

November 2007

President's Report - November

Your Vancouver Chapter fall season is now in full swing. October was highlighted by the first visit of FEI Canada's new President, Michael Conway. The National Breakfast series continued to roll through Vancouver as well, with Microsoft giving a very well received seminar on October 11th.

Michael met with the Board privately and then addressed approximately 50 after lunch during his visit. He outlined the strategic options being considered by FEI Canada and received input from your Board on the direction of the organization as a whole. Should you wish to learn more, please contact a Board member. During his luncheon address, Michael outlined the evolving role of the CFO, as learned through experience and FEI research, and then described how FEI is evolving as well to continue to be relevant and meet the needs of us, the members.

The month of November is even busier, with three scheduled events - two from our Chapter and one from the National Breakfast Series. Please take a moment now to consider your own schedules and decide which events you can attend.

Your Events Committee, headed by Brad Cruickshank, is moving ahead quickly and has already scheduled most of the events for the winter/spring season - again, as outlined below. I do wish to publicly express my gratitude to Brad and his team for the time and effort that they invest in our Chapter events. Should you have suggestions for future events, I do know that Brad would be pleased to hear from you on that.

Our sponsors continue to give our Chapter outstanding support. We are very grateful and appreciative of their participation in this program. One of our Vancouver Chapter sponsors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, is providing a breakfast seminar just for us in Vancouver on Thursday November 29th. We're fortunate in Vancouver to have access to such a high quality speaker from our sponsor. Please refer to the event announcement that has been distributed early in the week of November 5th.

Also, please do take note that the annual Wine Pairing Event is set for November 22nd, again at the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club. Doug Morison of the Events Committee has worked with our guest wine expert and the club to assemble a menu and a wine selection that looks to be truly unique!

I would be remiss if I did not publicly thank your Board for their active participation in leading our Chapter this year. It is truly a team effort!

**Peter Ballachey**

Membership Report

Last newsletter I mentioned that the Vancouver chapter membership was likely 260 members. Well it is 260 as of October!

Welcome new FEI members

Mr. **Ian Dewar** – Vice President, Finance of Mitsubishi Canada Ltd.

Mr. **Robert McLeod** – Director Global Accounting (Controller) of Ritchie Brothers Auctioneers

We have 3 events for members in November:

On November 20th there is a National Breakfast Seminar hosted by SAP titled Critical Insights for CFOs in Corporate Performance measurement. Bring a guest to this event.

November 22 is the annual Wine Pairing Event. This promises to be a great evening, bring your spouse! There is an extra charge for this event but well worth it.

On November 29th our chapter sponsor PWC will host a breakfast on the credit crunch and what it means for Canadian M&A.

These will all good events, please try to make it to some or all of them as December will be quieter for the chapter with holidays and other festivities.



Jeff Champion

Wine Pairing Event

The much-anticipated FEI Wine Pairing Evening is fast approaching. On Thursday, November 22, The Royal Vancouver Yacht Club will provide the perfect setting (and excellent set-menu) to accompany a terrific series of wines as selected by award-winning writer John Schreiner.

We are very much looking forward to John's insight on the various wines, as well as another great turnout for this special event!

Don't Miss It!

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Professional Development Worksheet

To help you in preparing your Continuing Professional Development report for 2007 here's a list of FEI events in Vancouver, plus the Conference and reminders about credit for reading "Financial Executive" and serving on the FEI Board. The worksheet is designed for CAs, CGAs and other professionals who report PD on a calendar year basis.

Date	Event Type	Detail	My PD
Breakfasts, lunches and dinners			
January 25	Lunch	A New Direction. Capt. Gordon Houston. CEO,	
February 13	National	The Agile CFO. Greg Johnston, IBM Business	
February 15	Dinner	CFO and Feisters Round Table	
March 8	Breakfast	China: Current Issues and Opportunities	
April 3	Dinner	A Painted Picture of Success. Cameron Herold, COO, 1-800-GOT-JUNK.	
April 10	Breakfast	The Future of Banking. Karen Maidment, CFO, BMO Financial	
April 17	National Breakfast	MI 52-109: Summarizing the Internal Control Rules. Carla-Maria Hait, BC Securities Commission, Peter Guo, PWC	
May 17	Lunch	Welcome to Your Ringside Seat. Michael Smyth,	
May 29	National Breakfast	The Impact of Changing Workforce Dynamics.	
Sept 20	Dinner	2010 Olympic Games – Financial Overview John Dooling, VANOC	
Sept 27	National	Getting Ready for IFRS	
Oct 11	National Breakfast	The High-tech Future of Finance – Managing Complexity. Tony Dimnik, Ph.D., Professor Queen's School of Business	
Oct 19	Lunch	The Evolving Role of the CFO	
Nov 20	National Breakfast	Corporate Performance Management Graham Finney, Dawn Letham, SAP Canada	
Nov 29	Breakfast	M&A Markets: What Has Changed. Randy Garg, MBA, CFA, PWC	
Total			
Multi-day Conventions and seminars			
June 6 to 8	National	FEIC Conference – Halifax	
Reading "Financial Executive" magazine			
Serving on FEI Board			

October Luncheon Event



The October Luncheon Event was well attended and well enjoyed! Michael Conway, CEO FEI Canada, spoke on the evolving role of the CFO.

With Michael below are our Vancouver Chapter Presidents—Past and Current!



Past Presidents: Robert Stuart, Wayne Audette, Lisa Dorian, Colin Bennett, Danley Yip, FEI Canada, CEO, Michael Conway, Jeff Champion, Kathy Stevenson, Roger Clarke, Current President Peter Ballachey.

Photo provided by our photog Doug Morrison. (please note Stanley Park in the background....)

2007/2008 Events Listing

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event Type</i>	<i>Detail</i>	<i>Location</i>
November 20th, 2007	National Breakfast Event Registration—7:30 AM	SAP Canada Corporate Performance Management	Fairmont Waterfront Hotel
November 22nd, 2007	Annual Wine Pairing Event Reception—6 PM	John Schreiner	Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
November 29th, 2007	Breakfast Event Registration—7:30 AM	Randy Garg, MBA, CFA PricewaterhouseCoopers	Fairmont Waterfront Hotel
January 24th, 2008	Luncheon Event Registration—11:30 AM	Doug Irwin, Capital West	TBA
February 12th, 2008	TBA	KPMG Presenting	TBA
February 21st, 2008	Dinner Event Reception—6:00 PM	Pat Jacobsen, CEO Translink Future of Translink	TBA
March 13th, 2008	Breakfast Event Registration—7:30 AM	Glen Ringdall, President New Car Dealers Association	TBA
April 17th, 2008	Breakfast Event Registration—7:30 AM	Pete Marchell Alexander, Morfood and Woo D&O, Succession Planning	TBA
May 2008	TBA	Leon Tuey	TBA
May 2008	TBA	Annual Golf Tournament	TBA
June 2008	Annual General Meeting TBA	Harbour Cruise!	TBA
June 9th—11th 2008	FEI Annual Conference	National Conference	Jasper, Alberta

Event Attendance Fees

Regular chapter members pay no fees for attending monthly meetings. There is no charge for first time guests of members. For **FEISTERS** and **Members in Transition**, the following fees apply:

Option One: Annual Fee

Option Two: Pay as you go

Attend all regular meetings:

\$100.00 per year

- Dinner Meetings \$40.00
- Lunch Meetings \$30.00
- Breakfast Meetings \$20.00

Please note that attendance fees for the Wine Tasting and AGM events are set separately!

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