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Speaker – April 15

Doug Whitehead, Chairman

Finning International Inc.

Success globally and a look into the oilsands?"

Doug Whitehead was appointed Chairman of Finning International in March 2008. He served as President and Chief Executive /Chief Operating Officer since joining Finning in 1999 and served on the company's Board of Directors since then. Previously, Doug was President and Chief Executive Officer of Fletcher Challenge Canada, having served in other senior executive positions from joining in 1988.

Doug is very involved in the business community serving as a Director of Ballard Power Systems Inc., Inmet Mining Corporation, International Forest Products Limited, Belcorp Industries, and The Conference Board of Canada. He is a member of the Canadian Council of Chief Executives. .

Doug is a graduate in Civil Engineering from the University of British Columbia and graduated with an MBA. from University of Western Ontario. Doug is active in fundraising initiatives for the United Way and was General Campaign Co-Chair of the United Way of the Lower Mainland in 1997.

Doug is a long-time resident of West Vancouver. He is an ardent golfer and a member of Capilano Golf Club.

Next Month – May 20

2010 Olympics Update: *Presentation by representatives from:*

VANOC

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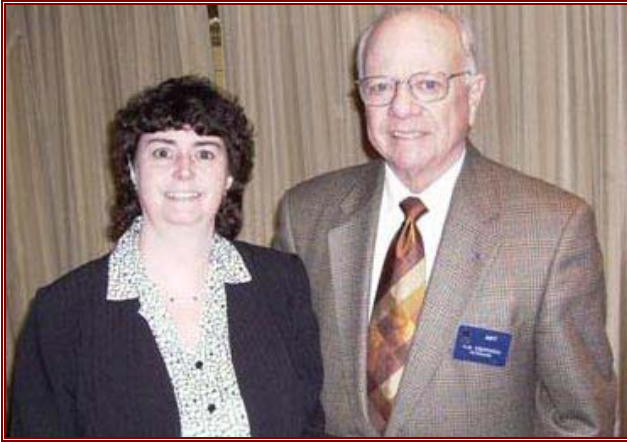
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LAST MONTH'S SPEAKER



Dr. Gail Anderson with Art Eberwein

Forensic entomology was first used in China in the 13th century, came into use in Europe in 1850, in Britain in 1930 and came to America in the 1970s. Our speaker, Dr. Gail Anderson, teaches this science and its applications at Simon Fraser University and to police forces across Canada and internationally.

Dr. Anderson fascinated us with slides, case histories and indeed with some humour about the role insects play in providing critical evidence in homicide cases, as well as in cases of abuse of children and of seniors in care facilities. The weapon, the dental records and DNA all are important pieces of evidence in a homicide case but the presence of insects, their type and their location are the evidence that pinpoints the time of death.

There are billions of different flies throughout the world but only certain ones feed on dead animals and again different flies in each of the world's different climate zones. Specific flies will reach a wound in the outdoors within minutes, feed on the bodily fluids and lay their eggs in our natural orifices, and those eggs become maggots with their activities indicating to the trained investigator the likely time of death whether it be within minutes, hours, months or up to 2 years.

When a body is found police rush into the scene in case the person is still alive. If the person is dead, Dr. Anderson, her graduate students and police officers

with years of specialized training enter the crime scene to gather their specific kind of evidence.

In court she testifies only on those issues of which she is certain based on scientific evidence which is now globally recognized. Her evidence has helped to convict many killers but also has cleared innocents who it was clear could not have been there at the time of the murder, even if sometimes they had admitted to the crime.

Dr Anderson's evidence as to times of death was admitted in the Picton trial. She suggests that the recent surprising appearance on BC shores of 5 or 6 human feet clad in running shoes is probably the result of drowning over the years and where the separated feet were protected from decay by the shoes.

Ernie Maguire



February greeters



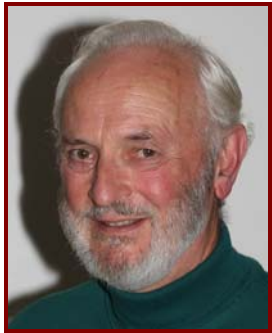
Walter Penner and John Hill

Member biographies



Gordon ("Gordi") Moore (*new member Mar. 2008*): Gordi has been retired since 1992 after 35 years in the family electrical services and contracting business. For seven years after retirement he taught courses on starting your own small business and creating effective business plans.

Gordi was born in Vancouver in 1932 and graduated from Vancouver Technical College (1950) and earned a Diploma in Executive Management from UBC (1970). With his wife Alice and 2 children and 5 grand-children, Gordi is looking forward to spending more time with family and traveling. He is actively involved in his condo Strata Council and as a community volunteer.



David Roberts (*new member Mar. 2008*): David was born in England in 1931. After graduating with an LLB from London University and being called to the Bar in 1953, David immigrated to Canada. David retired in 2002 after 49 years practicing law in British Columbia with large and smaller law firms specializing in commercial litigation. In addition to practicing law, David also served as Editor of the Advocate, the lawyers' bi-monthly magazine. David continues to practice in the area of arbitration and mediation and serves on tribunals.

David is married to wife Gillian and they have four children. In retirement David pursues his pastimes including bee keeping, fly fishing, woodworking, tennis, skiing and writing.

Other new members introduced in March

	John Boston Dentist	Denis Creighton Lawyer	Norm Swail Petroleum Marketing	

In Memoriam

Bob Bonus	Victor Kloepfer
<i>Bob passed away on March 21 at the age of 81. Bob was retired from a career in the food industry with Corporate Foods (where he rose to President), Canada Bread and McGavins. He was a member of Probus since 2004. Bob is survived by his wife, Eleanor, three children and eight grand-children.</i>	<i>Vic passed away on March 11 at the age of 75. Vic was retired from an active business and consulting career in the oil industry. He was a member of Probus since 2005. Vic is survived by his wife, Olive Mary, three children and eight grand-children, and three brothers and sisters.</i>



President's Report

Our March 18 meeting was well attended. We enjoyed welcoming as our guests six members of the Management Committee of our sponsoring club, Probus Club of Vancouver. Ted Daem, President; Jack Farley, Past President; Bill Manson, Treasurer; Lloyd Dodge, Activities; Tremayne Perry, Membership; and, Gordon Thom, Historian joined us to enjoy Dr. Gail Anderson's talk and slide show on forensic entomology and its application to crime solving. While her presentation was not for the squeamish, all found it fascinating and informative.

The new parking restraints we committed to at Hollyburn were well observed with about 2/3 of our member attendees car pooling. I thank you all for your cooperation.

Until the current prevalence of the flu bug which has laid so many of us low has passed we will continue to ask our greeters not to shake hands with members for the next several meetings.

As you will have read earlier in this issue, we are saddened to learn that two of our members, Bob Bonus and Vic Kloepfer, passed away suddenly in March. They will be missed by their many friends and associates both within and outside our club.

I previously announced that Malcolm Nicholson was stepping down as Secretary after 3 1/2 years. Malcolm has been a positive influence on Committee deliberations, and we thank him for his contributions. Fortunately, he will remain on our Management Committee to continue his fine work on the annual Christmas lunch and our other special events.

It is with pleasure that we welcome Dan Potts as our new Secretary, and Bob Birch as our new Chairman of Membership, replacing Ron Defieux

who has resigned due to his expected incapacity when a knee is replaced. We wish Ron a speedy recovery look forward to working with Dan and Bob.

Doug Whitehead, Chairman of Finning International Inc. will speak to us on April 15 on Finning's global successes, and he will also provide a look into activity in the oil sands of Alberta. This promises to be an interesting talk, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Art Eberwein

Dan Potts, Secretary



Dan is a Chemical Engineer and an MBA retired from 40 years in pulp and paper industry. Dan and his wife Dian are avid boaters who have explored much of our BC to Alaska west coast. He works part-time as Executive Director of an industry group working to maintain low cost electrical power to BC industry.

Bob Birch, Chairman of Membership



Bob is an information technology and computer systems consultant retired after a 40 year career, initially with IBM Canada and then Sierra Systems Group. He was born and raised in Saskatchewan and with his wife Lynn has lived on the North Shore since 1970. In his spare time, he enjoys golf, woodworking and travel.

MEETINGS

Third Tuesday of every month: 9:30 am -11:30 am
Hollyburn Country Club
West Vancouver

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