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Museum safari gets a boost from the Forest Service

The Forest Service has donated \$25,000 to the Friends of the Royal British Columbia Museum (RBCM) to support the production of *Safari '94*, a series of educational broadcasts that will present B.C.'s natural splendour to students around the globe.

Safari '94: The Barkley Sound Expedition will broadcast live from beneath and around the waters of Barkley Sound from April 18–23, 1994. Each of the series' one-hour segments will use leading-edge technology to relay live action and maintain ongoing dialogue between the show's hosts, scientists, historians and student viewers. This innovative approach to science broadcasting has won international recognition for the RBCM.

In addition to the more than 100 students who will take part directly in the expedition, satellite links to the Newcombe Auditorium in Victoria, the Ontario Science Centre, the Smithsonian Institution and schools throughout the province will make the broadcast completely interactive. The programs will also be carried live to Japan by NHK Tokyo. The project is intended to be entertaining as well as a way to promote science as a career.

With the spotlight on B.C., forestry is certain to be an important topic of discussion. **Sandra Thomson** of research branch will lead a number of segments on the

forest environment as students explore archaeological sites and coastal forest eco-systems.



Brent Cooke, director of public programs for the Royal B.C. Museum (right), explains the locales and logistics of Safari '94: The Barkley Sound Expedition to Forests Minister Andrew Petter. In addition to the \$25,000 contribution from the Forest Service, the project will also include representatives from research branch who will be on hand to answer questions about forestry issues.

Revelstoke district manager elected foresters' association president

Revelstoke forest district Manager **David Raven** has been elected president of the 3,000-member Association of B.C. Professional Foresters (ABCPF).

On accepting the presidency at the ABCPF annual general meeting held in Duncan in February, Raven advised foresters to "face the realization that we should change sails rather than trying to change the wind."

"Today's foresters," Raven said, "have an ever-increasing responsibility to ensure that our role within the community is maintained, and that our responsibility to the community to provide sound forest stewardship is upheld."

"All foresters are basically various shades of green environmentally. We all truly care about forests. We must practice our craft for the common good of the forest, regardless of the bounds placed on us by society."

"Now more than ever," Raven said, "every person in a community has an opinion about environmental and forest management issues – and rightly so. Our challenge is to ensure

that our professional opinions, knowledge and understanding are heard as well."

Raven acknowledged that foresters have been accused of maintaining a 'code of silence' when wrong, inaccurate or misleading statements are put forward. "We cannot wait for others to speak for us," he said. "Foresters have a responsibility to speak out as individuals, but must also be prepared to listen to and understand others in the community, for we are not alone."

As the challenges of the year unfold, as foresters are drawn into increasingly complex and controversial issues, and as the profession faces increasing expectations from a diminishing land base, Raven offered a last word to fellow foresters. "Appreciate the beauty around you," he advised. "Keep your sense of humour, and remember why you chose this profession."

Raven takes over the presidency from **Janna Kumi**, assistant deputy minister, operations, who will remain active on the nine-member ABCPF council for another year as past president.

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Invermere workshop examines First Nations cultural resource inventories

The Invermere forest district hosted the second of two cultural orientation workshops on February 28, 1994, at the Radium Hot Springs Resort. This ends the first phase of local efforts to improve awareness and communication between public and private agencies and First Nations communities.

The focus of the workshop was cultural resource inventories. A cultural resource inventory captures data on linguistic origins; territorial occupancy; social and political organizations; traditional land use patterns; traditional sustenance resources; and, historical accounts of cultural change and continuity.

Information on potentially sensitive subjects such as food harvesting locations, habitation sites, cultural landforms, ceremonial sites and transportation routes is very important in land claim negotiations, educational applications and land use planning.

The workshop drew nearly 100 participants from federal and provincial government agencies and the forest industry. First Nations representatives included members of the Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Tribal Council; the Shuswap Nation Tribal Council; and the Shuswap, Columbia Lake, St. Mary's and Tobacco Plains bands.

Also on display was an excellent selection of traditional art, tools, and clothing as well as source materials used in First Nations cultural education programs.

The workshop began with introductions and a performance of a traditional welcome song by the Bloodline Singers of the Columbia Lake band. This was followed by the Friendship Round Dance where, to the accompaniment of drumming, everyone in attendance moved in a circle exchanging greetings with everyone else. The effectiveness of this custom in creating a friendly and open atmosphere impressed even seasoned workshop veterans. After this 'ice-breaker,' Chief **Nathan Matthew** of the North Thompson Indian Band gave a presentation on the structure and background of the Shuswap Nation and the importance of oral history in preserving First Nations culture and languages.

Archaeological Consultant **Morley Eldridge** of Millennia Research used examples to describe the issues and approaches to developing First Nations cultural resource inventories. Millennia is currently under contract to develop a field-level prototype of a standardized method of data capture, storage and retrieval for use in ministry/tribal council consultations.

The question of how best to deal with planning referrals found no simple answer. However, with the main issue of land claim resolutions still ongoing, all seemed to agree that, in the interim, native cultural resource values must be addressed in a way that seriously considers both the traditional and contemporary links that First Nations people have to the land.

An example of this type of knowledge was illustrated by **Alison Davis**, an ethnobotanist from the University of Victoria. Davis spoke on the traditional role of plants for the Sekani people of Northeastern B.C. and the importance of tailoring resource management regimes to maintain a spectrum of these plants.

Wayne Choquette, archaeologist for the Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Tribal Council, said that, to the experienced observer, many of the odd sights people encounter in the field are not sights but 'sites' that, if recognized, would provide more information to guide management decisions for that area.

The workshop concluded with an update from **Sophie Pierre**, co-chair of the First Nations Summit, on the

progress of treaty negotiations between the B.C. government and the Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Tribal Council. The Nelson forest

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Sue Cairns, an aboriginal forestry advisor in the Nelson forest region helped develop the workshops.

Are you ready for National Forest Week?

It's that time of year again, when all of us get to strut our stuff and showcase the diverse mandate and activities of the Forest Service with guided forest tours, fun events, shopping mall displays, classroom programs and, celebrating his 50th birthday, Smokey Bear.

This year National Forest Week will be from May 1 – 7 with the theme of "Growing With Our Forests."

National Forest Week is an annual national event that includes activities sponsored by government, industry, professional associations and others working individually and in partnerships to promote public awareness of forests and to offer forest education opportunities for adults and students.

Find out what's happening in your district, region or branch, get involved and celebrate National Forest Week!

region boundaries closely approximate the area included in the Ktunaxa-Kinbasket land claim submission, which is currently in the early phases of treaty negotiations.

The Invermere forest district was fortunate in selecting **Lillian Rose** as an employee under the Native Orientation Program. Rose's experience in tribal council formalities, her commitment to aboriginal issues, and her enthusiasm have made the task of improving communication between district staff and local First Nations communities a more personal process. This latest workshop, like a previous session held last November, was developed mainly through her efforts and those of **Sue Cairns**, aboriginal forestry advisor for the Nelson forest region.

Overall, communication with First Nations communities over development planning and field issues is improving and moving toward a more formal and inclusive process in the Invermere forest district.



Performing a traditional welcome song, the Bloodline Singers of the Columbia Lake band set the tone for the workshop.

*Article contributed by Mike Worgan, GIS officer, Invermere forest district.
Photos courtesy of Les Quick.*

Archaeology may hold keys for resource planning

The responsibility to consult with aboriginal groups and recognize aboriginal concerns in land use planning decisions often means confirming patterns of historical occupation and activity beyond what may be known from written and oral history.

The archaeology branch of the Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture (MSTC) is responsible for regulating the activities of all professional archaeologists in the province as well as any other person or group of people whose activities will affect archaeological sites protected under the *Heritage Conservation Act*.

The branch operates from a single small headquarters staff of seven project officers. In 1993, the branch directly participated in 22 major energy, mining and development reviews and 14 Forest Service integrated resource management plans. In addition, more than 2,900 interagency and private source small development referrals were reviewed by the branch – a 700 per cent increase since 1983.

Most of these projects required either an assessment of the potential for conflict between archaeological sites and proposed land altering activities, or detailed input into resource management studies or other planning activities. All projects required access to the data, maps, and other graphics associated with the B.C. Archaeological Site Inventory, which contains data on approximately 17,000 sites.

John McMurdo, senior program coordinator with the branch's inventory section, says that a relatively small number of B.C.'s archaeological sites have been catalogued. Although there was an active field survey program in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the branch now depends largely on impact studies

and development projects for information on the 600-700 sites added to the inventory each year.

A field survey program to locate and catalogue all sites in the province would be prohibitively expensive at this time. As a cost-effective alternative, the branch has developed a Geographic Information System (GIS)-based predictive model for archaeological sites. The model uses known factors such as slope and aspect of terrain, distance to fresh water, vegetation, and beach types that would prove attractive for habitation to estimate the probability of archaeological sites within a geographic area. Output from the model can be produced as a colour-theme map showing varying degrees of probability for predicted sites. This information has significant applications in integrated resource planning initiatives and could also be used for allocation of resources for limited field surveys to locate specific sites.

Two regional models, one for the west coast of Vancouver Island, and another for the East Kootenays are being fine tuned in cooperation with the Dididaht Band and the Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Tribal Council. These models could have a wide variety of applications for the Forest Service in working with First Nations on regional and district planning processes.

Agreements are now in place between the Forest Service and MSTC to share maps and data. McMurdo is also hopeful that RIC/CRII funding will be available to develop additional regional models.

*For more information, contact **John McMurdo**, senior program coordinator, inventory, archaeology branch, Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, telephone: 356-1053.*

Travel savings, new forms and maps earn suggestion awards program recognition

There's good news and bad news about the latest crop of suggestion award winners. The good news is that 1994 is shaping up as a record year for adopted suggestions from the Forest Service. The bad news is that we don't have room for all of this month's award winners. If you've been left out, don't despair, we will do our best to fit everyone in next month!

Kevin Lavelle, silviculture forester, and **Robert Mohr**, silviculture planner, Revelstoke forest district, suggested screening Silviculture Institute of B.C. (SIBC) training applicants for their proximity to the nearest training centre to reduce travel costs. The evaluator, **Bob LeBlanc**, manager, training and development, human resources branch, recommended an award of \$250 (\$125 each).

Alan Traish, former project manager, facilities planning and construction division, Ministry of Health, and **Pat Traish**, office assistant, technical and administrative services branch, suggested that using rental vehicles for trips of more than 150 kilometres on government business when a government vehicle is not available would be more economical than using private vehicles.

Travel Smart Program Manager **Paul Norman**, Ministry of Government Services, who evaluated the suggestion, presented Alan and Pat with their certificates and cheques for \$150 each.

Sherman Long, senior manager, expenditure operations, financial services branch, proposed a management report that uses the graphical chronological portion of the FIN 282

Employee Attendance Record. His suggestion will be implemented as part of the Leave Management System and will support a proactive approach towards the management of employee absenteeism and case management by highlighting leave trends and potential 'abuse' situations. **Kathleen Asher**, systems administrator, human resources branch, approved Long's \$200 award.

Barbara Sorenson, office assistant, Duncan forest district, suggested a method of transporting all forms and monies for deposit to the Government Agent from district offices by using a special envelope system that is more professional and secure. Seven district offices concurred that the idea has merit.

Pat Megson, forms analyst, technical and administrative services branch, approved the suggestion and creation of a ministry envelope with an FS number. Megson recommended an award of \$100 for the idea.

Kelly Cameron, inventory technician, **Holly Meagher**, mapping and design supervisor, and **Michael Smith**, mapping and design technician shared an award of \$135 for their idea to create detailed access maps for the Chilliwack forest district. The maps of logging roads that access popular recreation areas in the district save time on photocopying and are popular with the public. Chilliwack District Manager **John Hall** evaluated the suggestion.

Vera Pronker, bridge engineer, timber harvesting branch, suggested a new contact report form to ensure important

Fort St. James forest district chooses employee of the year



*At a March 7, 1994 staff meeting, Integrated Resource Management Planner **Sandra Sulyma** was chosen Employee of the Year by her peers in the Fort St. James forest district.*

Sulyma, an agrologist in training who has worked in Fort St. James since 1992, has been very active both at work and in the community. She has contributed a great deal of her own time to the LRMP process and to the development of an interpretive trail up a local mountain.

She is a member of the Fort St. James Cross-Country Ski Club, and most weekends in the winter she can be found enjoying the nordic trails; trails she helped maintain when she was resource assistant, recreation and range.

*Contributed by **David Starr**, Fort St. James forest district.*

Great service!

Staff at the Clearwater forest district were pleasantly surprised to receive a certificate of merit from participants in a 'Service Plus' course in early March.

The course, offered through Yellowhead Employment Services of Kamloops, sent participants under cover to evaluate customer service.

Gwen Waugh and **Heidi Schilling** were just doing their job when, unknown to them, they were being rated for general knowledge, helpfulness, efficiency and friendliness. Of the six organizations evaluated by the same group, the Forest Service came first.

Congratulations to Gwen and Heidi for representing us so well!

information from meetings and telephone conversations becomes part of the file. The standardized form can be used by others working on the same (or related) project.

Jane Spackman, regional staff manager, Kamloops forest region, and **Pat Megson**, forms analyst, technical and administrative service branch, evaluated the idea and recommended an award of \$100.

Peter Beck, machine operator, and **Charlie Patton**, science technical officer, both of the Surrey Nursery, recommended using a backpack type blower to remove debris from the greenhouses and open compounds at the facility. Silviculture branch evaluated, and **Tony Willingdon**, nursery superintendent, recommended adoption of the idea. This suggestion saves one third of the man-hours over hand sweeping with annual cost savings of \$5,370. Patton and Beck will share a \$537 award.

Alan Bond, field operations supervisor, and **Scott Rockley**, resource assistant, Kootenay Lake forest district, want to institute the use of a provincially advertised eligibility list to eliminate the need for individual contract advertising for silviculture, harvesting and engineering contracts under \$150,000.

Under Bond and Rockley's suggestion, each contractor would be given a district specific point score based on risk, skill and community involvement. The point score would come from a combination of provincial contractor performance ratings with points for volume of work, crew locale, etc. Although Bond and Rockley's idea will involve making changes in some ministry contract advertising practices, they believe their suggestion will save money and improve quality of work.

Contract Administration Analyst **Roman Spanier**, technical and administrative services branch, evaluated the suggestion and recommends voluntary adoption of the idea.

Ronald Letham, small business forester, Lillooet forest district, proposes that all timber sales (except for small volume salvage sales) held under the Small Business Forest Enterprise Program be cruised and appraised.

Cruise data is normally compiled under contract by the company of

choice. If all certified compilation agencies were solicited with a request for proposals to compile cruise data to the required ministry standard, within a specified guaranteed turn-around time, a percentage discount for bulk volume of work could be obtained.

Until the districts are trained in the use of the compilation program, **Maartin Prinsze**, cruising policy forester, valuation branch, recommends that Kamloops forest region adopt the suggestion on an interim basis. Letham has been awarded \$300 for his suggestion based on estimated savings of \$3,000.

Contributed by Marilyn Seifert, suggestion awards program coordinator, technical and administrative services branch.



Three Forest Service staff members in the Prince George forest district have received the 25-Year Silver Badge (left to right): Steve Hough, field operations supervisor, silviculture; Ken Pendergast, district manager; and Don Carpenter, operations manager, harvesting.



Prince George forest district staff members (left to right): Gordon Dow, Bill Dunbar, Carol Guitard, Marnie Rahn, Darrel Williams and Jerry Smith received their 15-year Safety Award Certificates under the Forest Service Individual Safety Award Program. For every five years worked without time loss accidents, individuals receive awards ranging from certificates and pins to an engraved clock for 30-year recipients and native carvings for 35-year recipients. For more information about the Individual Safety Award Program, contact Lorraine Methot, loss prevention clerk, human resources branch, at 356-8017.

Photos contributed by Gloria Wahl Prince George forest district.

Study on information requests yields surprising results

British Columbia's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* was proclaimed on October 4, 1993. Ontario proclaimed similar legislation in 1987. The legislation in both jurisdictions requires that government agencies track all formal requests for information, but does not require tracking of informal (routine) requests. Because evidence from Ontario suggests that proclamation of freedom of information legislation might result in an increased workload for staff in responding to routine requests for information, the Forest Service identified a need to document any change in the number of informal requests.

Staff participated in a baseline study on routine requests for information during a four-week period in the fall of 1992 and a follow-up study during the same period in the fall of 1993 after proclamation of the act. The goal of the study was to record all requests for day-to-day information provided by the Forest Service and compare the results.

There were 7,665 information requests recorded during the study period in 1992, and 5,672 during the study period in 1993 – a decrease of 26 per cent. The Nelson forest region was the only region reporting an increase in requests for information (11.2 per cent). Headquarters staff recorded 815 requests in 1992 and 898 requests in 1993, an increase of 10.1 per cent.

Prior to analysis, it was expected that the public's demand

for information would increase with proclamation of the act, so it was surprising to find a significant decrease.

Information and privacy section Research Officer **Tracey Colins** suggests there are several reasons the number of recorded requests for information may have decreased. One reason is that not all requests for information were recorded. Staff may not have recorded routine requests as directed because the study was not perceived as a priority when other matters such as the Forest Practices Code and Protected Areas Strategy were at the forefront.

Another possibility is that routine information requests did, in fact, decrease. This may have been due to seasonal factors – such as fire conditions – that can change from year to year.

Regardless of the inconclusive results of this study, Colins found that Forest Service staff do spend a lot of their time providing information to the public. Had the participation level been higher, it is expected that more requests would have been recorded.

Copies of the report on routine requests for information are available for viewing in every Forest Service office. If you have any questions regarding the study, please contact the information and privacy section at 387-1340

Contributed by Tracey Colins, research officer, information and privacy section.

Smithers Forest Service staff host post-game festivities



Bob Spyksma, manager, management services, Bulkley forest district (left), and **Whitney Numan**, forest revenue inspector, Prince Rupert forest region, flipped burgers for some of the 1,500 B.C. Winter Games volunteers who attended a barbecue hosted by the Forest Service.

There's nothing like a good party to top off a major sports event – and what a party it was!

When B.C. Winter Games organizers wanted to say a big thanks to the 2,800 volunteers that made this year's games a success, they turned to the Forest Service. Forty volunteer burger flippers turned out from the Prince Rupert forest region and Bulkley forest district on March 14, ten more than the 30 needed to do the job!

More than 1,500 games volunteers consumed 1,200 hamburgers and 800 hot dogs as well as juice, milk, hot chocolate and soft ice cream. Everyone from the Forest Service had a great time. The only problem was that people were having so much fun they didn't want to leave and give someone else a chance to spell them off at the barbecue. Thanks to everyone for a job well done.

Article and photos contributed by Sherril Tofsrud, Prince Rupert forest region.

A Forest Service veteran leaves the Fort St. James district

An organization is only as good as the people who work for it, and the Forest Service has been blessed with some very good and dedicated employees. This year we will be losing one of these good people with the retirement of **John Reid**, harvesting field operations supervisor with the Fort St. James forest district.

Born in Edmonton in 1935, John lived in Alberta until 1944, when he moved to the McBride area. Living in Eddy and Crescent Spur, John graduated from high school in 1954. At the age of 23, he moved to Prince George and joined the Forest Service in 1958. His first job was on a silviculture tree marking crew where he marked seed trees, cut and leave strips, and seed blocks.

John soon received a promotion to assistant ranger and over the years he served in Hixon, Fort Nelson, Summit Lake, Quesnel and Prince George. A true generalist, John was involved in many aspects of forestry work, including logging inspections, silviculture, and fire fighting. During that time, John attended a basic training session at Green Timbers in Surrey. He also spent one summer as the protection air coordinator for what was to become the Prince George forest region.

In 1972 John moved to Fort St. James. He spent the winter of 1972-1973 back at Green Timbers attending Ranger School. Returning to Fort St. James in the spring of 1973, John was promoted to deputy ranger, and served in that capacity under **Larry Espenand** and **Bill Hall**.

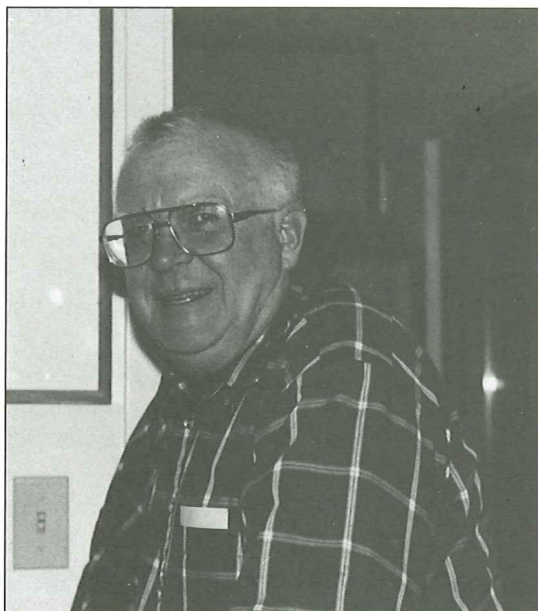
When the Forest Service re-organized, John became the resource officer, recreation and range. Being a bit of a fire bug, he applied for, and won the job as resource officer, protection. John held that position until 1988, when he became harvesting field operations supervisor, the position he held until his retirement.

John has been a very active community member in the 22 years he and his family have lived in Fort St. James. "Hockey is my life," John admits. He has shared his passion for the game by coaching, playing and officiating in both minor and recreational hockey every year since 1973. In 1992 he was named Minor Hockey Coach of the Year. He received an all expenses paid trip to Vancouver to see a Canucks and Maple Leafs game in recognition of his contributions to the recreational hockey league.

John has received many honours and awards for his hockey involvement, but his proudest moment came when he received the Dennis Playfair Memorial Trophy for outstanding contributions to minor hockey in Fort St. James.

John has many good memories of working for the Forest Service, but when pressed, he said that his fondest recollection was his first assignment as fire boss at the 1969 Chu fire. John remembers that everything went smoothly and, somehow, a nervous rookie fire boss managed to control and extinguish the 300-hectare fire.

John and Wilma plan on staying in Fort St. James for a while and will eventually move to the North Okanagan area. John leaves the Forest Service taking a wealth of experience with him. On behalf of the staff of the Fort St. James forest district, "Thank you for all your efforts John. Good luck, and enjoy your retirement. You have more than earned it!"



John Reid, harvesting field operations supervisor with the Fort St. James forest district, first joined the Forest Service in 1958.

Article and photo contributed by David Starr, district communications team, Fort St. James forest district.

'Ranger Ray' is retiring!

After 35 years in the Forest Service, 'Ranger' **Ray Ostby** has announced his plans to retire effective May 13, 1994.

Ray started with the Forest Service as a dispatcher in the Courtenay ranger district in 1954. After taking time off to study forestry at the University of British Columbia, he returned to the Forest Service in 1960, working with the surveys and inventory division in Victoria.

In 1966, Ray transferred to the Vancouver forest region where he worked in various positions before moving to 100 Mile House in 1979 as district manager.

During Ray's years in 100 Mile House he has been an involved member of the community, serving on the Hospital Board for the past seven years. Both Ray and his wife, Birte, have also been active members of the 100 Mile Nordic Ski Society from the time of their arrival in 100 Mile House.

Ray is an avid hunter and skier, and has many other interests with which he plans to occupy his time.

A dinner and social will be held in honour of Ray and Birte at the 100 Mile House Community Hall on the evening of May 14, 1994. If you are interested in attending, please contact **Terry Wardrop** at 395-7806 for further information.

Ministry policy manual now available

The Ministry Policy Manual is now available in both a paper format and pilot electronic format. An initial distribution was made in November 1993 with quarterly updates to follow beginning in the spring of 1994.

The purpose of the Ministry Policy Manual is to establish official ministry policy through concise, non-technical statements and to communicate that policy to ministry staff, licensees, interest groups, and other interested members of the public. The two-volume paper version contains management services and resource management program policies. The pilot electronic version has text search capabilities and features a direct link to relevant legislation and regulations.

Technical and administrative services branch is coordinating production of the manual and will be monitoring reaction to both the paper and electronic versions to determine their usefulness. Based on user feedback, the branch will make any necessary modifications to ensure that users have access to accurate, up-to-date, and usable policy information.

Forest Service staff can order a subscription through their manual coordinator while others can subscribe directly from technical and administrative services branch.

*The Duncan Kent and Associates contract for the policy manual is complete. Your contact for policy coordination is now **Rick Dykun**, technical and administrative services branch, telephone: 387-8874, E-mail: RRDYKUN.*

BCIT expands forestry co-op program

The British Columbia Institute of Technology is continuing its Renewable Resources Co-operative Education Program.

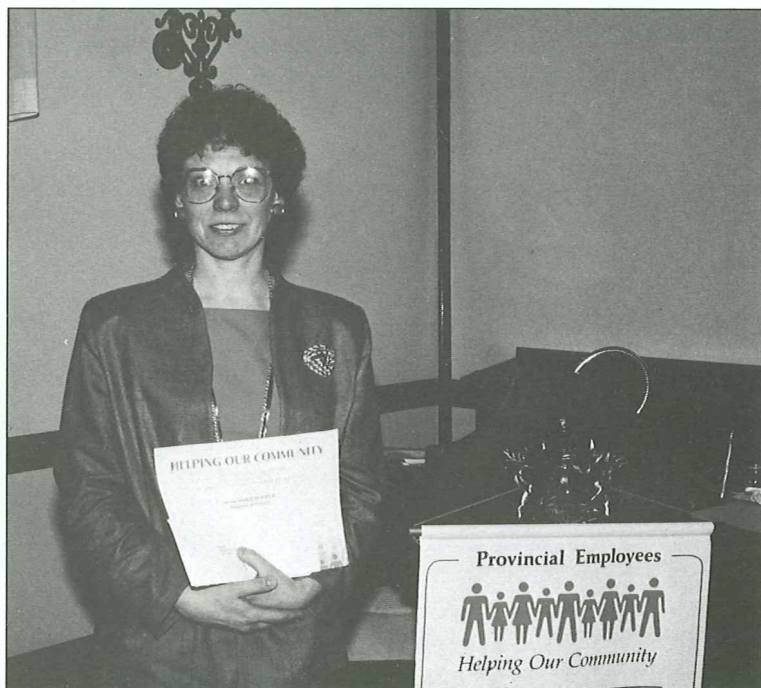
The two-year Renewable Resources Technology Program began offering a co-op option last year, placing 27 first year students in a variety of settings. This year, more than 70 students will be seeking work placements from both the first and second year of the program.

The program has two options – forestry; and, fish, wildlife and recreation. After completing their first two study terms (level 1 and level 2), students then complete a work term from May to August. Two more study terms (level 3 and level 4) are followed by two additional work terms running from May to December. To complete the program, students take a set of courses that focus specifically on skills needed to implement the Forest Practices Code and support integrated resource management objectives.

According to BCIT Co-op Coordinator **Ernst Wilmlink**, introducing a co-op option to the two-year program has been something of a challenge. However, he feels that the emphasis on field skills in the BCIT program means that even first year co-op students are ready to benefit an employer with minimal supervision. Second year students are expected to operate more independently and will be able to perform administrative and analytical tasks as well.

*For more information, contact **Ernst Wilmlink**, co-op coordinator, B.C. Institute of Technology, telephone: 432-8458.*

Keep up the good work!



On February 8, 1994, **Barb Etherington** of technical and administrative services branch accepted a certificate of appreciation from the Provincial Employees Community Service Fund on behalf of the Forest Service. Victoria staff contributed a total of \$53,556 to the 1993 campaign. The integrated resources branch was the largest contributor – \$8,752; range branch had the highest average contribution – \$390; and, audit services had the highest participation rate – 100 per cent. Special thanks go to this year's Victoria campaign coordinator, **Rosemarie Hooper** of technical and administrative services branch.

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