

#### NEWSLETTER OF THE PROBUS CLUB OF NORTH SHORE VANCOUVER

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## Monthly Meeting at Capilano Golf and Country Club 420 Southborough Drive, West Vancouver, 604-922-9331



## Monday, September 9th

with speaker Dave Inglis

Analyst/Researcher, Intelligence Unit, British Columbia Securities Commission, "Be Fraud Aware"

Many British Columbians have lost their life savings to risky or dangerous investments because they didn't understand the risks, ask the right questions, do some research or get a second opinion. If you encounter a sales pitch that sounds too good to be true - STOP!

It's a warning sign that the investment might be a scam. These kinds of sales pitches are designed to push your buttons to appeal to your desires or fears that can lead to an impulsive, emotional, or irrational investment decision. Everyone wants a great investment that provides guaranteed financial security, but unfortunately, some offers are just too good to be true.

The InvestRight "Be Fraud Aware" seminar provides a wide range of tools to help investors develop critical thinking skills they need to protect themselves.

The British Columbia Securities Commission (BCSC) is the provincial securities regulator responsible for securities trading in the province. Ensureing that people who trade securities comply with the Securities Act. If an individual or company violates the Act, the Commission can take enforcement action against them. Equally important, the BCSC has a mandate through investor education to help protect investors from investment fraud and unsuitable investments.

Dave has a B.A. (Hon.) and a M.A. in History from Simon Fraser University. Dave worked as an analyst with the Open Source Section of the Coordinated Law Enforcement Unit (CLEU) and the Organized Crime Agency of BC (OCABC). Both CLEU and OCABC had as their mandate the suppression and disruption of Organized Crime in British Columbia. Since 2001, Dave has been investigating violations of the Securities Act as the Analyst/Researcher for the Enforcement Division of the BCSC.

## **2013 Annual General Meeting Materials**

AGM materials, including an Agenda, Directors' Annual Report, Financial Statement, and Minutes from the 2012 AGM, have been sent to all members.

Please review these items. We will not provide copies at the meeting.

## Mark Your Calendars with this Important Date...



October Meeting at Capilano Golf and Country Club

• Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> - Speaker to be announced.

#### **President's Notes**



This commentary is my swan song as your President and I must say the experience this past year of working with the dedicated and professional Management Committee has been delightful.

We again enjoyed a slate of entertaining and interesting speakers which forms the basis of our existence. We augmented this with a number of Special Events that proved highly popular and educational. Our recreational bridge and golf groups continue to attract an expanding number of players. Capping off the year was our 10th Anniversary Party held at Chief Joe Mathias Centre featuring a hot, sit-down lunch and comments from our new Probus Canada Regional Director, Bill Sexsmith, and past Presidents. All told, I feel we can look back on a year that served our membership well and promoted our goal of fellowship through participation.

We are well established and financially strong but continue to face challenges regarding locations for our meetings. We have now three potential sites to select from and will be guided next year by the results of a survey you will be asked shortly to complete.

Hats off to those of you who have agreed to serve on committees for the next 12 months and well deserved accolades to the Management Committee members both new and retiring.

Fraser Grant

## **REMINDER**

If you have not alreday done so, please mail your cheque, along with your letter mailed to you for Membership Renewal or bring it along to the September meeting.



## **Photos from Anniversary Luncheon**



John Leonard was presented with a clock from Bill Sexsmith, District 2 Director with Probus Centre- Canada. Our Club also received a 10th Anniversary certificate. Below, Jon Strom was our Emcee for the luncheon.







## Photos from our 10th Anniversry Luncheon





















## **More Photos from 10th Anniversary Luncheon**

















## **Meetings**

Second Monday of each month, except when changed to avoid conflict with special holidays on that day; in addition, our Christmas Luncheon replaces the December meeting.

<u>Dress Code</u>: Business Attire. Jeans are **NOT** permitted.

Coffee and fellowship: 8:45 am to 9:30 am Club business and speaker: 9:30 am to 11:15 am

Members are welcome to bring a guest to a meeting.

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