

Engineering Society Rep holds on to office

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BCIT STUDENT PUBLICATIONS



Hopefully, this will be the last front-page picture of the new Maquinna Residence we'll run before the Spring Break. In fact, this is the last issue before the Spring Break, and, if someone will take the incentive to set off a small thermonuclear device somewhere in the area of Central Stores, it will be the last LINK for the entire year. Don Wright photo.

No yearbook for great-aunt Fanny

Michael, some strange stories have been coming out about ideas you have about the yearbook. One says you plan to print it backwards!

Actually, that idea was dropped very early. We originally thought that it would add a little interest to the thing if it were collated from front to back. But we finally decided that it would be a little bizarre.

What form will the book take?

Right now, I see it as a coffee table book, very good quality, with a kind of a "life at BCIT" theme. We're working on a nine by fifteen inch horizontal format. That's something a little different and should make the book stand out. The cover should be a real work of art, embossing and that type of thing.

We're used to surprises from the Publications department, witness a few pictures with questionable taste in the Link. Will there be anything like that in the Yearbook?

Oh, no. The book will be very tastefully done. We have given the administration a commitment to not put in anything of the sort.

What's the price of the book?

Well, right now we're looking at a free book to all graduating students, but only one to a

student. So, if your great Aunt Fanny wants one, we're sorry, but there aren't enough to go around. We're only printing fifteen hundred and the administration is buying three hundred of those for P.R. purposes so that leaves 1200, about the same number as there are graduating students.

Feds cut summer jobs Tory critic claims

Paul Dick, M.P. (Lanark, Renfrew, Carleton) and Progressive Conservative Caucus Chairman on Youth has announced that the federal government has reduced the number of students to be hired this year in its interdepartmental summer job program.

The "Canada Summer Youth Employment Program" announced last week by the Minister of Employment and Immigration will actually create 3,000 fewer jobs in 1978 than its parent programs, the Student Summer Employment and Activities Program (SSEAP) and Young Canada Works did in 1977.

Well, all this sounds pretty straight so far. It doesn't sound like much from a man whose pet project is to make a coffee table out of a Volkswagen engine. What gives?

Oh, you've heard about my project. Well, there may be a few surprises, but then there may not be. We'll have to wait and see.

Last year SSEAP and Young Canada Works created 62,952 jobs at a total cost of \$83 million. The Government's new program will provide only 60,000 jobs at a total cost of \$96.2 million. The 1977 figure only included those programs that will be continued under the Canada Summer Youth Employment Program.

"At a time when youth unemployment is reaching crisis proportions," Mr. Dick said, "the government has shown its concerns by reducing job opportunities for young people this summer."

Simpson blasts 'apathetic bums'

By KAREN DAR WOON

At the Students' Council meeting last Thursday, February 23, a motion of Non-confidence against Brent Simpson, Engineering Society Chairman, was defeated by a vote of 2 to 6, with 9 members abstaining. This motion was introduced by Gordon Balfour and Robb Webb, both of the Engineering Society.

Through the lengthy discussion of the motion, several points regarding Simpson's role and performance as a Society Chairperson were raised. Members of the Engineering Society present voiced that Simpson had not been "doing his job", shown by the lack of Society meetings, inconsistent support of tech functions, lack of Society activities, and, in general, no recognizable work.

It is interesting to note that although the motion was introduced by Engineering Society representatives, only half of the members of Council from the Engineering Society were present. Another point to note is that the motion had not been discussed with those members of the Engineering Society who are not members-at-large of Students' Council, whether formally or informally.

It appears that the Engineering Society as a whole need some unity, and it is not fault of Brent Simpson's. However, both Society and Chairman are obviously in need of guidance and leadership. Now that Simpson has this matter as a further incentive to better performance, perhaps we will see some changes in the Engineering Society during the remaining three months of his term in office.

The LINK feels that, rather than follow up this story from a "third person's" point of view, it would be appropriate to print a letter from Mr. Simpson directed to his Engineering Society:

DEAR ENGINEERING SOCIETY:

Who the hell are you?

At Thursday's council meeting, a motion of non-confidence was brought against me by two members of the Engineering Society. They came forward stating that I did not and could not show the leadership necessary to be chairperson.

I welcome the criticism but I must ask all of you engineers just who the hell are you? We hear of the Health and Business students and their society but not ours. Why? I'll tell you why. It's because:

1. You're all a bunch of apathetic bums; no one ever comes in here to make a suggestion, get advice, or help out. No one ever shows up at a society meeting.

2. You don't give a damn about yourselves and your technologies for, if you did, you wouldn't sit back on your fat asses and let the Business and Health students run this school.

So let's get out there; we have three months left and for engineers we can do what it takes Health and Business a whole year to do only if we hustle.

There will be engineering meetings every second Thursday at 5:30 from now until the end of the term so let's get out and show the rest of the school what we are made of.

Yours not so truly,
Brent Simpson

Engineering Rep

Library to start new overdue policy

The Library will be instituting a new overdue policy late this spring. Students are responsible for notifying the Library whenever they have a change of address. To ensure that we have your correct address on file, just check the computer printout "Borrower Listing" at the Circulation counter next time you're in the Library.

Job program

Campus Life and Admissions is planning a Youth Employment Program. Students interested in developing a project should attend a meeting on March 1, at 12:00 noon, in room 125. For further information, contact Graham Fane, local 607.

Some Upcoming Jobs

SUMMER, PERMANENT WORK, All Technologies: MUECKEL RIDING ACADEMY would like a person(s) with some experience around horses to work in their academy and do trail rides. Applicants must be good riders, enjoy working with animals, have good appearance, and be able to meet the public. To apply, contact Mr. Mueckel at 461-7111 by March 7, 1978.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: MECHANICAL DRAFTSPERSON, COMINCO, Trail, B.C. Cominco has a vacancy for a technical trainee in their trail

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GRADUATING STUDENTS: Mechanical Tech, MECHANICAL DRAFTSPERSON, COMINCO, Trail, B.C. Cominco has a vacancy for a technical trainee in their Trail design office for a Mechanical grad for conceptual layouts, detailed drawings for the fabrication of parts and assignments for minor projects and plant betterment and maintenance. Encumbents would be expected to carry out design calculations. Majority of initial assignments will be strictly layout on the drafting board. Starting salary \$1,129/month + 23c cost of living allowance per hour worked. To apply, students are requested to contact the CMC, Room D204 for instructions prior to March 20, 1978.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: Civil and Structural Tech; Structural Draftsperson COMINCO, Trail, B.C. Cominco has two vacancies for structural technical trainees in their Trail smelter complex design office to carry out drafting and design work that ranges from conceptual layout and general arrangements to detailed draw-

ings for structural steel work, reinforced concrete, and timber design. Trainees are expected to make design calculations. The majority of initial assignments will be strictly lay out on the drafting board. Technical trainee starting salary (under negotiation) is currently \$1,129/month + 28c cost of living allowance per hour worked. To apply, students are requested to contact the CMC, Room D204 for instructions prior to March 20, 1978.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: Survey, Building & Civil and Structural Technologies, CUSO OVERSEAS. CUSO has employment opportunities for:

SURVEYORS--Instructor, Gambia, No experience required. Instructor, Sierra Leone, Experienced.

DRAFTSMAN--Instructor, Nigeria.

CIVIL TECHNOLOGIST--two, small scale irrigation; Instructors, Tanzania. Contact Eric Crossin, BCIT Office Room 210, local 273, Wednesday 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There is background information available on CUSO in the Canada Manpower Center, Room D204.

PERMANENT WORK: Biomedical Electronics, Graduating Students. BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING SHARED SERVICE INCORPORATED, Toronto, Ontario

BESSI- Biomedical Engineering Shared Service Incorporated was established by the Hospital Council of Metropolitan Toronto as a single source for all biomedical services. They would like to interview the above students who wish to work as a biomedical technologist. A description of the job and company is available in

Room D204. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than March 3, 1978 for employer prescreening.

PERMANENT WORK: Electrical and Electronics Tech, Control Option Grads. VAN-HOY GROUP LTD., Kamloops, B.C. Van-Hoy Group Ltd. is a Vernon based company that distributes and services electronic office equipment. They have an opening in their Kamloops office for an electronic technician to provide maintenance and servicing of electronic office equipment, computer terminals, billing machines, etc., in the customer's premises and in the shop. A company car is provided. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than March 15, 1978 for employer prescreening.

PERMANENT WORK: Electrical and Electronics Tech, Electrical Option Grads ESSO CHEMICAL CANADA, Redwater, Alberta. Esso Chemical Canada is a completely separate division of Imperial Oil. The Redwater, Alberta plant, 35 miles north of Edmonton is the largest single fertilizer producer and sulphur user in Alberta. They would like applications from the above students interested in an electrical technologist position located in Redwater. A more detailed job description is available in Room D204. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than noon March 3 for employer prescreening.

SUMMER WORK: Electrical and Electronics Tech, 1st Year students only MACMILLAN BLOEDL LTD., Vancouver, B.C.

would like to interview the above students who are interested in a position as electrical draftsman to update electrical wiring schematics and note revisions. This job should provide good experience in mill electrical distribution systems. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than noon, Thursday, March 2, 1978 for employer prescreening.

PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT: Marketing and Forest Products, Wood Products Option E.R. PROBYN LTD., Vancouver, B.C. would like to interview the above students for work as lumber traders. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than Thursday, March 2, 1978 for employer prescreening.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: Operations Management, Marketing; forestry Resource, Forest Products Wood Products Option,

SAUDER INDUSTRIES, Vancouver, B.C. would like to hire sales and manufacturing trainees with the expectation that they will become sales and manufacturing managers. An extensive screening and testing process is required. Sales trainees are initially assigned to a distribution warehouse. Manufacturing trainees are likely to start in either primary or secondary product facilities. Excellent advancement opportunities are available. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204, not later than March 13, 1978 and an interview will be arranged for March 13. Additional information and a more detailed job description are available on file in Room D204.

SUMMER WORK: 1st & 2nd Year Marketing, KRAFT LTD., Surrey, B.C. Kraft Ltd. has 2 vacancies for summer relief sales

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Badminton Team: from left to right, Fron Row--Johnathan Solaiman, Wendy Ratcliffe, Morm Nalleweg, Julie Hamilton, Karen Blixt, Val Karpinsky [coach]; Second Row--Jim Warner, Marline Guthrie, Ameeta Manerikar, Roger Camacho. Absent--Ed Foucher, Mike Kupr, Carleen Gruntman.

BCIT wins at curling

By HENRY ARTHUR

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The BCIT mixed curling team will go travelling once more this season--this time to represent B.C. in the 4-West Curling Championships at The Pas, Manitoba, March 2-5. The team, skipped by Kerry Brewis, won the right to represent B.C. by winning the Totem Conference playoffs February 17-18 in Kamloops.

They did it in typical style, with an exciting last-rock victory over Malaspina College in a sudden death tie-breaking game.

BCIT and Malaspina finished the scheduled round-robin with identical 3-1 records. Malaspina forced the tie-breaker by beating BCIT 8-3 in the final game of the round robin. For the Brewis team, with third Jenny Zimmerman, second Allan Reeves and lead Karen Roebuck, it was loss #1 after more than 20 straight victories in league, bonspiel and playoff competition.

The two teams then went straight back out onto the ice for the tie-breaking game. Malaspina stole four points in the first

end, but Brewis and his team fought back to go ahead by one after eight ends of play. Malaspina tied it with one in the ninth to set the stage for Brewis' Championship-winning last rock takeout in the tenth and final end. Final score-- 9-7 for BCIT.

The BCIT men's team skipped by Wayne Arsenault came within two inches of making it two BCIT reps at The Pas. They lost a 4-3 decision to defending champion Lorne Rustad of New Caledonia College in the second extra end of their sudden-death playoff.

Arsenault, third Ralph Turney, second Alan Schmelzel and lead Murry Herron had earlier gone through the preliminary round robin undefeated. They beat Cariboo College, Okanagan College and New Caledonia in the preliminary round. They then went out and whipped Cariboo again in a semifinal game to reach the final as the only undefeated rink in the entire competition.

So when Rustad outdrew Arsenault's last stone in the 12th end by a bare two inches, it was a heartbreaking but perhaps appropriate way to wind up the weekend of intensely fierce competition.

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Tax and the student

By GRAHAM FANE
ALLAN CIBBETT

RRSP and RHOSP

OPENING REMARKS

RRSP's and RHOSP's can be used to considerable advantage in terms of spreading out your income over low income years, and in terms of contemplating the purchase of a home. You should note, with either of these plans, that your personal tax saving is equal to the amount of your contribution, times your marginal tax rate. This is because contributions to these plans are deductible from INCOME in arriving at TAXABLE INCOME. Therefore, your personal benefit is a function of your marginal tax rate.

RRSP's

The RRSP or Registered Retirement Savings Plan is a valuable tool for income planning. Specifically, you are entitled through a contribution to this plan, to sock away some of your income for future periods when your income will be lower. There are two constraints which limit the amount of contributions you are entitled to make: (a) your maximum contribution may not exceed \$3500. (This includes any contribution you may have made to your employer's registered pension plan. Thus, if you have contributed \$1000 to an RPP, you are limited to a \$2500 RRSP); (b) The combined total of RPP and RRSP may not exceed 20% of your earned income. (Earned income consists of your salary, net business income, and net rental income. This means that you may not take the total \$3500 allowance if your income is not sufficient to support that amount). If you are self employed or if your employer does not have an RPP your personal allowance rises to \$5500. This is also the case if you are not eligible for an existing RPP. RRSP's are available at banks, trust companies, credit unions, and insurance companies. You should make a point of shopping around. While comparing plans, you should make note of the following:

(a) Interest Rates: Interest rates are set by the agencies not the tax department. Therefore, your personal return may vary depending on where you purchase your plan.

(b) Examine the Administration Charges: Some plans have substantial setup, maintenance, and withdrawal charges and some plans have no charges. Before you commit yourself to a plan,

make yourself aware of the extent of these charges.

The Vancouver Sun publishes a fair comparison study wherein they analyze the effective interests and the related charges of each of the available plans. This is a very valuable source of information. Generally, it has been found that credit unions offer the best rates. The tax department also offers a free booklet on RRSP's which you can get by contacting Revenue Canada Taxation.

The principle advantage to the RRSP is that you do not pay income tax on those funds in the year of contribution, rather you pay income tax as you receive benefits. The interest income earned by the plan does not constitute part of your limit, however, you will pay tax on that interest as you withdraw from the plan.

Contributions to your plan can be made at any time during the taxation year and up to sixty days after the end of the taxation year. This year's due date is MARCH 1. Therefore, take out your plan today, if you want one.

Procedure for Withdrawal

There are two alternatives in making withdrawals from your RRSP.

1. Cancel the plan and receive the total of your accumulated contributions plus accumulated interest. If you wish to continue with an RRSP you may renew the plan after such a withdrawal has taken place. For example, if you have accumulated \$10,000 and you wish to make a withdrawal of \$2500, you must cancel the FULL plan (\$10,000), withdraw your \$2500 and re-invest the \$7500 in a new RRSP. There is no limit to the amount that may be transferred between plans, i.e. \$7,500 transfer can take place in one taxation year. As well, you are entitled to the additional \$3500 contribution for that current year.

2. Use the proceeds of your plan to purchase and annuity. The principle advantage of the annuity is that you can now spread income over a number of years, thus minimizing tax payable in any one year. The disadvantage is that the annuity generally offers poor interest rates.

GENERAL COMMENTS

The RRSP is a good short term investment but a bad long term investment. This is because the interest on your plan will not keep

up with inflation, i.e., over a period of time, your dollars will be losing their purchasing power. The plans are a good short term investment if you plan to work for a few years after graduation and then take a year off for travel (cancel the plan in the year of low income) or if you are a first year student who was employed before coming to BCIT. For example, if you were employed in 1977, you would purchase an RRSP in the 1977 taxation year. During 1978, when your annual income is confined to the three summer months, you would withdraw the plan, and therefore pay less tax due to your low annual income. If you plan to do this, you must be aware of the following:

a.) ensure that there is no minimum service charge for plans cashed inside one year. Some institutions impose a heavy service charge so that you may be motivated to leave your funds with them for a longer period of time.

b) Be aware of the fact that a company offering a plan must withhold 10% tax on the first \$5000 withdrawn, i.e., you will not have access to that cash until the following taxation year when you will claim a tax refund.

If you wish to take advantage of this situation, and decide to borrow funds for the contribution, note that the interest expense on borrowed funds to purchase and RRSP is tax deductible in the year you pay the interest.

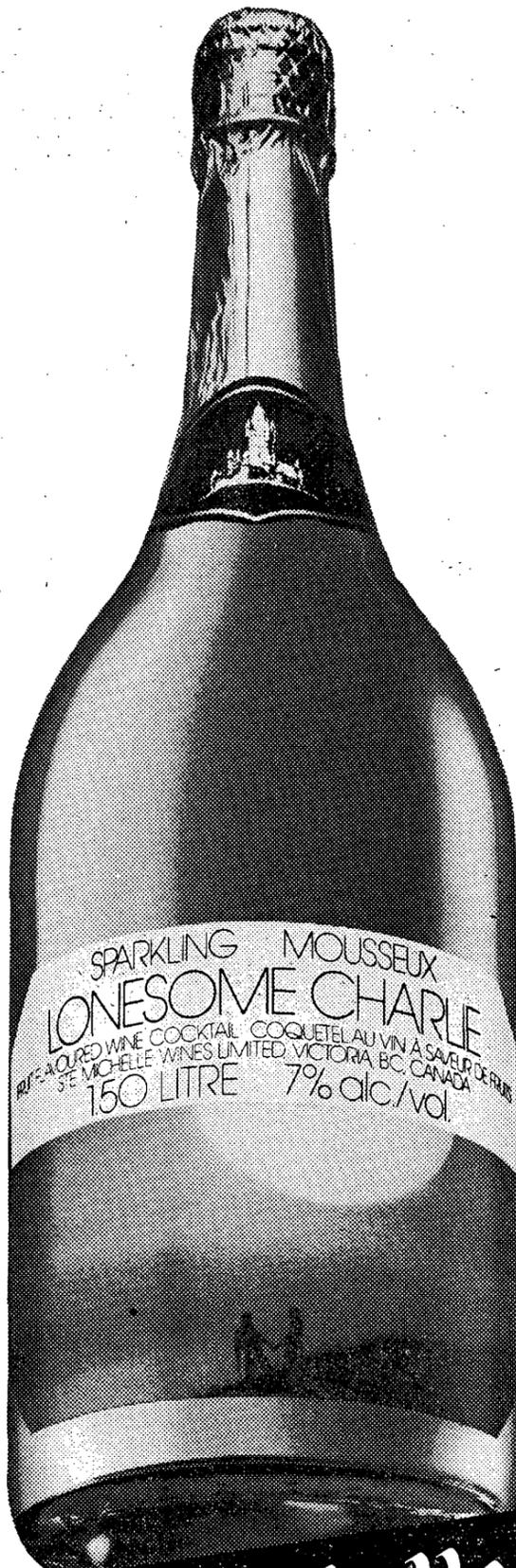
Generally, the RRSP is a bad investment for someone who does not have the required capital items, i.e., you are better advised to invest in automobiles, microwave ovens, ski cabins, etc. before you become involved in an RRSP. This is because your safest investment, and that with the highest return, is inflation. Retirement Savings Plans are intended as income deferrals to assist those contemplating permanent retirement. Unless you are an extremely bright student, it is unlikely that you will be retiring in the near future. Keep in mind, that the government has the habit of retroactively changing tax laws. These retroactive changes can be damaging to someone who tries to take advantage in tax planning.

RRHOSP

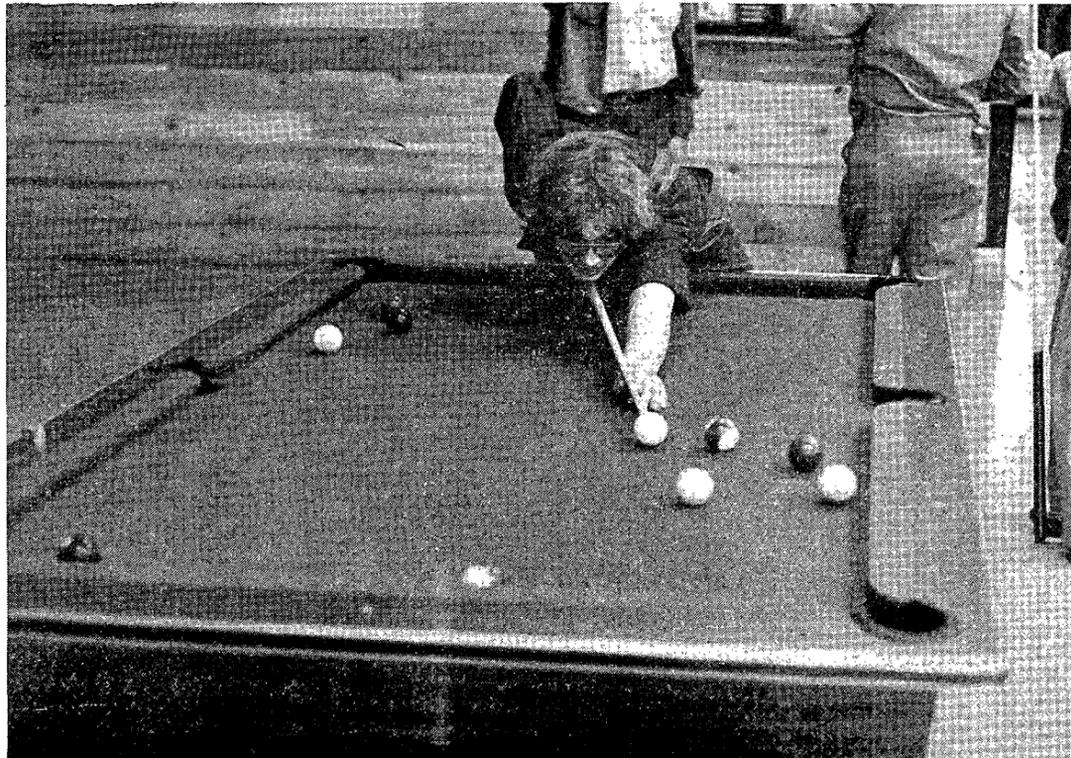
The RHOSP or Registered Home Ownership Savings Plan is intended to provide incentive and a tax break for the individual who

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Lonesome Charlie's lookin' for a friend.



Ste-Michelle Wines



Straight-shooter so-and-so [we didn't catch his name] whiling away the hours between classes and nervous breakdowns in the newly renovated SAC lobby. Don Wright photo.

EDITORIAL

No choice in eating matters

As you walk around campus this week looking for a place to congregate or maybe buy a sandwich, look at the brand new student lounge and food service area in the 1976 building. Notice the shiny new stainless steel food area. Notice the lounge area. Notice that the area is closed. Think about the great job both the paid employees and the elected representatives who are supposed to be getting things that benefit students have done for you on this matter. Fight that feeling to upchuck your breakfast because you know you may have trouble refilling your stomach of campus this week. Go to the FTC and get in line for lunch. As long as YOU can get something to eat it really doesn't matter, does it? Bullshit. It does.

Broadcast Speaks out

A lot of students in first year Broadcasting are of the opinion that they're getting the shaft on their annual field trip. Apparently, all first year students must attend a mandatory field trip into the central and northern interior around the middle of March. They visit small radio stations to get the gist of how things operate in small market radio and television stations. They are also in the position of making connections and checking out the job possibilities at the various stations for summer jobs.

Every year, the first year radio, television and journalism students undertake various fund raising activities for the trip. This year, however, the fund raising campaign has not been very successful. As a result, there is a possibility that each student may have to make a personal contribution of eighty to a hundred dollars for the trip.

That's a lot of money for a student at this time of year, with only three months of classes left. The faculty in Broadcasting, however, insist that the trip is mandatory, and at this point in time, it doesn't look like the fund raising committee will be able to come up with the desired cash in time for the trip.

With only a few months to go in the year, it seems ridiculous that each student should contribute that amount of much needed money at this crucial time for a five day field trip, the purpose and necessity of which is questionable in the first place.

Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

It is unfortunate that the editors cannot find more interesting headlines to print than "Engineering Society Chairperson Fined". This, I'm sure, is of very little interest to the average student.

First of all, the engineering students don't even know what or who their Chairperson is and until such time that they do realize they have a chairperson, I don't suppose that they will miss the representation at an executive meeting.

Secondly, there must be more interesting going on at an executive meeting than chastisement (sic) of a fellow executive member. How about "600 Student Parking Spaces Lost to New PVI Building", or "SAC Management Agreement Finally Signed". Certainly these subjects are of infinitely more interest to the ~~executive~~ student population than are Brent Simpson's shortcomings. These Executive meetings are held to discuss matters relative to the student body. Let's have something of that nature in the future. (How about a weekly executive report column)

Vic Spencer
Pres., 1st Year Finance

Mr. Spencer,

The editors thank you for your long awaited letter. However, we feel that you epitomize the typical narrow-minded attitude of a number of Business students with your remarks regarding the Engineering Society. The Engineering students on this campus have the same right to information as anyone else, and perhaps last week's article will help them realize this. Engineers make up the majority of students and can be a driving force in any future executive election, a point of which any budding politician like yourself should be aware.

Student Council News
Karen DarWoon

Editor, The Link, Dear Sir;

I'm glad to see at least one other BCIT student has come to the realization that post-secondary educational institutions in general and BCIT specifically are not run for the benefit of students (Chris Dreveny, February 15). The parking situation is a good case in point.

Another case, I think, is the library opening hours. Anyone who arrives here before 8 o'clock realizes how many early-bird students are here at that time. Many of us would like to use the library facilities when we arrive

but have to wait until 8 o'clock to do so.

Last year, in October, I submitted a suggestion for early opening hours to the "Bitching Post" at the entrance to the library. One month later a notice was posted stating that library officials were studying the suggestion and would report back. By early January they had not reported back so I re-submitted my suggestion and questioned their delay in replying. To date (Feb. 21) there has been no reply and upon further investigation I found at least 20 other untouched suggestions in the bottom of the "Bitching Post" box.

So much for student involvement.

Yours truly,
David Smith
1st Year Mechanical Tech

To the Editor;

In your last edition you spoke about me missing the Executive meeting of Feb. 16/78. In this article you stated that I have a past record of missing meetings. I would like to draw your attention to the fact that I have missed only three meetings. The first, an Executive meeting of Sept. 22/77, due to a very important personal matter, the Council meeting of

Jan. 12/78, the second, due to sickness, and now this last one. So please before you make any further comments about a person's past performance try to get the facts straight or at least make an effort to find out its real facts.

Yours ever so truly,
B. Simpson
Engineering Rep

Trekking in the Himalayas

Remember that fantastic picture on the cover of last week's Link? This is a reminder that the presentation of three treks into the foothills of the Himalayas, namely into Annapurna and Machepuchure, into the 13,000 foot high Lantang Valley, and to the famous Mount Everest, will take place in Room 129, March 15th, Wednesday, at noon. For only one dollar you'll be glad you went. The photography is outstanding. BCIT Outdoors Club

Frankly Speaking

By Dave Sherwood

Are high wages a problem in Canada today? "No," says Ron Johnson, Director for Education and Communication for the B.C. Federation of Labour, "wages do not create inflation, they follow it."

Johnson was speaking to a group of Broadcasting students last week at BCIT.

He also lashed out at people who say strikes are ruining the country. He pointed to government statistics that show strikes are not an economic problem. Businessmen, he added, take this attitude so that workers will accept lower wages.

"Trade unions," he added, "are too weak in Canada. Only thirty-five percent of the workers are unionized and the situation between labour and management is very antagonistic."

"In Western Europe the situation is much better, they have very strong Unions in Germany, Austria, and some other countries that have no problem getting along with a sensible, considerate management, whereas in England, with antagonistic management, strikes are much more common."

Johnson also answered questions about the productivity of workers in unions. "Statistics show that labor productivity is increasing, and even if time is wasted, it is not the Union's fault, the management plans the work loads. Instead of considering the productivity of the workers, why not consider the productivity of the executives? Nobody ever does surveys on how efficiently they work."

Johnson was criticised by some members of the audience for BC unions striking over trivial issues. He answered that strikes are not an easy step for union members, as it is hard to raise a family on strike pay, or in some cases no pay at all.

Besides, he added, any strike that is taken is voted for by a majority of the members—it is not decided by the Union boss. If fifty-five percent of the workers vote for a strike then they go on strike, it's the same as any other democracy. If you still don't want to strike then you can change jobs or cross the picket line and take the consequences. The rights of the group as a whole should take precedence over individual aspirations.

Johnson also answered criticism over illegal strikes by Unions, "There would be no unions if we didn't break the law at one time; it used to be illegal to belong to them. The Union has to make a decision that sometimes means breaking the law to protest unfair legislation. If we do, then we are prepared to go to court and eventually go to jail if we fail. We are ready to face the consequences of our actions in an effort to change unfair legislation."

He also talked about the governments' efforts to stimulate the economy. "Tax concessions to corporations are not the answer, they do not create jobs. The money should be given to create new jobs for people on the welfare rolls, who would then spend it and stimulate the economy. Corporations that make profits do not invest in Canada anyway, they invest where labor and materials are cheaper."

And what of small businesses that have to go out of business when the union sets up? "A small business that can't afford to pay its workers a decent wage doesn't deserve to be in business, it obviously isn't economically viable."

Johnson also pointed out the ways the Unions help those outside their ranks. He said the Unions are always fighting to raise the minimum wage, even though nobody who belongs to a union is paid at such low rates.

They are also heavily involved in environmental and pollution problems, women's rights, and unemployment.

Johnson, a former broadcaster, finished by telling of his experiences in getting a job with Broadcast News, a wire service. "I was head of the BC Young New Democrats at the time, and BN told me that I couldn't have those kind of ties and work for them, so I quit the YND and went to work for BN in Toronto. I got there and found out that all of them were high up in the Liberal and Conservative parties."

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—Henry Frick [?]

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Controversial council meeting

By KAREN DAR WOON

A number of controversial topics were brought forth at last week's Council meeting. Among them, the Grad Dance, change of the SA fiscal year, Food Services, and the matter of Brent Simpson. Two student awards were also discussed.

Nominations for the Principal's Award and the Citizenship Award are now open. These awards are given to recognize outstanding achievement by a student to the benefit of the school or the student body. More information about these awards can be obtained by contacting Ian Robertson, VP Ex or Gerry Lloyd.

As it stands now, the SA is not sponsoring a school-wide Grad Dance. Over the past few years, attendance has not been good, and losses to the SA have averaged about \$1500 per year. Council decided that it would not be economically feasible to sponsor a school-wide function. There was some debate, however, about the plight of smaller techs who

past year.

Do you have any suggestions as to how Food Services could be improved on campus? Director of Food Services, E. Schmutz, is looking for ideas on how his department can better serve the students. Tell your ideas to the SA.

It was decided that an additional telephone line not be installed in the SA offices for the use of the general student body. Ian Robertson presented that an additional phone could be used by students working on projects and clubs as a message center. However, other members of Council mentioned that it would provide an unnecessary work load for the secretary. Also, important messages can be left with a student's department head.

Ian Robertson reported that Telethon went very well, with thanks to all those who gave their time to be involved. The pledge of \$18,000 from BCIT was higher than that from any other school.

would not be able to have their own dances for a reasonable cost. This subject has been taken into consideration and no, viable answers have been presented. The motion to cancel the Grad Dance was only narrowly passed. For this reason, the said motion will be reconsidered at the next Council meeting.

The question of a change in fiscal year for the SA was brought up by John Scott. He proposed that election of student executive take place in January, with the new officers to begin their one-year term in early February. The result would be more effective and efficient student government, as well as a better working relationship with Administration. That remains to be seen...

A referendum concerning Building Fund fee increases will appear on this year's ballots. The increase would be \$5, bringing the total student fees to \$40. This matter has been considered in light of renovations which have taken place in the SAC during the

SHAWN WITTON

by shawn witton



Spare a thought

Loneliness...it's a funny thing...something we've all experienced. Loneliness can be hard and cold like brittle ice...that despicable thing that feeds and nourishes on a person's guts. It hurts. Sure...we all get down from time to time, especially round exams but most of us don't stay there, thank goodness. Some aren't so fortunate...some can't rebound from the frustration and disappointment of loneliness. Some poor souls live in that black, dank pit of despair for days, weeks, even months. I wonder for how long the first year Business student who took his life February 9 was living his own private hell? Before you stuff the last bit of that jelly donut into your mouth and turn to page 7 give it some thought. You've had a taste of what this fellow found unbearable. It's sad that loneliness can create such pain. I wonder...I just wonder what might have made the difference for this fellow? Maybe a smile...I don't know. It's worth some thought.



1978 Champ--Alan Bajlou [c], Grant Rogers, runner-up, and Steve Thomas, consolation winner.

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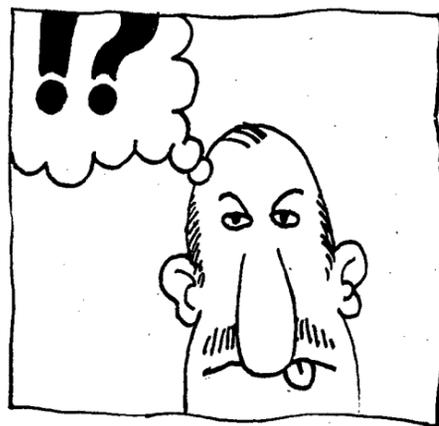
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THE ROCKPILE

by Don Wright



It's depressing

I was thinking the other day about the lack of decent major rock acts performing in Vancouver recently. So far this year, there has been only two concerts of note. Both Eric Clapton and The Average White Band were here in February. Art Garfunkel will be here in March, and Aerosmith might be here sometime in the spring, although that is unconfirmed as yet. Other than that, no one else is scheduled, which is rather discouraging to say the least. It seems that Vancouver is almost overrun with concerts in the fall and early winter, but the rest of the year finds maybe one major act a month, if we're lucky. In the last four months of 1977 there were ten rock concerts in the Coliseum and a number of others in the Gardens. Yet here we are with only two so far this year. It's depressing.

A couple of guys who someday hope to do something about this are Dave Frinton and Warren Allen. Dave, Admin president and main man behind the Frosh Queen contest, and Warren, S.A. Activities Chairman have joined forces to form "West Coast Productions." This company will soon be 'limited' with the aid of law instructor Doug Crawford.

Their first production, all ready to go, will feature **Getaway** and **Dr. Disco** at the Commodore Ballroom on March 10. You'll probably recognize both those names, as they've performed in the SAC many times. The show starts at 8pm and tickets are available at the TNT store and at the door. The two have also booked the **Downchild Blues Band** into the Commodore on March 31, a group, Dave adds, they've had a tough time getting since they're so much in demand.

What Dave and Warren do is contact a band or agent that they think will do well, then find a place for the band to play. Coordinating the band and location to a specific date is the tricky part. From that point on, it is a mad rush to promote the show as completely as possible (i.e. talking to the press).

They will soon be involved with bringing groups in from across Canada to play in various locations in the lower mainland, eventually expanding to all of B.C.

ALBUM OF THE WEEK
BTO's latest album, minus Randy Bachman, has just hit the streets. It is basically the same BTO rock and roll we've come to know. This may mean that with Jim Clench up front instead of Bachman, BTO will continue much the same, though whether the single they've just released, the title cut 'STREET ACTION', will do as well commercially as their previous singles we will soon see. The band is presently planning a tour but no dates have been set yet.

In the "stuck in here because it's not of significant importance to go on its own" department, we have this little bit of totally irrelevant information. In three hours on Friday, the two 'five cent' copying machines outside the LINK office took in \$24, more than the machines normally get in three days. Clank, hmmm, click, click, click.....480 times.

Are you a detective??

Now's your chance to try with **BCIT Radio** and the great **"Hide & SAC giveaway."** Win \$100,000 with a Winsday Lottery ticket from the *this 'n' that store!* A case of brew from the pub and a current album, and a \$2.00 food certificate for any campus food outlet.

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Tax and the student

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intends to purchase a home. These plans allow you the opportunity of saving tax free dollars for your first home purchase.

You are entitled to contribute up to \$1,000 per year to a life limit of \$10,000. In 1977 you may contribute up to March 1st, 1978. However, in 1978 your contribution must be made by December 31st. There will be no 60 day extension. Again, you should shop around, using the same criterion as the RRSP. The tax department also publishes an information booklet which is available through Revenue Canada Taxation. In mid-February, the Vancouver Sun published an article on this topic.

The proceeds on these plans are tax free provided they are withdrawn for the purchase of a home. The tax department must be informed that this home is your principle residence. How-



The second place Men's Curling Team from BCIT receive their silver medals from Miss Kamloops. From the left, Miss Kamloops, second Alan Schmelzel, skip Wayne Arsenault, third Ralph Turney, lead Murray Herron. Next stop--the nearest pub!

ever, you may state that any residence is your principle residence. For example, you might purchase a ski cabin, mobile home, houseboat, etc., and use the RHOSP for that purpose.

The RHOSP is a once in a lifetime deal. It may not be renewed after it has been withdrawn for a home purchase. You cannot withdraw a portion of the

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'Sexual Perversity' - good drama

By K.R. BARKER

Sexual Perversity in Chicago, a new play by an up and coming American playwright, returns to CITY STAGE this week, following the very successful run of the truckin' musical, "18 Wheels".

"Sexual Perversity" is not what the title implies, but actually concerns four men and women and how they become involved with each other through the Chicago "swingin' singles" night club circuit. The play is a comedy for the most part, but there is a good deal of characterization that develops into good drama.

The humour of the play is outrageous. The two male characters are office workers in Chicago and obvious products of the decadent sexual attitudes of the seventies. Bernie is a typical macho woman-hater, whose sexual appetite is matched only by his bravado when discussing his real or imagined sexual experiences. Bernie is one of those groovy types whose every second word is f-k, and to whom the old adage "those who can, do; those who can't, talk about it", really applies. He is accompanied by his admiring young side-kick Dan who, although appearing much more naive than Bernie, actually succeeds in making the big score, and for the right reasons. Dan meets a nice young girl and much to Bernie's disgust, falls in love. The nice young girl, Debra, moves in with Dan, against her celibate girlfriend's wishes.

There is some degree of tragedy in the play. Dan and Debra

are both the object of their anti-sentimental, but secretly jealous, friends. There is an excellent character change in Dan, who eventually succumbs to Bernie's persistent indoctrination. Dan, who shows promise of becoming a nice guy, winds up appearing much like Bernie, adopting his pre-occupation with treating women as objects and his callous attitude towards love.

The play is an excellent satire, and takes a good swipe at a very contemporary issue. At most singles bars in Chicago or Vancouver, you can spot the characters in the play. Jon Brydon and Michael Fawkes, who play Dan and Bernie respectively, show a good sense of honesty in their acting, although Fawkes tends to over-indulge a little in his role of Bernie.

If bad language affects you in the wrong way, you'll leave the theatre with your ears smoking, but don't let that stop you from going. "Sexual Perversity in Chicago" is good fun for everybody, and if you don't enjoy the humour of the play, you'll at least get the message.

"Sexual Perversity" is held over at the City Stage Theatre at 751 Thurlow. If you're downtown in the afternoon, you can catch the lunchtime performance at 12:15, but there are also evening performances Thursday and Friday at 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.

third photo contest judge At long last the third judge of

the photo contest has been tracked down and has talked about the many things he's done and what he'll be looking for in the photography competition.

Egon Steinbach is BCIT's resident photographer in the Audio Visual department. He hails from the pretty German town of Koblenz, on the Rhine, but has been in Canada for 21 years.

His first attempt at photography was out of necessity because he couldn't speak very much English and needed a way to stay alive. One of his earliest jobs was as a police photographer.

A fling with an advertising agency in Montreal gave him the experience he needed to do freelance photography in commercials and fashion. He has done photos for industrial publications and has taught Photo-Journalism at Dawson College. He's worked for Expo '67, as well as major companies like Air Canada, Canadian National and Canadian Pacific, Canadian Press, and Penthouse Magazine.

Mr. Steinbach says that the technical aspects of a photo are secondary considerations. What he'll be judging in a photo is the purpose. Has the photographer accomplished what he set out to do? "The main reason for taking the photo has to be apparent. How it's achieved is important."

Remember, the contest closes March 14th. Entries are being accepted in the Campus Life trailer between the Library and the SAC building.

On the town

By KAREN

Got the fever? **SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER**, that is. On Saturday, March 4, the doors will open to the **Spring '78 Boogieathon Disco Ball**. This extravaganza of lights and sound from Britain is planting its feet at the Commodore Ballroom (Granville Mall) from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets are \$3.75 advance and available from Crimpers Hair Stylists, A & A Records, Woodward's Concert Box Offices, and the Coggery in Gastown.

For you National Lampon fans, there is a concert coming this month. The **National Lampon Players** will be appearing at the Orpheum Theatre, March 12.

On the more classical side of the entertainment coin, the **Moscow Chamber Choir** is in town tonight, on their first North American tour. They will be performing traditional Russian folk songs, as well as works by

Poulec, Messiaen, Gershwin, and Russian composers of the 14th to 19th centuries. That's tonight at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre, 8 p.m. Call 681-3351 about tickets.

Choreographer Alvin Ailey brings his New York-based troupe, the **Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre**, to Vancouver for its local debut performance. Since 1958, the company has met critical acclaim for its well-paced programs of modern and classical dance. They will be appearing at the Queen E Theatre from March 2 to 5, nightly at 8 p.m. with a matinee on March 4. Phone 683-3255 for more info.

Inported from the Boston Pops, **Arthur Fiedler** is conducting the last of three concerts with the VSO tomorrow at the Orpheum. Canadian pianist John Melnyck joins the maestro and VSO to perform Gershwin's Piano Concerto in F Major. 8:30 p.m.

If you are redecorating your home, thinking about a purchase, or just want to look at what's new in homes and houses, stop in at the **Home Show** (to March 5). Four of the PNE buildings are filled with ideas for interior decorating and hints for the handyman. Open until 10:30. 9 p.m. on Sunday. \$2.25.

There's a lecture tomorrow night on **Captain Cook, Explorer of the Pacific**. Deputy director of the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich, England presents an illustrated lecture on the Ships of Captain Cook. 8 p.m., Centennial Museum, \$2, 736-3656.

The recent movie, **Truffaut's The Man Who Loved Women** sounds really interesting. It concerns the perils of a man whose hobby is, you guessed it, skirt chasing. Unfortunately, the hero's compulsion proves to be the cause of his death. At the Varsity Theatre, 224-3730.

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plan. On home purchase, the TOTAL accumulated balance in your plan must be withdrawn, however, you are not compelled to withdraw the plan on the purchase of a home. For example, if you purchase a home or if you are an owner by inheritance, you may keep an existing plan, but you may not contribute to that plan while you are the registered owner of a home. Interest revenues can continue to accrue but additional contributions are not allowed.

GENERAL COMMENTS

In the Vancouver market, the RHOSP is not your best deal. The \$1,000 you could contribute can be used to purchase a condominium, which would eliminate the government's control of your funds and would protect you from long term inflation loss. The marginal tax saving does not compare with the long term market place advantage or with anticipated inflation rates.

They can be a good deal if you want a home in the near future, but not in this taxation year. The tax break offered in the short run might as well be taken, in view of a purchase perhaps two years down the road.

In terms of Vancouver Real Estate market, now is the time to buy. There are good mortgage rates available, a surplus of mortgage funds, and due to the number of housing starts, we have a buyer's market.

You should note that you are no longer allowed to apply your RHOSP to scheduled furnishings. This was the case when the RHOSP was first developed, but it has since been discontinued.

IN CONCLUSION

We hope that you have found this tax advice of some use. For further advice, contact Revenue Canada Taxation. If you have a particularly difficult tax return, contact an expert.

New jobs

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representatives to call on the retail trade mainly in the Lower Mainland area. Applicants must have own car. Mileage allowance paid. To apply, complete a personal information form and return it to Room D204 no later than March 15, 1978 for employer prescreening. Interviews will be scheduled on March 28.

SUMMER & PERMANENT WORK: Programmers, 1st and 2nd year, B.C. SYSTEMS CORPORATION, Vancouver & Victoria. This new provincial government crown corporation has been set up to coordinate all of the computer and system requirements for the various governmental departments. This corporation anticipates having a number of vacancies for junior programmers and also may have a number of summer jobs for undergraduates. Students interested in applying should complete a personal information form and return to Room D204 no later than noon March 3, 1978 for prescreening. Interviews for those selected will be held on March 22, 1978.

PERMANENT WORK: Computer Programming Tech Grads. ESSO CHEMICAL CANADA, Redwater, Alberta. Esso Chemical Canada is a completely separate division of Imperial Oil. The Redwater, Alberta plant, 35 miles north of Edmonton is the largest single fertilizer producer and sulphur user in Alberta. They would like applications from the above students interested in a computer technical position (financial & systems) located in Redwater. A more detailed job description is available in Room D204. To apply, submit a

completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than noon March 3 for employer prescreening.

GRADUATING STUDENTS: Computer Tech. INSURANCE CORPORATION OF B.C., Vancouver, B.C. ICBC expects to have vacancies for programmers and analysts in their systems development section and in their technical support section. Job descriptions are available for review on file in Room D204. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 no later than March 14,

1978. Interviews will be held on March 20, 21, 1978.

SUMMER WORK: 1st Year Computer Tech, INSURANCE CORPORATION OF B.C., Vancouver, B.C. ICBC expects to have a number of openings for 1st year computer students during the summer in their systems development or technical support section. Students interested in summer work with the crown corporation are requested to complete a personal information form and return it to Room D204 no later than March 3, 1978 for employer prescreening. Interviews will be

held for those selected on March 23, 1978.

SUMMER WORK: Hotel/Motel, Travel & Tourism Option DOYLE TRAVEL, Delta, B.C. Doyle Travel in Delta is a full service travel agency and would like to receive applications from the above students who are interested in summer and possibly part-time work. The job will involve ticketing and meeting the public. To apply, submit a completed personal information form and transcript of marks to Room D204 by noon March 3, 1978 for employer prescreening.

PERMANENT WORK: Financial Management Tech Grads NORTHERN CONSTRUCTION, Vancouver, B.C. Northern Construction Ltd. is engaged in heavy and industrial construction across Canada. They would like to interview the above students who are interested in positions as project accountant trainees. Applicants must be fully mobile. Company information is on file in Room D204. To apply, submit a completed personal information form to Room D204 by March 22, 1978 and an interview will be arranged for you on April 4, 1978.

STEPPIN' OUT



by karen dar woon

The salad bar institution

The past few weeks have been just great from a gastronomique's point of view. Having visited some of the finer restaurants in Western Canada, I feel well prepared to present this week's column.

Just in passing: It seems that the salad bar is on its way to becoming an institution, much like linen tablecloths and live entertainment. Have you noticed the number of restaurants using this idea as a major promotional tool?

I went to Severin's a while ago. It's quite the place. Absolutely huge, in fact. Sev Morin has done much in transforming the Gai Paree into this entertainment complex.

There are four rooms leading from a large entrance hall. The 'Ksan room for banquets, Jack Cullen's Piano Lounge for quiet cocktails, Sev's Discotheque, and the Heritage Room for dining. We went to the Heritage Room to partake of a mid-day meal.

The menu was extensive, and most items included the salad bar (see,

there it is again), choice of baked potato or rice, and fresh-baked cheese bread and butter. Appetizers were soups and a shrimp cocktail.

The lunch menu featured dash-a-way specials--soup and sandwich or salad bar for those on the go. There were a number of sandwich specialties, including a Grilled Jumbo Reuben, a six-ounce Steak Sandwich, and a Quarter pounder, Severin's style. For those on a restricted diet, two suggestions were listed. Among the entrees were Cutlet Romanoff--breaded turkey with cream sauce, Deep Fried Prawns, and Seafood Tahitian--a mixture of shrimps, scallops and salmon in a rich cheese sauce. Omelettes and cold plates filled out the menu.

Service was very good--as expected for this respectable establishment. The waiter was courteous and friendly; water glasses and coffee cups were refilled with expert timing. The prices are not unreasonable, though not what the average student can manage every month. The range was from about \$3 to about \$7 for lunch entrees, and up to about \$11 at the dinner hour. It's nice for that special birthday or anniversary or just when you feel like a treat. Open daily for dinner 5 to 11 p.m. (9 on Sundays) and lunch from 11:30 to 2:00 p.m.

You might stop in at Sev's Discotheque after dinner. Formerly the That's Entertainment Cabaret, this disco presents the music of the top 40's and those golden oldies for your non-stop dancing pleasure. A sizable dance floor and the flash and colour of a light show will do more than encourage your dancing feet. The room seats 250, and is decorated with black and white movie posters. Open Mon. to Sat., 8:30-2 a.m. Cover charge \$1 on weekends, and no jeans.

You're probably all suffering from lack of lunches due to the SAC Caf closure. In case you haven't noticed, there is a sandwich and drink concession in the SAC lobby. If you have a mode of transport, there are a number of places close by where you can grab a hamburger or sandwich. White Spot, MacDonald's and A & W are located on the Lougheed Highway; Captain George's is at Kingsway. There's also the Villa and the Astor.

Try to eat breakfast in the morning and maybe you won't have to suffer the lunchtime blues. And don't forget that Growlies is closed, as well as the Beergarden. What a way to spend the week before Spring Break!!

Forestry Week

March 14 - 17

Events and Prizes in front of the S.A.C. at lunch time.

March 17 & 18 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

North America Largest College Logger's Sport Show.

Teams from B.C. Wash, Alberta, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, California.

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March

Logger's Pub with Getaway

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Door Prizes (win a logger for a nite?)

What's Happening

SPORTS & RECREATION

Sports Notes

By Wally Rowan

INTRAMURALS

Volleyball: The last league games of the year were played last week and all the results have been tabulated.

In the FIRST division:

1	Survey	12
2	Wood Products	10
3	Med Rad	9
4	Chem & Met	9
5	Nursing	7
6	Ops Man	1

Therefore, in the playoffs:
Survey vs. Med Rad, 11:40 a.m., March 15;
Wood Products vs. Chem & Met, 11:40, March 15;

In the SECOND division:

1	C & S 'A'	12
2	Envir Health	10
3	Financial Mgt	9
4	Hotel/Motel	9
5	Chem & Met	8
6	Med Lab	6

In the playoffs, C & S 'A' vs Finance, Environmental Health vs Hotel/Motel at 12:20 March 15.

In the THIRD division:

1	C & S 'B'	12
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2	Mechanical	9
3	Financial Mgt II	9
4	Building I	9
5	Financial Mgt I	9
6	Admin	0

Playoffs to determine 2nd, 3rd, 4th place 1:00 March 15.

Mech vs. Fin II (game 1) winner advances; Bldg vs Fin I (game 2) winner advances. Loser game 1 vs Loser game 2, winner advances.

Time for game 3 will be 1:40 (last court). Winner of game 3 will play C & S 'B' in semi finals. Semi finals will be played prior to Wed. March 22 at time agreed by teams involved.

In the FOURTH division:

building II	12
2 1308's	11
3 C & S 'C'	9
4 Wood Prod	7
5 C & S 'D'	6
6 Instrumentation	5

In the playoffs: Bldg vs Wood Prod, 1308's vs C & S 'C' at 1:40, March 15.

RULES:
All players must be registered. No time limit
Semi-finals, 2 out of 3
Finals, 3 out of 5
2 officials for each game
Must have at least six (6) players
PLEASE BE ON TIME!!!

Hockey: It's too bad, but seems like the pressure of school is causing some chippy, cheap hockey. Come on guys, it's not the other guy's fault that you failed that exam.

There were two upsets on Wednesday:

Survey/Marketing	6-4
Chem & Met/Forestry II	10-1
E & E/Hotel Motel	9-2

On Saturday, Feb. 18:
Forestry II/BioScience 5-3

Basketball: The Over-the-Hill-Gang finally won a game on Feb. 20:

Staff/Ops Man I	38-24
Gas & Oil/Envir Health	71-20

The league is going great--see you after the break.

BCIT builds for championship next year

By VAL KARPINSKY

The BCIT badminton team made a creditable showing by placing a close third in the Totem Championships held during the last weekend in Malaspina's new domed gymnasium in Nanaimo. Each member of the team captured a medal as some outstanding competition was displayed -- Johnathan Solaiman, a first year student in Chem & Met was narrowly defeated in extra points in an extra playoff

game for the gold medal in the Men's Singles. Ed Foucher, Mechanical Engineering, and Roger Camacho, in Gas & Oil, played well as a team to capture the silver medal in Men's Doubles.

Wendy Ratcliffe, a Finance student, played well in capturing the bronze medal for Women's Singles. Karen Blizt, Registered Nursing, and Ameeta Manerikar, of Nuclear Medicine lost an extra playoff match for second place,

settling for a bronze in Women's Doubles. Also, Norm Nalleweg, Surveying, and Julie Hamilton, Hospitality, lost a playoff match and settled for a bronze medal. Julie will represent BCIT in the Four West Badminton Championships as an alternate in the women's categories.

In an interview, the Badminton coach Val Karpinsky (also the Student Housing Co-ordinator on campus) promised that BCIT will

be back next year to break VCC's seven year hold on the Totem badminton title. The badminton scouts are in the school presently, looking for members of next year's team.

Final standings:

VCC	44points
Douglas College	38 points
BCIT	34 points
Malaspina	16 points
Okanagan	15 points
Cariboo College	5 points

Campus recreation

Sailing: A 9-session basic sailing program will be available to BCIT students commencing after Spring Break. Completion gives Certification in Level I of the Canadian Yachting Association. This authorizes the student to rent sailboats in local waters.

The cost per student is \$80.00, \$10.00 of which will be subsidized by the Campus Recreation Program (so your cost is \$70).

Registration will be held on Thursday, 11:30 to 1:30, March 2, in the SAC lobby.

Instruction lectures will be held on Tuesday evenings 7 to 10 and instruction on the boat will be held on Saturdays or Sundays 9 to 12 or 1 to 4 p.m.

This is a great opportunity for all you potential yacht owners or sun lovers.

Fitness Program: Let a professional help you get in shape for only 45 minutes a day, three times per week. Starts MONDAY, MARCH 13 at 7:30 a.m. in the SAC gym. Your attendance will determine the length of this program--students and staff of BCIT--FREE. Outsiders \$10.00 per week. Come out and give your heart a break! Take off those pounds of ugly fat and look terrific in your bikini! This is co-ed! Monday morning, (after break), start right in to your routine. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 7:30 a.m. to 8:15.

Campus Recreation Banquet: Friday, April 7 at Royal Towers Hotel--Intramural Teams, Clubs, and participants in the programs and their friends are welcome. Tickets \$5/person, for this you get a \$9.50 sit-down roast beef dinner, disco till one. Prizes and awards and a hard bar. Plan on a social event to remember. Ticket on sale after the break.

Glass Cutting: Those signed up for this class should meet in Room 272 on March 15th at 11:30.

Bearpit: Are you a person who has a lot to complain about, but keeps it to yourself? Are you dissatisfied, disgruntled, or disappointed with the way things are done around here?

Don't keep it bottled up inside you! GET IT OUT at the BEARPIT, in the SAC cafeteria, March 15th.

The Principal, Division Directors, Executive Directors, your Student President, and Campus Life want to know what you think so they can do a better job for you.

Complaining doesn't change the way things are. Discuss your

complaint with the people who try to change things for you. How will they know if you don't say something?

GET IT OUT! At the BEARPIT noon to 2:30 in the SAC cafeteria, March 15th. See YOU there!

INTRAMURALS

Hockey: Today, Green Rink, Bio-Science vs. Survey; Gold Rink, Chem & Met vs Finance; Red Rink, Staff vs Hotel Motel.

softball Rules: Team to be composed of 12 players, 3 of which will be girls. One girl must be on the field.

Pitching rule: Slow pitch, ball must be delivered from an arc below the shoulder.

Sign up: Thursday, March 16, (after break) 11:30-1:30 in SAC lobby.

Intramural awards

For all you Intramural participants out there, this may be your last chance to make yourself heard! Special awards are being presented for various achievements in the Intramural Sports Program. These awards are as follows:

1. Most sportsman-like team;
2. Female & male who have contributed the most to Intramural sports;
3. Supportive Staff Member;
4. Most Sportsman-like player award.

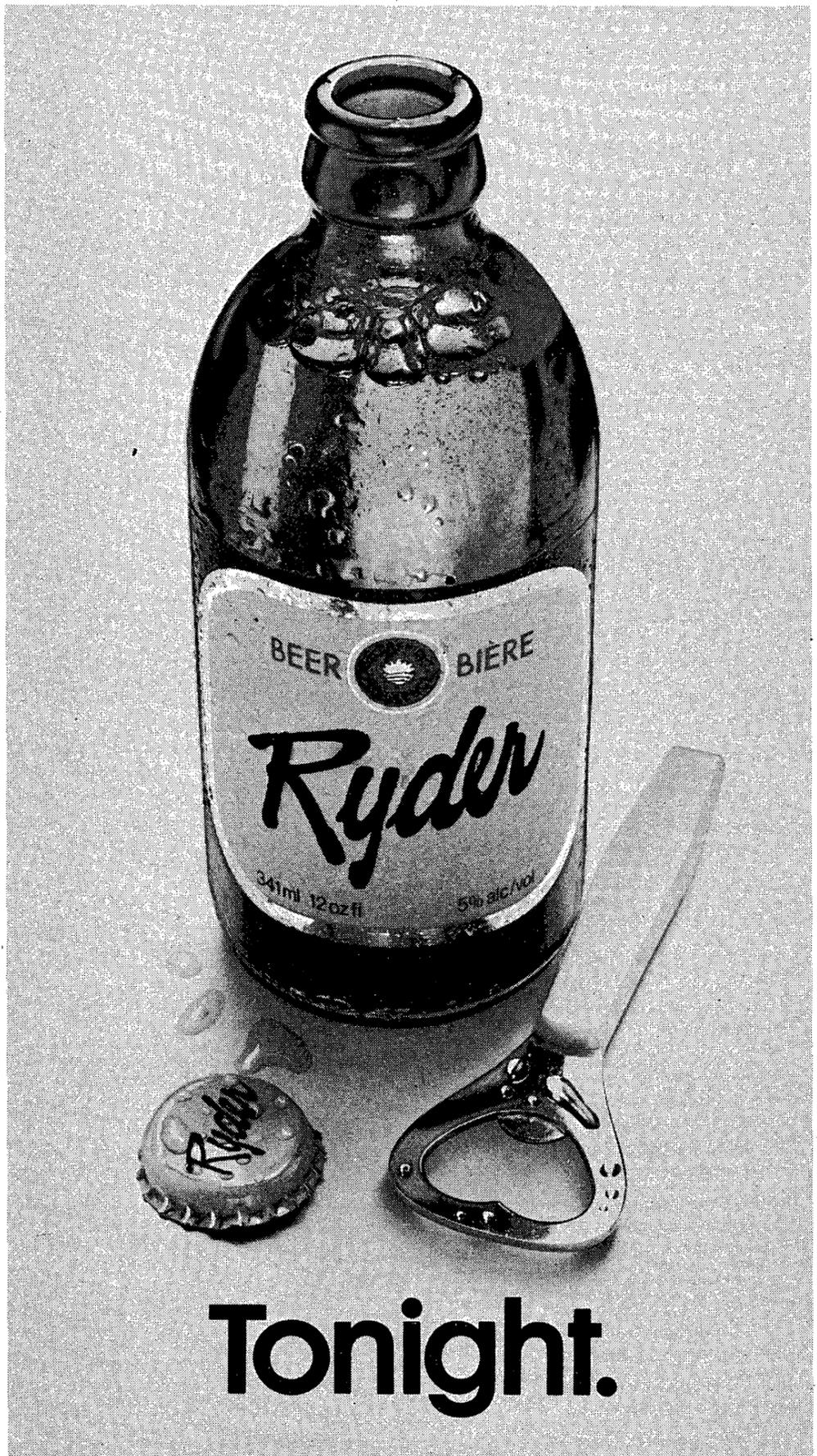
We are accepting nominations from now until March 22, however with Spring Break cutting about 10 days out of that period, there's only about 2 weeks left. If you know of any team/person you feel deserves one of these awards LET US KNOW!

Nomination forms are available from Wally Rowan in the Student Services trailer, any member of the CRC, and myself.

Evelynn Blobel
Med Lab 2nd Year

Gong returns

If you have a good or unusual act and would like to audition for the GONG SHOW, pick up your application form in the SA office, and return it before March 17. The Gong Show will take place Friday, March 31 at the Finance Pub in the SAC.



Tonight.