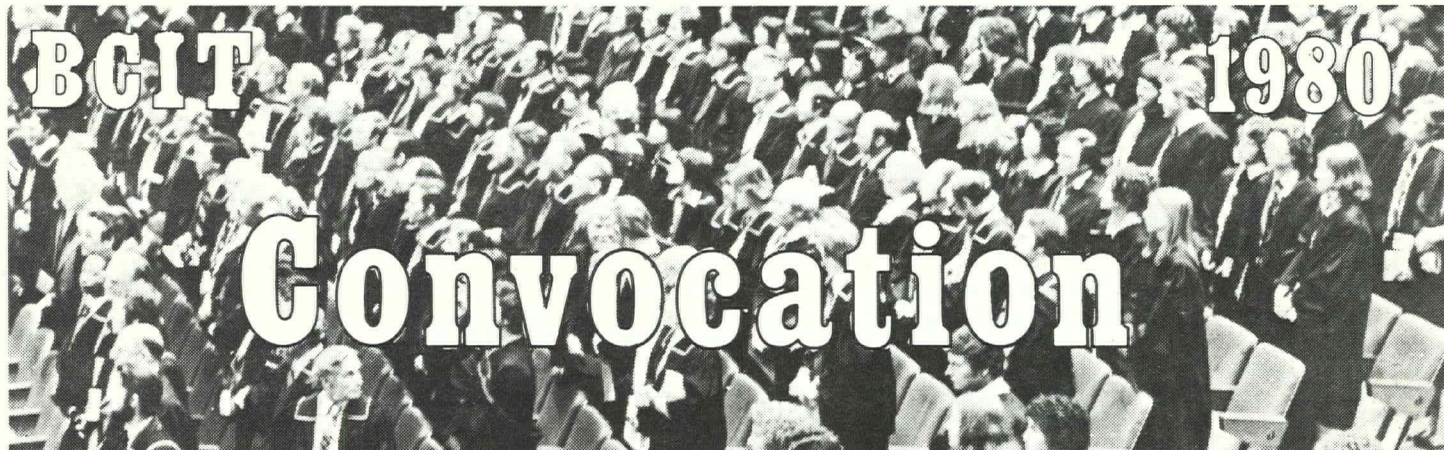


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About 1,650 students will each receive a National Diploma of Technology during BCIT's fifteenth annual Convocation ceremonies tomorrow at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The ceremonies begin at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Iona Campagnolo, former federal Minister of State, Fitness and Amateur Sport and host of

the CBC show *One of a Kind*, will speak at both ceremonies. Diplomas will be conferred on students in the Engineering Division at the morning ceremony. Students from the Business and Health Divisions will receive diplomas at the afternoon ceremony. Faculty and staff are invited to attend.



Campagnolo: One of a Kind

By PENNY FRENO-LINK

Life goes, for the most part, according to plan for Iona Campagnolo.

Campagnolo, former minister of fitness and amateur sport and now host of the CBC television show *One of a Kind*, maintains that despite some minor disruptions in her schedule (she feels her career in politics ended prematurely), her life is "pretty well planned."

"My life is planned," stated the 47-year-old Campagnolo. "It has been sectioned off into activities. It's

just that things aren't happening in the right sequence."

Campagnolo, who will speak tomorrow at BCIT's fifteenth annual Convocation ceremonies, is not (as she puts it) "some mythological figure who came from the kitchen in an apron to the post of a federal minister."

She has devoted the majority of her life to public service activities. From her role as a school trustee, to a Prince Rupert alderman, to a member of parliament, to a federal cabinet minister,

she has spent about 16 years in the service area.

"When I first entered politics, people thought I was suffering from the bored housewife syndrome," said Campagnolo.

Campagnolo knew better. She was concerned about the quality of education her two daughters were receiving.

"I felt they [daughters Gian and Jennifer] were not getting the proper education, so instead of joining the PTA, I became a school trustee."

Two years later she assumed the role of chairman of the board of trustees.

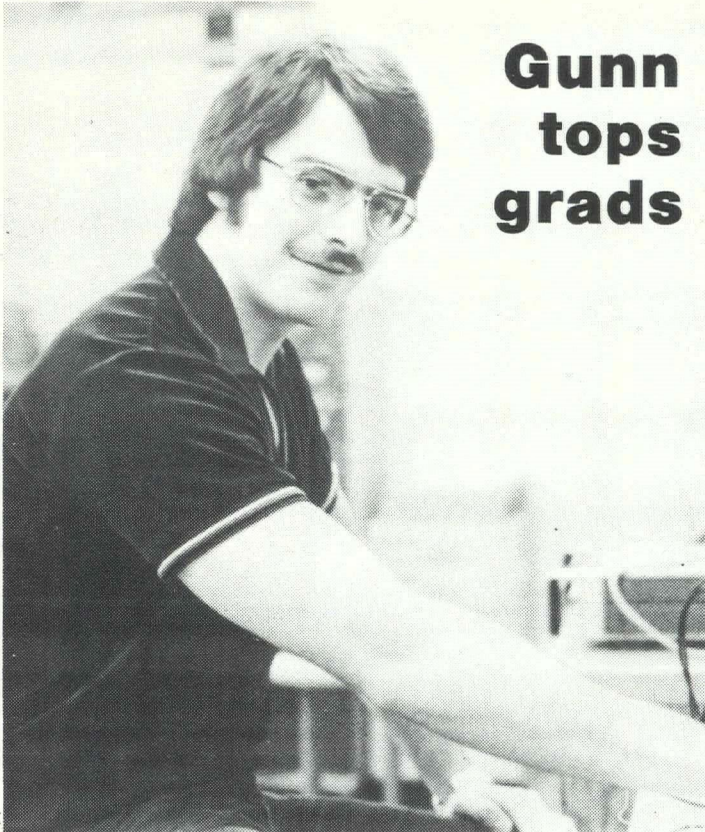
Once Campagnolo had a taste of the public service she put into action a well thought-out plan.

Next on her agenda—an aldermanic post with the City of Prince Rupert.

"As an alderman I learned all sorts of things," she said. "The job was stimulating and I enjoyed the public service aspect of the position."

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And the winners are . . .



Gunn tops grads

Neil Gunn

The Governor General's Silver Medal is presented to the student with the highest academic standing in second year.

Neil Gunn has got it made. Gunn, a student in the Control option of the Electrical Technology, has been selected winner of the 1980 Governor General's Silver Medal. He completed his second year with a 95.8 per cent average.

He is also the recipient of the Electro-Tec Marketers Limited Award in Control Electronics, the MacDonald, Dettwiler and Associates Limited Prize in Control Electronics and the BCIT Mathematics department Book Prize.

After Convocation, Gunn will be taking a position in Grande Prairie, Alta., with Dresser-Atlas, an international company where advancement is the rule rather than an exception.

And he's only 19.

Gunn came to BCIT in 1978 fresh out of Steveston High in Richmond. He chose BCIT over the University of B.C. simply because he had heard more about the BCIT program.

"It was very good," said Gunn of the program.

"They taught me more than I thought they could in two years."

Gunn will put his training to

the test with Dresser-Atlas. He will receive additional on-the-job training in electronic oil well logging during the summer. In the fall, he'll take advantage of the company's 40-acre development centre in Texas for more training.

"It's a good company," said Gunn, "and they like to push people up really fast."

Gunn added that the opportunity to work abroad for the company appeals to him.

Gunn, a Vancouver native, had originally planned to attend Ontario's Lakehead University in the fall.

"They have a special deal there," he said. He explained that students with more than a 75 per cent average in a technological school can apply for enrolment in fourth-year engineering courses. A degree in engineering is at the end of a further two years of study.

"The degree [from Lakehead] might not hold as much weight as one from UBC, but it's still recognized," he said.

"But I'm going to put that off for a few years," said Gunn.

"I need a break."

McKilligan: from skates to speech

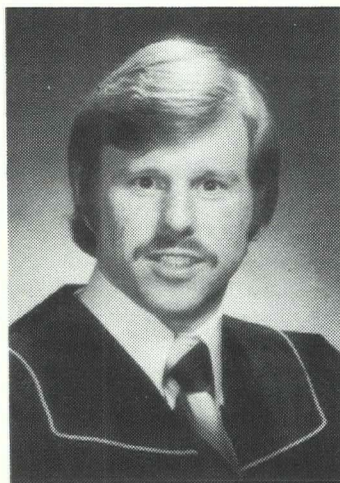
"I hope the speech will have meaning for all the students," said John McKilligan, valedictorian for the Convocation ceremonies.

"The most difficult thing is the fact that there are different technologies and students who are diverse in age, experience, and their hopes and aspirations," he said.

"I'm not hoping to be heavy duty," said McKilligan. "I'm hoping to motivate and bind together the sense of feeling that we are the graduating class of '80."

McKilligan, 31, is an Administrative Management student. He enrolled in the program after setting up his own business in Australia, but the real reason he went "Down Under" was to teach skating.

McKilligan's education at Simon Fraser University was in-



John McKilligan

terrupted for a year in 1967 when he and his sister were crowned Canadian Pairs Champions in figure skating. In 1968, the McKilligans represented Canada in the Winter Olympics

in Grenoble, France.

At the time, McKilligan was enrolled in the four-year Chemical Physics honors program at SFU. When his interest switched to business, he decided to return to school.

"I did very well in business [of air conditioning and fibreglass insulation]," he said.

"I had no business experience. Some things had come up and I realized I had some shortcomings so I chose to come back to school," he said.

McKilligan said that he came to BCIT knowing what he wanted from the program, and that most of his expectations had been fulfilled.

McKilligan also said, however, that some aspects have frustrated him.

"I might have been more vocal than others," he said. "I

knew what I wanted to get out of the program before I got here and when I didn't get what I wanted, I'd jump and scream and bang my head against the wall."

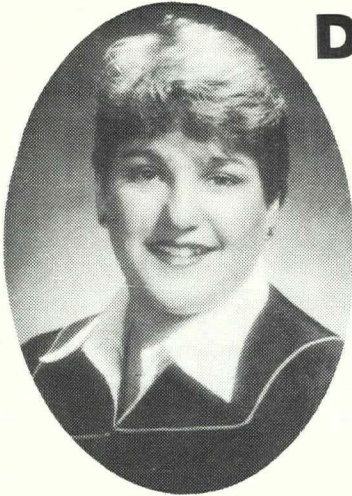
McKilligan, born in Victoria but raised in Nanaimo and Vancouver, is initially going into the field of real estate sales.

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Dillon clinches citizenship award



Diana Dillon

The Board of Governors' Award for Citizenship is presented to a student who has performed outstanding leadership service to peers, faculty and staff. The student is also recognized for academic honors.

Diane Dillon's active interest in her technology, fellow students and BCIT, along with her academic achievements, will be recognized tomorrow when she receives the Board of Governors' Award for Citizenship.

Dillon, a 23-year-old student in the Hospitality and Tourism Administration Technology, was involved in two major technology projects this year. She was, according to instructor Bob Brett, "one of the key movers behind Industry Days and she was very actively involved in organizing a student convention. She was what held it together."

The student convention brought about 125 student delegates to Vancouver from Saskatchewan, Alberta and

Vancouver Island for a three-day conference. Industry Days is a two-day meeting between students and industry representatives.

Dillon also sat on the Student Association executive as the technology representative, and Brett said "she actually did what she said she was going to do."

"In her first year, she said when we get there [second year] we'll change things," Brett said. "She did. We had more activities, dances and social events this year than we've had in a long time."

For the Fernie-born Dillon, the past year was busy.

"I was involved in many activities. It was interesting. I worked hard. I won't miss the

work, but I'll really miss the people," she said.

Brett said Dillon did not restrict her activities to the day time. "She was often found up here in the evenings," Brett said. "She'd be talking to students or working for the technology. She is well motivated and always interested in whatever other people are saying and doing."

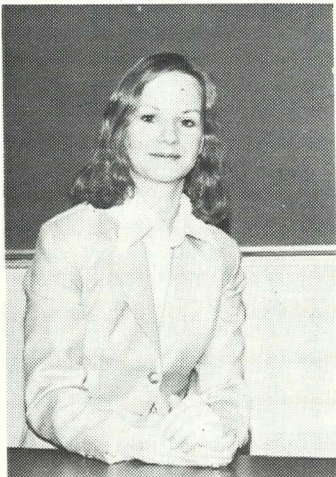
Dillon, who tried her hand at university and worked for about 18 months as a dental technician, "always wanted to attend BCIT."

Dillon, who received the Hotel Vancouver graduate prize at the Graduate Awards Ceremony on June 12, hopes to start her career in the hotel business.

Wedge pockets medal

Diana Wedge, the recipient of the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for Continuing Education and Industry Services (CEIS), juggles her time between study, committee meetings, work and racquetball.

The combination has proved to be a successful one for her. She has recently earned her BCIT Business Certificate in Administrative Management, maintaining an 84.7 per cent average during three years.



Diana Wedge

The Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for CEIS is presented to a part-time student for outstanding personal contribution.

Wedge, 24, has also found time to serve on several committees at BCIT. In the Continuing Education Division, she has been on the Student Committee for the past two years. Among her accomplishments related to this department are: establishing a CEIS Used Bookstore, co-ordinating a Student Feedback Week and conducting a student survey on those attending the downtown campus.

Wedge is also currently a student representative on two Educational Council committees.

"I feel the committees I've served on have given me as much education as the classes I've taken," said Wedge. "It's been a real education."

But it's not all play and no work for Wedge. She now is employed as a mortgage officer and assistant to the supervisor at First City Trust Co. Ltd.

"It's a quasi-supervisory position," she said.

Wedge plans to continue her education at BCIT until she enrolls in the four-year Urban Land Economics program at the University of B.C.

But that won't be until January, she said.

Meanwhile, she swings a mean racquet.

Rollick gets nod

Gordon Rollick has logged a lot of hours in meetings during the past year.

Rollick, a 27-year-old student in the Administrative Management Technology, has spent the past year as a student representative to the Board of Governors. In recognition of his involvement, he will be presented with the Principal's Award.

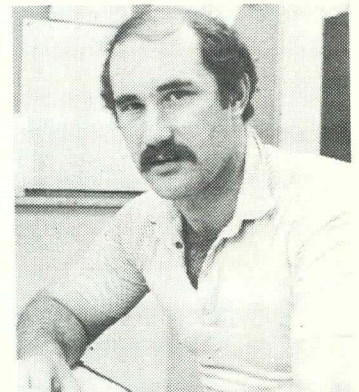
In between board meetings, Rollick has managed to maintain a first-class academic standing during the past two terms.

Rollick will still be loitering around the Student Association offices in July, preparing a handbook on policies and procedures for incoming SA councils.

After that, he'll be looking for a "good business opportunity," probably in sales.

Rollick, born in the Kootenays but a resident of Vancouver for the past 10 years, came to BCIT after he had attained a B.Sc. from the University of B.C. Prior to that, he attended the University of Western Ontario for a year.

Rollick switched from university education to institute training because he thought the latter would provide him with less



Gordon Rollick

theoretical learning, which is what he wanted.

"I decided I wanted to have a business background and I wanted to get some good, solid business training," he said.

"It [the program] gives pretty broad knowledge," he said, "and pretty good experience to set up your own business."

Rollick admitted that his goal is setting up his own business, "which would be down the road a few years, presumably."

The Principal's Award is presented to a student who has been an active participant in institute events while maintaining a high academic standing.

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Campagnolo

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the Galiano Island-born Campagnolo was on her way to Ottawa as a Liberal member of parliament for Skeena.

Campagnolo admits that the Liberal Party's request to have her as a candidate in the 1974 federal campaign came about five years earlier than she had planned.

"The Liberals came to me," she said. "I was convinced it was simply because they wanted a woman in their line-up. I told them I'd run, but that I wanted to run a real campaign; I wasn't interested in anything less."

Campagnolo got what she wanted: a campaign, a victory and a chance to represent northern B.C. and western Canada in Ottawa.

She didn't enter the House of Commons as a backbencher, but was named parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. She held that post for two years before becoming Canada's first Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport in September, 1976.

"When Prime Minister Trudeau asked me to take on the cabinet post of minister of fitness and amateur sport, I burst out laughing," she said.

"I told him I didn't know a thing about sports and he told me I didn't have to. Trudeau said it was important to know about people and Canadians. He said if I took it, it would be good for women. Then he had me."

That evening Campagnolo was on national television talking about hockey.

"I had to learn about sport and fitness, but it was exciting and I loved every minute of it, and I'm still involved," explained Campagnolo.

Campagnolo is currently developing a minor degree program in athletic

coaching for Simon Fraser University.

"In the beginning of my political career I thought it was important to be moral, honest and better than anyone else," she said. "I still believe that, but I also learned you have to be the toughest, meanest son of a bitch in the marble game; I didn't know I could be all those things."

Campagnolo, who calls herself a feminist, said she would encourage women to enter politics.

"Every woman should aspire to do anything she wants, including politics. And, for any woman interested in politics, I'd say, go, it's well worth the price."

"It is tremendously hard work. I worked 15 to 18 hours a day, seven days a week with only one or two weeks off a year," she said.

Campagnolo said she believed all the years of work were beneficial.

"My work in Ottawa was useful to B.C. I have a good feeling about what I did there. I was in a very good position to represent B.C."

She is somewhat bitter about being rejected at the polls in the recent federal election. "I have a bit of bitter residue for not being accepted for a job well done," she said. "But there is no use feeling bitter; no one else cares."

She feels she has become a real Canadian through her political career. She said she is as much at home in Toronto as she is in other less known communities in the country.

Campagnolo said people have trouble determining "where she stands."

"The Liberal Party thinks I'm left of centre; others think I'm right wing. The thing that is most important is that I must be consistent within myself. I'd rather go down with all guns firing than mealy-mouth an issue."

During the past year Campagnolo has had "a lot of



spare time."

"I've started to cook again, I've appeared on talk shows and given speeches across the country, and I've started having guests again—entertaining."

But with all this free time, she said she is feeling a bit "self-indulgent."

"I want to switch back into the service area—that's where I'm happiest."

Well, the woman is getting her wish. Campagnolo plans to raise between \$300,000 and \$500,000 for 10,000 Cambodian refugees, living in a camp five kilometers from Bangkok.

"The money will be used, by CUSO, for training and development," she explained. "The money will go towards teaching them [the refugees] life skills; the life skills they lost because of the war."

Campagnolo will travel to Bangkok this summer to produce a short film and some commercials to use in her fundraising campaign.

The world of broadcasting is not foreign to Campagnolo. For nine years she was the host of a Prince Rupert radio program *Ladies First*.

"It was a morning show I did when there were women's sections in newspapers and women's shows. It was an interview and news program."

Audiences know her more recently as host of CBC's prime time interview program, *One of a Kind*.

"I really enjoyed doing the show and all the

guests," she said. "It was always interesting to me, because every person is 'one of a kind.' I got to see, along with my viewers, a glimpse of the real person. We got to show the ways in which people handle success."

Campagnolo has just wrapped up her first season of *One of a Kind*, and will not start filming for the new season until August.

"Broadcasters are a great contrast compared with politicians. You find self-revelators in broadcasting, but in politics you have to be self-protective, almost paranoid. You're always on the defensive," she said.

Will she return to politics?

"Never say never. I cannot see re-entry into politics. I'm out of the system now. I'm a centralist and people like me are out of the system," she explained.

"Who knows, maybe when I'm older. It's an advantage to look old in politics when you're a woman; that's the only time they take you seriously. Anyway, my life is already planned."

Right now, Campagnolo is concentrating on her Convocation speech. "It's called 'Equation for Success: Skill plus Self-Realization.' It's a very complicated speech; I worked on it for about one week."

She's also thinking about something else. Living and working in a third world country. "Africa, Asia, I'll go anywhere."