

# the tie

## BCIT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

**We're all members now!** . . . The Constitutional crisis of whether the Association could reverse the policy of paid memberships to the Alumni to qualify as members was resolved and adopted unanimously by the Executive, thereby opening the door of the Association to all BCIT graduates. Donations will still be accepted, but it won't be a prerequisite for membership.

**Booze!** . . . Pub nights at BCIT for the students and staff have been an unqualified success. Now it's the Alumni's turn to run the pub Saturday, November 10th. It'll be held in the cafeteria of the multi-purpose building, or Student Activity Centre, as it's called on campus, which is located next to the library. Doors will open at 7:00 p.m. and entertainment will be provided . . . It's a special thanks to the Student Association for opening the facilities to us . . . Profits will go directly to the Alumni Association to meet the expenses for the coming year of operation and activities so we don't have to lean so heavily on you for donations. Besides, it'll be a great night's entertainment laced with happy memories of the Villa. If you've only got a moment, drop by for at least one for the road. Your guests will be welcome.

**Further on donations** . . . another big thanks to last year's Student Association Executive for passing on \$250.00 when they approved their operational budget for this fiscal year. The \$250.00 will be used for the operation of this year's activities of the Alumni Association.

**Shinerama** . . . the shiners will again marshal themselves out on the streets with the annual Shinerama in support of the fight against Cystic Fibrosis. The climax of the drive is the traditional Shinerama dance being held Saturday, September 22nd. Doors open at 8:00 p.m. with dancing commencing at 9:00 p.m. Handling the baton as he directs a ten-piece band will be '69 Hotel-Motel graduate Dal Richards. Tickets are \$5.00 per couple and are available at the Student Association Office during the day or at the door the evening of the dance, being held in the Student Activity Centre's gymnasium . . . Noted broadcaster, Jack Cullen, will drop by after eleven when the live portion of his show on CKNW goes to tape.

**Beerfest '73** . . . on October 19th the Alumni Association will be hosting a BEERFEST, hailed to be the largest in Western Canada. Tickets are \$4.00 which includes a keep-sake stein and the first beer . . . A genuine Bavarian band and dancers will provide the entertainment . . . Doors will open at 8:00 p.m. at the gymnasium of the

Student Activity Centre where tickets can be purchased. Since there exists a limit of 1200 tickets it would be advisable to pick up your tickets beforehand at the Student Association Office in the Student Activity Centre during the day. If you can't make it send a cheque or money order to the BCIT Alumni Association, 3700 Willingdon Ave., Burnaby 2, B.C. If you want to call one of the Association members listed below, they'll be happy to hold two tickets for you until your cheque or money order comes through the mail.

**On Alumni business** . . . sometime in the fall the Alumni Association will be meeting John Bremer who is investigating the direction of education in the province as a prelude to drafting new legislation concerning education. Already the Association has sent to Mr. Bremer a proposal for the Board of Governors for the Institute. If you want a copy of the proposal let us know. Further, if you want to attend the meeting with Mr. Bremer drop us a line and we'll give you the date when it's arranged. If you wish to make your comments known in writing, Mr. Bremer can be reached by addressing your correspondence to the Education Commissioner, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. or send it to the Institute and we'll make sure Mr. Bremer receives it. Your comments to the Association would be appreciated to direct the Association's thoughts.

**We need volunteers!** . . . If you are interested in working with the Alumni Association, in any capacity, please get in contact with us. We need your help and comments to make it a solid viable organization.

**Changes of addresses** . . . please let us know so we can make adjustments in our files. Or if you know of a grad who has changed his address and you believe we don't have it, also let us know.

**Alumni magazine** . . . as to its future, there are hopes of bringing it out in the future when our monetary resources are viable. We welcome fiction, poetry, and articles from the membership as submissions. We'll forward you further details as they become available . . . At present we are only considering publishing one magazine a year which will be supported by quarterly newsletters.

**A final note** . . . the tie is no longer the dress. By a narrow margin students in the closing months of the last academic year voted it out. It is rumoured that engineering swung the vote. Good or bad, democracy rules as it should be.