

# Shorelines

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### Monthly Meeting at the Capilano Golf and Country Club

420 Southborough Drive, West Vancouver, 604-922-9331

Coffee and Fellowship: 9:00 am, Club Business and Speaker: 9:30 - 11:15 am

**Monday, November 5th**

*with speaker*

**Dr. Cheryl Wellington, Centre for Brain Health, UBC**

*“Concussion and Dementia”*



Dr. Wellington obtained her PhD at UBC and performed post-doctoral fellowships at Harvard Medical School, the University of Calgary, and the University of British Columbia. She joined the UBC Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine in 2000 and was promoted to Professor in 2011.

Dr. Wellington’s research program encompasses the genetic and environmental risk factors that affect dementia, including history of traumatic brain injury (TBI), and cerebrovascular dysfunction. Her current research projects include drug discovery efforts to increase apolipoprotein function in the brain for application to both Alzheimer’s Disease and TBI, understanding the relationships between TBI and dementia, and innovative tissue engineering approaches to investigate cerebrovascular function in health and disease. Dr. Wellington’s niche expertise affords her a truly unique perspective. She is a highly sought-after speaker to both scientific and lay audiences and an active member of a wide range of multidisciplinary teams, committees, and grant review panels. She has served on the Editorial Board for the Journal of Lipid Research, and has demonstrated strong leadership in heading a team from the Canadian Consortium on Neurodegeneration of Aging. Dr. Wellington has published 95 peer-reviewed articles and 24 invited reviews. She is an enthusiastic mentor, and is actively engaged in service to the UBC community. She has supervised 38 research trainees, and founded a UBC Collaborative Grant Workshop Program that provides post-doctoral fellows with advanced skills in grant writing and reviewing.

### Annual Christmas Luncheon

**Monday, December 10th**

**West Vancouver Yacht Club**

**With Special Guest - Brent “Soup” Hayden (see page 2...)**

**Registrations and payments accepted by mail**

**You can also bring your payment of \$50 to the November meeting.**

**Note: This luncheon is for MEMBERS ONLY.**



## President's Notes



I was pleased to announce at our October meeting that Herb Grubel has joined our Management Committee as Vice President. We now have a complete Management Committee with a good balance of new members and those who have served for the past few years. Certainly, our speakers program is the highlight for most members and I am pleased to see our new Speakers Chair, Gord Bird, has really stepped up confirming our speakers for the next few months.

We have Thanksgiving behind us and Remembrance Day just ahead. Hopefully we were all able to have our families join us for Thanksgiving and will be able to take the time to attend ceremonies to honour and remember those who served and sacrificed to make our world a better place. We should also take the time to remember those of our friends and fellow PROBUS members who are no longer with us.

Gord Cook and his team have organized another Christmas lunch at the West Vancouver Yacht Club which will be an enjoyable event for our members. Finally, we have an excellent speaker for November, Dr. Cheryl Wellington, who is a UBC professor that has great insights into us aging old people. Hope to see you in sunny November.

*Jim Grey*

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## Brent "Soup" Hayden

### Annual Christmas Luncheon Guest Speaker Brent (Soup) Hayden



*"There is a moment just before the official blows the whistle, while the crowd is going crazy, I stare down my lane towards the wall at the other end. The noise becomes drowned out by the sound of my own breath and heartbeat. For a moment, my world is still, and this is where I feel the most alive."*

Brent will speak about his journey from failing swim lessons to becoming Canada's first 100m freestyle Olympic medalist and the fastest swimmer in Canadian history.

Bring your cheque for \$50 to the November meeting to secure your reservation at this luncheon. You can also mail it to

PROBUS North Shore Vancouver,  
P.O. Box 92042,  
West Vancouver, BC, V7V 4X4.

Please include your reservation form which was sent previously.



**Don't miss your chance to hear Brent's presentation at our Christmas Luncheon  
December 10th.  
REGISTER NOW!**

*Gordon Cook*

## New Members Introduced and Welcomed at October Meeting



**Remy Gobet** (*member since October 2018*) Remy was born in France and got a B.Sc. in Civil Engineering from the University of Surrey in England. He moved to Deep Cove in 1974 and has lived there ever since.

He has worked as a Professional Engineer and in Project Management in pulp and paper as well as public works, rapid transit, water treatment and highways. Among others, he has worked for H.A.Simons and Hatch Mott MacDonald. Apart from North America, he has worked in the UK, New Zealand, Taiwan and Indonesia.

Travel is still an interest, as well as art.



**Dave MacLachan** (*member since October 2018*) Dave was born in Vancouver and got a BA in Mathematics at UBC. That led to a career in Broadcasting starting with CKNW and then CHNS radio in Halifax. He came home in 1986 to work in television with

CKVU-TV, which then ultimately became CityTV after a multitude of transactions all mediated by the CRTC. Anyway, he survived the lot and was the Business Manager of CityTV when he retired.

Now he is the Advisory Board Chair of the WV Seniors Centre and a Kiwanis member, and enjoys travelling and playing golf.



**Hugh Scott** (*member since October 2018*) Hugh was born in Manitoba and got his degree in Mechanical Engineering from North Dakota State and soon got into business for himself building up what became the Scott Construction Group,

based in Calgary but doing work in the building envelope restorations and hazardous material removal across Western Canada. The Group was broken up and sold fifteen years ago but he still retains an interest in Sealtech Restorations in Calgary.

Now he keeps busy fishing, pursuing other outdoor activities, travelling and golf (he was a Special Olympics coach).



**President Jim Grey welcomes new members**



**Greeters Jim Graham and Harold Aldous**

*Special thanks to photographer Darryl Stodalka*

## Vancouver Police Museum Visit

### Vancouver Police Museum Visit and Sins of the City Walking Tour

Fourteen PROBUS members, including one from the Women's North Shore Club, assembled at the Police Museum, 240 East Cordova Street in the heart of Vancouver's Downtown Eastside at 0930 on September 20th. We were met by our Guide Rosslyn Shipp, the Director of the Museum for our tour of the Museum.

The Museum, housed in Vancouver's former city morgue, was opened in 1986 to commemorate the centennial of the Vancouver Police Department and the City of Vancouver. It focuses on the history of crime and law enforcement in Vancouver. The displays included historical crimes, tools for scientific (forensic) investigation and more. During the tour, as well as viewing the interesting historic artifacts, we learned about some of the more sensational crimes in Vancouver's past.

The second part of the event was a guided *Sins of the City* walking tour. It went through the streets and narrow alleys of Chinatown and past some of the derelict dens of the Downtown Eastside. Our guide pointed out locations that were involved with or related to Vancouver's legendary history of drugs, discrimination, prohibition, sex and scandal. As the first drops of the threatening rain began to fall, the tour ended in Gastown at the Blarney Stone Pub for lunch.

*John Elliott*



## Remembering Members Who Passed

Each November our newsletter includes a column to remember our members who passed away this year:

*Sunset and evening star  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning of the bar  
When I put out to sea,*

*But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out the boundless deep  
Turns again home.*

*Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell,  
When I embark;*

*For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crost the bar.*

*- Lord Alfred Tennyson*



## Parking at CGCC



As the golf season is ending on October 20th, the upper parking lot at Capilano Golf and Country Club will be available for those attending our PROBUS meetings. This facility will now be available for PROBUS members until the spring opening of the golf season. For those of you who struggle with the entrance steps, there is an elevator available with access by the pathway immediately to the right (west) of the entrance stairs.

*Gary Sutherland*

## Last Month Speaker - Peter Klein



**Speaker Peter Klein thanked by President Jim Grey with a bowl hand crafted by a member.**

### **Risks To Democracy**

**When the Fourth Estate Comes Under Fire**

Peter W Klein, Executive Director of the  
Global Reporting Centre

Peter Klein is an award-winning associate professor of journalism at UBC, and founder of the Global Reporting Centre. It is dedicated to highlighting important neglected stories around the world, in areas such as human rights, the environment and public health, and to look for solutions-oriented journalism.

Prof. Klein spoke of Donald Trump's constant attacks on the media, and the ranting about "fake news." This approach is not new and was used successfully by Adolf Hitler, Stalin and others. If you continually tell your supporters that an apple is a banana, eventually they will believe it's a banana: "Lying Hillary", "Little Rocket Man," "The lying press", "Obama is a Muslim and not born in the US, etc." Fox News is the de facto organ of the Trump Whitehouse, and Sean Hannity, his devoted mouthpiece. (To listen to him is jarring.) Spokeswoman Kellyanne Conway's phrase, "There are alternate facts" speaks volumes of the Trump Presidency's disregard for truth. He and his supporters also have a blatant disregard for scientific facts and dismiss global warming as more fake news.

Many sources generate the false stories about Trump's enemies. These stories originate from people in several countries, and for different reasons. In the US, his loyal base of trolls will be responsible for many of them, as well as in Russia, "which has a whole factory of trolls." We are told that Russia had some part in helping Trump be elected. These reports are mostly disseminated through social media like Instagram, Twitter and Facebook. People who get their news from them are called Low Information Voters. They base their decisions on limited, uncorroborated information and emotion.

Journalists have made mistakes too. Brian Ross, after

twenty-four years with ABC News, was fired for a report that Michael T. Flynn, the former national security adviser, had been directed by Trump to make contact with Russian officials during the 2016 campaign. This was false. Estimates range that Trump has unintentionally received between two and five billion dollars worth of free advertising by the traditional media, and has boosted their revenues considerably.

How can journalists fight this problem? The simple answer is by not reporting about him. If there was a news blackout, he may not have won, but Fox News would never cooperate. Alternately, the media must continue to expose the lies and bring honest and accurate reporting to all the news platforms.

*Ken Bryden*

## Meet Our New Vice President



Herb Grubel is Professor of Economics (Emeritus) at Simon Fraser University and Senior Fellow at The Fraser Institute in Vancouver, BC, Canada.

He has a B.A. from Rutgers University (1958) and a Ph.D. in economics from Yale University (1963). He has taught full-time at Stanford University, the University of Chicago, and the University of Pennsylvania; and has had temporary appointments at universities in Berlin, Singapore, Cape Town, Nairobi, Oxford, Canberra and Bologna.

Herbert Grubel was the Reform Party Member of Parliament in Ottawa for Capilano-Howe Sound from 1993 to 1997, serving as the Finance Critic from 1995 to 1997.

He has published 27 books and more than 130 professional articles in economics, dealing with international trade and finance and a wide range of economic policy issues. His recent research interests include the economics of monetary union and the economics and politics of Canadian immigration.

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