

# ambassador

## Keeping company with Dal Richards

A romance that had its beginnings as a friendship at BCIT, 30 years ago.

When you've entertained Vancouverites as one of the city's finest musicians and bandleaders for decades, managed several of Vancouver's top hotels, released seven albums, and travelled the globe – what's a fellow to do next?

More of the same!

Dal Richards, a Vancouver icon, has charmed and delighted music lovers since the 1940s. After the advent of Beatle-mania, the big band sound went into a decline and Richards had to reinvent his

career. He entered BCIT in 1966 as the oldest Hospitality student on their roster, at age 48. It was there that he befriended Muriel Honey, an 18-year old Broadcasting student who was working toward a career in radio news.

After graduation from BCIT, Honey's hoped-for news career led her instead to a robust, long-running career in public relations and politics; and Richards ended up back on the music circuit after 12 years of successfully running several Vancouver hotels.

But the biggest

surprise of all was the romance that Richards and Honey found after rediscovering their friendship 30 years later.

She was the girl next door, so to speak. In addition to bumping into each other at many of the city's events, Honey's condominium was just around the corner from Richard's penthouse loft on the fringes of the old Expo site. "Let's just say I borrowed one cup of sugar too many," jokes Richards, of their renewed friendship in the late 1990s.

The two of them ended up marrying in 2001 and now their adventures take them on one honeymoon after another (five of them so far). Richards and Honey both have hectic and full work schedules, so the time they manage to spend together is always "a treat," Honey says.

Today, Richards is still one of the City's busiest bandleaders, has a new album in the works, hosts his very popular Dal's Place radio show on 600AM, and coordinates the entertainment line-up at the Pan Pacific Hotel. After a decade of working with successive Vancouver mayors, Honey is now manager of the City's Film and Special Events Office and helps manage Richards' business. They both love their jobs and cite the preparation BCIT gave them.

"I'm still using it," Richards says of his education at BCIT. Honey found that her training in Broadcasting lent itself well to a career in public and media relations.

In their living room, Richard's Honorary Doctorate of Technology from BCIT (1999) hangs on the wall among their many other awards.

But Honey and Richards' biggest accolades seem to be for each other.

"He's really disciplined and focussed," Honey said, half-joshing Richards for his workaholic tendencies.

"I couldn't find anyone more supportive than this one," Richards says in turn, tapping her arm affectionately.

The company they keep with each other has meant that thousands can keep company with them, through Richards' music. The Dal Richards orchestra is continually playing in the Lower Mainland and in various locations around B.C.

The mission of the BCIT Alumni Association is to build and maintain relationships between graduates and the BCIT community, and to support the Institute in fulfilling its mission.

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Dal Richards and Muriel Honey



## President's message

Excitement is building in your Alumni Board of Directors. There was tremendous energy at our September strategic planning session, as we reviewed plans for the upcoming Alumni Profile Campaign and next year's Distinguished Alumni Awards. In this issue, we have included a call for nominations for these awards. See page 5 or visit our Web site for more details.

Thank you to all who responded to our summer promotion for the new BCIT MasterCard. Soon you'll receive another promotion for the MasterCard, with information about our great new card – the Mosaik MasterCard. We're very excited about this, as the card is perhaps the most flexible and adaptable credit card to hit the market. Watch for the details.

I apologize to those of you who receive the promotion even though you have already applied, or who perhaps receive other Bank of Montreal MasterCard promotions. The reason for this is that we protect your privacy. We don't give our program partners your personal information to direct market to you, so we have no way of cross-checking your status with them. If you don't want to receive this type of mail from the Alumni Office, we will remove you from our marketing list. There is a form on page 7 to facilitate you letting us know your wishes in this regard.

Attention travel agents: the Alumni Associations of BCIT and SFU share an interest in offering grads a range of travel opportunities. Our organizations wish to partner with an agent of record who will identify and negotiate travel opportunities to market to our collective alumni (over 140,000). We invite written expressions of interest from qualified travel industry specialists. For specific information on what to include with your submission, visit our Web site.

I can tell you we're having fun as your elected representatives at BCIT. The Institution, under President Knowles' leadership, is thriving, with enrolments up, state of the art equipment and software being donated, and students and faculty being honoured for their accomplishments. I hope you enjoy reading this issue of the *Ambassador*. We certainly enjoy sharing all the good news about BCIT and fellow graduates with our alumni!

Best wishes for a productive Fall and Winter, and a happy holiday season.

Scott Gray,  
Broadcast and Media Communications '88

PRESIDENT  
BCIT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

# Changes coming in trades training

Becoming a journeyman is going to look very different in the years to come. BCIT is working with industry, government and other training facilities to find more efficient and effective ways of delivering trades training.

One of the challenges facing our province is to attract more students to a trades career. A committee has been established to find ways to make it easier for students to pursue their training in this regard. This Transition Advisory Committee will help the province come up with approaches and solutions to replace the current ITAC (Industry Training and Apprenticeship Commission) structure. The entire governance and delivery structure of trades training in the province is being evaluated and re-designed.

"The proposed intent is to allow people to do the bulk of their training up front, which will reduce the amount of time it takes to become a journeyman," explains Tony Knowles, BCIT president, who serves on the committee.

"Under the proposed plan students won't have to be employed by industry in order to begin their studies. They would enter as normal fee-payers," Knowles says, referring to the way students in other fields of study pursue their learning.

The idea is for students to take more responsibility for their own training, and to give them a certain degree of control over timing and achievement. Competency-based testing will be emphasized rather than the time they've spent in a trade.



Trades training at BCIT, and province-wide, will be structured quite differently in the years to come.

"Students will have an opportunity to schedule their training when it suits them," says Amanda Hill, Apprentice Service manager for BCIT.

"Laddering opportunities into other credentials will also become easier," she adds.

That means that tradespersons completing a program of studies in a given trade can pursue further studies by linking their previous program to a higher credential – a diploma, or a Bachelor of Technology, for example.

These changes reflect BCIT's comprehensive polytechnic approach to education.

Knowles explains, "By creating as many learning opportunities as possible for our trades students, we are trying to create a closer alignment of the trades with the rest of the Institute's programming."

For more information, call 604-456-8100 or e-mail [bcit\\_apprentice@bcit.ca](mailto:bcit_apprentice@bcit.ca).

## Alumni meet the challenge

BCIT alumni have met the challenge! As of September, the Alumni Appeal 2002 reached \$56,638 in contributions to support the library, BCIT programs across the campus, and the Alumni Association Scholarship and Bursary Endowment Fund.

A "Challenge Grant" of \$15,000 was donated by the Alumni Association to match – one to one – donations received during this year's Alumni Appeal. The Alumni Board's leadership inspired the BCIT Foundation to pledge matching funds as well, for triple the benefit of each donation up to a total of \$15,000.

Contributions to the Alumni Appeal make a real difference to real lives, helping students to be the best they can be, providing the latest training and equipment, and creating the highest quality polytechnic education at BCIT.

"We want to thank the alumni who gave so generously to this year's appeal," says Scott Gray, president of the Alumni Association. "And we invite all the grads we were unable to reach to please pledge your support now to the area of importance to you."

Visit [www.foundation.bcit.ca](http://www.foundation.bcit.ca) to make your own online contribution.



Thank you for supporting BCIT!

Celebrating the donation of \$4,000 to the BCIT Alumni Association Endowment Fund – \$2000 each from the Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of BC (ASTTBC), and the Foundation for Education & Advancement in Technology (FEAT) – are (left to right): Laurie Clarke, executive director, BCIT Foundation and Alumni Association; Marv Woolley, Part-time Studies project coordinator, Lifelong Learning; Alison Dewhurst, chair, BCIT Alumni Association Fundraising Committee, and Learning Management System coordinator, Lifelong Learning; Hugh Dobbie, president, and Ted Nodwell, deputy executive director, ASTTBC.



# Taking on the trades shortage in B.C.

One of the top economic issues of our province – a shortage of skilled trades workers – is being tackled by a construction industry partnership led by Vancouver-based real estate developer Concert Properties Ltd.

“Our industry needs to take a leadership role in addressing the skills shortage,” said David Podmore, president and CEO of Concert Properties. “I’m delighted that so many of our colleagues in the construction industry are willing to join this initiative to encourage young people to consider the trades as a career option.”

Partnering with Concert in the Trades Discovery Sponsorship Program initiative are: Bel Construction Ltd., Bosa Construction Inc., Dominion Construction Ltd., Fraser River Pile & Dredge Ltd., Harris Rebar, Gallagher Bros. Contractors



(Above) Construction industry partners show off their new toolboxes, crafted by BCIT Trades Discovery students to thank them for their participation.



(Left) David Podmore, CEO of Concert Properties, who spearheaded the trades initiative, with Laurie Clarke, executive director of the BCIT Foundation.

by its industry partners, for a total of \$59,500 raised in the first year of the program.

“A new member of our Foundation Board, and long-time supporter of trades training at BCIT, David Podmore has shown tremendous leadership in coordinating this contribution to Trades Discovery students. This unique partnership between Concert Properties and other industry members is a significant gift to BCIT,” says Laurie Clarke, executive director of the BCIT Foundation.

The money will be used to finance entrance awards and grants to students enrolled in two innovative programs offered through BCIT's School of Transportation. The programs help students to evaluate their suitability for working in the trades and determine which trade to pursue. Trades Discovery General (open to men and women) and Trades Discovery for Women are offered on a full-time basis over a 20-week period in each of the fall and spring semesters at BCIT. Students receive hands-on experience in approximately 20 different trades.

The sponsorship program will reward each student that completes the program with a \$200 grant to help recover the cost of enrolment. Those who choose to continue in an eligible BCIT full-time trades program may apply for one of 25 \$1,000 entrance awards.

Trades Discovery instructor Tamara Pongracz said the two programs are in high demand. “Concert Properties’ contribution is a motivational solution to the pending skills shortage. It’s great to see support for students in their pursuit of, and access to, trades training.”

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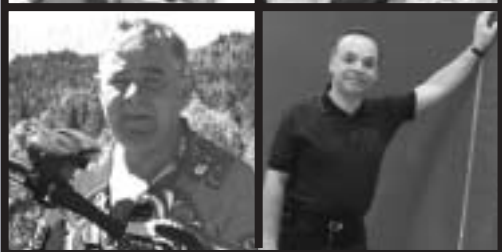


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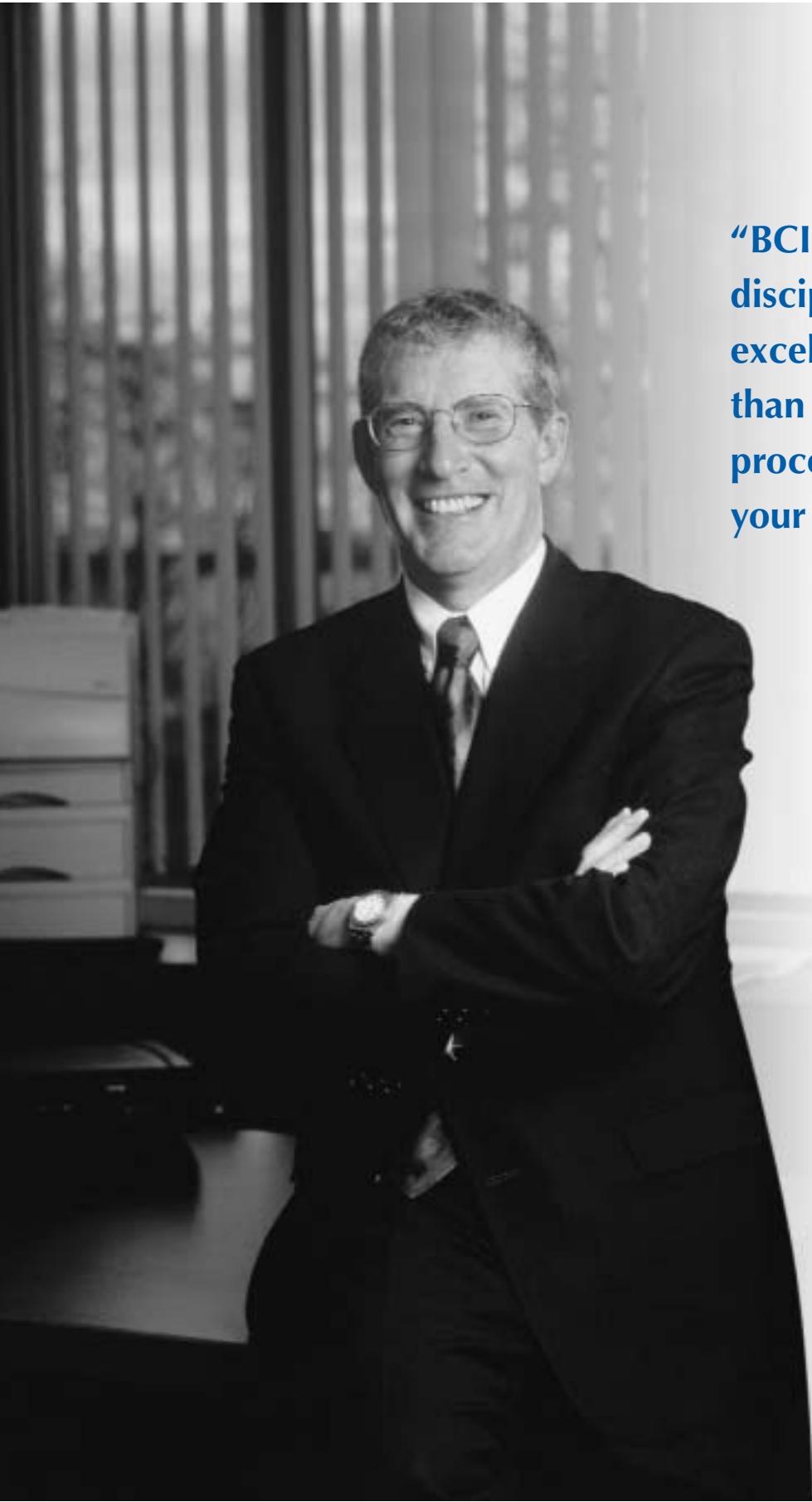
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**Dr. G. Wynne Powell, FCGA**

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Photo: Alex Waterhouse-Hayward



**We're proud of our graduates!**



# Lights... Camera... Action!

A remotely controlled fixture mounting system, developed at BCIT, could have an impact on the thriving film production industry in North America.

Film production crews use a variety of light fixtures and dozens of different settings during each day of production. In many cases the fixtures must be mounted high on stands hung from the studio



The remote lighting system is demonstrated by Nigel Halsted, research associate (seated).

ceiling, or in an outdoor setting, from a crane or "man lift." Once the fixtures are in place the direction of the light and the shape of the beam is set manually. If a change is required, considerable time can be wasted sending a person up a lift to make adjustments and the exercise may require moving large portions of the set to grant lift access. Each time a fixture is adjusted the risk of a fall injury is also present.

Epic Entertainment Ltd., a supplier of lighting and camera services, contracted BCIT to develop a dependable, fail-safe method of controlling a wide range of lights remotely. Researchers, at BCIT's Technology Centre, designed and built a motorized fixture mounting system that fits the majority of standard light fixtures used by the film industry. This novel design allows lighting crews to adjust flood and spot lights and control panning, and tilting from any location on the set.

The prototype, designed and built to be production ready, is currently in use on film projects within the Vancouver area. The industry response has been very positive. Epic Entertainment is now looking into production alternatives and intends to market the system to the growing film industry in North America.

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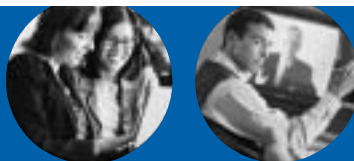
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## Upcoming Reunions

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Marketing classes 90H1 and 90H2, that graduated in June 1968 are planning a 35-year reunion for Spring 2003. Contact Al Mutis at [almutis@attcanada.net](mailto:almutis@attcanada.net) or 604-290-3333 or Rick Lewall at [ricklewall@telus.net](mailto:ricklewall@telus.net) or 604-943-2727.

### ATTENTION GRADUATING CLASS OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY 1993

A 10-year reunion will be held next year at the BCIT Burnaby campus. The date has tentatively been set for May 3, 2003. Contact Paula O'Keeffe at 604-456-8053 or [pokeeffe@bcit.ca](mailto:pokeeffe@bcit.ca).

## Call for Nominations

### BCIT DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD AND THE HONORARY DOCTOR OF TECHNOLOGY

Nominations for BCIT's highest honours, awarded to individuals in recognition of outstanding and sustained service to BCIT and for outstanding achievements in their areas of expertise, respectively, are accepted anytime by the BCIT Tributes Committee. Deadlines for upcoming ceremonies are Nov. 15 (June 2003) and May 9 (Feb. 2004). Please visit [www.bcit.ca/AwardsOfDistinction](http://www.bcit.ca/AwardsOfDistinction) for more information.

### FIRST ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS 2003

Honour a BCIT graduate (from any year or program) for his/her accomplishments and contributions with a prestigious BCIT Distinguished Alumni Award, to be presented during our first annual Alumni Awards Event in 2003. Please visit [www.alumni.bcit.ca](http://www.alumni.bcit.ca) or call 604-432-8847 to obtain details, award categories and a nomination form.

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# Grapevine

## 2000

### DAWES, DAWN (GUSS) – Human Resource Management

After graduating, Dawn began work with Caring for First Nations Children Society. This provincial society works in cooperation with First Nations Child and Family Service Programs to protect and foster the well being of First Nations children and families. CFNCS has published a book "In the Future, First Nations Children Will...", a collection of art and poetry created by First Nations children. You can purchase a copy at info@cfncs.com or www.cfncs.com.

### MICHAUD, JOSEPH – Aircraft Structures

Joseph is very discouraged. He graduated with 87 per cent in the Aircraft Structures Technical Program. He had 0 tardiness and 0 absenteeism and worked part-time while attending BCIT. He was hired at Avcorp Industries but has been laid off following the Sept. 11 terrorist attack. Joseph cannot find a job in the aviation industry so he is working part-time in construction to pay off his student loans. He is fearful he will forget his training.

*Publisher's note: Take heart Joseph; a recent provincial survey identified that a combination of new positions plus attrition in the current Aerospace Industry workforce will result in more than 3,400 vacancies over the next three to five years.*

## 1998

### HALL, DAVID - Computer Systems, Database Option

David and his wife just had a son named Riley David Hall, born on June 11, 2002. Riley was a bit on the heavy side at birth, weighing in at 9 lbs., 5 oz.

## 1997

### DEVLIN, DEACON – Marketing Management

Since graduation, Deacon completed his B.Comm, worked at BCIT and did sales for an alcohol manufacturer. He is now working in the fundraising field. "Take it easy all," he writes.

## 1994

### DA COSTA, ANN-MARIE – Financial Management

Ann-Marie obtained her CGA in 2000 and just bought a house.

### SILVER, BRIAN – Elec-Computer Control

After graduation Brian worked at Creo Products for two years. He went on to work for Nortel Networks, first as a Test Technician, then as an Application Engineer in Calgary. His business unit at Nortel was sold to GE Multilin in August 2001 and he relocated back to Burnaby. Brian was married in 2000 to Sharon. They just purchased a townhouse in Port Coquitlam.

## 1993

### BALFOUR, THERESA (MCCABE) – Computer Systems

Does anyone know where Bruce Flemming is? Theresa is happy she found God and is happy she found Tim too. Life is tough. Things should be more or less normal in ? Two years? God promised Theresa everything would work out, but He didn't say when.

## 1992

### RANGER, KAREN (ELLS) – Medical Laboratory Science

Karen and her husband Lee have two daughters, Jordyn, 3 years, and Charlyse, 18 months. They have recently moved to Armstrong, in the sunny Okanagan. Lee is employed at the Salmon Arm Golf Course as director of Golf Instruction. Karen is on an extended maternity leave until job opportunities become available at the local hospitals. Tina or Sheri, if you are reading this, drop me a line at lkgolfranger@aol.com.

### DOHERTY, GLEN – Marketing Management, Advertising and Sales Promotion

Glen is currently finishing the Bachelor of Commerce program at Royal Roads University and is hoping to complete his MBA at a local campus, with an emphasis on International Business. When all this is finished, Glen intends to become a diplomat and obtain a PhD.

## 1990

### DESROCHER, BRENT – Chemical Sciences

Brent and his family have recently relocated to Prince George, B.C. after living and working in Squamish, B.C. for 12 years. He is working at Canfor's Northwood Pulp Mill as a fibreline supervisor.

### WONG, EDWIN – Operations Management

Ed and Ling are enjoying a good life and have an awesome four year old son named Robert. Ed enjoys spending time with his wife and son. He works on a number of projects which gives him a very flexible schedule. Much of his time is spent on headhunting talent for one of his e-commerce projects. Ed is interested in hearing from old friends and classmates. E-mail at e-wong@telus.net.

## 1988

### FERNANDES, CARLOS – Financial Management

After graduation Carlos concluded his CMA designation while working for the Canadian Western Bank. He moved to Europe to work for ABN AMRO and has since worked for Deutsche Bank. He is now employed by ING in Lisbon, Portugal.

### CHIN, RANDY – Operations Management

Randy and Donna are the proud parents of Taylor, age 6, and are expecting again in March 2003. Randy has been with Surrey Metro Savings (now Coast Capital Savings) since graduation. Currently, he's the branch manager for the Walnut Grove location. In 2001 he served as president of his Corporate Toastmasters Club and has recently volunteered as a committee member for the Langley Hospital Foundation. He can be reached at randy\_chin@metrosavings.com.

### CLARK, F.G. PAUL – Business Administration

After graduating from BCIT, Paul completed his BA from the University of Victoria, and he has just completed an EMBA from the University of Western Ontario (Hong Kong Campus). Based in China since 1991, he has specialized in the sales and distribution of consumer products in Mainland China. Paul is now establishing a Vancouver-based import/export company specializing in food and beverage marketing in China. He would be pleased to hear from former classmates and also North American companies interested in Asian markets. Paul can be reached at paul@shanghaidirect.com.

## 1987

### MOORE, DAVID – Administration Management

Give me a call at 604-948-1966.

### RASCHE, NANCY (ERIKSSON) – General Nursing

Hello to all 1987 Nursing Grads. Since leaving BCIT, Nancy has completed her BSN from the University of Victoria. She has focussed on pediatrics in her career and nursed for 10 years at BCCH. Currently she works in public health. Nancy married Mitch in 1989 and they have a 9 year old son and 5 year old daughter.

## 1984

### URBAN, REGINE (MOESSNER) – Administration Management

After graduating from BCIT, Regine successfully operated a health food store in Williams Lake for six years. She moved back to Germany in 1991 and has been employed in different offices thanks to the excellent program at BCIT. She married on May 2, 2002.



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**1982**

**WANG, DAVID** – *Building Engineering Technology*

David would love to hear from his classmates. You can contact him at [hathomme@hotmail.com](mailto:hathomme@hotmail.com).

**1981**

**HARDER, DANIEL** – *Broadcast Communications*

Dan is living in Regina, Saskatchewan. He has been married to Helen for 16 years and they have one son, age 12. He has earned a couple of degrees: a Bachelor of Theology and a Master of Arts. Dan has just become the executive director for Big Brothers in Regina. Prior to that was a youth pastor in Regina. E-mail Dan at [dhharder@sk.sympatico.ca](mailto:dhharder@sk.sympatico.ca).

**1979**

**WOOD, MATTHEW** – *Broadcast Communications*

Matthew is currently head of research for the largest digital advertising agency in America.

**1975**

**BERNON, BRIAN** – *Civil & Structural Engineering*

Brian and his spouse Linda have moved and are now a stone's throw from one of Wellington's surfing beaches in New Zealand. Brian's last child from a previous marriage still lives with them. Following a 16 month stint as CIO for a global consulting company based in New Jersey, Brian has returned to New Zealand and is now national IT manager for one of the five largest corporate law firms in NZ. Both Brian and Linda are graduating in 2002 with university degrees; Brian, Executive MBA and Linda, BS majoring in Psychology. Other activities include keeping in touch with his BCIT drinking (or was that study) partners Don and Marsh. Brian can be reached at [frober@xtra.co.nz](mailto:frober@xtra.co.nz).

**1974**

**OWEN, MICHAEL** – *Marketing Management*

Michael started a career with Crown Zellerbach Paper Co. Ltd. in October 1974. He worked as a sales representative in Vancouver, the Interior, and Victoria for 26 years. He then switched careers into corrugated sales in March of 2000 as an account manager for GLBC. He's been married 34 years and has two daughters and three grandchildren. As well, he and his wife have a bed and breakfast in Cordova Bay in Victoria.

**1973**

**BOYCE, DARRYL** – *Mechanical Engineering Technology*

Darryl has a new job at Carleton University, serving as director at large, ASHRAE, and is president of the Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators.

**1970**

**SPARROW, BERNICE (SHAW)** – *Medical Radiography*

Because of circumstances, Bernice's valued training as an X-Ray Technician did not produce a solid career for her. Now 30 years later, she has completed a one-year course at Winnipeg Technical College, and is employed full-time as a Pharmacy Technician. She is thrilled with the outcome.

**1968**

**LAW, CHRISTINE (FRYER)** – *Hospitality Administration*

Christine was married in 1968. She went to work for DCT Chambers in 1982 and has been employed and running semis with DCT for 20 years. Her learning experience at BCIT has paid off.

**1967**

**SCOTT, GORDON** – *Electronic Engineering Technology*

Gordon retired in the summer of 2000 after three years with Northern Electric (now Nortel Networks) and 30 years with BC Tel (now Telus). During his career with BC Tel, all in network operations, he saw the transition from step-by-step to the most advanced Digital Switching Telephone Equipment. This meant frequently upgrading his skills. Gordon is now busy working around the house, being involved with his four kids and playing competitive badminton. Gordon would love to hear from other E & E Grads of '67. He can be reached at [g&l.scott@telus.net](mailto:g&l.scott@telus.net).

**1966**

**MUNRO, JUDITH (MONK)** – *Hospitality Administration*

Judith recently moved from facility manager of the Oregon Zoo to facility manager for the Regional Transit District (Tri-Met). She is busy with family, volunteering at both a school reading program, the zoo, and serving with a number of professional groups, as well as the City Planning Commission.

**In Memoriam**

**The Alumni Association Remembers**



On Aug. 31, a much-loved advocate of BCIT passed away. **Bill Copeland** (1927-2002),

former mayor of Burnaby from 1987 to 1996, and a firefighter for 32 years before that, will be fondly remembered by BCIT and its employees.

John Watson, president of BCIT from 1989 to 1995, developed a deep respect for Copeland. "When you find a political leader who takes the time to listen to people, seek them out, come to events to interact with them, you develop respect for them, their energy, and the time that they're giving you. Bill is one who fell into that category."

Copeland was also a strong supporter of BCIT.

"He was always doing what he could do to give us a bit of a boost or help. He was proud of BCIT. Our students represent a fairly broad spectrum and that appealed to Bill," says Watson.

**Brian Anderson**

On Saturday, April 13, 2002, Brian Anderson passed away as a result of heart failure. Brian established the Technical Programming Option of the CST program and acted as Option Head for many years. Although he was a self-taught programmer, Brian quickly became the department expert in the use of the C programming language. Brian was well regarded by his students for his teaching abilities, his technical knowledge, as a role model and as a mentor.

Brian is greatly missed by his family, his friends and his colleagues.

In Brian's memory, his wife Barbara has established an endowment fund that will provide annual awards for students in the Technical Programming Option of Computer Systems Technology.

Contributions in Brian's memory may be made by cheque or money order, payable to the BCIT Foundation – Brian Anderson Memorial, and sent to the BCIT Foundation, 3700 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 3H2, or may also be made at the BCIT Foundation Web site: [www.foundation.bcit.ca](http://www.foundation.bcit.ca). An income tax receipt will be issued for all contributions.

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