

BCCPA NEWS

Community Partners in Crime Prevention

Responsibility + Action = Power 36th Annual Training Symposium Highlights

October 30th through November 1st marked BCCPA's 36th Annual Training Symposium, titled *Responsibility + Action = Power*, this year's symposium recognized the importance for everyone within a community to take responsibility for their community's wellbeing and, by doing so, creating a sense of empowerment.

Pre-symposium activities held on October 30th allowed crime prevention practitioners and police personnel to network and discuss issues impacting crime prevention initiatives during the BCCPA Provincial Police Round Table. Meanwhile, in an adjacent room, BC Citizens on Patrol Network volunteers attended a full day training session designed to provide updated information about the evolution of the Citizens Patrol Network Program, documentation and communication procedures, and information on the Stolen Auto Recovery Program.

Official Symposium activities opened on Friday morning with the 15th annual Realty Watch Police Breakfast. Delegates enjoyed a full breakfast hosted by Realty Watch, while learning about the unique and effective community partnership of Realty Watch across the Lower Mainland. Superintendent Chris Kennedy of the North Vancouver RCMP described to delegates the *Lower Lonsdale Policing Project* "LOLO" as an example of a community policing initiative used to lower crime rates by utilizing uniformed foot patrols in areas that receive a higher number of calls for police attendance. Surrey RCMP, Chief Superintendent Bill Fordy concluded the Realty Watch Breakfast with a discussion on leadership in policing and crime prevention. The morning continued with Jesse Miller, a social media safety expert, delivering a keynote on how social media has embedded into our society. Jesse highlighted how online sharing has entered many different learning environments causing positive outcomes for some and chaos for others, including the consequences mobile technology combined with personal sharing might have in the workplace.

The day continued with the Ministry of Justice Community Safety & Crime Prevention Awards luncheon where 19 individuals and groups were recognized for their outstanding contributions towards crime prevention and community safety in BC.

The day ended with an array of workshops highlighting promising programs and practices from around the province.

Proceedings on Saturday began with Phil Eastwood, Fiore Group Training Inc, providing a highlight of training that has been developed for those working with members of the public to provide workers with the tools to pre-

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From the Executive Director's Desk...

Welcome to the fall edition of BCCPA News.

Over the past several months, BCCPA staff and directors have been busy planning the annual training symposium and Crime Prevention Week resources.

For those who were able to join us at the annual training symposium, thank you! Evaluations and feedback received from delegates showed that the keynotes and workshops were well attended and informative. Opportunities to mingle and network were embraced by all throughout the event. The planning committee values the feedback received from delegates, which will be used to measure the effectiveness of the learning and value to participants and provide a tool for areas of improvement for future planning committees.

Appreciation must also be extended to our staff and board of directors who have worked together for the past year planning and developing a program which was described as rich in content. Their on-site support and willingness to introduce speakers, present workshops, and direct delegates are just a few examples of their commitment to ensuring people's needs get met.

We recognize and apologize for the conflicts which may have resulted from the symposium running during Halloween, this will be taken into consideration in the planning of future symposiums. Mark your calendars for November 5th - 7th 2015, where the annual symposium will also provide the venue for Crime Prevention Week wrap-up activities at the Delta Burnaby Hotel and Conference Centre.

19 community safety and crime prevention heroes were recognized during the Ministry of Justice Community Safety and Crime Prevention Awards ceremony, held during the symposium. On behalf the staff, board and our membership we congratulate all award recipients and nominees for their continued efforts in creating safe and healthy communities for British Columbians in all corners of the province.

Crime Prevention Week was kicked-off during the symposium. Thank you for the support and collaboration of our partners from Public Safety Canada, BC Ministry of Justice, RCMP E Division, Transit Police and ICBC for their assistance in developing the daily Crime Prevention Week Tip Sheets and making this year's Crime Prevention Week a success. This year's week exceeded previous year's Twitter activity and BCCPA gained several new followers during the course of the week.

The past year has been one of progress and growth. We owe much of this success to outgoing President, Sgt. Rob Smith. Rob has been instrumental in building a stable foundation for the future to launch into a new year. His never ending passion for the association and crime prevention community has inspired many to follow him in his quest to ensure sustainability of support for front line programs and community groups. Rob has been the champion of several causes during his many years associated to the association and board. His unconditional support, patience and guidance have been key in allowing us to reshape the look and future of BCCPA. While he moves into what we promise to be an active Past President position, we thank him for his leadership and spirit he brings to the work he does during his paid and volunteer positions.

We look forward to working with our incoming President, Insp. Marcie Flamand, and the 2014-2015 Board of Directors. Please visit the BCCPA website www.bccpa.org for the biographies of the board members.

I close by sending one more thank you to Jessica Bindisch one of our program support staff who has accepted an exciting new full time position. Jessica joined us a practicum student and has grown and developed into a valued employee and friend of BCCPA and Police Victim Services of BC. We thank her for countless contributions and attention to detail. Jessica has been a great compliment to our team and will be greatly missed.

As fall comes to an end and winter approaches we wish everyone a safe and warm changing of the seasons.

Carolyn Sinclair
Executive Director, BCCPA

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vent violence in the workplace, as legislated by WorkSafe BC. Former Hell’s Angel member Joe Calendino, Cst. Brandon Steele of the Vancouver Police Department, and Amanda showcased the Yo Bro Project, a partnership established between Joe and members of the Vancouver Police department to prevent youth from becoming involved in gangs and to assist youth in getting out of gang activity.

After a morning break-out session where delegates had another opportunity to learn about established programs in the community the day ended with Karen Klyne of ICBC highlighting the impact of distracted driving. Karen spoke of the various initiatives and media campaigns designed to raise awareness of distracted driving, which has become the second leading cause of car crash fatalities in BC.

The BC Crime Prevention Association would like to thank our sponsors for their contributions in making this year’s symposium a success:

- Block Watch Society of BC
- City of Burnaby
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Mark your calendars for the 37th Annual Training Symposium to be held November 5th through 7th, 2015 at the Delta Burnaby Hotel and Conference Centre.

Community Safety and Crime Prevention Heroes Recognized

Each year the Ministry of Justice hosts the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Awards to celebrate and recognize the individuals and groups who have made outstanding contributions to crime prevention and community safety in BC. These awards illustrate the positive lasting impacts that can result from the dedication of a group of concerned citizens. From working with at-risk youth and vulnerable children, preventing violence against women and sexual exploitation, and preventing youth involvement in gangs, to community policing, assisting trafficked persons, and advancing restorative justice, the recipients of this year’s awards have gone the extra mile to help prevent crime and keep our communities safe. This year’s Awards Ceremony was emceed by Media personality Arran Henn.



Anthony J. Hulme Award of Distinction – Lifetime Contribution

Terrance (Terry) Moist - Campbell River

Terry is described as a supportive, guiding hand, and visionary with the view that at-risk youth need enhanced services. Terry has demonstrated his long term commitment to crime prevention, restorative justice, and community safety by volunteering for 36 years on the board of directors of the John Howard Society of North Island.

Kenneth M. Lemckert Community Policing Award

Carol-Ann Rolls, North Cowichan RCMP – Duncan

Now retired from the RCMP, Carol-Ann has been the coordinator of volunteers for the Cowichan Region Community Policing and Crime Prevention Society since 2003. Carol-Ann is responsible for the training and supervision of approximately 100 volunteers who work in partnership with the RCMP.

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Wael T. Audi Youth Policing Award

Constable Joshua Smith, Lytton RCMP – Lytton

Cst. Smith identified the local community resources and support for a youth wrestling program in 2013. A year later, he was able to secure the necessary funds to purchase high quality wrestling mats and launched the wrestling program, which is open to youth in Lytton, Skuppah, Nicomen, Kanaka Bar and Siska First Nations, and the surrounding villages.

Detective Constable Jim Fisher, Vancouver Police Department – Vancouver

Det. Cst. Fisher was the lead investigator in the recent human trafficking investigation of Reza Moazami conducted by the Vancouver Police Counter Exploitation Unit. In September 2014, Moazami was convicted of 30 counts of prostitution and sex assault related offences involving 11 young women between 14 and 19 years old.

Dr. Liz Elliot Restorative Justice Memorial Award

Community Justice Centre – Courtenay

For over 16 years, the Community Justice Centre (CJC) has been an innovative, community-based restorative justice program. CJC has trained rosters of certified facilitators for incidents involving racism, homophobia and hate crime, as well as elders to support Aboriginal clients, business representatives who act on behalf of small-business, and translators for 18 languages.

Abbotsford Restorative Justice and Advocacy Association – Abbotsford

With a small core group of staff supported by over 70 volunteers and with more than 1,100 cases since 2003, the Abbotsford Restorative Justice and Advocacy Association is dedicated to finding innovative ways to impart and engage in restorative values, practices and interventions for the citizens of Abbotsford and beyond.

Crime Prevention and Community Safety Award for a Community Organization

The KidSafe Project Society – Vancouver

The KidSafe Project Society was launched in 1993 in response to a tragedy that saw an eight year old child assaulted and abandoned in a vacant apartment during school break. To date, the society has provided over one million nutritious meals and 2.6 million hours of safety, support, and programming during school breaks at six inner-city elementary schools in Vancouver.

Ann Davis Transition Society – Chilliwack

For more than 30 years, the Ann Davis Transition Society (ADTS) has exemplified leadership in community safety and crime prevention by offering shelter and support to women and children leaving abusive situations. ADTS provided services to more than 2,600 clients last year, 600 of whom were children.

Hope Crime Prevention Society – Hope

The volunteer-led, non-profit society has 55 members and runs several programs including a night patrol, day patrol, tunnel watch, Block Watch and Speed Watch. The programs have been successful largely because of the commitment of their volunteers. Between 2012 and 2013, property crime in the Hope area decreased by 17%.

Mary Manning Centre – Victoria

Since 1984, the Mary Manning Centre has provided counselling services to child survivors of sexual abuse. The Mary Manning Centre makes its services accessible to all, accommodating the needs of both children and parents and has helped thousands of people - children, youth and families - to heal and recover.

Crime Prevention and Community Safety Award for an Individual

Jodie McNeice - Port Coquitlam

Jodie has been an avid crime prevention and community safety practitioner for more than 15 years in her role as Port Coquitlam Community Police manager. Jodie is actively involved with the anti-bullying campaign ‘I Am Someone’, and was also the recipient of the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 in recognition of her work.

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Wendy Kellas - Prince George

Wendy is the manager of the Highway of Tears Initiative at Carrier Sekani Family Services in Prince George. The initiative aims to support families and communities in their efforts towards health and vibrancy, and to educate Aboriginal community members and service providers about the potential dangers of hitchhiking along Highway 16.

Dr. Claire Vanston – Nanaimo

Dr. Vanston has worked in adolescent crime prevention, prevention of sexual exploitation, sexual empowerment, and youth advocacy for the last six years. Dr. Vanston has developed new evidence-based curriculum for elementary and high school students about healthy relationships and age appropriate discussions on sexual consent, sexual privacy and personal responsibility.

Safe Youth Cowichan, Safer Futures – Duncan

For two years, this group of young citizens has been engaging youth, working with schools and local governments and collaborating with social agencies and committees. They speak out to educate others on issues such as street harassment, stereotypes, racism, differences between genders, transportation, design of community environments, and safety for youth.

Corporate Award

FortisBC – Surrey

FortisBC has worked with the John Howard Society of Central and South Okanagan to develop the Residential Energy Efficiency Works Program (REnEW). Under program manager Ned Georgy, REnEW provides training in the energy efficiency retrofit industry to those with criminal records. Results include a 70% rate of employment for graduates.

Media Award

Sergeant Lindsey Houghton - Surrey

Sgt. Houghton has been key in redefining the media relations officer program and anti-gang strategy at the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit - BC over the past year. In December 2013, Sgt. Houghton was instrumental in the launch of the “End Gang Life” media campaign, a bold anti-gang campaign designed to give gangsters pause about their lifestyle choices.

Volunteer Award

Pat Lunzmann – Merritt

Pat started the Speed Watch program in the Nicola Valley in 1996 and has been raising awareness about speeding and supporting road safety programs in her community with great passion ever since. She has developed close working relationships with ICBC, the Central Interior Traffic Services (Merritt Division), and First Nations partners.

Danny Gelmon – Vancouver

Danny has been a member of Citizens Crime Watch since 1993 and plays an integral role in the training and recruiting of new volunteers. He has attended close to 900 Citizens Crime Watch patrols, equalling more than 5,300 volunteer hours. He has also been a member of the Bait Car team and a volunteer with the Downtown Granville Community Police Centre.

Jean Grant – Abbotsford

At 88 years old, Jean is an exemplary model of volunteer commitment in Abbotsford. She has been involved in crime prevention and community safety since 1992 when she joined forces with the former Matsqui Police to form a volunteer group called Seniors Help and Awareness.





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Crime Prevention Week 2014

Crime Prevention is Everyone's Responsibility

Everyday across the province, citizens are impacted by the effects of crime in our communities. Awareness is the best protection against crime. Many people may not realize that the simple actions that they can take to make a difference not only their own lives, but the lives of those in their communities. Power to instill change is found in the knowledge that each of us hold, which creates a responsibility to do what we can, in our communities to bring awareness to the issues impacting the sense of safety and wellbeing.

Crime Prevention Week is an annual event, which runs November 1st through 7th, bringing together members of the community to participate in events promoting and supporting crime prevention and safe neighbourhoods. This year's theme "*Crime Prevention is Everyone's Responsibility*" highlighted the issues of: youth involvement in gangs; sexual exploitation of children; preventing violence against women; auto crime prevention; safety on public transit; crime prevention; and the prevention of revictimization.

Daily tip sheets were created to highlight the impact that these issues have within our communities and the role community members can play in partnership with organizations within our communities to address the issues. BCCPA would like to thank BC Ministry of Justice, RCMP 'E' Division, Public Safety Canada, Transit Police and ICBC for their contributions and collaboration towards the daily tip sheets.

Crime Prevention Week tip sheets will remain available under the Events section of the BCCPA website at www.bccpa.org/crimepreventionweek



Past President Rob Smith presenting the Crime Prevention Week Proclamation



Vehicle License Plate Changes

You may have noticed, while you have been out patrolling your streets or parking lots or taking down plates during your Speed Watch blitz, something new about vehicle licence plates. Starting June 2014 ICBC began introducing a new format to vehicle licence plates issued for passenger vehicles. The new format is "AA0 00A" (two letter, a number, a space, two numbers then a letter).

Believe it or not, this new format was introduced because the unique number and letter combinations which had been in effect has nearly run out. The original alphanumeric AAA 000 format had been introduced in 1970 and was switched to the current numerical alpha 000 AAA format in 2001. It is anticipated that this new format will last approximately eight to ten years.



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Membership Renewals

Just a friendly reminder that your BCCPA is valid from January 1st through to December 31st. Membership renewals will be sent out shortly. Please remember to renew your membership to continue to receive membership benefits such as discounted rates for the annual training symposium and access to BCCPA News.

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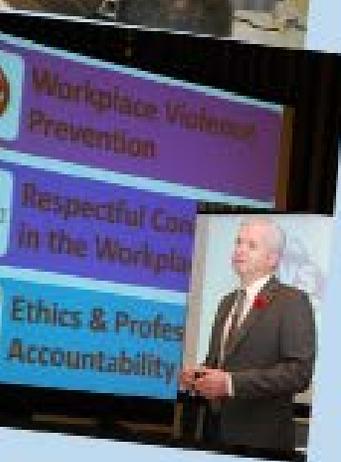
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