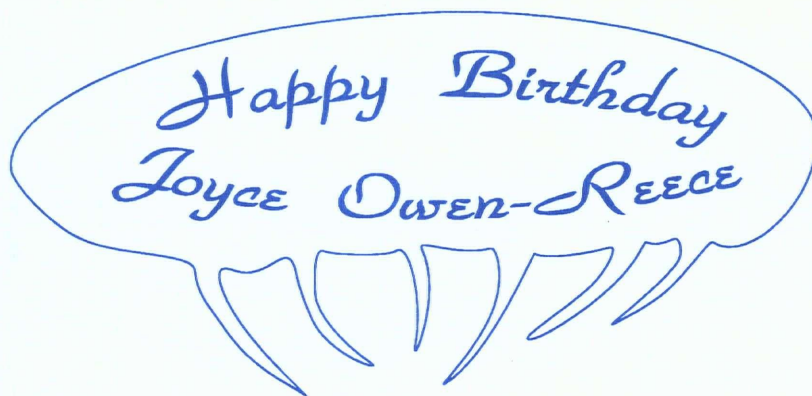




A Newsletter for the BCIT Community
October 5, 1992 Issue 3

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From Left: Bob McKenzie, Bill Murray, Joyce Owen-Reece, Sheila Thompson, Joanne Imoo, and Lynda Bennett

BCIT discovers new element

The heaviest element known to science was recently discovered by BCIT's research laboratory students.

The element, tentatively named **Administratium**, has no protons or electrons and thus has an atomic number of 0. However, it does have 1 neutron, 125 assistant neutrons, 75 vice neutrons and 11 vice assistant neutrons. This gives it an atomic mass of 312. These 312 particles are held together by a force that involves the continuous exchange of meson-like particles called morons.

Since **Administratium** has no electrons, it is inert. However, it can be detected chemically as it impedes every reaction it comes into contact with. According to a BCIT spokesperson, a minute amount of

Administratium caused one reaction to take over four days to complete when it would normally have occurred in less than one second.

Administratium has a normal half life of approximately three years, at which time it does not actually decay but instead undergoes a reorganisation in which assistant neutrons, vice neutrons and assistant vice neutrons, exchange places. Some studies have shown that the atomic mass actually increases after each reorganisation. Research at BCIT's laboratory indicates that **Administratium** occurs naturally in the atmosphere. It tends to concentrate at certain points such as large corporations and can usually be found in the

newest, best appointed and maintained buildings. Scientists point out **Administratium** is known to be toxic at any level of concentration and can easily destroy any productive reaction where it is allowed to accumulate. Attempts are being made to determine how **Administratium** can be controlled to prevent irreversible damage, but results are not promising.

Editor's Note:

Will the writer please come forward. Update does not usually publish anonymous material but did not want to deprive its readers of your wit.

This could be #1 of a series. There are many "elements waiting to be discovered" at BCIT.



BCIT officially accredited by CIPS

At the September 10, 1992, Canadian Information Processing Society dinner meeting, BCIT's Computer Systems Technology program was awarded accreditation. CIPS is the leading professional organization representing information management professionals.

Receiving the award on behalf of BCIT, Ken Takagaki, Associate Dean, Computer Systems Technology (right), and Ron Nelson (centre), President of CIPS, Bob Birch (left), Education Director, CIPS.

Who should I see when I have a concern?

This typical student lament was voiced at the Retention Subcommittee last year by the student representative. Typically, many students do not know who to approach with concerns about classroom or administrative issues.

As part of the Retention Subcommittee's summer effort, a summary of available options entitled "Procedures For Resolution of Student Issues/Concerns" has been created. This summary is included in the 92/93 Student Handbook, received by all first-year students. The summary advises students to discuss classroom problems with their instructor directly, and subsequently the chief instructor or program head, then the Associate Dean if necessary. Administrative issues and academic appeals, etc., are also covered in this summary.

By making students more knowledgeable about the Institute's resolution process, we hope they will solve problems quickly, before "molehills become mountains".

Pick up a copy of the Handbook, and have a look at page 69. Should you have any comments or suggestions on improving future versions of this advice to students, please forward them to Gordon Farrell (Chair) or Val Karpinsky, Retention Subcommittee.

How prepared are you?



Now that everyone is settled in after the summer break, it's a good time to review emergency and safety procedures for your area. Are emergency numbers posted by the phones in your area? Is there a buddy system for emergency evacuation in place for disabled students and workers? Don't forget the temporary leg casts. Do you know where First Aid and Medical Services are located? Do hazardous substances have proper WHMIS labels and if not, do you know where to get labels? Have you taken a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or First Aid class recently?

If you are unsure about the answers to any of these questions, the blue "flip-up" pamphlet **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES** from the BCIT Safety and Security division at local 8718 is a good place to start. Take a few minutes to read the information and discuss this with your fellow workers. Safety and knowledge of what to do in an emergency is everyone's responsibility. You can't rely on someone else if they can't rely on you.

*From Jan Poersch, R.N.
BCIT Occupational Health and Safety Committee*

Canada Savings Bonds

The last payment for 1991/92 Canada Savings Bonds is October 2, 1992. They should be available for pick-up October 19, 1992 at the reception window in the ground floor of the J.W. Inglis Building, Monday - Friday, between 9 am - 4:25 pm.

The applications for the new 1992/93 Bonds are now available at the same place. They must be returned no later than October 23/92; deductions will start November 13/92.

For information on Canada Savings Bonds please contact Gail at 8710.



Honorary award nominations - reminder

A letter was sent to all BCIT employees in May '92 asking for nominations for Honorary Diploma and Distinguished Service Awards. This is to remind you that the deadline for nominations is October 15, 1992.

If you would like a copy of the letter and the accompanying policy, procedures and nominating form, please contact Pat Maertz, Board Secretary (8676).

October is Power Smart Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 Days. 31 Ways to Save.				1 Clean or change furnace filters regularly.	2 Keep damper tightly closed when fireplace is not in use.	3 Clean lint filter in clothes dryer after every load.
4 Lower thermostat when away or asleep.	5 Caulk and weatherstrip around doors and windows.	6 Install dimmer switches on incandescent lighting systems.	7 Wash clothes in cold water. Do full loads.	8 Use low wattage bulbs where possible.	9 Add insulation to your attic.	10 Fix leaking faucets and toilets.
11 Keep thermostats at 20 degrees Celsius or lower.	12 Install compact fluorescent lamps where appropriate.	13 Buy Power Smart appliances.	14 Install aerators on all sinks.	15 Keep refrigerator coils clean.	16 Install a programmable or high-efficiency thermostat.	17 Install double glazed or Low-E windows.
18 Close drapes at night to keep heat in.	19 Use the energy-saver cycle on dishwasher.	20 Ensure heat registers are not blocked.	21 Power Smart Night. Turn off all unnecessary lights at 8 pm sharp.	22 Check seals on refrigerator and oven doors.	23 Set hot water tank no higher than 60 degrees Celsius.	24 Put car block heater on a timer.
25 Insulate electric water tanks and 1 metre of the hot and cold water pipes.	26 Install insulating doors.	27 Use electrical appliances wisely.	28 Put outside lights on a timer or photocell/motion detector.	29 Turn off lights, fans and heaters when not needed.	30 Install a water-saving shower head.	31 Be Power Smart every day of the year.

Visit your local participating retailer during October and enter the **"Buy Power Smart and Win"** contest.
Win \$1,000 worth of energy-efficient products.
5 PRIZES TO BE WON.

**POWER
SMART
SAVES**

Enhancing Learning in a Technological Environment Educating for the Future

BCIT is holding its first conference for faculty and staff on Enhancing Learning in a Technological Environment on March 18 and 19, 1993. The conference theme, Educating for the Future, is intended to showcase instructional innovations both at BCIT and in the community at large.

CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

Presenters are invited to submit proposals for workshop sessions on March 19th for BCIT's first conference on enhancing learning in a technological environment.

PRESENTATION FORMAT

Proposals should emphasize learner participation and practical applications. We anticipate that 15-30 BCIT instructors will attend these sessions which can be either 45 or 60 minutes long.

PROPOSAL THEMES

Your proposal should relate to one or more of the following conference themes.

- critical thinking
- learning styles
- humour in the classroom
- teaching technical skills
- retention techniques
- motivating adult learners
- teaching leadership
- teaching writing and communication
- teaching in a multicultural and diversified environment

INFORMATION

Call (604) 432-8865

Submit proposals by
November 27, 1992, to:

Carol Dion
Special Events
BCIT

3700 Willingdon Avenue
Burnaby, B.C. V5G 3H2

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Proposals must be submitted by November 27, 1992, typewritten and include:

- Title of proposal.
- Theme(s) -- from list of conference themes.
- Name(s) and title(s) of presenter and co-presenter.
- Workshop length -- 45 minutes or 60 minutes.
- Abstract (250 words) -- the goals and content including purpose, relevant and relevance to contemporary higher education.
- Target audience (specify as many as apply: all instructors, managers/program heads, content area instructors, other).
- Summary (50 words) -- to be included in the conference proceedings.
- References -- 3 or 4 bibliographic references relevant to your topic.
- Format of Presentation -- lecture/discussion.
- Your qualifications as a conference presenter and as an expert on the subject.
- Description of participant involvement.
- AV equipment (specify requirements).
- Handouts (describe or attach if available).

EVALUATION PROCEDURE

The Planning Committee will use the following criteria to evaluate your proposed presentation

- is closely related to one or more of the conference themes
- provides for active participant involvement
- is of special interest to BCIT
- has a clearly identified purpose and target audience
- includes an appropriate amount of material for the time requested
- will maintain audience attention
- models innovative teaching strategies
- has pizzazzzzz!!!

Recycling

Welcome back to all staff and faculty. Nearly 500 responses to our Waste Audit Survey were received, full of useful ideas and comments which can make the program more effective. During this year we will be implementing many of your suggestions.

Last year we modified the paper program to improve efficiency and ease of use. With your participation, almost 100 tonnes of paper was diverted from landfills and recycled resulting in saving almost 200 pulp trees, a reduction in air and water pollution, and \$40,000 in garbage collection and disposal costs. We should all be proud of these accomplishments.

October is **Waste Reduction Month** and the BCIT Recycling Department challenges all staff, faculty and students to **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** like they never have before. Please familiarize yourself with the recycling containers in your area and the materials they accept, and encourage your colleagues and students to use them. Coffee mugs will again be on sale at all TNT Stores and Forster's Cafeterias. Why not "Lug a Mug" and get some extra coffee for free!

In the SW1, SW3 and SE12 buildings, the Marriot Custodial staff has taken over responsibility for the collection of your paper recycling bags. This will improve the service and eliminate overflowing bags. The program is still supervised by the Recycling Department. Enquiries and requests for pick up should be directed to us at 432-8288. All buildings on campus will be included in the custodial collection program by the end of November.

Glass Recycling.

Sorting is modeled after the paper program, so that **Clear Glass** accepts only clear bottles and jars, **Mixed** accepts green, brown, frosted and blue glass. "Clearly Canadian" bottles are blue, and must be included in the mixed category. Proper sorting of materials is essential if this program is to be successful.



BCIT is becoming recognized as a leader in Institutional Recycling and Waste Management and we look forward to working with all of you. It only takes a small effort to make a big difference to the environment our kids will inherit. Remember - If you're not recycling, you're throwing it all away.

From Tim Reeves
Recycling

Business reply cards and envelopes

Due to recent changes in Canada Post regulations, the design and general handling of business reply cards and envelopes will change, effective December 31, 1992. After December 31, 1992, the familiar circle indicia will no longer be accepted by Canada Post.

A sample of the new design is shown below:

Top right corner



In order to sort reply cards and return envelopes, the upper left hand corner is available for departmental personalization.

The three standard business reply envelopes, which will continue to be available from Central Stores, are 5 3/4" x 9 1/2" and 3 5/8 x 6 1/2. Non standard sizes may be ordered. The new Business Reply envelopes will be available in Central Stores after November 1, 1992.

For other requirements and further information, please contact Rita DiTomaso at 8472.

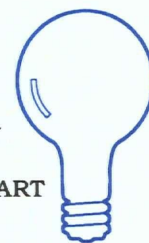
From Rita DiTomaso
Purchasing

Power Smart month

Once again B.C. Hydro, through it's Power Smart program, is encouraging all of B.C. to conserve energy and has designated October as POWER SMART MONTH. Wednesday, October 21 is POWER SMART NIGHT, when all unnecessary lights should be turned off at 8 pm sharp.

BCIT Physical Plant continues to be an active participant in this program by identifying and implementing measures to make BCIT more energy efficient.

To further this effort, Physical Plant invites participation from all areas of BCIT to be POWER SMART both at work and at home.



United Way
of the Lower Mainland
The way to help the most.

Missing

Missing from the media self-help area in Audiovisual Services, a Leteron machine which makes plastic letters for signs. This was borrowed last term and has not been returned. If anyone has seen this lettering machine, please contact Josephine at local 8867.

AIDS Vancouver workshop

Aids Vancouver on campus workshop - Dispel myths about AIDS; be aware.

Date: Wednesday, October 7, 1992

Time: 11:30 - 12:30

bring lunch and questions

Place: Town Square

Conference Room

For information, please call Anna Lisa Jones at local 8549.

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developed by women and their
children
learn

AWARENESS

Who the attacker really is
Why they attack &
What really happens in attacks

AVOIDANCE

How to make your environment as
safe as possible

ASSERTIVENESS

How to act & speak positively to
state what you want

ASSESSMENT

You choose what you will say and do

ACTION

What you CAN do to release and
fend off physical attacks

TO DEAL WITH ASSAULTS

by WOMEN EDUCATING IN SELF-
DEFENCE TRAINING

Classes will be held on campus. Call
8771 if you are interested.

International wine experience

Please hold Friday,
October 16th, 5 to 9
pm, for this annual
event. Taste from a
large assortment of international
and local wines plus samplings from
Freybe's award winning food
products.

Your \$18 ticket includes com-
memorative wine glass and 10
tasting tickets.

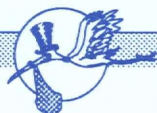
Please support this fund-raising
effort by the Rotary Club of Burnaby
which contributes to BCIT students
through scholarships and awards.

Tickets available at SW1 or call
2115/8218 to reserve your place at
the table.



Diapers!

Product of Murray
and Angela Smith.....Tamara
Elizabeth Smith was born at 4:30
am Sunday, September 20. She
weighed in at a hefty 9 lbs, 3 oz.
Everybody's doing really well.



Family Campaign

**Congratulations to Lorna
Stokkeland** who won \$500 in the
second to last draw for the Drive for
500 Lottery. Another lucky winner
from Print Services.

Ser Khee Lee, evening supervisor
at the Downtown Education Centre, is
the Drive for 500 Lottery Grand Prize
winner of \$2000. Congratulations
Ser Khee!

"I think it's terrific" noted the
ecstatic winner. "I have no idea
what I am going to do with the
money yet."

Well, I'm sure we can all think of a
million things to do with \$2000
including buying a ticket for the 92/
93 Drive for 500 Lottery which
begins with a \$500 prize draw on
October 2. Call 432-8643 or 432-
8792 to get your tickets. Tickets
cost \$78 each and can be purchased
by cash, cheque or through payroll
deductions. A total of \$16,000 in
prizes will be awarded throughout
the year.

On behalf of the BCIT Family
Campaign Committee, I would like to
extend my sincere thanks to
everyone who purchased a 91/92
Drive for 500 Lottery ticket.
Through this lottery we raised just
over \$10,000 for scholarships and
bursaries for BCIT students. With
Capital Campaign and Ministry of
Advanced Education, Training and
Technology matching, this endows
\$30,000 for the benefit of BCIT
students.

We'll have more information on the
new endowment in the next issue of
the Family Campaign newsletter in
October.

Thanks again for your support.

*From Cathy Daminato
Major Gifts Coordinator*

CLASSIFIED

1987 Volkswagen Jetta-4 door, 5
speed, silver, sunroof, am/fm
cassette, includes winter tires on rims
as well as summer tires in their own
rims. Moving overseas and I must sell
ASAP. Excellent condition. Please
call Jennifer at HPTS local 4506 or call
926-1072 after 5 pm. Asking \$7000 or
o.b.o.

Bill Smith

Long-time Broadcast Instructor
Bill Smith passed away July 28. Bill
was an extremely popular instructor
in copywriting and announcing. He
retired in 1984. Since then, he and
his wife Mary spent about half of
each year in California and the other
half here in B.C.

Bill was a famous man! He was
known as "JOHNNY CANUCK" to
thousands of servicemen in the
Second World War who tuned in to
the BBC to hear his wonderful tenor
voice singing their favorite tunes.

He returned to Canada and started
working in radio on the prairies
where he won numerous awards for
his work.

When he moved to Vancouver, he
began in the advertising agency
business where he was responsible
for such memorable advertising
campaigns as "I like the girl at
checkout number three!"
(SUPERVALU), "Two, two mints in
one!" (CERTS) and "When you eat
your Smarties, do you eat the red
ones last?" (SMARTIES).

In the mid-seventies, Bill moved to
BCIT, first in Marketing, and then to
Broadcast. Of all the instructors I've
ever known in this department, Bill
was the best-loved. He was an
extremely supportive instructor,
encouraging, reinforcing, positive,
etc. He loved his students, and they
in turn loved him. We'll miss him!

*From Brian Antonson
Broadcast*

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