

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT to the
COLUMBUS LONG TERM CARE SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on JUNE 28, 2017**

Four board members are eligible for re-election this year. Richard Da Costa, Armand Giroday and Edwin Hawthorne have agreed to have their name put forward for re-election. Stanley Pidsadny (3 years), Donna Trasolini (4 years), Greg Rahn (8 years), our Chairman, Mike Steffen (6 years) are stepping down from the Board of Directors. We are most grateful for these individual's many contributions to the Board and various committees they sat on and wish them the very best in their future endeavours.

Roger Bissoondatt, Tom Crean, Laura Fitzpatrick, and David Robinson have accepted their nomination to the Board for the 2017-2020 term.

Roger is and has been the CFO for the BC Liquor Distribution Branch (BCLDB) for 18 years. For approximately 8 years prior, he was the organization's chief auditor. This Crown Corporation contributes about \$1billion annually to the provincial government and under Roger's direction the BCLDB has consistently surpassed revenue targets, including driving a \$151 million gain in 2015-2016. Roger is a four time nominee for Canada's CFO of the Year award and this year, due largely to his outstanding leadership and mentorship skills, is nominated for the BC CFO Awards. As a member of the Knights of Columbus since 1985, Roger has assisted Councils in developing and maintaining a stable financial environment. Roger also introduced a basketball youth program, through the Knights of Columbus. Other volunteer work includes 32 years with the Burnaby Youth Secure Custody Centre for 32 years.

Tom became President of Kearney Funeral Services Ltd. in 1978 and bought Columbia Chapel, New Westminster, in 1979. In 1991 he purchased Royal Oak, Woodlawn, S. Howell and Sons (former head office 'Loewen Group'), amalgamating with Columbia. In April 2013 the BC Funeral Service Association, celebrating its 100th Anniversary, honoured Tom and his family as the only founding member, still in business. In 2016, Tom sold his shares in the firm to his brother Michael, acquiring land in Surrey to rezone the Lower Mainland's first new cemetery in 50 years. By invitation, Tom has offered testimony to regulators in many jurisdictions including Ottawa, New York and Washington, D.C., trying to improve funeral and cemetery ethics and practice. An SFU Anthropology student Matthew Hayes actually made a short film on Tom's endeavors which won 'Best Picture' and 'Best Screenplay' at the Annapolis Valley Film Festival: Tom Quixote: <https://vimeo.com/62996908>. Past-president of the Rotary Club of Vancouver, Tom is currently President of the Family Funeral Home Association, a founding director of the Partners In Care Alliance Society and is currently President of the Surrey Hospice Society). Tom is also a Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Information and Privacy Studies.

Laura is a Registered Massage Therapist with close to nine years of experience. She is currently contracted to Performance Health Group, working in the Surrey clinic for the past 4 1/2 years. Prior to Massage Therapy, Laura worked for the Fraser Health Authority in Home Support. Interested in this area of health care and in developing her skill set, Laura held positions in the Payroll, Billing and Scheduling departments. In her role as Scheduling Coordinator, Laura came to appreciate how multi-faceted and unique care is for each individual.

Now retired, David was a Registered Nurse whose professional career spanned 40 years. Specializing in inpatient psychiatry, David worked at McMaster University Medical Centre before moving to the West Coast where he worked at Lion's Gate Hospital, in North Vancouver, for 35 years. David is an active member of the Knights of Columbus holding various positions over the years and currently as Grand Knight of Corpus Christi Council in Vancouver.

The potential slate for Board of Directors, 2017-2018 is: Joe Apolonia, Roger Bissoondatt, Tom Crean, Richard Da Costa, Laura Fitzpatrick, Armand Giroday, Jo-Anne Harrison, Edwin Hawthorne, Bob Lewko, David Robinson, Frank Schober, and Tom Wilson.

We are requesting further nominations.

Respectfully submitted by:

Greg Rahn, Chair, Nominating Committee