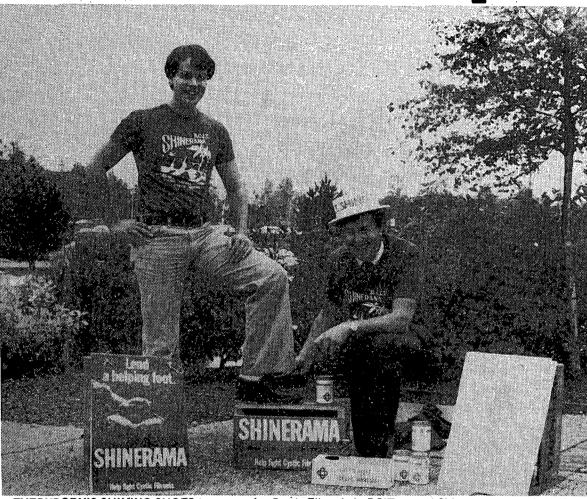
New College Act passes— BCIT to lose special status



EVERYBODY'S SHINING SHOES tomorrow for Cystic Fibrosis in BCIT annual Shinerama campaign. If you don't sign up today in the SA offices, you'll miss out on a hell of a good time, free admission to the Shinerama dance on the weekend, and gain a reputation as a stay-at-home schmuck, too. Above: John Scott got spat and polished by Principal Gordon Thom.



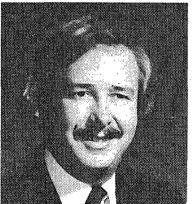
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BCIT STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Thom—'excellence will continue'

I appreciate the invitation the LINK has afforded me to discuss the implications of the events surrounding and the passage of Bill 82 (Colleges and Institutions Act). This is the legislation that permits the government to repeal the BCIT.

First of all, the events of the past few days and weeks, since the introduction of the Bill, did display the strength of support from students, faculty and industry people for BCIT. This support came from such diverse areas that it was refreshing reaffirmation of the belief we all have in the Principal Gordon Thom: "Studexcellence of the Institute and its gradua-



ents will be consulted."

tes. The work and representation to MLA's and Cabinet members by John Scott, your student president, and his executive were effective and well-received. They were a credit to you and to the Institute.

The Staff Society, representing faculty, also worked tremendously hard to retain the BCIT Act. The Board of Governors took a similar position, and in a meeting with the Minister urged the Minister to reconsider his position with respect to deleting BCIT from Bill 82. The debate in the legislature was long and hard with BCIT the focus of much discussion and BCIT can only be pleased continued on page 8

McGeer leaves door open after long debate

A massive, eleventh-hour lobbying effort last Wednesday by members of BCIT's administration, Staff Society and Student Executive failed to sway Education Minister Dr. Pat McGeer from his determination to dissolve the existing BCIT Act and place BCIT 'in the educational mainstream.'

The passage of Bill 82, the Colleges and Provincial Institutes Act, strips BCIT of the special, autonomous status it has enjoyed since 1974, removes its student and staff representatives from the Board of Governors and forces the school to compete with the 14 community colleges in BC for funding for its capital-

intensive technological programs. Although Bill 82 is only "enabling legislation" and does not come into force until proclaimed by the Minister, most observers of the charade surrounding the drafting and consideration of the Bill consider that McGeer will bring Section 83—the part specifically dissolving the old Act and bringing BCIT in with the colleges—into law possibly as early as Christmas.

'BCIT had no recognizable need for new legislation"

The bill was first introduced into the Legislature in early August. McGeer had promised BCIT and the colleges ample consultation time-including a suggested tour of the province by deputy ministers to sound out the feelings of the academic community—but these expected opportunities went out the window due to the almost devious haste with which McGeer rammed the Bill through the legisla-

BC's fourteen community colleges had struggled along for years under inadequate legislation, being governed under provisions within the Public Schools' Act. Problems of program coordination, administration and funding (as is the case with grade-schools, municipalities pick up 30 per cent of the tab)-plus the new concern of faculty activity in collective bargaining-made the need for some major legislative reform critical.

BCIT, however, had no recognizable need for new legislation. The Institute of Technology Act, passed in 1974 by the former NDP government after a great amount of consultation, had proven itself over the past few years to be a simple and extremely workable piece of legislation. As Dr. John Dennison, a nationally recognized educator and member of the UBC Education Faculty, said in an unsolicited critique of Bill 82: "BCIT has always remained an 'honorary' member of the college family, although there is general agreement that the goals and programs of the Institute are clearly different and unique within the system of post-secondary education.

The last-minute lobbying effort was mounted Monday when Dick Melville, the Director of Information Services, was tipped off that third reading on the bill was to happen this week. Melville was joined in Victoria Tuesday morning by Dale Michaels, the Executive Director of Personnel, Student Services and Information Services. Pat Thomas, the secretary of the Staff Society, had been in the capital all week.

Melville and Michaels concentrated their efforts on a semidefinable group of Socred backbenchers, led by Burnaby-Wilingdon MLA (BCIT's constituency) Elwood Veitch. Veitch was the chairman of the committee examining the legislation and allowed the opposition members (primarily Liberal Gordon Gibson and NDPers Eileen Dailley and Dennis Cocke) much more leeway in debating the sections that is normal.

Veitch's procedureal manoeuvering managed to adjourn debate at 11 pm Tuesday night on the crucial Section 83, which specifically mentions BCIT and includes it in the Act. This adjournment allowed BCIT's lobbyists another kick at the cat Wednesday morning before the Socred caucus met at 1:30 that afternoon.

The 1:30 caucus was particularly significant because it was the last chance for the pro-BCIT Socred backbenchers to state their case without having to toe the party line.

SA president John Scott had continued on page 2

BCIT would be 'an orphan outside the

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spent Tuesday in the Legislature knocking on doors, particularly concentrating on Liberal leader Gordon Gibson and on Socred backbenchers like Veitch and Jack Kempf Scott returned to BCIT Tuesday night, and, after consultation with the SA Executive and Principal Gordon Thom, the decision was made to return to Victoria Wednesday morning with Allan Walker, Ian Robertson and Rob Seines, respectively the Treasurer and VPs External and Internal

The group spent the entire morning in the Legislature attempting to marshall backbench support from the nether-regions of the Socred caucus Walker and Robertson, for example, dropped in on Coquitlam MLA George Kerster (made a celebrity recently in the ICBC-Surrey Dodge caper) Kerster first admitted that he had almost no knowledge of Bill 82, having only briefly skimmed through it back in August, and then, on reading the SA's policy statement on the Bill (see below), exploded saying that the letter was "garbage" and alleging that Scott had "a ton and a half of gall" to even suggest that the inclusion of BCIT in the Act wasn't in the best interests of BCIT and the province

The SA's policy statement reflected on the fact that BCIT had been created to fill, and was responding to, a high-level industrial need in the province. It

suggested that inclusion of the Institute in the Act would make it more difficult for BCIT to respond quickly and effectively to changing industrial demands in the province

The paper went on to say that Dr McGeer was interfering in a system which was working well, and that changing the system could only serve "to break down a cohesive educational morale within the institute". It implied that this process would "throw the future of technological education in this province into a state of disarray".



Education Minister Dr. Pat Mc-Geer. Will his "understanding" of BCIT's role wreck the school's future?

Of major concern to the SA was that BCIT would lose its student representative on the Board of Governors The policy statement said that McGeer's actions were undermining students' democratic right to not only have a voice in their education but also on the question of their futures

The statement closed with a plea to all members of the government to give serious consideration to the withdrawal of Section 83 of Bill 82

The administration's protests followed essentially the same line Quoting sources including the Dennison report and the recently-completed Goard Commission on post-secondary education, Michaels and Melville hammered home repeatedly the unique nature of BCIT, its reliance on a heavy capital investment far in excess of the normal demands of community colleges, and particularly the simple fact that the existing legislation governing BCIT worked so well

The Staff Society, while in basic philosophical agreement with everything that the SA and the Administration were saying, were more specifically concerned with McGeer's notorious Section 12, which deals with labour relations options open to college faculty

Section 12 implies a trend toward centralization and province-wide bargaining for the instructional staff of the colleges and BCIT, while a spanner

Waiting in the Gallery for the verdict, BCIT's lobbyists listen intently to the speeches. At the top, Staff Society secretary Pat Thomas talks to Dick Melville, while Dale Michaels [to Melville's left] gnaws a fingernail. Front row are John Scott, Rob Seines, Ian Robertson and Allan Walker from the SA.

tossed directly into the proudly independent Staff Society's works The Society will be faced with the option of either electing to be part of an (eventually province-wide, allegedly) association or else to elect one form or another of "professional" negotiation, one granting settlements on a comparison basis with other members of the same profession, the other being a compulsary arbitration procedure.

of the legislation implies the outlawing of the strike as a bargaining tool

The interesting aspect to all this is that the fight over Bill 82 is the first time in a long time that there has been such solidarity among the three power loci at BCIT The lobbying, while not ultimately successful, was so obviously having an impact that an exasperated Pat McGeer sneered in the Legislature that the BCIT lobbyists "were the most vocal" he had ever seen The word came back that McGeer had privately told one of his deputies that the BCIT group were "a classic pain in the ass



The Colleges and Institutes Act is a very complex piece of legislation. To further complicate matters, it is couched in conditionals—the "shalls" and "mays" of legalistic jargon. The implications of the wording in these sections cannot represent anything less than an extraordinary centralization of power directly at the Ministerial level.

Very briefly (because this could go on forever), the Act delineates the duties of the governing boards of all institutes, including their ability to "manage" and "direct" the affairs of the institutions, establish courses of instruction and provide continuing education. These expressions of autonomy are of course overridden by the Minister's discretionary power in "defining standards" and "monitoring courses of





educational mäinstream,' claims McGeer

instruction '' No faculty, staff or students will be eligible for Board membership. The Boards will be composed specifically and solely of government appointees.

Three new provincial councils are created by the legislation

•the Occupational Training Council, which consists of nine members appointed by the government, is concerned with the coordination and allocation of institution budgets for occupational and vocational courses

•the Academic Council, to include five members by appointment, will generally involve itself with academic programs in colleges and institutes This council will also coordinate budgetary requests for academic courses and make recommendations to the Universities' Council on these matters

Thus, BCIT will have to report to two different councils for various parts of its curriculum, an administrative nicety bound to streamline the decision-making process, ha ha



Staff Society secretary Pat Thomas, who spent two weeks in Victoria.

•finally, the Management Advisory Council will be concerned with "other" programs, long range planning, capital requests and administrative procedures Membership of the council was originally to consist of all college and institute principals, and the



Dick Melville, worried.

deputy minister of education, an anomaly which, in BCIT's case, would have had Principal Gordon Thom reporting to the BCIT Board and then that Board turning around and reporting to Thom The current situation is that the chairman of each college board will sit on this Management Advisory Council, which is equal-

ly weird and also a bit of a blow to Thom himself

It is hard to comprehend what the specific philosophical attitude of the Minister of Education was when this legislation was being drafted A source within BCIT's administration told the LINK last week that the Institute's legal counsel had picked huge holes in the Act, finding it full of contradictions and misplaced sentences. That source said that the counsel had doubted whether any lawyer within the Department of Education had even had a look at the draft before it went to Queen's

It appears, as mentioned above, that the legislation represents an alarming centralization of control at the Ministerial level The old legislation for community colleges, drafted under the WAC

Bennett regime in 1963, was very permissive in nature and clearly implied that the colleges were to reflect local community needs and interests. Similarly, the Institute of Technology Act of 1974, which until now governed BCIT, allowed a degree of responsiveness to industrial needs which will probably prove impossible to achieve under the new system.

One top administrator here gave a clear example of what continued on page 8

Reactions to Bill 82

John Scott, president of the BCIT Student Association, released the following statement to the press a few minutes after Section 83 of Bill 82 received approval from the Legislature

"Dr McGeer has stated in the Legislature this afternoon that more consultations are required before the proclamation of Section 83 of Bill 82. We intend to ensure that this consultation does take place and that the students have an adequate voice in their consultations.

"The loss of BCIT's Student Representative on the Board of Governors represents a backward step in the post-secondary democratic system and an insult to the intelligence and integrity of BCIT students" Staff Society President Len Johnson said

"The Staff Society will oppose the designation of BCIT as an Institute to be included under Bill 82, and will press for the continuation of the provisions under the BCIT Act."

Russ Curtis, of the Financial Management Department, who is active with the Staff Society, sees the passing of Bill 82 as putting into place the mechanism for dismantling BCIT. In his opinion the legislation is totally regressive

Curtis pointed out that the BCIT Staff Society has already collectively agreed to all three options laid out in the labour portion of the bill. He feels that the staff should boycott the ministry's future visit to explain the legislation "BCIT instructors can read. They are capable of interpreting legislation."

He said he would welcome a ministerial study of the institute but feels that it isn't necessary because it would only prove what previous studies of the post-secondary education system have stated—BCIT is a unique facility "

Both Ernie lannacone and Brian Gillespie (Directors of Business and Core Divisions, respectively) expressed their belief that BCIT should not be included in the same reference as Community Colleges

Gillespie stressed differences of intensity and emphasis of BCIT programs (e.g. workload) lannacone agreed, saying that BCIT "turns out" para-professionals taught by professionals "BCIT trains while Universities educate," he said. He also agreed with the opinion that the people pushing for the legislation (McGeer and Deputy Minister Walter Hardwick, a UBC geography professor) are intellectuals, not technologists, and therefore don't really understand what BCIT is all about

Gillespie is concerned that no philosophical paper on post-secondary education is accompanying the legislation. He conceded that although he is opposed to the bill perhaps the government may be attempting to systemize post-secondary education through it

lannacone again pointed out that few people in Victoria are really aware of what BCIT really does since there has never been a study of BCIT by the Ministry. He said that he would welcome such a study lannacone is of the opinion that radical moves (protest rallies and the like) would be detrimental to the cause, especially in light of this government's reaction to other groups' previous actions. Both he and Gillespie are pleased to see the student support that the institute is getting in this matter and both were very impressed with SA rep Jean Bengough's presentation of student opinion at the Staff Society's meeting on September 14





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EDITORIAL

Is the flagship of tech ed sinking?

So the old flagship of technological education is sinking. Thanks to Pat the Geer and his infamous Bill 82 our distinguished Institute will be put into the same class as the College of New Caledonia and other such establishments of higher (?) education.

Seeing that the Bill has already passed, old Patrick has promised consultation to all parties affected by this Bill before he proclaims the Act. Or in other words, since he has a club over our heads he's

willing to listen to our beefs. Big bloody deal.

What kind of a reception will we give this guy when he arrives on October 15 for the sod turning ceremonies for our new student residence. If he leaves this place without getting the message we only have our apathetic selves to blame. Stick it to him before he sticks it to us.

The gears to the political machine are beginning to grind. The Student Association's pub manager has quit (or has he?). The gang has already had occasion to visit beautiful downtown Victoria. This, by the way, was the reason for ID re-takes being so bloody disorganized (did you know that a room three times the size of the closet that you were forced to play in, and another camera, were available, but not utilized, only twenty feet away?).

Just wait till the zoo kicks off its season on September 29. That, so you can plan to attend, is the first full council meeting of this year.



Nice to see everyone get along

Perhaps there is one good thing coming out of the whole Bill 82 affair It is that for the first time in recent history this whole institution has banded together. Maybe this experience will show administration, instructors and students alike that their day-to-day crises are really petty bullshit issues. I'm still young enough to be an idealist and so I hope the feeling of togetherness lasts.

I apologize in advance for what may sound chauvinistic and assure you that I am not an MCP. However, being a heterosexual who admires the female form I must compliment the women on this campus. With more and more women enrolling each year BCIT is becoming a girl-watchers paradise (as evidenced by the photo of Lesley Phillips elsewhere in this issue). I for one welcome this enjoyable distraction from studies. It must be true that the west coast does have the best-looking women in the country (maybe the world).

Up and coming controversy around the SA is the topic of honoraria (dollars paid to members of the executive) The honorarium has been \$90 in one form or another until last year

In what was probably a guilt feeling about their own performances, they decided that this year's executive would get only \$50, in order to cut expenses. However, considering the opportunity (e.g. loss of part-time jobs outside the school), time commitments, inflation and most importantly their progress to date, this year's executive is justified in getting at least what last year's got (those who have had to confront Victoria from time to time may even be eligible for danger pay)



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Letters to the LINK

Yummy men!

In response to Mike Browning's comment in "It's My Nickel" on our good-looking batch of girls this year, I for one would like to express my sincere gratitude for all the good-looking men our Administration has recruited Being an avid "tush-watcher" myself, it is a joy to turn my attention from something other than sales statistics for a quick look at our statistics in the halfs Girl-watching is not the sport of an MCP, and if anyone calls me an FCP for my roving eye, I'll gladly stop watching them My only contention to Mike's view, is that in my opinion, 2nd year produced some pretty good material too, very worthy of a "once-over" Now if Forestry Tech Now if Forestry Tech could refrain from vulgar comments in the halls, to cultivated "oogling," we'd all be happy Boy-watcher, 2nd year

Are you interesting?

You are a very interesting group Many of you have interesting hobbies, a special talent, or perhaps a unique experience in your life

I've heard many rumors about our race car drivers, soap stone carvers, ballroom dancers, war heros, and world travellers

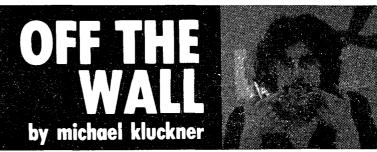
For too long, your abilities and special interests have gone unnoticed by students. Clearly, students and staff would benefit from a contact with you. Your special knowledge can make the student's academic encounter with BCIT a little more full and a little more enjoyable.

Here's what I propose—I would like to set up an instructor lecture series where your hobby or special talent can be presented to students and staff. I'll advertise for you and make all necessary arrangements. All you have to do is be prepared to meet with a group of people who share your outside interests. This is the chance for you to talk about your interest with people who really want to hear.

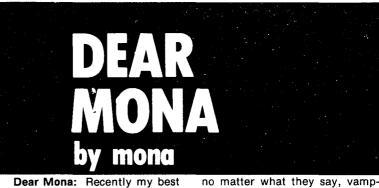
If you have a special talent, or if you know someone who has a special talent, and wouldn't mind talking about it, with an interested group of people, please call me as soon as possible. I would like to be able to set up a regular series on Wednesday noon of "Special Interest Talks".

Graham Fane, Student Affairs Co-ordinator





The proprietor of this space is still recovering from an experience last Wednesday watching how the province's tax money is spent. Not to mention a few too many Manhattans in the Bengal Room. He will be back next week, he claims



Dear Mona: Recently my best friend Bob invited this girl over to his place. The most tragic thing happened she left after one hour. Will you please re-run for his benefit, and that of others, the list of do's and don'ts that you printed in February 1974.

Thanks, B C

Dear B.C.: I'd be delighted to

Here it is

1) DO before inviting a girl to your place make sure that it does not have the stench of 7 week-old unwashed socks This combined with the smell of the anchovies you had for breakfast will not

contribute to a romantic mood

2) DO double-check to make sure all doors and windows and safety locks are locked once you have her inside

 DO make sure the wine is chilled and that you have two clean, whole, matching glasses (beer mugs stolen from the pub do not count)

4) DO stay with her when she is in the bath tub.

5) DO make sure lamps and heavy furniture are nailed down so they cannot be pulled over.

6) DO see about investing in a sunken living-room. Make sure the stairs are conveniently blocked off by a TV set which conveniently does not work.

7) DO invest in an automatic timer which you can preset to turn out the lights at one point in the evening(blame it on BC Hydro)

8) DON'T eat garlic anymore -

successful

ires do not exist

couch

the above advice, I suggest some changes be made. Not in my advice, but in your modus operandi. You can save a good evening from being wasted because you were willing to take the time and energy to make it successful

DON'T leave your spiked

10) DON'T ask her what time it

11) DON'T offer to drive her

12) DO make your dog sleep on

13) DON'T ask to take pictures

If you are not following any of

track shoes lying face up on the

Dear Mona: My boyfriend, Sal, is a very nice, gentle guy, but occasionally I see signs of strange behavior for which I cannot account

I have known him for quite a while and he has never had a job, yet he always has lots of money When I ask him where he gets it, he says from UIC benefits. But this has been going on for two years and I am becoming suspicious

Sal drives a black Eldorado which is a very nice car, and it looks expensive, but Sal musn't think so because before he starts the ignition, he checks the underside of the car very carefully He tells me he is looking for wires &

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Great T-shirts department

The two best T-shirts of the week which wandered with owners into our purview. Left, Valerie Peppas, 2nd year Computer, models the latest in the "Fly Me" series. Above, Lesley Phillips stopped the show in the SAC Cafeteria when our deviate photog approached. Two tables of appreciative sexist pigs jumped up on their hind legs and gave her a round of applause.

Tech. elections must be held this week

Technology elections for first year students have to be held by September 23, and the following positions filled

- 1) Tech President his or her main function will be to establish and maintain communications between their student body, technology committee, division society, faculty, and administrat-
- 2) Activities Representative will be responsible for scheduling events(pubs, dances, etc) that their technology/club is sponsoring in co-operation with the Activities chairperson
- 3) Charities representative shall assist in organizing, staffing and publicizing all charity drives

sticks of something I cannot

understand why such an expensive care would have loose wires

or sticks Also, sometimes when

we are just driving through the

city, Sal will look in his rear-view

mirror, unbutton his jacket and

start driving very fast, almost as

if someone were chasing him

We cut through alleys, and some-

times we will pull into a parking

lot and Sal will pull me down and

tell me not to say a word After

about five minutes, he will slowly

get up, look around and then

Another strange thing is Sal's

obsession with this game called

antly many people play it and

the only equipment needed for

the game, as far as I can see, is a

within a cul de sac that is

monitored by a camera and a guard Sal's brother Vinney is

nice but is always trying to pinch

Sal wants me to marry him and last week introduced me to his

in the nouses surrounding Sal's house, all of his relatives and friends live. There are all

calmly drive away

the "numbers game"

much money is involved

paper bag and a notebook

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More d-d-dear m-m-mona

Appar-

About

on campus such as the Variety Club Telethon

4) Sports Representative shall organize involvement of their class in the many sports activities available at BCIT

Sometime this week, the second year Tech President will be

around to inform you of when and how the elections will be held The elections will be held before Friday, September 23 If you are at all interested or have any questions, please have a visit with any of the Student Executive in the Student Ass'n offices

Moscow Circus in town

On Thursday, October 13 at 8 pm, the MOSCOW CIRCUS will give the first of eight performances to be held in Vancouver's Pacific Coliseum

Universally acclaimed as the world's finest circus, the Moscow

me Sal told Vinney he would "put him under" if he tried it

Sal's father is away at the

moment so I haven't had a chance

to meet him. He is "up the river"

Sal said Sal's mother is very

sweet but says little She just

cooks and cleans and smiles a lot

What I am wondering, Mona, is

whether I should ignore the little

idiosyncracies of his and marry

Dear Is He For Me: Your

boyfriend sounds very interesting

and I would like to meet him. In

the meantime, tell Sal to put a

nickel on Number Nine in the

sixth and a dime on Number Four

in the eighth Also tell him I am

looking for a stereo and a color

TV Perhaps he can find some-

thing for me To you, my dear,

I say go ahead and marry him, you're bound to have a nice big

wedding But, please don't give

Confidential to LJS: Look under

Till next week, remember, NOBODY does it BETTER than a

BCIT Student Mona

Thank you, Is He For Me

again whatever that means

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ium is an optical device designed to project various celestial images and effects. The word itself can be better understood if broken down You all know the meaning of "planet" and "arium" means "a thing or place belonging to The planetarium on campus is much like the large one by the Burrard St Bridge in Vancouver, just a little smaller and a lot less expensive The resulting product is much the same though you don't get the "cleanest air in Vancouver" on campus I wonder about the other secrets on campus most of us know nothing about

As of today, you have an opportunity to divulge your most exciting secrets about the campus to me, care of the Link newspaper As in most contests, there will be a prize for the most interesting and "unknown" tip offered Please enclose your name, phone number and a brief outline of the Secret in an envelope and address it to Shawn Whitton c/o The Link Newspaper Drop the envelope into the **Link** office anytime between 8 30 and 4 30 Monday thru Friday The lucky winner will be announced in three Link issues hence The prize? How about a dinner for two at Cloud 9? That would be a good prize but that's not it We're all on a strapped budget. The winner will receive a cheque for 120 00



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THE ROCKPILE

by Den Wright



Rush devastating

Rush is without a doubt Canada's Number One Hard Rock Group The lyrics are good the vocals unique and the performances devastating Lee Geddy thrashes out the bass line uses a bass pedal synthesizer and screams the vocals. Alex Lifeson continuously tears in to different six and twelve string acoustic and electric guitars, and Neal Peart is one powerful drummer. Both Lee and Alex used double necked guitars during the concert.

Last week Rush played to only 3 000 people in the Coliseum which is strange because they have such a huge following. The reason for the poor attendance is probably the Yes concert the following Saturday which by the way more or less sold out.

Under the Rock Pile Well for the first time in about three weeks I switched on the TV. The Third Annual Rock Music Awards were on Should have been called the Rock Music Joke of the Year.

Peter Frampton Stevie Wonder and others (some country music!) performed a tune each Of course this was a made for TV production so they had to bring in some TV actors to drop the level of the program down to what regular viewers are accustomed to Bloody repulsive

Because of Rumours Fleetwood Mac got most of the awards best group best album best producer a charity award and the Rock Personality of the Year Award (winning over Johnny Rotten of the Sex Pistols) Stevie Wonder got two awards for Songs in the Key of Life That didn't leave much for anyone else So much for this week I II review the incredible Yes concert next week maybe

Fill 'er up!

Sandwiches, pizza and hot dogs are now offered in the SAC Cafe to go with your beer from the Beer Garden

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Around the boob-tube

Emmys no surprise at all

This issue we delve a little into one of the greatest and most popular alternatives to home work Ladies and Gentlemen I give you TELEVISION

Last week the four months late Emmy Awards finally made the tube and after seeing it I would say better never than late Millions of TV buffs tuned in to see the tuned out men and wo men of tinsel town boost their own morals and ratings by giving themselves awards. At no other time on TV are viewers treated to seeing their female favorites wearing so little in the form of slinky revealing (some might say reveling) gowns and their male

favorites wearing so much (in the form of tight black tuxes)

The award ceremony this year was identical in script to any other year with the exception of the characters. Stars squinted to read cue cards were pulled off the stage as their. I just want to thank a few people. speeches stretched into sermons and as usual managed to look happy when their enemy won the award they should have won.

On the whole this year s show brought few surprises **Roots** (will we ever stop hearing about it) managed to clean up on nine Emmys Sally Field won a well deserved award for her spectacu

with Angie (Police Woman) Dick enson succeeded in reconfirming what he refuses to admit and what we already know. That is for all of his very verbal criticism and disregard for the men whom he calls the suits and the





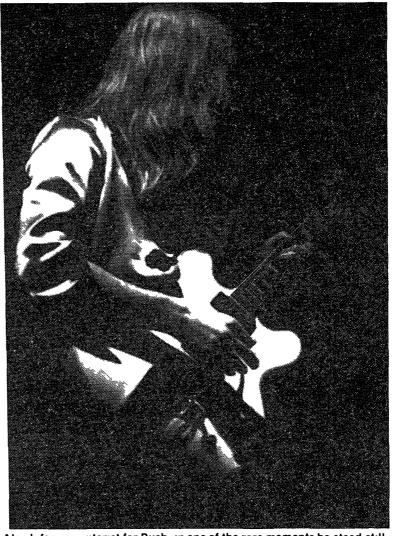
with kathy zeigler

industry they produce Blake is without a doubt the very essence of their philosophy The langu age and decorative trappings of his on and off screen character are one of TV s most successful endeavours to date. The character he affects is not as he insists his true self but rather a clever Hollywood production duction developed and furthered to satisfy the demands and de sires of a hero worshipping anti establishment audience Wheth er or not Blake will admit it he has relinquished his true self to the vehicle of television. At the rate he is going the suit he despises may be the suit he

Notes from Hollywood Land of Stars and Standins the latest smut circulating about the eternal triangle of Sonny Cher and Greg is the latter's comments that he doesn't love Cher never did and drugs made him do it. Ask Cher if she cares ask anyone if they care

if you hadn t heard the hith erto sweet and innocent brother and sister act of Donny and Marie is to become a bit racy this fall. The news is that we will be seeing a lot more of Marie if you know what I mean is this on to boost the ratings or has the little Mormon finally seen the light?

Last week in an interview Mick Jagger said that our dear Maggie is a very sick girl and that he would not go near her with a barge pole. The sick part we already know but really Mick where would you find a barge pole in the kind of scenes you frequent? A more appropriate line would have been. I wouldn't go near her with the top on and windows rolled up on my Ferrari or. I wouldn't go near her if my wife depended on it or. I wouldn't go near her if Pierre paid me.



Alex Lifeson guitarist for Rush in one of the rare moments he stood still enough for a photograph Don Wright photo

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lar job in portraying the multipersonality Sybill in the TV movie of the same name. She s come a long way from the sugary Gidget and Flying Nun roles she d been stereotyped into for so many years. Tim Conway the man who makes you laugh even when he doesn t say a word was also the recipient of a well deserved.

Once again Robert(Barreta) Blake who co hosted the show

A little more sporting news

Interested in learning about the care and prevention of athletic injuries? Come out and work with varsity teams and intramurals as a trainer Learn how to tape ankles and knees and to rehabilitate the injured athlete Leave your name and phone at the Athletic Office or see Sherri

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Something planned

On Monday Sept 26 in the SAC gym a BC representative team will play an exhibition game to assist our intramural program in developing this exciting sport Admission is free so let s get our teams together so we can start in with the good habits in our league in October Open to the public

Weight instructor coming

An instructor will be putting on a series of displays in the Activity Room in the near future. Watch for notices on campus recreation boards. He will be demonstrating correct lifts suggesting programs and answering questions. This will help novice or beginners in designing a successful program.

SPORTS & RECREATION

SPORTS NOTES

Soccer has good start

The soccer team is already off to a good start this year and coach Jim Mitchell expects the team to improve on their last Year's second place finish in the Coastal Division The team's first sched uled competition is on Sept 24 and 25 when they take on Douglas College and Vancouver City Col lege On the following weekend they join the Rugby team on a road trip to Kelowna

The Rugby programme has recently received a boost by a loose affiliation with the Burnaby Rugby Club Club members will assist our new coach Gary Miller himself a first division player and will look forward to recruiting our graduates as late members of their association The BCIT team opens its schedule on October 1 and 2 with a pair of games against Okanagan College in Kelowna

Where we play

We play hockey at Columbian Four Rinks and flag football on both the Willingdon field and the BCIT all weather field Five pin bowling is played at Old Orchard Lanes ten pin at Brentwood lanes and basketball volleyball and team handball all in the SAC The only sport requiring equipment is ice hockey with the

A league requiring full equip ment and the B league re quiring helmets Both leagues require goaltenders to wear full equipment which is available at no cost in Athletic Equipment as are team colored vests

Team registration is Thursday September 22 11 30 to 1 30 and

Friday Sept 23 11 30 to 5 PM in the SAC Building

Club organizers needed

Various clubs still require an experienced organizer to get them organized and this is where I need some help Any guys or gals who want to help get the following clubs started should contact Wally Rowan at the Student Services trailer or phone local 782

The table tennis golf sky diving motor sport and skiing clubs all require someone to organize them

On the Suggested Clubs lists we have numerous types but not enough to warrant devel opment at this time However if you want to find out if anyone wants to do yoga sail box motor cycle arts and crafts drama or rock climbing contact Wally at local 782

The clubs that had reps in attendance (scuba outdoors gymnastics tennis and badmin ton weight lifting and wrestling) will be calling organization meet ings in the near future Watch the gold notice boards in the north and south fover the SAC lobby and Health Services hall ways for notices and also this section of the paper

Do the circuit

Running walking jogging swimming cycling circuit train ing or losing weight has had a very good response You can register for the incentive awards (t shirts mugs plaques) or just put your name on the board and work out This is not a pressure program Do your thing when you want and where you want (eg we don t have a pool so take one near your home and do your swim) If you want to register contact Athletic Equipment room Fitness is in this year so do your thing be it ball bouncing danc ing or whale racing But to be recognized at fitness some form of program should be maintained

lce hockey registration

To register a hockey team in the A league you must get 15 players at a cost of \$20 each toplay an 11 game schedule games being played on Wednesday from 12 2 and Saturdays from 8 40 to 10 10 PM The top four teams in this twelve team league make the playoffs

In the B league 12 players are required to make a team at a cost of \$10 each Game times are the same as A hockey with the top two teams reaching the playoffs in this six team co ed league

Volleyball and flag football will also feature two leagues the A league being males the B league co ed Ten players are required to comprise a volleyball team at a cost of \$1 per player all games being played on Wed nesdays at noon Flag football requires twelve players with the

A league costing \$2 per person for seven games and the top four teams making the playoffs. In the B league the cost is \$1 per person for a six game schedule the top two making the playoffs

and all games in both leagues being played on Wednesdays during noon break

Bowling, etc

Bowling requires five players per team at a cost of \$19 each to play ten games during Wednes day noon hours Awards go to the

high single high triple and league champs

Team handball requires ten players at \$1 each to play seven games on Monday evenings from

Basketball requires ten play ers at least two of whom must be girls at \$1 each

Are you confused?

Confused? See or call Wally Rowan in the Student Services trailer between the Library and SAC building If you have an activity with enough people interested and want to start a league see Wally

If you want to join at a later date you can as team numbers are unlimited and pay a reduced rate to complete their schedule

You must register to play intramurals because the biggest complaint we get is regarding teams using ineligible players

Curling begins soon

Intramural curling will begin Tuesday October 4th at the Burnaby Winter Club Curling will be from 4 45 every Tuesday On the first day there will be a short meeting beginning at 4 30 to organize teams. The meeting will be followed by a two ender bonspiel with prizes for both winners and losers For those people who cannot make it on Tuesday nights please phone Alan Schnelzel at 299 2033 as I will have a couple of teams playing on Thursday from 4 45 6 45 with teams from SFU

Expert curiers meeting a week

tomorrow

For the EXPERT CURLER there will be a meeting on Wednesday September 28 at 12 30 in Room 374 This meeting will be an attempt to organize rep teams for this year We hope to have 4 or 5 men s teams play together for the year and then have a playoff in January to decide who will represent BCIT in the Totem Conference champion ship in Kamloops February 1978 For those unable to make this meeting contact Henry at the **English Department**



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Jim Woodyard guitarist and folkie will be entertaining at a coffeehouse cum beergarden after Shinerama Wednesday afternoon in the SAC Cafeteria

BCIT students the losers from Bill 82?

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would happen if the Act were followed to the letter. Industry Services, a division of BCIT's Continuing Education Division, currently spends a good portion of its time conducting seminars and programs for government and industrial concerns outside the Lower Mainland. For example, if Alcan, wanted a Management Enrichment program in Kitimat, Industry Services could theoretically be up there within a week conducting one for them. If this new Act is adhered to strictly, approval for Industry Services participation would have to come not from BCIT's Continuing Education Division, not from the principal, not from BCIT's Board and not even from the Department of Education factotems in Victoria. It would have to come from the Minister of Education's office itself!

However, that administrator doubted whether there would be great changes in the running of BCIT due to the new Act. The feeling is that the school will carry on business-as-usual until they're told to change.

Where to Now?

The problem facing BCIT as soon as Section 83 was passed was to do a complete about-face and attempt to reverse the damage which its intensive lobbying had done. One observer in the legislature that afternoon said that "BCIT will pledge total support for the legislation or it will kill the Institute." McGeer, as was mentioned above, was none too pleased by the vociferousness with which BCIT fought the legislation-Gordon Thom probably has his work cut out for him in smoothing over the fact that two of his top honchos annoyed the Minister to that extent.

One rumour circulating Thursday morning was that the Institute would commission some sort of information package and analysis of BCIT's operations, reasoning perhaps correctly that Mc-Geer still didn't understand BCIT's role in the provincial educational scene and the concern over their inclusion in Bill

This package would have to be prepared at high speed, because McGeer promised in the Legis-



Liberal leader Gordon Gibson speaking on 83: "Why can't we leave well enough alone ...?

lature, in the final stages of debate on Section 83, that there would be consultation with the school before the section was proclaimed. An unusual promise, as consultation would normally occur while the Bill was still in the draft stage. McGeer, perhaps, prefers to hold all the cards (the threat of instant proclamation of the section) before beginning the

role BCIT plays in the future of this province. Maybe he really is Teddy Roosevelt reincarnated?

McGeer has given no indication of his intentions. He stated in the legislature Wednesday that "The Ministry does not have to declare Section 83 if it appeared in the best interests of BCIT.

The best interests of BCIT have been ignored by the whole tenor of debate and the content of Bill 82. The demoralization of students, staff and administration by McGeer's paternalistic approach is scarcely mitigated by the Minister's concerns that BCIT 'would be an orphan competing for whatever funds are left over' after the colleges are fed.

BCIT has managed since its inception to survive and prosper in an environment where all the traditional educational values have been severely shaken. It has a unique status and reputation within the province and, indeed, in western Canada, created and supported by hard work and a dedication to excellence found nowhere else in BC's post-secondary education system.

Thus, to have Dr. Patrick Lucey

McGeer, a neurologist from UBC, say that Bill 82 will take the province's colleges "into the future" and claim that he's worried because he doesn't want BCIT to be "left behind" is like having a curfew slapped on you by your mother when you're 25 and married with two kids.

A top BCIT administrator shrugged and said: "When this legislation is proclaimed we'll learn to live, with it. But it's the students I'm worried about. They're the losers.'

-Michael Kluckner

Excellence will continue

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that it has so many concerned friends. However, the Minister in his wisdom, and after all of this representation, considered it best for the system of post-secondary education in British Columbia to include BCIT in the purview of this new legislation. This legislation will become the law of British Columbia on proclamation.

You can say that BCIT didn't win-but did we lose? After considering the actions of the past few days, I am not inclined to say we lost. In fact, time and time again the Minister spoke of the excellence of BCIT and promised on at least 10 occasions that BCIT would not suffer in any way, but rather would prosper, do better financially and have its programs enriched under the new act. His main argument for not excluding BCIT was that it would be outside the "mainstream of post-secondary education" and would there-fore become "an orphan fighting for funds." With the gain of such a public declaration, is the word 'loss'' really applicable? One person said that Dr. Pat McGeer has prescribed some new medicine for us. Perhaps the prescription may work if Dr. McGeer has the commitment to BCIT he says he has, and if we apply our expertise and experience gained in implementing the original BCIT Act, who knows, the medicine might even taste good if it is administered in the right way.

There may be no student representative on the Board of Governors, which is a real loss. I am sure that you, as students, feel the same way. However, a provision in the new act is made for program advisory committees to the Board of Governors which must include students and staff. The Board of Governors, I as Principal along with the administration of BCIT have been and will continue to be committed to the process of consultative management so your input will still be received and considered.

The Board of Governors will review its position with respect to the new legislation when it meets tomorrow. There are many issues now to be considered by the Board and the administration in consultation with students and staff. The Board and the administration have been assured by the ted in this phase.

The post-legislation consultation on regulations within the new Act is expected to take place shortly and BCIT may even be first on the list to be visited by senior Ministry people. At that time we will discuss BCIT's options and objectives within the framework of the legislation; such items as the timing for designation of BCIT under the Act and the repeal of the various sections of the BCIT Act will be reviewed.

In conclusion I want to assure every student at BCIT & to every. holder of a BCIT Diploma of Technology that I am optimistic that the excellence of the Institution and the value of that diploma will continue. I am sure of this because of the dedication to BCIT that was displayed during the past few days and because of the commitments given by the Minister of Education as a result of our concerns.

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