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Vancouver Chapter Committees members were appointed on December 21, 2011. We are always looking for help with the various committees. Committee members do not have to be members of the board, so let us know if there is an area where you would like to help out. Contact the committee chair directly or send an email to: information@cfevancouver.com.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had our fresh start on a new year in the Vancouver Chapter of the Certified Fraud Examiners Association on September 26, 2012 with the introduction of our New Sponsor: the B.C. Securities Commission and their "InvestRight" brand and "Be Fraud Aware" campaign. We thank Patricia Bowles, the Director of Communications and Education, for her presentation and preview of the BCSC video clips which were most enlightening.

Your Board has introduced a new "Presidents Guest Program" as part of our outreach initiative. Our first guest was Mike Mearns of the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of B.C. The purpose of this program is to spread the news about CFE to other associations and groups that may require our members' services. More than ever we invite your participation at each meeting by sharing your brochures and promotional material in order that we can utilize one another's services to the benefit of our clientele and one another.

Rosanne Terhart, CFE, CA our Past President and Director will be presenting the topic "Accounting Records: How They are Used to Conceal Fraud" at the 2012 ACFE Canadian Fraud Conference in Ottawa on October 28. Rosanne will be advising on "how employees hide these fraudulent transactions and what to look for when reviewing accounting records for evidence of fraud" Good stuff Rosanne! For our new members, Rosanne is a Senior Manager, at BDO Canada LLP a strong supporter and sponsor of our Chapter.



VANCOUVER CFE CHAPTER LUNCHEON

When: Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at Noon

Speaker: Dr. Robert Hanlon

Topic: Corruption in Asia

Where: Terminal City Club Ceperley/Walker Rooms
837 West Hastings St. Vancouver

Cost: \$40.00 for members and \$50.00 for guests

To register: Email: cfevancouver@yahoo.ca

Please keep in mind that the chapter must confirm to the TCC the number of guests 48 hours prior to event. If you are unable to attend the luncheon notify Jean at least 48 hours prior to the event at the email above to ensure you will not be charged the cost of the lunch.

Upcoming events:

Canadian Fraud Conference in Ottawa, Ontario
October 28 to 31, 2012

Our chapter's past President and current board member, Rosanne Terhart, will be speaking on October 29th and the topic of her presentation will be Accounting Records - How They Are Used to Conceal Fraud.

For more information:

<http://www.acfe.com/events.aspx?id=4294972559>

ACFE Vancouver Annual General Meeting

When: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 at Noon

Speakers: Micheal Vonn, Policy Director, BCCLA
Others TBD

Topics: Privacy and Electronic Health Records
Others TBD

Where: Terminal City Club Ceperley/Walker Rooms
837 West Hastings St. Vancouver

Cost: TBD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

Please do continue to visit our website, following the links and offering your suggestions as they come to mind. Our next luncheon meeting at the Terminal City Club in Vancouver is on October 24, 2012 when you can get to know your fellow members and share your wealth of knowledge.

Take care and once again we thank you for your support.

Norm Grdina, CGA, CAFM, CFE President, Vancouver Chapter

OCTOBER SPEAKERS BIO

Dr. Robert Hanlon is a Research Fellow at the Institute of Asian Research, UBC, as well as a lecturer of political science at SFU. He is also an Associate Faculty member at Royal Roads University in the School of Peace and Conflict Management.

Robert completed his Ph.D. from City University of Hong Kong where he researched corruption, corporate social responsibility and human rights violations in Asia. He has a Master's degree in Peace and Conflict Resolution from the University of Queensland (Australia) and a BA in political science and philosophy from the University of Victoria.

He has been a visiting scholar at the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford (United Kingdom), the Liu Institute for Global Issues, UBC, and the Sasin Graduate Institute of Business Administration, Chulalongkorn University (Thailand).

Robert's work has appeared throughout scholarly publications and media including a book on human rights and rule of law in Sri Lanka. He is currently revising a new book on private sector bribery in China, Cambodia and Thailand. Since 2011, he has acted as a contributing editor for Transparency International's Anti-Corruption Research Network (Berlin) and as a commission blogger for the



Find a Fraud Examiner

The Vancouver Chapter website <http://cfevancouver.com/examiners> has a section called **Find a Fraud Examiner** where members in private practice or those willing to take outside jobs can advertise.

If you are a CFE and a current member of the Vancouver Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and you would like your name and contact information on our website, please send the following information to us at website@cfevancouver.com and put '**Find a Fraud Examiner**' in the subject line.

Name:

Professional Designation(s):

Title:

Company:

Address:

Telephone #:

Fax:

Cell Phone #:

Email:

Website:

Specialty or Area(s) of Practice: *

** For instance, Forensic Accounting, Risk Consulting, Investigation, Employment Law, etc. We are also happy to accept a short narrative description of your services. Please note that other than name, each of these fields is entirely optional.*

Website Jobs Posting

A feature of the website is a Jobs Posting page <http://cfevancouver.com/postings>. We are offering a free posting to any companies who have even one employee as a member of our chapter.

To post a position, contact John Dumfries or Russ Lefler at website@cfevancouver.com.

OCTOBER SPEAKERS BIO CONTINUED

Asia Pacific Foundation's National Conversation on Asia initiative.

Outside academia, Robert spent two years working for the Asian Human Rights Commission on the Cambodia, Sri Lanka and Thailand portfolios. He primarily worked with the organization's urgent appeals program on issues of torture, extra-judicial killings and enforced disappearances.

Robert has also been active with the private sector while serving as a consultant for major multinational corporations on issues of business and human rights in the Global South. He has also worked for the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong and the High Commission of Canada in Australia.

October Speaker Abstract

With over 30 active RCMP investigations underway, Canada is now considered one of the most improved nations in the world for enforcing anti-corruption laws. High profile bribery cases involving Canadian firms are raising serious questions concerning the ethics of doing business abroad.

In this talk, Dr. Robert Hanlon will trace the recent events that have prompted the string of crackdown on companies that have allegedly engaged in corrupt practices. He will explore the history behind the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act (CFPOA), the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Anti-Bribery convention, as well as the American Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).

Dr. Hanlon will also explain how the global anti-corruption discourse is shaping national law, a development that will bring significant consequences to Canadian industry operating overseas while raising new challenges for fraud investigators.



Books about white collar crooks

October's featured book is: "The Mark Inside: A Perfect Swindle, a Cunning Revenge, and a Small History of the Big Con" by Amy Reading. It describes the story of a fraud victim in early 20th century America and how he takes the law into his own hands. The protagonist searched for those that wronged him often while posing as a confidence man himself and/or another potential victim (or mark) as the situation merited. It is a work of non-fiction since it is based on memoirs of those involved and archived newspaper stories and legal documents but it has the pacing and twists and turns of fiction.

An interesting tidbit from the book:

The association of Certified Fraud Examiners was founded in 1988 by Joseph T. Wells but perhaps the first US anti-fraud organization was founded in 1919 by the New York Stock Exchange. It was referred to as the Business Men's Anti-Stock Swindling League. It was comprised of commercial bankers, leaders of industry, trade associations and the American Federation of Labor who banded together with the NYSE publicists to broadcast news of unethical stock promoters and inform investors of those reputable brokerages with seats on the exchange.

In The News

I used to get calls from people offering to fix my computer on a monthly basis....hmm:

<http://www.ottawacitizen.com/technology/Regulator+charges+firm+s+with+tricking+consumers+into+paying/7339386/story.html>

Another large bust by the US healthcare strike force:

<http://www.latimes.com/news/politics/la-pn-430-million-healthcare-fraud-20121004,0,3526323.story>

RCMP Seize over a 1,000 cards:

<http://www.vancouversun.com/news/RCMP+seize+stolen+cards+fraud+probe/7304365/story.html>

Don't use any of these passwords:

http://mashable.com/2012/09/24/pin-number-top-20/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Mashable+%28Mashable%29

In the news continued

There is no "unlike" button on Facebook, or for this article: http://news.cnet.com/8301-13578_3-57515398-38/sec-probes-possibly-fraudulent-facebook-pre-ipo-sales/?sf6157953=1

Another Bre-X? Do investors or fraudsters ever learn?:

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/story/2012/09/17/bc-gold-mine-fraud-paterson.html>

When good former forensic accountants go bad:

<http://www.thestar.com/news/gta/article/1252000--ontario-private-eyes-nabbed-in-turks#.UE4uL5J56CI.twitter>

\$400 million Ponzi scheme in Calgary:

<http://www2.canada.com/calgaryherald/news/city/story.html?id=ba305fa-1559-4362-af3c-0422788d3cd6>

Whistleblowers or mercenaries?:

<http://money.cnn.com/2012/10/04/investing/irs-whistleblower/index.html>

Newsletter article quiz

According to the above article on whistleblowers, how many awards did the IRS give between 2007 and 2011?

Send answer to newsletter@cfevancouver.com for a chance to win a \$20 Starbucks gift certificate.

Chapter member profile

Latika Martins graduated with a business degree from Cardiff University, Wales in 2002. She is a Certified General Accountant (CGA) and has over 9 years of experience in accounting and finance.

Latika currently works as a controller with the Super Save Group based in Surrey, BC. She leads the accounting team overseeing internal controls and regulatory compliance for the group. She is also the primary liaison for the company's credit card providers and works closely to ensure that payment card fraud is prevented in the organization.

Latika received her CFE designation in July 2012 and is looking forward to being an active member of the Vancouver Chapter.



Chapter news

Congratulations to former chapter board member Jo Orton who gave birth to Zoe Anne Kennedy Merkley on September 19th, weighing 5lbs13oz & both baby and Mom are doing well.

If you haven't already is that time of year again for members to complete the registration form and renew their ACFE Vancouver chapter membership. Chapter membership has many benefits such as discounted PD luncheon fees, access to the newsletter, job postings, and the Find a Fraud Examiner webpage. The membership fees cover the period October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013. It is \$95.20 for regular membership and \$28.00 for student membership. The fees have stayed the same this year.

Click here to complete the form and submit it to Jean Michel cfevancouver@yahoo.ca:

http://cfevancouver.com/files/RegistrationRenewal_2012_2013.pdf

Members and the public are able to connect with the ACFE Vancouver chapter via social media sites such as Twitter and LinkedIn. To find out about PD events, job postings, network with fellow members and keep up to date with the latest fraud news add/follow us on social media sites.

Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/ACFE_Vancouver

LinkedIn: http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=3964400&trk=hb_side_g

I would like to welcome our new sponsors the BC Securities Commission's InvestRight and Be Fraud Aware program.



News Release from BCSC:

On October 1st, The British Columbia Securities Commission launched the second year of its three-year Be Fraud Aware campaign to educate British Columbians about the dangers of investment fraud. The campaign uses two compelling province-wide television commercials: "Stolen Dreams" and "Two Faced"; three YouTube videos; and a mobile application to alert people to the warning signs of investment fraud.

"We want British Columbians to fraud-proof themselves by recognizing and avoiding investment fraud. We also want people to report investment fraud when they encounter or suspect it," said BCSC Chair, Brenda Leong.

The [two commercials](#) feature David Johnson, a suave, obviously successful fraudster, who uses his persuasive powers to con people out of their money. "Stolen Dreams" shows how victims are often introduced to the fraudster through relationships of trust within their own communities. "Two-Faced" uses a split screen to demonstrate both the sales pitch and the underlying motives of a fraudster.

"We want people to see just how charismatic and charming these people can be when they are pitching an investment. We modeled him on descriptions of high profile convicted fraudsters like Ian Thow, Bernie Madoff and Earl Jones," said Leong.

[Three YouTube videos](#) provide more insight into how con artists and investment schemes actually work: "Ponzi 101" and "Know Your Victim"; and "Fraudster Exposed 2", a compelling story of how reporting can make a difference.

Coming soon to the Apple App Store is a Be Fraud Aware app that will provide people with important information and tools to help protect them from investment fraud. The campaign is produced in English, Punjabi, Mandarin and Cantonese. October is Investor Education month.

For media inquiries, please contact Richard Gilhooley, media relations, 604-899-6713. For public inquiries, please call 604 899 6854 or 1 800 373 6393 (toll free).



Reporting to the BCSC

Time and time again, the BCSC hears reasons for not reporting: “it is too difficult”; “I do not know who to report it to”; “I am too embarrassed”; “I am too ashamed”; “I signed a confidentiality agreement” ...the list goes on and on.

The benefits of reporting far exceed the reasons not to. So please look for the investment fraud warning signs, and report to the BCSC anything you think is suspicious – whether it involves you, your family, or your friends.

There are a variety of ways you can report suspicious activity that involves the buying and selling of securities.

The BCSC makes it as easy as possible for anyone to report to them.

- You can phone the inquiries line 604-899-6854 or 1-800-373-6393. You will be able to talk to one of their staff to outline your concerns.
- You can report anonymously, or you can give the BCSC your contact information so their investigators can follow-up with you.
- You can fill out a [complaint form](#) and email it to inquiries@bcsc.bc.ca.
- You can respond to their blog in the form of a comment, and they will follow-up to get more information.
- You can fill out [Report a Scam](#) and simply click on the submit button and it will go right to the Inquiries Group.

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BCSC in the news:

Link to September BCSC enforcement roundup:

http://www.investright.org/news_post.aspx?blogid=213&id=884

BCSC alleges fraud in a real estate investment scheme:

<http://www.bcsc.bc.ca/release.aspx?id=15758>

BCSC will be giving public presentations to Surrey and Penticton and other events:

http://www.investright.org/news_post.aspx?blogid=213&id=881

CEO of BCSC, Brenda Leong will be at the Vancouver Board of Trade October 30th:

<http://www.boardoftrade.com/events/overview/3751227474.aspx>

BCSC releases decision on Bossteam:

<http://www.bcsc.bc.ca/release.aspx?id=15838>

Part 1,2,3 of GlobalTV's story on Investment Fraud:

<http://www.globaltvbc.com/series/6442725667/story.html>

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