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# AX ON LOANS C



The Alumni Association contributed \$400 to the Needy Student Fund during Dunkfest last month. At last count the event had raised over \$1500 so far. Michael Gdowski photo.

#### GST will increase text costs

By Ita Kendall Canadian University Press MONTREAL

If you're still groaning over the cost of your textbooks this year, just wait until next January.

In 1991, the federal government's proposed goods and services tax (GST) will push the price of textbooks up by at least seven per cent, with Canadian books costing as much as 12 per cent more.

Proposed GST legislations, introduced Deeember 19, is a seven per cent tax which will be added to goods and services at the retail level.

It is designed to replace the hiddn manufacturer's sales tax (MST) of 13.5 per cent which is tacked onto about one-third of Canadian manufactured goods before they reach the consumer. The GST is expected to generate \$18 billion in revenue which is what the MST brings in now, according to federal finance department public relations official Rick Doyon. However critics argue that the tax is compounded. It is paid on new

books and then again when those books are resold.

The GST will be applied across the board with few exceptions, making books, magazines and newspapers taxable for the first time

Concern about the effect of the tax will have on the Canadian publishing industry has prompted publishers and booksellers to form the Don't Tax Reading Coalition.

The Toronto-based coalition is lobbying the government to exempt the Candian publishing ndustry from the GST, as well as encouraging other groups, including students, to jkoin the fight against the tax.

"Students will be hit hardest by this tax," said David Hunt, spokesperson for the coalition. "They spend more on books, magazines and newspapers than anyone else. Students can't refuse to buy compulsory textbooks just because the prices go up."

A study by the Association of Canadian Publishers suggested GST would increase the price of the average Canadian book by 11 or 12 per cent.

"The increase in book prices due to the GST will reduce demand for books and will lead to smaller print runs, smaller or non-existent profits," Hunt said. "This will force publishers to raise prices by more than seven per cent just to make up for lost sales."

courses spends \$400 to 500 on books. according to Lina Lipscombe, manager of the Concordia University's bookstore

When the tax kicks in, that will

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By Chris Lawson Canadian University Press OTTAWA

Students borrowing under the Canada Student Loan program will have an extra three per cent to pay back after 1991.

Secretary of State Gerry Wener announced 'administration fee" on student loans, to recoup costs of defaulted

"If you need a loan, you obviously don't have a lot of money," said Canadian Federation of Students chair Jane Arnold. "And yet they're making these people pay more. This is really regressive."

Secretary of State official Len Westerberg said the fee, which will apply only to new loans, will be tough on students now, but will help in the long run.

"If we don't start getting some of the (defaulted loan) money back, the taxpayer will end up with the

bill," Westerberg said. He said students have defaulted on \$150 million worth of loans. "That's money we can't loan out to students," he added.

Westerberg said the new fee would bring in \$60 million in the first year. He said it was part of the government's overall effort to reduce spending.

"It's tough, but students aren't the only segment of society being affected by cuts," he said.

Westerberg said the new tax wouldn't affect students decision to go to college or university.

"I don't think it's going to affect students," he said/ "But it depends on the student's outlook, whether he's determined to get through school, and he's willing to work, or whether he's just looking for a free

Arnold said the fee had nothing to do with cutting costs.

"It's a tax," she said. "It's a money making venture. That they would tax a loan is absurd."

In 1987-88, 221,268 students borrowed more than \$588 million through the Canada Student Loan Program. Canadian Federation of Students statistics show about 20 per cent of them will graduate more than \$10,000 from both the federal and provincial programs.

"People are really up in arms about this fee," Arnold said. "It's really slimy."

#### SESSESSESSES

COME AND LEARN ABOUT SAFER SEX IN THE S.A.C.

Today and tomorrow Medical Services has invited a number of organizations to bring their videos. literature, experience, and advice for anyone who wishes to wander through the raquets court lobby between 11:00 and 2:00.

Planned Parenthood, AIDS Vancouver, People with AIDS, Canadian PID Society, Women Against Violence Against Women, and the Ministry of Health will be there along with some others.

Although most of the "safer sex" talk has been The average student with five about the AIDS epidemic, the topic encompasses a whole lot more: like dating abuse, whether it's physical, emotional, and/or sexual. What about the fact that there's a "silent" sexually-transmitted disease (Clamydia) effecting about 10% of women? Untreated, this asymptomatic infection can eventually cause sterility. And, while it's true that the incidence of AIDS in the homosexual community is slowing, the rate of increase in the heterosexual population is alarming. So come and see what the folks have to offer. See you there.





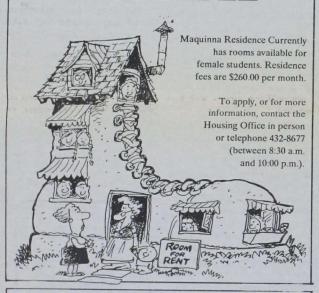
## Valentine's Day is Coming!

Valentine's Day is coming and so is your chance to publicly declare your undying love for that special person so near and dear to your heart!

Yes, Valentine messages are now being accepted at the Link/Access office (located in the Library Lobby) for the February 14 issue of the Link.

All Valentines must be legible, and accompanied by one dollar per message. Messages may be submitted through the store mail slot outside store hours. All proceeds will go to the S.A. NEEDY STUDENT FUND.

## RESIDENCE **ROOMS AVAILABLE**



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National Research Council

BRITISH COLUMBIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



The BCIT Technology Centre and the National Research Council Canada wish every success to students in their Open House on April 6th, 7th and 8th, 1990.

BCIT and the National Research Council Canada are prepared to offer advice and some financial assistance to students in preparing and presenting Open House displays. Special attention will be given to those displays that are innovative and unique.

Here is an opportunity for groups of entrepreneurial students to show their scientific, technical or engineering demonstration to the general public.

As both BCIT and the National Research Council are committed to fostering applied research and technology transfer activities, these organizations are prepared to help students with their Open House displays.

If you wish further information come to the Development Assistance Centre in the Technology Centre, room 1A-121 (formerly the campus bank) or phone 432-8761 to arrange an appointment.

## Post diploma opportunities

Link Staff Report

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are a need, not a luxury."

go up between \$428 and \$560.

What really infuriates me is that

the government is showing all this

concern about literacy and then they

tax books," Lipscombe said. "Books

"The government is taxing education."

which make up approximately 25 to

30 per cent of the texts in university

bookstores, are particularly

vulnerable to the tax. And students

buy a bigger proportion of Canadian

and the increased prices while other

consumers will buy American or not

"Students will be paying the tax

books than the general public.

Lipscombe says Canadian books,

Last week several visitors from offering post-diploma programs were on campus to let BCIT students know about career opportunities and the possibilities of transferring to degree programs in

buy at all," Hunt said.

Engineering Science program and Dr. Dan Bradley from Montana Tech's Engineering school both enthusiastically agreed that the combination of a technical

Don't count on savings at used

or discount bookstores either. The

experience and then an engineering degree is a "dynamic combination" This is not the career path for most technology grads and making the decision to go onto university is a tough one. However, Zarn noted that about a dozen BCIT graduates have taken engineering at SFU, in electronics, physics, automation and other areas.

Richard LaLau, Telecommunications graduate is presently enrolled in the SFU program. He described the difference between SFU and BCIT and particularly noted the flexibility of SFU's program. He said a BCIT grad needed an 80 per cent average to eneter the SFU program, but would receive course credit for some physics, mathematics and electronics courses. He said all engineering students at SFU do several manditory co-op terms and they have just received a grant to expand placements in Japan, Hong Kong

and Taiwan. Bradley added that there is a pending shortage of engineers and noted a trend in the States of greencarding Canadian students who finish their degrees there. Montana Tech offers opportunities for degree completion in computers with an engineering or business emphasis. As well, he said there were opportunities for Occupational Health and Safety, Environmental Health, and Mining and Petroleum graduates. Every year eight to ten BCIT grads head down to Bute

Montana to complete degrees. Dr. gary Locker from the Lakehead Engineering school was on campus Thursday and Friday taking to faculty and students about transferring into engineering programs at lakehead. many BCIT grads have take this route to degree

For more information on degree completion opportunities, students can contact the universities directly, or talk to counselling staff at Student Services.

#### GST will have to be paid on those sales as well. Canadian University Press, a

national co-operative of student newspapers is alo a member of the coalition. The organization joined the lobby group in December. The BCIT Link is a member of Canadian University Press.

Most of the nation's newspapers are also contributing to the campaign: the Canadian Daily Newspaper Publishers Association and the Caadian Community Newspaper Association

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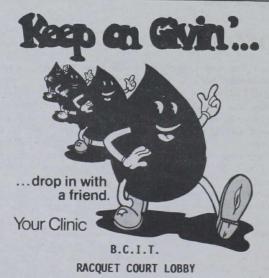
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#### Open House director of awards

The Open House Committee has announced the appointment of Jeanetter Lindner, a second year Management Systems student, as the Director of Awards for Open House

According to Open House Coordinator Lori De Cou, Lindner will be kept busy over the next few months establishing the judging criteria, appointing the judging committee and ultimately organizing the Awards ceremony.

Open House, when BCIT opens its doors to the general public, takes place about once every two years. Open House 1990 is set for April 6,

### The Environment: A Call To Action!



## "Biodegradable" garbage is complicated issue, says scientist

By Pippa B. Wysong Canadian Science News

When a plastic package announces that it is biodegradable, don't believe it—there is no such thing as a truly biodegradable plastic, says a federal antenness rejentist. federal government scientist.

Plastics expert Dr. David Wiles, director of chemistry at the National Research Council, says the best thing to do with plastics is

"There's a lot of mythology floating around and it's very hard for people who don't have the facts to get them," Wiles says. He is trying to set the record straight.

He says that when a substance hindegrades, it is due to estimate the says that when a substance hindegrades, it is due to estimate the says that when a substance

biodegrades, it is due to activity by micro-organisms-mostly fungiwhich excrete enzymes that go after carbon atoms. When the fungi break the carbon atoms off materials, such as paper or food wastes, these materials biodegrade.

However, the micro-organisms

can't biodegrade plastics because the carbon atoms are too difficult for them to break off. Wiles says this is just as well, since we use plastic containers for food. Milk, for example, comes in polyethylene jugs and bags which are "totally inert microbiologically," Wiles says. If they weren't, we'd be eating and drinking plastic.

Conditions have to be just right for the micro-organisms to do their thing, Wiles says. "They thrive in warm, moist, dark conditions"— conditions not found in dump sites where plastics, food waste and other garbage end up.

"In a sanitary landfill nothing biodegrades, whether or not it's biodegradable ... the conditions are not right. It's too dry, too cold,"

he says.
"Ordinary biodegradable things,
which you like waste foodstuffs, which you thought were neatly biodegrading away after you threw them out, are not doing that."

Since nothing biodegrades in the dumps, it is practically useless to dump biodegradable or com-postable products in landfill dumpsites, Wiles says. An example are environmentally friendly garbage bags—some of which may not be that environmentally friendly to

start with.
"When someone brings me a package containing garbage bags that says 'these are 94 per cent biodegradable' and asks me if this is correct, I have to say no,'' Wiles

The bags are made from about 94 per cent polyethylene (a plastic) and 6 per cent cornstarch. Wiles says the starch will biodegrade "under the right conditions, warm, moist and lots of oxygen," but the plastic doesn't.

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"You are left with a weaker than thing that will biodegrade." normal polyethylene bag," he says. When the cornstarch biodegrades, what remains is a plastic bag that is full of "pinholes" where the starch

Bags that are advertised as being compostable are better. Wiles estimates that they have about 50 per cent starch in them. In a compost heap where conditions are friendly to micro-organisms, "the starch will biodegrade leaving par-ticles of polyethylene behind."

The other option is plastics that "photodegrade" or break apart by being exposed to ultraviolet (UV) light. Wiles says it's possible to polyethylene into something that will photdegrade, but you can't convert it to som-

However, he notes that in a dumpsite light can't get to photodegradable plastics because "the stuff is covered over every day."

Thin sheets of photodegradable plastic are used in agriculture. Farmers can lay them between rows of vegetables to help keep the soil warm and moist, and discourage weeds. "When the stuff breaks down at the end of the growing season, you simply plow it under,' says Wiles.

Plastic that photodegrades breaks down into small dust-sized particles that mix in with the soil,

## MacDonalds targetted by waste protesters

Canadian University Press OTTAWA

It was like a scene from a twisted McDonalds commercial.

There were people hovering around the downtown McDonald's with food containers taped to them, and Ronald McDonald was there except he has a skeleton face.

And the cute slogans the group of about 20 were chanting would have made bad advertising copy as

"Ronald McDonald is a litter bug! The earth deserves a break today! McDonald's - McExtinction!" they shouted.

The protestors were mostly from the Green Party and from the Carleton branch of the Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG).

One was waving a sign that read: 'five billion served, 10 billion pieces of garbage'.

They were at the restaurant recently to fight the McDonald's "wasteful and harmful" packaging.

Rov said styrofoam and polystyrene used in McDonald's packaging is harmful to the environment. He called Mcdonald's the worse culprit of the fast food industry for not using biodegradable packaging.

The Ottawa demonstration was one of many held across Ontario November 24th.

"Kids think of french fries and hamburgers when they see the clown," said Ronald imitator Warren St. Marie. He said he was trying to change Ronald's image with the skeleton face.

The protestors scrapped their plan to bring plates and cutlery and ask servers to 'hold the styrofoam' when they found marching outside the entrance drew a lot more

"It's not too late, bring your own plate; Don't be a dork, bring your own fork; don't be a goon, bring your own spoon; don't give up, bring

McDonald's managers would comment on customer's reactions to the protest.

The restaurant was still fairly busy during the protest. "I have to eat somewhere," said McDonald's customer Kevin Resch.

But outside, signs pasted with McDonald's french fries sporting slogans like 'Boycott McTrash' caught the attention of Market shoppers.

Hal Gregory, the National Director of Purchasing for McDonald's in Canada said using plates would do more harm than good.

He said there are about 10,000 injuries yearly to staff and customers due to broken glass and dishes.

"Being the industry leader that we are, we don't want to lead the industry the wrong way," he added.

Gregory said all polystyrene, like the material in Big Mac containers, accounts for only 1 per cent of garbage in a landfill.

"A Big Mac container won't change composition after it's thrown out, and we don't want it to." He said even scientists don't yet know what will result from garbage in landfill sites that decomposes.

### Environmentips

By Jack and Susan Norie

unique "New Year's Resolution" has come about for the Town of Summerland, B.C.: the residents resolved to create the "Community Compost Project". The idea actually originated last year when a core group of people became convinced that they had to do soemthing to help improve the quality of the environment. At the local dumpsite, they created a seperate area to receive only compostable substances including kitchen scraps, hedge and grass clippings, leaves, and branches. They formed a committee to oversee the activiites and ensure that compostables are placed in the correct area.

The response to the initial project was overwhelming. The core group had so many people wanting to become involved that they actually had to stop accepting new members, as a result of this support they decided that the whole project must follow a more formal approach in the new year. They have a list of people "on hold" pending a community forum to discuss matters, and are looking to develop an umbrella organization to include the composting project as a division. Other divisions would be needed to cover duifferent aspects, such a as recycling.

The Compost group is also looking into a more agressive project concerning the community's sewage. Summerland is a small community with no central sewage treatment system: therefore all homes are on individual septic tanks. Presently the services trucks that clean out the tanks deliver the sewage to the landfill for dumping. Having the benefit of the expertise of both a pathologist and a soil specialist from the nearby Agricultural Research Station, these engaging citizins decided to work on composting the human waste as well. With provincial and federal funding applications in place, plans are set to construct a large cement tank to hold the sludge with a pipe to drain liquid off into another holding tank. The sludge can then a chance to compost. producing a nitrogen rich material suitable to incorporate into several

CBC radio's Fanny Keefer asked one of the founders, Mary Kitt, about he safety of their latest idea. Fanny;s concern was regarding the enteric bacteria and other parasites that may be transferred via human waste. Mary replied that untreated sewage had been regularly dumped at the landfill with the resultant leechate winding up in the ground water systems anyway. Composting the sludge will allow it to "cook", theoretically sterilizing the material killing all harmful bacteria. When questioned if the cooking sludge produce objectionable odours, Kitt stated that the compost smelled "surprisingly sweet", rather like farmland.

Summerland's community forum was to be held a few days ago, and it will be interesting to see just how this community pulls together and solves its waste and organizational problems. Good work, and good luck to the Town of Summerland.

TIP: Did you know that organic wastes acount for 32 per cent\* of the waste stream at the dump? Even if this waste does compost organically at the dumpsite, it becomes toxic when combined with all the other hazardous garbage that ends up in landfills. Why don't you compost all your own kitchen/yard wastes, or start up a community project with others? If you want to begin your own project, call the Recycling Hotline, 736-8636.

\*Figure obtained from the B.C. Ministry of Environment (1987)

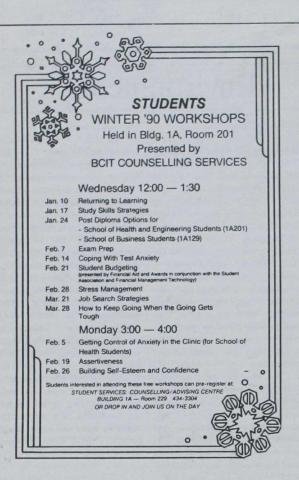


### "ENVIRONMENTAL ENTERPRISE"

A Lecture by Jeff Gibbs from The Environmental Youth Alliance

February 14 at 11:30 a.m. Room 1A 198

All students and staff are encouraged to attend.



#### Stuart McNish

Do not take candy from after the candy bar incident. strangers. Remember your mom telling you that? I remember my mother telling me.

Last weekend I was aghast to see my son with a candy bar Recycling appears to be the current the mill floor. Some of it actually clenched in his hot little hand. A one. No one wants to say anything gets outside of the mill but it never

I yanked that thing out of his match. hand so fast it made his head spin. beat the guy up.

Fortunately before I launched into action I asked my son why this guy gave him the candy. "I asked him for it" was his response. "You what?" I said. Then it hit me, I hadn't told him to never take food from people he doesn't know.

I had this theory that my son shouldn't be afraid to ask anyone, anything, so I nutured that brilliant theory. I quickly dumped that idea

Now for recycling. There is an occasional sacred cow that comes 20 per cent post consumer old along every once and awhile. assignments but the rest comes from candy bar given to him by a stranger. negative about the whole shooting made into anything you can use. So

In his six short years in life I have considerable amout of mis- technically have 100 per cent never been so terrified. Some information floating around. I recycled paper. bastard was out to posion my baby. I polled about thirty people asking wanted to go and chew out if not them what they thought recycled paper is made of, is it the paper you weight. Last week you may have throw out or what? Everyone said, noticed an ad promoting Safe Sex yep, that's right, recycled paper is right under my column. I wasn't sure

> 100% recycled paper was made with an idiot like me as your using old assignments. I guess so, offspring, or to prevent the spread was the response. Well sorry to of sexual nasties. disappoint you, but recycled fine paper may have a 20 per cent best safe sex program going, get fat. recycled content but in most cases When you are fat no one wants to that is it.

Now you may have heard of 100 safe sex.

per cent recycled and wondered how they make it. One hundred per cent recycled paper is maybe made up of this almost raw pulp is dumped back However I have found there is a into the hopper and bam, you

So back to the question of my made up of old school assignments. if the ad was there to warn you to So I asked them if they thought wear protection so you won't end up

> Anyway I have figured out the have sex with you anyway so viola,

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#### Music & Dance

February 2 & 3

Newton Wayland will conduct the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra in a programme to include popular favourites from Scott Joplin, Ellington, Mangione and others. Part of the Seagram Pops Series, both shows start at 8 p.m. and tickets, ranging from \$9.50 to \$35.00 plus surcharges, are available at Tickmaster. Discounts available for students.

February 2 & 3

The Karen Jamieson Dance Company takes over the Vancouver Playhouse (Hamilton at Dunsmuir) with two world premieres that promise to be as ambitious and challenging for both the dancers and the audience as the company's past works. Shows at 8 p.m., tickets at Ticketmaster.

February 8 to 11

Winter Roots Music Festival at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre and the W.I.S.E. Hall Featuring a variety of artists and groups, sponsored by the Acoustic Connection Music and Cultural Society. For more program information call 684-4022.

February 10 & 12

The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and the Vancouver Bach Choir present Vaughan Williams' rarely performed "A Sea Symphony" A soaring depiction of the sea's many moods, it premiered in 1910 and is a pivotal work in the composer's development. The program starts at 8 p.m. each night and tickets are available at Ticketmaster.

February 12 tfn

My Judy, a musical tribute to Judy Garland, opens at the Soft Rock Cafe, 1925 West 4th Avenue, featuring singer Rebecca Young, for whom the show was expressly written. The dinner-theatre presentation runs every Monday and Tuesday night, with seating at 6 p.m. For reservations call 736-8480.

February 18

Early Music Vancouver and the Vancouver Recital Society present reowned fortepianist Melvyn Tan at the Vanncouver Playhouse. The performance will include works by Beethoven and Schubert, and starts at 8 p.m. Prior to the performance,



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at 7:15 p.m., there will be a free preconcert introduction to the programme. Tickats at Ticketmaster.

February 20 The Purcell String Quartet will be joined by the Lethbridge ensemble "Musaeus" for a performance of Mendelssohn's Octet in E-flat major at Hycroft Manor (1489 McRae Avenue) in Vancouver. The concert starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are available at Sikora's Classical Records and at Secondo's on 4th Avenue.

February 23 & 24 Centennial Theatre Centre presents the Judith Marcuse Dance Company, with the world premiere

choreographed by Judith Marcuse. The Centennial Theatre Centre is at 2300 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver. Shows at 8 p.m. and tickets at Ticketmaster.

February 25

The Vancouer Folk Music Festival presents Moses Rascoe, one of the last of the acoustic blues players of the first generation. Show at 8 p.m. at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre, 1895 Venables at Victoria. Tickets at Black Swan Records, Highlife Records, the VFMF office, or by calling 254-9578 to reserve.

February 29

Tafelmusik, Canada's Baroque Orchestra on Original Instruments, the link, january 31, 1990

will perform in Vancouver as part of its Canada Tour 1990. The programme will feature selections from Vivaldi, Telemann, Biber and Bach. Show starts at 8 p.m. at Rverson Church, 2195 West 45th Avenue. Tickets at Ticketmaster.

#### Live Theatre

January 30 tfn Personal, provocative and passionate, Burn This, by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lanford Wilson, is now playing at the Arts Club Theatre Granville Island Main Stage. Burn This is the story of Anna, an avant garde

dancer/choreographer, and Pale the crude and self-centred brother of Anna's recently deceased gay dancing partner and roommate. Showtimes: Monday to Friday at 8:30 p.m., Saturday at 6 and 9:30 p.m., with matinees every Wednesday at 5 p.m. Box office number is 684-1644.

To February 28 Carousel Theatre presents Shakespeare's delightful comdey Twelfth Night, at the Waterfront Theatre on Granville Island. One of the bard's most popular works, Twelfth Night is an adventure set on a zany island, with mistaken identities, wild comic characters and unusual courtships, all of which combine for enchanting entertainment. Shows at 8 p.m., tickets at the Waterfront Theatre Box Office or at Ticketmaster.

February 7 to March 4 Touchstone Theatre presents Homework and Curtains, by John Lazarus, directed by Roy Surette. Starring Joy Coghill and Richard Newman, this play explores three generations of one family - and the legacies that fathers and mothers leave their children. Running at the Firehall Arts Centre, 280 Cordova Street, Tuesday to Sunday at 8 p.m., Saturday matinees at 2 p.m. Reservations at 689-0926.

#### Readings

Vancouver artist/historian Michael Kluckner reads from his new book "Vanishing Vancouver" at the Kitsilano branch of the Vancouver Public Library, at 7:30 p.m. (2425 MacDonald).

February 25

RElationships will be the theme of the Burnaby Writers' Society first 1990 literay reading at the Burnaby Art Gallery (6344 Deer Lake Avenue). Readers include Rhoda and Eugene Kaellis, Anne Rayvals, Julie Slater, Mary Higgins, Diane Maguire and Prem Lochan. The reading begins at 1:30 p.m., and admission is free. Everyone is welcome.

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# Always: mushy with spectacular effects

By Kate

"There are two kinds of love..."
First there's the flash fire. It burns hot for a short time and then goes out. Then there's the slow-burning. Even when you think it's out, the ground's still warm to the touch. That's the kind Pete and Darinda have... at least that's what their good buddy Al calls it.. the kind of love that lasts ALWAYS. But, as Steven Spielberg's movie suggests, "always" can be a bit too long.

Pete's a daredevil bomber pilot... waterbomber that is... who's destined for a colourful, but short career. When he dies in a spectacular explosion he leaves a lot of unspoken promises behind and both Darinda and he continue to hold on to them in desperation. Pete, after his death, experiences the struggle to realize his love does not require possession, and Darinda learns eventually to give up the promise of "always" and let a new relationship begin.

This is one of Richard Dreyfus' best roles. The maturing actor makes us sympathize with the frustration he faces as the "spirit" who is sent back to provide inspiration for an up-and-coming rookie pilot who happens to have his heart set on Darinda too.

Pete refuses to let Darinda go.. and faces the inevitable pain of seeing her in another's arms. The irony is, of course, that he's helped put her in those arms. (You have to see it.)

The movie is, partly, another version of the dead person- turned-spirit who comes back into the lives of the living, refusing to step aside

so his lover can begin a new life. But the story is warming to the heart and includes a clever new twist in its explanation of our duties in the here-after

According to Hap, Pete's guardian angel, it is his turn to breathe inspiration into another pilot and so continue the endless cycle. "When you get good at it, it's as though your thoughts are their own".

Holly Hunter is extremely likable as Darinda but the audience, as moved as they are by the opening love scenes with Darinda and Pete, can't get enough of the lovable, hilarious teddy bear friend, Al played by John Goodman. The movie is also the debut film for Ted, the pilot Pete is sent to inspire. He manages to show some character development from his clutzy beginnings as pilot for a messenger service to the inspired pilot of the final scenes.

Even movie goers who have sworn off mush on the screen won't want to miss the famous Spielberg cinematography in Always. The firefighting scenes are spectacular, in fact, Spielberg at one point has us running through the blazing forest in line with the sweaty, blackened firehoppers who are trapped in a circle of flame and exploding trees. Then we flash to the view from the waterbomber's cockpit, seeing and feeling the power of the fire suck the plane down, the pilot's agonizing struggle to pull up and burst through flames into the clear. It's very powerful imagery!

Don't miss Always. It's certainly worth an evening's entertainment.

As it turns out he becomes best

friends with a bottle, which causes

nothing but trouble and forces him

other Vietnam victims and he hangs

and starts to fight for the end of the

becomes a leader, speaking before a

war in Vietnam, and in doing so

crowd of voters - something his

The film is very graphic,

particularly in Vietnam and at the

hospital. It brings the shocking and

horrible past to the screen with an

unmatched reality, which may be

enough to cancel those after-the-

The title comes from the Fourth

relationship between the small boy,

the war veteran, and the firecrackers

both at the beginning and at the end

show dinner reservations

of July parade. Notice the

of the film.

mother had foreseen when he was

Eventually he returns to the U.S.

to go to Mexico. Here he meets

out for awhile.

just a small boy.



## No winners in this game

By Don Wright

The unbelievability of events and actions in "War of the Roses" is not something to worry about. After all, when you've been married 18 years, raised two children who are now on their way to college, and impeccably decorated the house, what else is there to do? It's only natural to drive over your husband's restored Morgan with an over-sized four wheel drive truck. Of course, if he provoked it by crashing a private, carefully prepared dinner party for food critics party and "pissing on the fish", justification seems apparent. But of course, perhaps she shouldn't have hurled the rare Staffordshire ornaments at him in the first place. or locked him in the suana to cook Although he did run over her cat.

You probably get the picture by now - War of the Roses is not some new romantic comedy fresh from the pen of Neil Simon. It is, as the title suggests, a one-on-one between Washington lawyer Oliver Rose (Michael Douglas) and his wife Barbara (Kathleen Turner). Oliver has successfully climbed the corporate lawyer ladder, owing it all, he says, to his wife and the perfect home she made for him. She, however, has suddenly realized that there is more to life than playing hostess and hiring a housekeeper and it is in that perfect home that the battle lines are (quite literally!) drawn. She wants the house and everything in it, except Oliver. He wants her, but figures only by fighting for the house will he be able to hang onto her.

These two lovebirds turned pitbulls go all out in their dastardly efforts. Throughout the film Danny DeVito as divorce attorney Gavin

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D'Amato is recollecting for a client the sorrid details of the war of the Roses, and his involvement as Michael's coursel

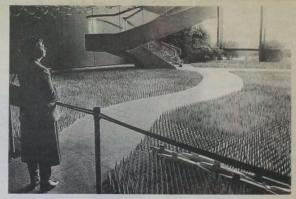
"There is no winning in a

divorce, only degrees of losing,"
D'Amato tells his prospective client,
but for Michael and Barbara Rose,
winning is everything. It is this lust
for victory at any cost that is their
undoing, as their world comes

crashing down (again, quite literally!).

The unbelievability of the film is in fact its charm By the close, we don't sympathize with either character, so the ending is not too hard to take.

The film, directed by DeVito, is currently playing at a number of theatres around town



All the Warheads in the U.S. Nuclear Arsenal.

mber Waves of Grain installation, Boston Science Museum, Boston, Massachusetts. 1985

#### At work in the fields

Link Staff Report

There are few events of destruction more significant than the bombing of Hiroshima on August 6, 1945. Since that time the world has watched the growth of the nuclear arms race, primarily through information about escalating defence budgets, a profusion of 'we/they" propaganda, and occasional revelations of nuclear plant accidents. Recent events encourage a hope for the end of the cold war, and a dismantling, at least in part, of this vast industry. An industry we have always been illinformed about.

Robert Del Tredici has researched the Bomb in all its manifestations. He has travelled to Japan and other international locations, and across North America to document the workings of 7 of the 10 U.S. nuclear plants that mas produce materials and parts for

nuclear warheads, through photographs and text he has documented the workers, victims, creators and critics of the Bomb.

To quote the artist, "I have been putting together a body of basic imagery to render visible the Bomb and all its works. I want to open up a window on the Bomb with photographs... so people will be able to view the nuclear arsenal at its source. My purpose is to give the collective imagination something accurate and graphic to hang onto as it strives to come to terms with the Bomb's reality."

Presentation House Gallery, at 333 Chesterfield Avenue in North Vancouver, is currently featuring an exhibition of Del Tredici's work entitled "At Work in the Fields of the Bomb," which will be on view until February 25. The Gallery is open Wednesday to Sunday, 12 to 5 p.m., Thursday 12 to 9 p.m.

# Cruise at his best in latest film

By L. McNichol

Tom Cruise takes on his toughest, and best, role yet in his portrayal of Ron Kovic - victim of Vietnam.

The story starts with a graduating boy in a typical American town facing his future. He is faced with an option we will hopefully never have to imagine for ourselves or our children: the war in Vietnam.

After his decision to enlist the story shifts to one of Hollywood's most used "war movie" backdrops, but our stay is brief. Just long enough for Ron Kovic to be wounded.

The majority of the film is dedicated to what happens after Vietnam. The hospital is an unbelievable and inhospitable place where Ron must face never walking again. Once released from the hospital Ron returns home to face his family and all the people he once

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### Going over the Falls

Link Staff Report

Currently on view at the CN IMAX Theatre at Canada Place is the Vancouver premiere of "Niagara: Miracles, Myths and Magic". This 44 minute IMAX film takes viewers on a journey through time, recreating Native legends, European "discovery" of the falls, and some of the more dramatic moments in the more recent history of the "thundering waters".

This is not the roller coaster, breath-taking ride some IMAX productions feature, although we are taken quite dramatically to the edge of the falls, over them, down the gorge and through the rapids. But if you have ever been to the falls, you will appreciate the close look the IMAX camera provides in this film,

spread out large and looming on a screen five stories high

Filmaker Kieth Merrill notes that millions visit the Falls each year. "but many of the subtleties and beauty of the Falls are hidden from the naked eye. We also wanted to show Niagara Falls as it was, before the hotels and towers were constructed". To recreate an "undeveloped" background for some of the shots, the film crew maintained a small nursery "to create sets and block out structures"

Some of the scenes are very dramatic, for example the recreation of a boat ride down the rapids, when the Maid of the Mist II steamer was sold on the condition it could be delivered downstream. It's a rough ride as the boat is

in the wild water. Another dramatic sequence is the re-creation of a boating accident that took place in 1960. Seven-year old Roger Woodward was the only person to go over the Falls without protection and live to tell the tale. He was one of three persons in the boat when it capsized near the lip of Horseshoe Falls. Woodward's sister was grabbed and pulled to safety by two tourists, but Roger was swept over the falls and rescued by passengers on the Mid of the Mist sightseeing boat. The third passenger perished.

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## Batman gives Warner Bros. top 1989 grossing status

Link Staff Report

For a record fourth time in the 1980's, Warner Bros. has become the movie industry's annual boxoffice champion, racking up a stunning \$696,121,490 in domestic ticket sales for 1989 with a market share of 17.4 per cent. The announcement of the annual gross, also an all-time Warner record, was made in January by D. Barry Reardon, President of the company's Domestic Theatrical Distribution.

Warner was box-office leader in 1981, 1984, and 1985 as well as this year, posting its previous high of \$667,702,120 in 1984.

Commenting on the Warner records, President and Chief Operating Officer Terry Semel stated: "Consistency has been the key element in our success story in the late 80's. For the last seven consecutive years - and for eight of the past ten years - we were the only film rental market share. While the business will always be cyclical some years are better than others - a company performing this well in a decade is a testimony to the cohesion and creativity of all the people at Warner. With our exciting slate of upcoming releases and films in development, we're looking forward with great excitement to 1990 and beyond.

Propelling Warner to its number one slot in 1989 were two giant summer releases, "Batman" and "Lethal Weapon 2," as well as the recent holiday hits, "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" and "Tango and Cash."

With a box-office total to date of over \$250 million, Batman not only represented Warner's highest grossing film ever, but also took fifth all-time position for any company. In adition it was the fastest-grossing film, garnering over \$200 million in

just 38 days. Warner's second top grosser in 1989 was Lethal Weapon 2 which amassed a huge \$147 million. National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation, the third and bigest of the Lampoon comedies, had grossed almost \$58 million through January 1, 1990.

Other successful films in 1989 for Warner were Tango & Cash, Tequila Sunrise, Dangerous Liaisons, The Accidental Tourist, and Lean On Me



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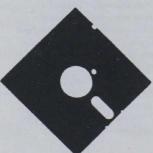
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### Robotics no longer the domain of science fiction writers

By Peter Wakeland

future' is a quote that has often that you see on Television or in the movies, but the robots that can take tomorrow's marketplace. over many of the dangerous, repetitive, boring tasks of today's industrial workplace.

Yes, you say, but what does that mean to me? Your chosen field may have nothing to do with Robotics, but the phrase "untouched by human hands" is starting to affect a lot of the products and services that you may use every day. The newspaper that you are reading this article in was produced in an automated printing plant. The paper it is printed on was produced in a modern Pulp and Paper mill. The first person to touch the new car that you bought was the person who drove it away from the assembly

Here at BCIT, in the New Technologies Building (1P), the 'Robotics, the wave of the Robotics and Automation program is part of the increasing awareness made the rounds. But, it is no longer of robotics as a viable method of part of the future, it is here today. improving productivity, quality Not the robots of Science Fiction control, and flexibility, and remaining competitive

> Examples of the types of industrial robots in use today can be found in the 1P building. They range from simple pneumatic machines to move pieces from one section of a worktable to another, to state of the art machines using Vision systems to sort and assemble complex parts. But Robotics and Automation is not only robots, it is automating a process, and that involves a lot

The Robotics and Automation not only covers programming and type of robot to use in an application, designing any special for Robotics, and Robot Sensors.

application, and interfacing that equipment and the robot to any existing equipment.

To meet these requirements, the curriculum is varied.

While nominally a Mechanical program, a number of the courses come from the Electrical and Electronics syllabus. These include Circuit Analysis I and II, Digital Techniques I and II, Pascal Programming, Electronic Circuits, Data Acquisition and Signal Conditioning, and Systems.

The Mechanical section includes Manufacturing Processes I and II, Fluid Power I and II, and Computer Integrated Manufacturing.

Specialized Robotics courses include Industrial Engineering for Robotics (Opmt 183), two terms of program covers a very wide area. It Physics, two terms of Technical Communication, three terms of using robots, but also selecting the Mathematics, Robot Applications, Automation Equipment, Interfacing

# **HURRY!** SET PHOTOS FEB 12 - 16

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# Science and technology strategy needed says Council

Science Council of Canada OTTAWA

Science and technology are playing increasingly significant roles industrial determining competitiveness in international markets. If Canada is to raise, or even maintain, its world economic standing, then its science and technology policy must not be a long shot, but a sure bet. This is the message of a recent Science Council of Canada publication by Guy Steed.

"Not a Long Shot: Canadian Industrial Science and Technology Policy" outlines how advances in science and technology are causing fundamental changes in the world economy. Dr. Steed draws a series of lessons for technology development from the experience of many advanced countries and points out that what is appropriate in one country may not be so in another. Large countries, for example, can pursue development in many ways, whereas smaller ones such as Canada have to seek niches - to choose the technologies in which they have the best opportunity of succeeding.

The study also looks at how science and technology policy influences industrial performance. Areas examined include tax reform, free trade, regional development, and government support for R&D.

Looking ahead to the 1990's, Dr. Steed sees technology transfer, globalization of trade investment, and environmental concerns as prime issues. His broad argument is that private sector vision and self-help as well as public

impoartnt to Canada's future prosperity. Technology transfers, increasingly driven by regional or local concerns, must strengthen

all manufacturing capability, industrial R&D, and innovation.

(Not a Long Shot is available Canadian government through authorized bookstores for \$11.95)

#### Aerospace report pending

BCIT may become province's Center for Aerospace Training. Development Officers are currently working on a response to a report released by the Asia Pacific Initiative, a private sector advisory body. The report recommends an increase in the number of people trained in Aerospace and related fields, and suggests BCIT is the place to do it.

The report indicates that traditional sources of skilled personnel in these fields are drying up, and for B.C. to maintain it's current place in the industry, the number of students graduating each year must be increased. If the industry hopes to expand, the need for additional graduates becomes

Gerry Lloyd and Marie Taylor are preparing the BCIT response, due out shortly. Mr. Lloyd, Past President of the Sea Island campus, has over 30 years experience in B.C's Aviation Industry and is well aware of their needs and concerns. Marie Taylor is Chairman of the Development Committee and was previously a member of the Board of

Their response will address the questions raised by the report, i.e. should BCIT expand to meet this apparent need? if expansion is needed, how much? and where should the money come from?

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#### February 7

"Coping with Test Anxiety" is the name of this one session workshop for students who panic before and during exams. Topics of discussion will include: What is test anxiety, identifying factors contributing to test anxiety, helping to develop techniques and strategies, and the Sarnoff Squeeze, subliminal tapes and positive self-talk. Workshop runs 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., room 1A 201. Pre-register at Student Services, 1A 209 or drop in on the workshop. For more information contact Jean Spence, Counselling, at 432-8435.

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