Inn.







Alumni seminar participants, clockwise from top left: Cheryl Morningstar (far right), Cam McIntosh, Gary Leaman (left), John Neck (centre)

### Alumni place second in toboggan race

The Great Northern Concrete Toboggan Race (GNCTR) is a friendly competition among engineering students to design, build, and race a five person concrete toboggan. This year the 12th annual GNCTR was hosted by the University of Calgary at Lyons Mountain on February 13 & 14. 43 teams entered from across Canada, including two BCIT students and our first-ever alumni team. The alumni team members were:

Kerry Doyle - Kamloops, Brian Pahti -Vancouver, Steve Ferguson - Vancouver, Brent Zurkoski - Prince George, Dan Helps - Smithers, and Loris Tommasel - Vancouver, all Civil & Structural engineering

grads '85.

The toboggans are built to a given design criteria and must have a concrete running surface, a positive braking system, roll bar, and not weigh more than 111 kg. The course is a straight downhill run for about 100 metres with a 30 metre braking lane.

Awards relating to design, performance, and participation were given in 14 categories. This year a new award was donated by the BCIT Alumni Association for, "The Best Newcomer". As in past years, the BCIT teams did very well. The student teams brought home awards for: 2nd overall, Best Appearance & Design, and The Most Spectacular Run. The alumni team which can only compete for The Fastest Alumni Time Award, placed second,



Alumni place second in toboggan race.

### **Educational opportunities** abound O.L.I.

The Open Learning Institute offers almost 150 home-study courses, many more SFU, UBC and University of Victoria through the OPEN UNIVERSITY CON-SORTIUM. Have you considered applying for transfer credit from your BCIT program to an appropriate O.L.I. program (eg. BCIT business programs to OLI's Bachelor of Administrative Studies Degree)? Alternately, perhaps you are interested in taking courses that are job-related for professional development. The choice is yours.

The majority of courses operate on a 14 week semester system and registration takes place continuously.

O.L.I. students have access to assistance with their courses by phoning (collect) a tutor assigned to them. Assignments are mailed to the tutor for marking and returned to the student. Final exams are held in over 60 exam centres throughout the province.

Advisors will answer your questions on OLI policies, registration procedures, non-course related concerns, etc. Just phone your closest centre for further

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> **Open Learning** Institute

edged out by the University of Calgary's alumni team.

Best Newcomer Award was won by the University of Western Ontario for a rather unique design. Their toboggan was constructed in pieces small enough to fit in their luggage, enabling the team to carry it with them on their flight to Calgary. Upon arrival it was assembled and raced. Other major awards were:

Fastest Time – University of Manitoba (7.72 seconds), Best Braking System - University of Calgary, First Overall - S.A.I.T., and Team Spirit - University of Waterloo.

The BCIT Alumni Team and the BCIT Student Team would like to sincerely thank the BCIT Alumni Association for all their support.

Brian Pahti Civil & Structural '85



TOP Students from the University of Western Ontario show off the Best Newcomer Award donated by the Alumni Association to the Toboggan Race. LEFT The BCIT alumni team's toboggan won second prize in the Fastest Alumni Time Award

# BCIT group organizes activities for World University Services of Canada (WUSC)

A local committee of the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) was formed on the BCIT campus in December, 1984. Comprised of BCIT students and faculty members interested in contributing to overseas development work, the committee is coordinated by physics instructor Amar Kshatriya, who also acts as president.

WUSC is incorporated as a non-profit, non-governmental organization involving the Canadian academic community in social and economic development at home and abroad. It is an affiliate of World University Service, which has its headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Currently, 40 colleges and universities across Canada have active local committees, including BCIT, SFU, UBC and the University of Victoria. These committees support the activities of WUSC by participating in one or more ongoing projects. One such project is the sponsorship of United Nations refugee students. Other projects include planning and conducting development education activities, screening local applicants interested in U.N. volunteer or teaching positions overseas, holding "Caravan" sales of artifacts

produced in the Third World, and getting involved in welcoming foreign students into the community.

The BCIT Local Committee held a student referendum recently in conjunction with student executive elections. Over 50 per cent of students voting were in favour of paying one dollar per term to support the activities of WUSC in terms of sponsoring a refugee student at BCIT. Arranging to bring a U.N. refugee student into Canada takes from 9 months to one year. The local committee is then completely responsible for that student for one year.

The committee is also active in several other areas. It set up a display during BCIT's Open House '86, selling a selection of goods produced in the Third World and offering information on the developmental activities of WUSC. The local committee has also been quite active in working with WUSC national officials to bring in shorter "associateships" that would better suit technological and trades instruction overseas. Currently, teachers must sign up for two years at a time. The BCIT Local Committee hopes that terms of six to eight months

can be approved to encourage BCIT faculty involvement overseas.

The BCIT Local Committee is also looking at establishing a technical newsletter that would highlight successful and not-so-successful development projects already in place. The newsletter would provide a forum for technical project information exchange on a national and international basis.

Currently active in 29 countries around the world, WUSC has major technical projects and training programs in African, Latin American and Asian Countries and is involved in relief and recovery work in countries such as Ethiopia, Sudan and Zaire.

BCIT Graduates with overseas development experience, or an interest in WUSC activities, are invited to write to the WUSC Local Committee, c/o Amar Kshatriya, Physics Department, BCIT or call one of the committee members listed below.

Amar Kshatriya 434,5734, local 5315 Eva Longman 432-8842 Don Wright 432-8757

submitted by Don Wright, local committee publicity coordinator



Eight technical instructors from Bangkok received skills upgrading at BCIT last year – just one example of BCIT's increasing interest in international education. Students are pictured at a special luncheon held in their honour.

## Part-time learners constitute a growing force

The majority of part-time learners at BCIT are career oriented and come with a wide variety of educational backgrounds – from less than grade 12 to post graduate degrees. The numbers of men and women enrolling in part-time courses are approximately equal.

These part-time learners want their career oriented educational needs satisfied in a wide range of flexible time frames - day, evening and weekends and longer - in locations convenient to their place of work, their home or indeed at home. THESE NEEDS ARE NOT MET BY THE TRADITIONAL DAY SCHOOL ACADEMIC PROGRAM APPROACHES WITH THEIR RIGID CALENDAR TIME FRAMES AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS. Continuing Education, on the other hand, has open flexible registration policies and delivery systems which are particularly welcomed by adult learners. The special needs of part-time learners include such things as flexible admissions, flexible scheduling of classes, challenge examinations, exemption policies, credit for work experience and self-study modes. Career-oriented learners are by far the majority of our current student population. This is quite apparent in the increased enrollment since 1966.

Continuing Education and Industry Services started in 1966 as the EXTENSION division at BCIT and has grown from a small night school to a considerable size as you may note from the "parking" at night...The growth can be measured not only by the increase of the student enrollment in evening classes, but also by the additional services and departments which have been created in response to the demand for part-time educational services.

## Continuing Education Student Association Commitment

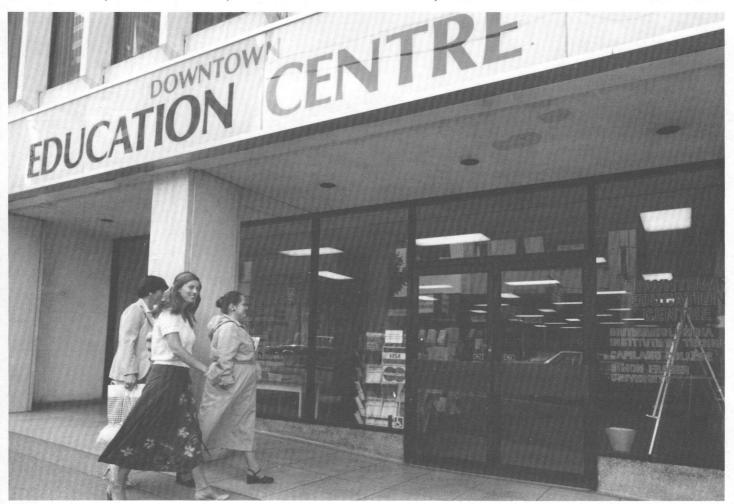
This committee, formed some years ago, consists of C.E. students taking programs which require the commitment of a year or more to part-time studies. At this time we have a membership of six

but are trying to expand this to ten.

Our purpose, briefly, is to convey the concerns of C.E. students to the staff and management of BCIT. In the past we have been instrumental in redesigning certificates and diplomas, in modifying the calendars and in lobbying for new and better computer courses and equipment. As a group we act as a sounding board for both the C.E. student and management staff and provide constructive criticism for new ideas and policy changes. We currently have representation on the Day Student Association Committee and Academic Appeals Committee.

The workload taken on by each member is solely up to that member – this is a volunteer organization. We can only promise new members a most interesting look at BCIT from the inside and the satisfaction of contributing in no small way to the continued growth of continuing education.

DEBBIE BORTOLUSSI
CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENT
ASSOCIATION CHAIRPERSON



The Downtown Education Centre is easily accessible to business people wishing to further their education through part time study. BCIT has been operating out of the premises since January, 1981.

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