

Protesting lack of student aid, tuition increases

Students demand action



Upset students protesting in front of the Legislative buildings last week. photo by Don.

by Don Wright

VICTORIA - A group of about twenty-five students representing SFU, UVic, and a number of BC colleges, demonstrated in front of the Legislature and marched through the halls chanting and carrying placards protesting student aid inadequacies and increases in tuition fees.

Later, closer to fifty students met with Dr. Patrick McGeer, Minister of Universities, Science and Technology, and Mr Brian Smith, Minister of Education, to present the two with 6000 cards signed by students and outlining five demands regarding accessibility to education.

McGeer said he was impressed with the collection of cards, but made no promises when and in what way changes might occur.

"We will be improving student aid, I can't give you an indication of to what extent and when," said McGeer.

When pressed for more positive action on improvements to the student aid program in BC, McGeer repeatedly referred to the federal/provincial task force on student aid.

"There is a national task force at work addressing the specific questions you have raised," said McGeer "No doubt there will be recommendations that will be applied across the country. We're certainly hoping for action by the federal government.

"I suspect all provincial governments, including ours, will be taking specific action in the not too distant future."

McGeer was also questioned about the provincial government's role in setting tuition fees, to which he denied having any influence over either the University Council or individual campuses.

"It has been our policy in the past, it is our policy now, and will be our policy in the future that the institutions will determine their own fees," said McGeer.



Dr. Patrick McGeer

Malcolm Elliot, chairperson of the BC Student Federation, the group that organized the day's activities, said at a news conference later that McGeer's remarks had 'circumvented' the issues, 'all of which were valid'.

"The emphasis he (McGeer) placed on the task force for resolving the student aid question is totally unacceptable. There have been several task forces in the past, no resolutions have come from these task forces, some of which have not even published their findings... others McGeer has hung onto without making changes."

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Link

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BCIT STUDENT PUBLICATIONS



Parking getting you down? Tired of the same old routine? Forget above driving a car...be dropp-

ed off and picked up by helicopter right on campus.

Regular service is to start later this week.

BCIT Forestry week

This week is Forestry Week, and the Forestech Club has a lot of activities planned for the week, with something for everybody.

Today, the first year group sponsors an intertech tug of war, with 10 cases of beer on the line at 12:30, out front if they can manage it. Throughout the three hour break they will have displays and demonstrations set up, including cross cut saw demonstrations, a firepump race, and other activities. Lots of beer and complimentary ski passes to be won.

Thursday will see a SACK

fight, which we don't know what it is, but might be worth catching, as well some tree displays will be set up.

On Friday the second years take over to sponsor competition in the logger sports field. Colleges from BC, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and others have been invited to what spokesman Steve Webb claims is the 'biggest intercollegiate logger sports show in the Pacific Northwest'.

There will be food and drink available on the grounds, as events take place from 8:30 to 5pm both Friday and Saturday.

Events include log burling, pole-climbing, power saw bucking, choker-race and others.

The BCIT team has won the last three years in a row, having sponsoring the event for at least eight years. As Steve says of the BCIT team 'We hope to keep the title with BCIT again this year'.

The BCIT team will be attending a similar, but smaller show in Spokane at Easter, which they have also won over the past few years.

All are invited to attend the competition, as Steve says 'the more the merrier'.

NEXT WEEK IS THE ELECTION/ANNUAL REPORT ISSUE... WATCH FOR IT



Final game

March 9 weekend saw BCIT girls win their semi final game 1-0 against a persistent West Van. P.T.'s team. Maria Lee scored the winner after being set up on a pass by the defense. The BCIT win sets the stage for the final in the Burnaby Women's Field Hockey league

on Sun., March 23. The girls were in a similar situation last year when they won the Colbourne Trophy. It has been on display here at BCIT. Let us support our team Sunday, March 23, 12 noon in Burnaby at the Central Valley fields, and keep the Trophy here!

CAMPUS NEWS

Protest cont'd

Malcolm was highly critical of McGeer's conduct as a minister, 'his emphasis on the task force again is an attempt to direct students away from the real concern - which is Mr McGeer's inability to be minister of education.'

Jean Bennett, one of the BCSF executive, was not happy with the ministers' responses either, but thought the exercise was valuable nonetheless.

'I think its given a lot of students greater commitment to

trying to effect change. Students are going to have to keep working and keep pressuring those individuals before change is going to happen.' said Jean.

According to Jean, the protest at least brought together students from across the province who were able to meet and talk with the MLA's who make the decisions affecting student aid and tuition, and to voice their concerns.

The five demands placed before McGeer and Smith, and as listed on the card, were:

* That the amount of grants be increased by \$450 to account for inflation since 1976.

* That all student aid awards be split 50/50 between grants and loans.

* The arbitrary summer savings requirements be eliminated and that contributions be based on real earnings.

* That there be no further tuition fee increases, and the provincial government conduct a study on the effects of tuition on accessibility.

* The parental contribution tables be revised to more

accurately reflect parents' ability to pay.

The response to the card campaign from BCIT was poor, with only four signed cards being received by BCSF. According to one of the SA Executive, BCSF neglected to

tell the SA what to do with the cards, and so they were not distributed until the day before they were supposed to be picked up. The cards had been sitting

in the SA offices for quite some time with no one willing to take responsibility for them.

Volleyball results

The Women's Volleyball team travelled to the 4-West Championships in Winnipeg last weekend, to play the first place teams from B.C., Saskatchewan and Manitoba. After a two-hour final match, we won silver medals, second to the College of New Caledonia. The match went to five games with the last game ending at 15-13 for C.N.C. It was one of the most exhausting weekends I've ever had and one of the best.

I'd like to take this opportunity, at the close of the season, to tell the whole team, coach

Gary and trainer Jim-Bob that I've never been involved with a greater group of people. Our team clearly out-ranked any other in spirit and friendship.

I urge anyone who will be returning to BCIT next year to get involved in some campus activity, whether it be choir, sports or just plain pubbing. It gives you a chance to unwind and meet some incredible people. BCIT does not have to be two years of non-stop studying. Make the best of it! You'll never regret it--I know I never will.

Mary Lou Bulger & Kermit

Rez...

APPLICATION FOR BCIT RESIDENCE 1980 - 1981.

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BEER MAKES IT BETTER

by Dave Penland

Shredded Beer-ork with bean sprouts

This weeks column will be short and to the point. Short because this week we have too many advertisements and not enough writers. To the point, because I am still in post-spring shock.

This weeks recipe was inspired by my dreams, loves and wanderings during my spring break. So fire up the stove and start stoking the chef, cause here comes...Shredded Beer-ork with Bean Sprouts.

Ingredients

- 1 lb. lean pork
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, chopped
- 1/8 teaspoon ginger
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 lb. fresh bean sprouts
- 1 teaspoon soya sauce
- 2 tablespoons beef broth
- 3 ounces of flat BEER

Concoction Directions

1. First lets sober up the chef by anointing him with a fresh cool

clean ale. Now lets go to work by first cutting the pork into very thin strips.

2. Now heat the oil in a large Skillet and add pork, onions, garlic, salt and ginger; not to forget the BEER... and let it fry for about 10 minutes on high heat, stirring now and then.

3. Add bean sprouts and BEER while continuing to fry for yet another 2 long minutes, stirring frequently.

4. Pour on soya sauce and broth. Fry just a little longer, about 2 or 3 sips (refer to your international Blue watch) stirring constantly. Serve hot!!

Now that recipe was both short and to the point. So with out wasting any more precious ad space, I bid you (until next week) fare well from barley land.

Cheers/Beers

P.S. Congratulations Don on your recent promotion, and I hope your future is as unpredictable as your past.

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A thought for thought

by Darlene Templeton

How willing are you to take a risk? What is risk? Is risk really walking into a hazardous situation? Or is it being willing to attempt something different; willing to accept defeat, because you attempted something beyond...

Risk is like being on a roller coaster, the thrill rises in direct proportion to the anticipated danger, and the pleasure comes with excitement of going for it anyway. But then again why risk when on the other hand lies comfort, security, relaxation; like the pleasure that comes from sinking into a warm bath.

Safeness keeps you from being all you can be. It creates an emotional climate that is contrary to creative expression. It stifles growth - personal growth. Are you happy, knowing that you probably are just existing? What holds you back from taking that step of leading a more fulfilling life?

Life is for living, not existing. The more you are willing to put out, the more you will receive and in turn grow. Growth is one of the most existing, fulfilling and finest gifts that we give ourselves - if we are only willing to step outside our comfort zone and risk!

Have a good day and attempt something different, or do something that you have been afraid to do. It's healthy!

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BCIT PUB



R.V. Skulski, Comptroller, wishes to advise all concerned that due to the annual stock-taking, the bookstore will be closed for business on Friday, March 28, 1980.

EDITORIAL

LETTERS TO THE LINK

Extravagant? Well maybe...

We in publications would like to know who the hell the administration thinks they are. Monday we learned that very soon we are to lose half our production floor area, our **ONLY** window, and for three weeks, **ALL** of our power while changes are made to medical services next door to our office.

We were aware that we would lose some floor space, under protest, but we can't operate without **POWER!!!**

Not only is the Link produced in this office, but so is the yearbook, which is coming up very soon, as well as the administration newsletter.

As well, some ignorant flunkies told us they expect us to move all the equipment we have in our office (referred to by them as 'junk'), into one corner and 'cover it with tarps or something'. Is somebody kidding? There are a few tons of equipment in our office, all absolutely essential to the production of the above-mentioned publications, not to mention both the photocopier and printing press.

The hell if we're going to let ourselves be shoved around and effectively shut down. The administration would do well to come down from their safe tower and work something out with us, we don't take too kindly to our existence being threatened.

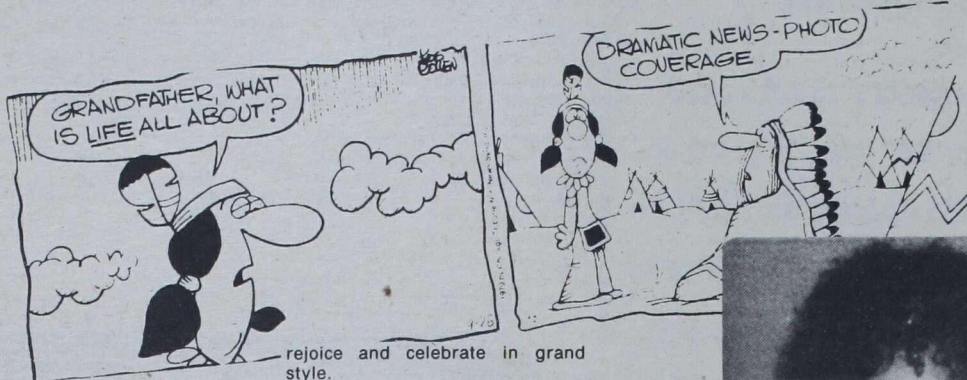
Getting out of BCIT is harder than getting in. To enrol all one has to do is apply, and they send you a letter asking for money. Leaving is another matter. They don't want money, just blood.

Form after form has to be filled out, appointments must be made with counselling and financial services, and numerous signatures have to be gathered. Everyone from the department head to the registrar has to get into the act. It takes a whole day just to 'properly' withdraw. All this leads up to the

Take my advice, stay in school! All this kinda leads up to the fact that I am no longer a student at BCIT, having just completed the whole procedure, and now hopefully I'm through, unless I get more forms in the mail, which I've already been warned about.

Other news includes the resignation of Cynthia Ott as editor of this fine publication. She has promised to have her story next week.

Anyway, this means the Link is temporarily 'Editorless'. Its not the end of the world, as the staff could probably continue as usual, but it would be better if someone was at the helm. We appeal to the



rejoice and celebrate in grand style.

masses in the hope that some editorial type person comes out of the woodwork to take the reins and lead the Link away from the road to ruin.

If we could find some aspiring (perspiring) first year student with an eye and a pen to being editor next year, that would be almost ideal. The remainder of this year would serve as good training.

The job involves writing the editorial, and generally keeping the staff in line. There is a small pittance involved though usually the staff vote to spend the editors meagre salary to buy the beer.

If this interests you at all, in the least bit, or even marginally so, be sure to drop by the Link Office with a brief note telling us who you are, where you can be reached and the usual stuff. I hope to be in the Link office Wednesday morning between 10 and 12noon if anyone has any questions.

Finally, reprinted below is the memo I've been circulating around campus is reprinted below:

'No more school/no more books,
No more teachers' dirty looks...' (traditional)

TO: Friends, lovers, instructors, and other strangers;
FROM: Don Wright

'So near, and yet so far...' (unknown)

This is to inform the masses that I have chosen to withdraw from BCIT as a full time student. I will no longer be attending classes (which doesn't change things much), slaving over mindless make-work projects and assignments(not that I do), or harassing instructors(that I'll miss).

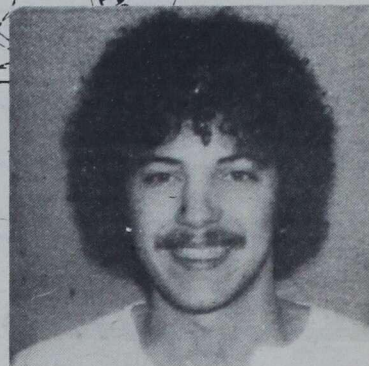
This will probably come as quite a shock to some of you, though for others, it will be an occasion to

My smiling face will still be scene on campus quite a bit though, working on the Link, on numerous committees, and drinking in the pub, so if you see me, buy me a beer.

It's just that I've lost both sight and interest, but have gotten what I wanted, so there was no point in continuing.

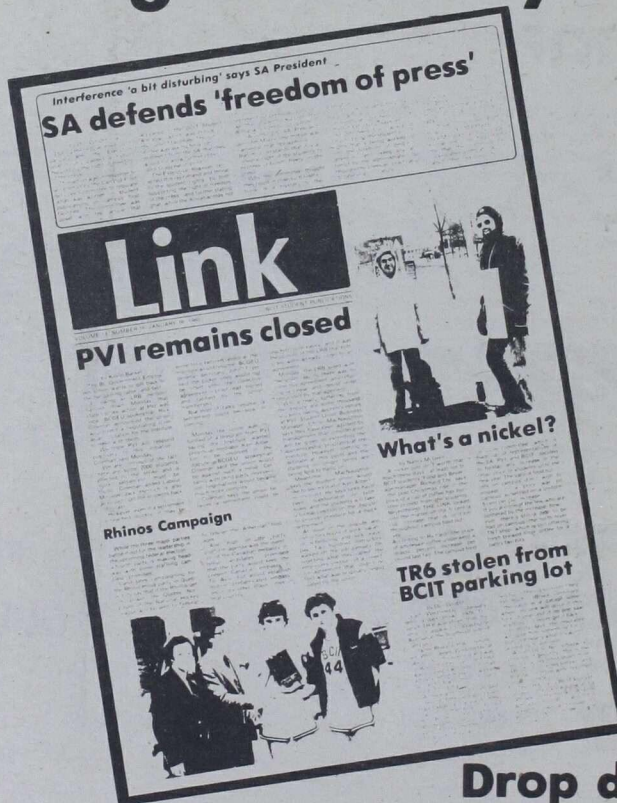
Forever a student of life,

Don Wright



Extravagant? I'm just getting warmed up. Everything but the letter has been directly entered into the typesetter, and so I don't even know what I've written so far, so I guess I'll just pack it in. Goodbye. And thanks. I'll see you all around.

Ever written for a newspaper? Like to give it a try?



Drop down to the Link office and talk to us - we might have something for you.

Link

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'A newspaper's duty is to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable'

-John (not Henry) Winkler

ARTS AND REVIEW

Live music appreciated

by Bruce Mason

Like every other student in the world at this time of year, I am on a budget. Damn the expense! It's Spring Break and I need a room with smoke in the air. A place without blackboards, where the only question anyone is going to ask, "What do you want to drink?"

They tell us to be curious in journalism class. I am. The only thing that arouses me on the entertainment page is Ian Tyson and the Great Speckled Bird at the Cave. So I'm off.

By the time I reach Georgia and Hornby I am feeling really curious. The "hookers stand watching" in front of the Dev. and Wasserman's ghost seems to hang in the air. It will be worth spending the last of the 'summer wages' to ask Ian Tyson a few questions.

Tyson said a few years ago, he didn't want to be "another old fart travelling back and forth along the Trans Canada". So he crawled out from under Gordon Lightfoot's shadow and headed for Nashville and Austin. Now he's back. Or should be. He doesn't show up at the Cave. Just as well. He's done it before, and probably doesn't want to talk about it anyway.

But the Cave is packed, even though its Wednesday night, and the Great Speckled Bird is perched somewhere in Alberta. Powder Blues is playing, and obviously that kind of news travels fast.

Jim Byrnes opens for the Blues. It's great to see him when he has some room. He can turn up and shout "Sweet Home Chicago" at the Cave. Something he can't do at Lord Byrnes

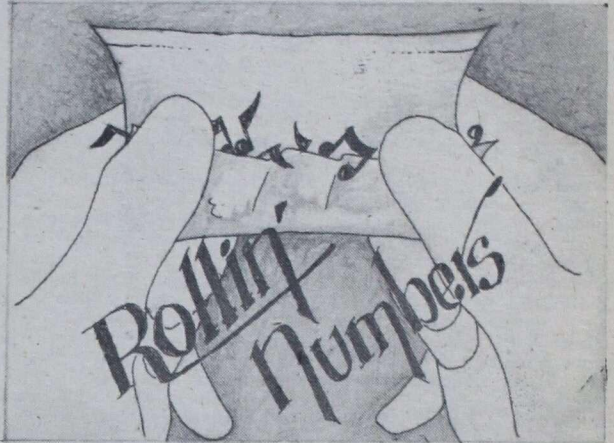
or other lounges around town. His strident guitar punctuates Ike and Tina Turner's "You Got My Mind in a Whirl", and the crowd starts to warm up. Byrnes takes the crowd through some Robert Johnson classics, and by the time he gets to "Hand Jive" its obvious the dance floor is going to get crowded.

Enough has been said about the Powder Blues Band. Along with a handful of local bands they have survived the discos and are starting to create a scene in Vancouver. It's getting more obvious every day. People want live music, and they want to get back to basics. Even the club owners are starting to come around. And it works better in a medium size club like the Cave. The discos across the street are almost empty, and the dance floor at the Cave is packed with

real people, really dancing really enjoying it.

Speaking of basics, Rick Nelson and the Stone Canyon Band are at the Cave this week. The Stringband is at the Cultural Centre Monday Night for

those people who want to see musicians who still travel the TransCanada. And the world's best Irish band, the Chieftains are at the Orpheum Sunday evening. Where are you Old Eon?



BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

BCIT (Lobby)

Tuesday March 25 and wednesday March 26 10:30 - 2:30

Long weekend

with Uncle Blotto

Whew! what a weekend. It seemed like it was ten days long, this school shit must be getting to my ever-shrinking head. Had a grand time though, outside of missing the Madness show. You see over the break I got homeward bound pangs, and headed over to that green island in the Pacific on the other side of those stinking ferries. I was supposed to get a review for you from a not-so-reliable, reliable source, but...

I did a few things however. Numero uno on the list was last Friday at the Commodore. The occasion was 999, Nine Nine Nine, Neuf Neuf Neuf, depending on what part of the country you're from. They are a band from England that is a little hard to describe. They're not punk, but they're in the same vein. If you remember Slade, one of my personal favourites, you'll know what I mean. they play senseless punchem in the face, get on yer feet, reelem and rockem, I don't care music,....quite playful stuff.

I compare them to Slade because Vocally and musically they are quite similiar, no match for the original, but hey, those guys put on a really energetic show. as for the backup band, well there was good news and bad news.

First, like always the good news. The Young Canadians put on a very strong performance, unveiling a bunch of new material, and impressing me a whole lot. The three Vancouverites have an awful lot of depth in their material for a local band, and I highly recommend that you go and see for yourself a week Friday at the Robson Square theatre. I said there was bad news, and there was. scheduled for the opening act was a great band from Britain, the Dickies. It seemed however,

that some of them were at one time tricky Dickies, as they had criminal records, and our rotten-ass border guards wouldn't let them through. Very very shitty.

I also got a chance to catch a bit of the Powder Blues Band at the Cave. Tom Lavin and the gang have really made it. Their album 'Uncut' is their own effort, and is outselling the most popular album in the world right now. Yes ladies and gents, Uncut is selling more copies than The Wall. (In Vancouver of course)

Another locally produced record is doing well across the country, but this time its a single. 'Too Bad' from Doug and the Slugs is fast rising into the charts in the prairies and back east. Its not all that amazing that they're local artists, but these records were put out on their own labels, meaning that they paid the whole shot without the help of some big record company.

As a matter of fact there are lots of local singles doing well here, and all the thanks go to the punk rockers with the balls to try it, and Quintescense Records on West 4th who gave them a little help. May this trend continue. Lots of good shows coming up including the Who. But before you say Yippee shit, and run and kiss your local promoter, you'd better get some envelopes and stamps and mail them to CBO before tonight. The ticket sales are by lottery only, bloody marvellous that is. this time you dont win a million, you get a 'chance' to spend \$12.50.

Last Toke: Since its OK to go to discos now, them being new wave and all, I ventured into one in Victoria. I got a fantastic shock, DOA in geritol city.

Next Week: More blather. Oh yeah, good luck to Don Wright.

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Editor,
Dear Sir:

Just a note to complain about the TNT Store - which is called 'a student store'. I find that most of the items other than school supplies are designed to attract the female students of the school - a place where the males outnumber the females by 2 - 1. Perhaps this is because the staff of the stores are all females. How about trying to get items that appeal to the males on campus?

W. Lee 10D1,

Dear person:
Like what?

Editor

WANTED

Warm, understanding female, 5'2", 110 lbs, seeks male with a good sense of humour, likes athletics and cheese macaroni. Must be at least 5'9", 155lbs, knowledge of kissing and tickling an asset. Object: intense personal relationship. Reply c/o the LINK.

CAMPUS RECREATION

Welcome back

Intramurals by Mike Bull

Welcome back from hopefully a good mid-term break. The results of the intramurals March 3-7 are below:

Floor Hockey - finished its short season when the Circuit Breakers played the Engineers. The Circuit Breakers won 4-3. Next year this fast moving sport will start early in the season. Keep it in mind.

Indoor Soccer - mid-term exams caused the default of several games. In the only games played, Mech Tech beat Survey 1-0 and the Landscapers defaulted to Forestry.

Basketball - Survey did "it"! They upset Building in a thriller at the gym on Monday night. They won by a score of 52-44. Glen Mitchell inspired the Survey players to victory. Laurie Kelsey tried to maintain Building's winning ways. In the end, Building couldn't stop those Surveyors from shooting hot baskets. The other two games that night were defaults. Op Man defaulted to Marketing and Gas & Oil defaulted to Forestry.

Volleyball - Wednesday volleyball saw some defaults also due to midterms. Hotsprings defaulted to Nuc Med, Drunkards defaulted to Mining, and the Villa Vikings defaulted to Med Lab. The Marketing Hustlers pulled a minor upset in tying the Septics in games (6-23, 10-9). Building vs Comp Systems, E.H.I.'s vs Chem Met, Purveyors vs Agi-Man were also ties. Winning games were Comp "B", Fin Mgmt I, Med Rad I and Gas & Oil. Volleyball all-stars were Gerry Lichtenfeld, Graham Go, Clarence Loeny, Donna Ratcliffe and Mike Bull. Don't forget to keep in mind the Intramural Banquet, April 18th - good food, good drink, good times!

Volleyball Payoffs - Wednesday, March 19th:

11:45 Court A Surveyors vs Agi-Man

11:45 Court C E.H.I.'s vs Fin Mgmt

12:45 Court A winners (of 11:45 game) vs Env Health Septics

12:45 Court B Computer Systems vs Gas & Oil

12:45 Court C Computer B vs Nuc Med Scintillators

Wednesday, March 26th

11:45 Court A winners of 11:40 and 12:20 leagues

11:45 Court C winners of 1:00 and 1:40 leagues

1:00 Court A championship final

Trophy and t-shirt awards will be presented at the Campus Recreation Banquet, Friday, April 18th.

Coed Slow Pitch Softball - Spring has sprung and the 'ballers' are getting outside.

Again this year we will attempt to have a league to play in the Wednesday 3-hour break, evenings and possible weekends.

Due to the repair of the B.C.I.T. field, we will have to use the all-weather field. There are no diamonds but we can set up in the corners nearest to Weyburn. "A" field will be in the north corner and "B" field will be the corner nearest the Forestry field. Slo-pitch rules:

1. pitcher must lob ball in an arc to cross striking zone. Walks are possible by bad pitches.

2. nine names on batting order come to bat once in each half inning. Spares can come in between innings.

3. runner can take one base on passed balls off of diamond

4. spare or longest from time at bat act as umpire

5. winners submit scores to Campus Recreation (Campus

Life trailer) or phone 782

6. register team with dates preferred. League will start after the Easter weekend

7. this is a fun league with teams required to have as many guys as gals in the lineup

8. first named team pick up equipment at S.A.C. Equipment Room

Registration closes Thursday, April 3rd. The draw will be published by Wednesday, April 9th.

Tennis, anyone? - looking for a tennis instructor (student or staff) with a lot of interest in lessons. Contact Wally in the Campus Life trailer for details.

B.C.I.T. Staff Tennis Club - want to have some tennis fun? A meeting will be held on Tuesday March 25 at 12:30 p.m. in the Campus Life trailer. Drop in and help us set up a period where we can get together as a group and mingle, be it after work, week-end or noon hour.

Clubs by Doug Rathy

Scuba Course - Points West Diving will be in the S.A.C. lobby today 12:00-1:30 to register new members and explain their program. It will be a Mon-Wed evening course with 6 classroom sessions, 5 (1 1/2 hour) pool sessions, and 6 ocean dives. They will provide all equipment (fins - tanks - snorkles) included in the course. The fee - \$150.00 of which the Campus Recreation will sponsor \$10.00. So, if you are interested, be there at noon with your cheque book.

Jazz Dance - join me for a new session, March 24-May 5th. Classes will include a thorough warm-up, stretches, isolations, combinations and choreography, all done to music. No previous dance experience is necessary. \$10 for 6 sessions. Mondays, 6:30-8:00 in the Activity Room, across from the

gym. Register prior to the 24th with Louise, Campus Life trailer, local 607.

Campus Recreation Annual Awards Banquet - when? Friday April 18th. where? Royal Twers Crystal Ballroom, New Westminster. cost? \$7.50/person. Anyone in Campus Recreation programmes can bring a friend or go as a team. Dress? NO JEANS

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THE FLOWER POT

by margaret

Indoor plants

Starting seeds indoors

Are you going to get stuck paying 99 cents for six scrawny marigolds this summer? You really don't have to. For that same amount of money you could buy two packs of seeds and easily produce many times more plants.

Right now is the time to get started on bedding plants for your flower garden as well as vegetable plants for your back yard. First you need a bright, warm spot (like on the kitchen counter near a window or on top of the refrigerator.)

Avoid a position too close to a south window or you may end up with overheated seedlings or dehydrated soil. Choose whatever seeds you desire; read the package to make sure of the time of year the seeds are best planted and what depth the seeds like to be planted at. If the label doesn't state what the depth, then if it's fine seed, scatter on the top of the soil, press down lightly to get good seed-soil contact. Or, if its larger seed, make either shallow trenches or individual holes about two or three times deeper than the size of the seed.

The soil mixture, for best results, should not be soil from the garden. Use a commercially prepared mixture for starting seeds, or make up your own

with equal parts sand, perlite, and peat moss. Make sure the soil has been thoroughly dampened (but not soggy) before spreading it out firmly into containers.

The container you choose will depend upon what and how many you have decided to grow. A half dozen tomato plants, for instance, could easily be started in a sour cream container. Larger numbers of plants may be easier to care for if they are grown in plastic 'flats' which are inexpensive, reusable, and available at most garden centers. Other alternatives to soil medias are peat pots, or convenient 'Jiffy' peat pellets.

Keep the soil moist at all times while the seeds are germinating. If you are away at school most of the day, and can't get home to water your seeds, arrange a plastic bag over the soil to keep the moisture from escaping. Once the seedlings start popping up, remember to loosen or remove the plastic.

The seedlings can be shifted into individual containers or into the garden if its warm enough, as soon as several 'true' leaves appear (they look like the real thing, only smaller). If the plants are to be left for a long period in a crowded container, water them a few times with a weak solution of fertilizer.



Good sports

Amateur sport at it's best. And it's all over for another year. I'm speaking of course of the 35th Annual BC High School Double A Boy's Basketball tournament. The event wrapped up Saturday.

This years affair had to rank as one of the best. Fifty hours of entertainment. Entertainment at it's best. Young athletes from around the Province participating to their utmost. Striving to number one. But, unfortunately only a single team can come out on top. Too bad because as far as I'm concerned, all are winners. Hustle. Try. Emotion. And school spirit were all very visible. The latter especially by the Richmond Colts High School. For their outstanding fan support, they received the new 'school spirit' award. A first at the tournament.

The eventual winner of the prestigious amateur title was from the Prince George area. In particular, Duchess Park Condors. Condors on their way to victory exemplified the true nature of the entire reason behind the championship. Sportsmanship! That's what it's all about. And coach Bill Gook has installed a great quality into his team, besides winning. And praise goes out to him. Speaking of sportsmanship, Gladstone won the Most Sportsmanlike Team award. All the teams could easily have been chosen.

There were no fights. No cheap shots. Sure, a few words here and there in the heat of battle, but understandingly so. The players are young and high spirited. And they have high expectations of one another. Even when the referee made a bad call (and there were many) the athletes took it in stride. No complaining other than the norm. Great control was shown.

In every tournament such as this there is a star player. This year was no different, except to say that this star will shine for many years. At least his newly established records will. Alan Tait of Richmond was this years gleaming light. No doubt about it.

The six foot three 185 pound guard finished his graduating year in superb fashion. Establishing four new records. In fact Tait smashed the old marks. Most points in a season. (8 games) 252. Old record held by Lars Hansen in 71-72 was 206. (Hansen now plays his basketball in Rome, via Kansas City, Seattle, and the Canadian olympic team). Tait holds the record for most tourney points points, at 149 beating the old mark by 13. Another one of Hansen's records to be bettered was point average. The Colt player demolishing that one. Old record:25.8 New Average:37.5 The final honour was establishing a new career average of 31.5.

Alan Tait serves as an example. One player does not a team make. It calls for the participation of all 5 players on the court. There were other squads with one man teams too. But they never made it into the final. However, the two teams which did go head to head had 5 members working together. there wasn't any single player who could do it himself. Team effort. And I stress TEAM. Proof of the pudding. Team sports should be played just that way. Ask Dutchess Park or Naniamo Islanders. They were the two teams who will verify it. they were in the final. And deservedly so! They were two teams. Not two players!!!

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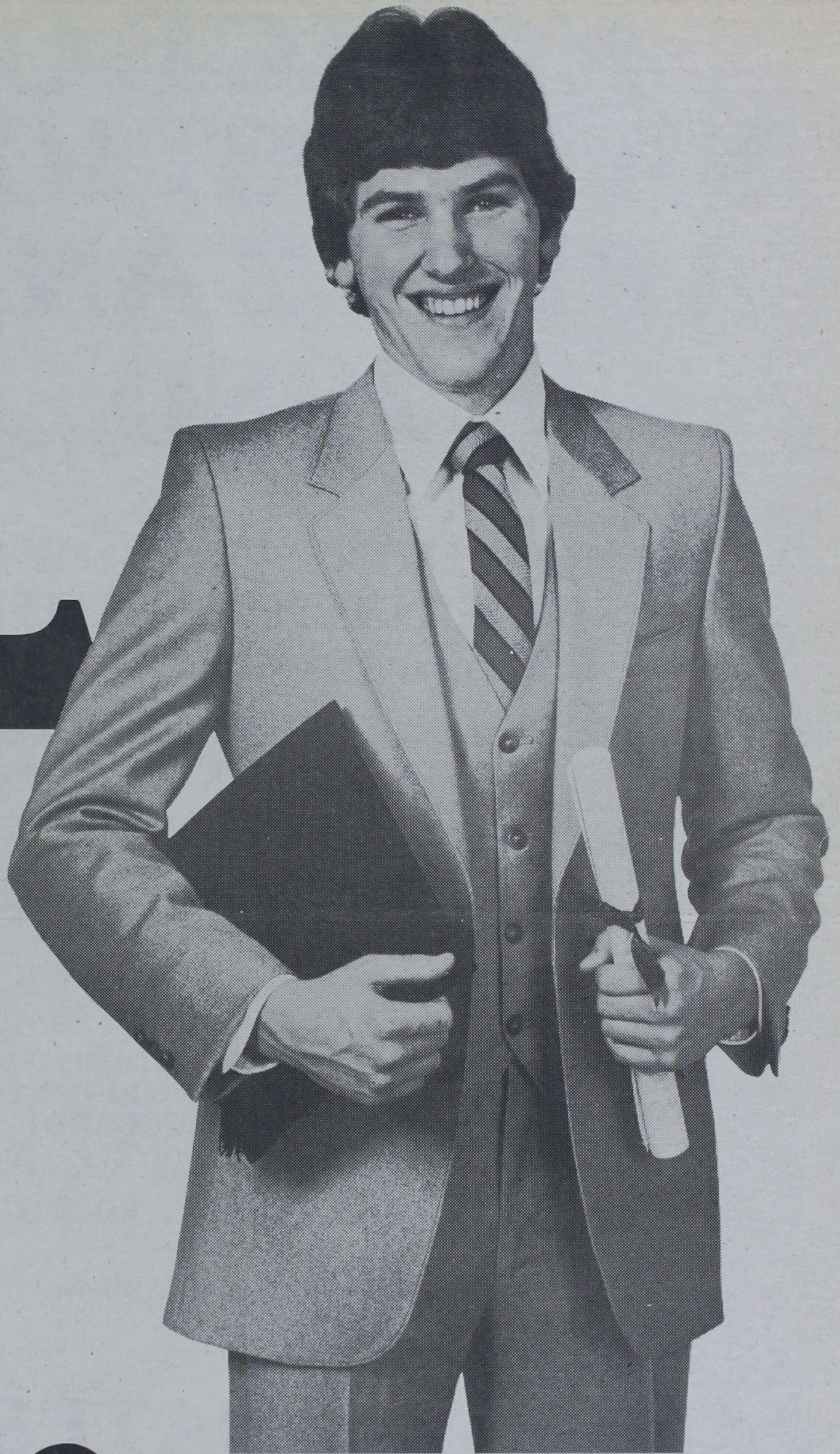
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